

abdominal segments, with apex of ovipositor, piceous brown. The characteristic feature of the species is, however, the two light colored elliptical markings upon the disc of the pronotum, as shown in the figure.

♀ 4 m. m. and ♂ 3.85 m. m. in length.

Habitat. Atlantic States, from Maryland southward.

MYRMECOPHILA OREGONENSIS, n. sp.

Elongate oval, body somewhat contracted at its junction with the pronotum, which latter is slightly narrowed at its posterior edge, making its sides appear bulging. It is a more slender species than the preceding, the female of this insect being very similar to the male of that species. Pronotum small, with the sides rounded, posterior edge very slightly arcuate; meso-, meta-notum and first abdominal segments equal. Cerci or anal stylets comparatively slender, 1.2 m. m. in length. Ovipositor 1.5 m. m. in length, medium stout, with the external sheaths slightly longest and pointed, with the points directed outward; internal ones acuminate. Color piceous brown above, with the under side and base of segments lighter. Antennæ concolorous. Disc of pronotum also light colored, but without the two elliptical spots, which are present in *M. Pergandei*.

Female 3.90 m. m. in length, male unknown.

One mature female and a pupa of this last species were collected at Portland, Oregon, in the summer of 1882, by Mr. Samuel Henshaw, of Boston, Mass. The types are deposited in the Museum of Comp. Anat., Cambridge, Mass.

OBITUARY NOTICE.

Mr. Anson Allen died at his home in Orono, Feb. 8, 1884, in the 55th year of his age. He was, without doubt, one of the best collectors, and one of the most careful, accurate and acute observers of insects, their habits and transformations, that we had among us. For a number of years past he spent nearly all the time he could spare from his business in collecting, breeding and exchanging Lepidoptera, and many collections, both in this country and Europe, have been enriched by additions from his exquisite preparations.

Mr. Allen would never save an insect unless it was absolutely perfect, except such as were very rare. For several years he bred from the eggs,

columbia, *cecropia* and many others in large numbers, and although he could not be prevailed on to publish his observations on the early stages of these moths, the conclusion he reached, that *columbia* is a good and distinct species, is worthy of careful consideration.

He corresponded with very many of our prominent Entomologists, and made extensive exchanges; and many, when they read these lines, will be pained to learn that he is with us no more.

Mr. Allen was one of the most unassuming of men, and was appreciated at his best only by those who knew him intimately. He did not confine himself to insects, but made a fine local collection in other departments of natural history.

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ADDITIONS TO CANADIAN LISTS OF COLEOPTERA.

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In a list which is now being published by the Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club, of Coleoptera collected in the vicinity of Ottawa, I have indicated a considerable number of species which appear not to have been hitherto included in our Canadian lists. As a record of these species may be of some interest to readers of the ENTOMOLOGIST who may not see the above mentioned publication, I send you a list in which I have also incorporated a few species (distinguished by an *) which, while already recorded, are of unusual rarity or interest. About twenty per cent. of my species are yet unnamed, and a vast amount of work remains yet to be done before the Coleoptera of this district can be considered as satisfactorily known.

CARABIDÆ.

**Blethisa quadricollis* Hald. Two specimens taken under driftwood on shady shore of the Ottawa, in June.

Clivina americana Dej. Common, and the only species found.

Dyschirius hispidus Lec. Taken in swampy meadow.

Pterostichus diligendus Chd. Rare, under driftwood.

Amara exarata Dej. Two or three specimens only.

polita Lec. Rare, under stones.

Platynus propinquus, Gemm. Rare, in damp pastures.