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LITHOCOLLETIS.

27. Lithocolletis? Ornatella. N. sp.

This is the insect previously mentioned in these papers as Leucanthiza At first I was inclined to place it in Lithocolletis, but a consi deration of some of its peculiarities induced me to place it provisionally in Dr. Clemens' genus, Leucanthiza. On examination of the neuration of the wings, however, and of some other points in its structure and habits, it seems to me to belong more properly to Lithocolletis, though it differs from it in some respects and approaches Leucanthiza, and more remotely, Phylloenistis and Lyonetia. The tuft is small, resembling that of Leucan thiza more than Lithocolletis. The palpi, ascending in the living insect as in both of those genera, are, after death, usually, not simply drooping as in Lithocolletis, but laid side by side upon the coxe as in Lvonetia. Sometimes, however, they are simply drooping. (Where the "Micro" is killed by the fumes of chloroform—as I usually kill them—the positions of the palpi, tongue and wings are variable, and do not afford good generic characters.) The larva, perhaps, resembles that of Leucanthiza most nearly, having the head too much rounded and the sides of the segments more distinctly mammillated than the flat larva of Lithocolletis. It also usually leaves the mine and pupates in a yellowish silken nidus, in which it resembles Leucanthiza and Lyonetia more than it does Lithocolletis. The wings, however, have fewer veins than those of either Leucanthisa or Lyonctia, and approach very nearly in their neuration to some species of Lithocolletis, though also differing slightly from it. has a smooth head, longer palpi, and the basal joint of the antennæ expanded so as to form an eye-cap, and there are four marginal nervules cmitted from the sub-costal vein. The mine is a long narrow winding track like that of Phyllocnistis, and in all of these respects it differs from this