

shall be applied to more than one genus in any branch of Natural History, and hence Hubner's name for these Sphinges will have to be dropped, while we return to the more familiar appellation *Darapsa*. The present rules of nomenclature are highly unsatisfactory and occasion naturalists an immense amount of useless labor; we do hope that something may be done at the next meeting of the American Association to improve matters.—Ed. CAN. ENT.

PAPILIO MACHAON IN BRITISH AMERICA.—I do not know whether the Canadian Entomologists are aware that *P. machaon* is found in British America. Some years ago I received several taken by Mr. Drexler at Rupert House, Hudson's Bay.—WM. H. EDWARDS, Coalburgh, Kanawha Co., West Virginia.

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A GUIDE TO THE STUDY OF INSECTS, and a Treatise on those Injurious and Beneficial to Crops.—For the use of Colleges, Farm-schools, and Agriculturists. By A. S. Packard, jun., M. D., Salem: Press of the Essex Institute. Parts 1 and 2, 1868. Price 50 cents each.

This new work by Dr. Packard supplies collectors and students of insects in America with what they have long searched for in vain—a thoroughly good, reliable, well-illustrated manual of structural and systematic Entomology, prepared by one who is a master in the science. We most strongly recommend all our readers to become subscribers to this work, and we assure them that they will find in it an abundant fund of interest and instruction. The two parts already issued contain clear and concise descriptions of the anatomy, transformations, geographical and geological distribution, diseases, &c. of insects; directions for collecting and preserving specimens; a list of works on Entomology; tables of classification; and the beginning of a systematic account of the order Hymenoptera. They are illustrated by 78 well-executed wood-cuts and two full-page plates; each part consisting of about 64 clearly printed pages. The work is to be completed in 8 or 12 parts, issued at short intervals; the author particularly desires that subscribers would remit for eight parts at once (\$4 in U. S. currency), and thus materially assist the publishers in getting out the work.

THE BUTTERFLIES OF NORTH AMERICA: with colored drawings and descriptions. By Wm. H. Edwards. Philadelphia: the American Entomological Society. Part 1, April, 1868. Price \$2.

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