

mens gave this data. "From G. N. Wolcott, I have received Porto Rico accession 3011—1913. Egg parasite of *Diatræa saccharalis* Fabr." The number 3011 is doubtless a misprint for the number on the specimens, namely, 311. The locality is new.

Another vial of alcohol bearing one male, twenty-three females and the label, "Reared from eggs of *Diatræa saccharalis*, Trinidad, B. W. I., November, 1912. F. W. Urich. Ac. No. of D. L. Van Dine 181—1913." In several of these specimens the posterior line of discal cilia in the hind wings was quite complete and six cilia in the oblique line from the stigmal vein rather common. The abdomen was dusky, with a darker stripe across the base.

A third vial bearing a large number of both sexes of *minutum* and these labels "Ac. No. of D. L. Van Dine 182—1913. Parasites bred from the egg-masses of *Diatræa saccharalis*. G. E. Bodkin, Georgetown, British Guiana, July 20, 1912." In these specimens the abdomen was dusky or else concolorous. The locality new.

And a fourth vial containing two males, twenty-six females, bearing the labels "Reared from eggs of *Diatræa saccharalis*. Ac. No. 172—1913. D. L. Van Dine. Porto Rico." The exact locality was Guanica and the collector Mr. H. Bourne. The date March 4, 1913; parasites issued four days later.

It is interesting to be able to record this parasite from the same host at the same time from such widely separated localities.

FIELD NOTES AND QUESTIONS.

Early Appearance of Pontia Rapæ.

On February 24th, of this year, a freshly emerged specimen of the "imported white butterfly" flew into an open window of a house in this city. It was promptly captured, and turned out to be *P. rapæ* var. *marginalis*, which is the early spring form of *rapæ* in this district. This is the earliest record that we have in Victoria—the nearest to it being March 28, 1903, recorded by Mr. E. M. Anderson. Perhaps a few dates of the Lepidoptera that have appeared during March may be of interest to our Eastern collectors:

Xylomiges candida, March 7th.

Xylomiges hiemalis, March 17th.