

*salicella* at Hastings; on March 27th, *Pieris rapæ* common in Wiltshire; and on April 6th, *Anthocharis cardamines* common.—C. W. DALE, Glanvilles Wootton: May 1st, 1893.

*Early appearance of Odonata and other Neuroptera.*—Being desirous of noting the first appearances of Dragon-flies this year, I have already paid several visits to my last year's locality, the Hut Pond, near Wisley, Surrey, and the results are certainly surprising. My first visit was on April 18th, and produced only a few *Hemerobius limbatus*, one *H. nitidulus*, and a few *Limnophilus griseus*. No Dragon-flies to be seen. On the 28th *Libellula quadrimaculata* was fairly common. I saw one *Platetrum depressum*, and a few *Enallagma cyathigerum*, *Hemerobius limbatus* and *nitidulus*, and one *Ephemera vulgata* (imago), a few *Limnophilus vittatus* and *centralis*. On the 29th, at Egham, I saw *Brachytron pratense*, but failed to catch it, having only my hat. On May 6th, at the Hut Pond, *L. quadrimaculata* was common, as also was *P. depressum*; several *B. pratense* seen, and five taken; *Agrion puella* common, one *Erythromma Naias*, *Ephemera vulgata* in swarms, and one *Chrysopa perla*. On the 10th my brother and I took four *Cordulia aenea*, and saw several others, and one *Pyrhosoma minium*. These two species we had not previously seen at this pond, and are additions to the list I published, Ent. Mo. Mag., n. s., vol. iii, p. 8, and bring the total number of the species taken at this pond up to twenty. Both are included in my list of "expected species." I also took one *E. Naias* and one *Æcetes ochracea*. I think I saw *Anax formosus*. On May 15th *A. formosus* and *Orthetrum cancellatum* appeared, both immature, but the latter fairly common. A few *Æ. ochracea* seen, but only one taken. During the second week in May species of *Chrysopa* appeared commonly in our garden, but as I had not time to set them, I took none.—C. A. BRIGGS, 55, Lincoln's Inn Fields: May 17th, 1893.

*Abundance of Bombylius major.*—In reply to Mr. R. C. Bradley, I write to say I also found *Bombylius major* very common in the New Forest, flying about sunny banks during the latter part of April, when I was staying there. In a very short time I took as many as I wanted, and could have secured any number. I also took two *B. minor*, but did not see *B. discolor*. Can any of your readers inform me whether the latter insect is local, or whether it comes out earlier or later than the other species?—F. C. ADAMS, 68, St. Ermin's Mansions, S.W.: May 6th, 1893.

*Coleoptera at Tenterden, Kent.*—On July 19th last I was at Tenterden, and having about an hour to spare, I looked about for *Coleoptera*. Unfortunately, I had no collecting apparatus with me except a newspaper, or I might have got more. On the flowers of *Umbelliferae*, *Anaspis subtestacea*, *thoracica* and *rusticollis* were common, and *Mordella fasciata* (2), *Malachius rusticollis* (1), *Mordellistena pumila* and *humeralis* (1), and plenty of *Anthrenus museorum*, were found under the same conditions. Beating aquatic plants in the water produced nothing but a single specimen of *Donacia dentipes* and plenty of *Galeruca lineola*. *Gymnetron noctis* was not uncommon in flowers of *Linaria vulgaris*, and a few specimens of *Anobium fulvicorne* occurred with *Priobium* on old hop poles. Out of an old willow tree I got a nice specimen of *Phloxotrya Stephensii*. I suppose I was too late for this species, as I found a good many elytra in old burrows in the willows.—W. H. BENNETT, 11, George Street, Hastings: May, 1893.