

were in the collection left by the late Mr. Billings, of this city, and which were probably captured in this vicinity. I have also found a ♂ among some *Hymenoptera* sent to me for examination by Mr. Evans, of Trenton, Ont., and have been informed by Provancher that a specimen (without abdomen) was shown to him some years ago at St. Hyacinthe, Que.

One female taken in 1883 had the cavity of the abdomen swarming with small mites, which also covered the ventral scale, and were thickly scattered along the protruded ovipositor. They appear to belong to species distinct from any yet noticed, although I have found many insects which infest decaying wood to be subject to the attacks of such parasites.

A LIST OF THE BUTTERFLIES OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.*

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Pyrameis Cardui.—Usually common; some years quite rare.

Junonia cania.—Quite local; never very common. Mr. Scudder, on page 501, speaks of its "rapid, strong and enduring flight." This would seem to indicate that the habits of this insect in the New England States differ materially from those in this locality or further south. It is rare that this butterfly is here observed over a foot from the ground, and then its flight is most erratic, and usually consists of a few fluttering strokes of the wing followed by an idle sail. This is also the manner of flight from Virginia to Florida, according to the observations of E. M. Aaron.

Limenitis ursula.—Rare.

• *Limenitis disippus*.—Common.

Neonympha canthus.—Rare. A few specimens have been taken near Gloucester, N. J.

Neonympha eurymis.—Common in restricted localities.

Satyrus pegala.—Exceedingly rare; taken at Mount Holly, N. J., by E. M. Aaron in 1884. It is recorded as from Gloucester, N. J., by the collectors of twenty years ago.

* The Authors wish to state here that as they belong to the two opposing schools in the matter of the capitalizing of specific names, they have left that matter to the judgment of the Editor. [The Editor sent the MS. unchanged to the printer.]