

of the goldsmith beetle, *Cotalpa lanigera* Linn. Is not this an early appearance?

April 18.—Observed Hymenoptera and Diptera in large numbers and variety on and about a row of young sugar-maples, the bark of which had been punctured. Some hibernated Lepidoptera could have been easily secured by hand had I felt so inclined, so engrossed were they in imbibing the sweet sap. There were, however, too many Vespidae about for me to care to do much investigating.

April 23.—I found *Erycus puncticollis* Lec. very plentiful under logs and debris generally, along the edge of the marsh near Dundas. These weevils were all paired. Among some others taken the most conspicuous was *Sphenophorus pertinax* Oliv. Many Elateridae were taken from under the bark of stumps and fallen logs. They included several *Adeloceras*. I was fortunate enough to find a pair of *Cychnus Lecontei* Dej. copulating under a piece of wood. Also *Brachylobus lithophilus* Say. Other Carabidae were numerous, especially near the water. A better locality could hardly be found for the last named family. *Bothrioderes geminatus* Say, and *Chrysomela clivicollis* Kirby were among my captures this day.

April 26.—Took *Dicaelus elongatus* Dej., a few Silphidae, and from under the bark of decaying stumps lots of small beetles, mostly Scolytidae.

April 27.—Two fresh specimens of *Staphylinus maculosus* Grav. from under stones.

May 1.—Discovered a good hunting ground a few miles from town, near the lake, namely, a few acres of thinly wooded forest land, on which were the stumps of many freshly-cut hardwood trees. On these, and especially under the chippings surrounding them, Coleoptera were very abundant, the most common being *Hylobius stupidus* Boh., *Clerus dubius* Fab., and several species of Nitidulidae (Ips). I captured one specimen of *Grynocharis 4-lineata* Mels., and a pair of *Cytilus trivittatus* Mels. On several of the stumps in sheltered nooks I came across patches of that beautiful lady-bird, *Megilla maculata* De Geer. Some of the larger patches must have contained quite fifty beetles. They were mostly of a lovely bright pink color; a few, however, had a brown or reddish tinge. About this date I took, in quantities, *Byturus grisescens* Lec. ? off wild raspberry canes, evidently feeding on the opening buds. A little later in the year they are common upon the blossoms of the wild plum and cherry.

I must have taken or observed over thirty species of Carabidae during