

cabinet drawers, among others his collection of Japanese insects which contained some specimens of remarkable beauty. He described the habits of a large wasp, *Vespa mandarina*, and spoke of his visit to Japan some years ago, giving a most interesting sketch of the history of the capture of some of the specimens shown in the cases.

J. F.

Meeting held on Thursday evening, 12th March, at the residence of Mr. Andrew Halkett, besides whom there were present, Dr. Fletcher and Messrs. Harrington, Gibson, Young, Baldwin, Metcalfe, Letourneau and Newman.

Mr. Baldwin showed a box containing living larvæ in the cocoons and a few moths of the Wax Moth, *Galleria cerealella*; also a miscellaneous collection of moths captured at Ottawa.

Mr. Gibson exhibited a box containing moths of the genus *Homoptera*, among which was a specimen of a new species to be described soon by Dr. J. B. Smith as *H. helata*. This was taken by Mr. Baldwin, and is the first record of the moth from the Ottawa district. In the same box also was a specimen of the butterfly, *Pamphila palemon*, taken at Carlsbad Springs.

Mr. Metcalfe showed specimens of two small moths showing secondary sexual characters, and a water Hemipteron.

Mr. Harrington exhibited, among other specimens, a series of cocoons of various insects and spiders, and caddis-fly larva cases; also a series of Buprestian beetles of the genus *Chalcophora* from different lands.

Mr. Letourneau produced a box containing a number of different kinds of caterpillars nicely inflated. Among these were several specimens of the Silver-spotted Skipper, the Zebra caterpillar, the Hedgehog caterpillar and the Fall webworm.

Dr. Fletcher showed two enormous galls from California, with a few specimens of the makers, *Andricus californicus*, and read some interesting paragraphs from Miss Evelyn Groesbeeck Mitchell's recent work entitled: "Mosquito Life." Dr. Fletcher spoke in the highest terms of this work and of the convenient arrangement of the facts for reference.

Mr. Young exhibited two artistic cases of Lepidoptera, one illustrating the life history of the Spotted Halisidota, *Halisidota maculata*, the larvæ being on their food plant, the willow; and the other case, specimens of the larvæ and imagoes of the Milk-weed Moth, *Euchaetias egle*, on their food plant, the milk-weed.

The recently issued Annual Report of the Entomological Society of Ontario was laid on the table. Dr. Fletcher drew attention to some of the more interesting local captures which had been recorded in the Entomological Record.

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