

to Dr. LeConte asking his co-operation in determining the species in his collection, but had received no reply. He, therefore, worked almost entirely unaided, gave names to such species as he could identify, and labelled all others with his own manuscript names.

Mr. Schwarz stated that there were various things concerning Fitch's collection and Fitch's types, which seem to be unknown to many of our younger entomologists. He more especially referred to the insects sold by Dr. Fitch to the New York State Agricultural Society and which are now in the New State Museum at Albany. This collection probably does not contain any type specimens whatever. What is a type in the Fitch collection can only be ascertained by consulting Fitch's note-books. Six of these note-books, with the corresponding boxes of the original Fitch collection, were bought many years ago by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and are now in the U. S. National Museum. The record of the types, as given by Dr. Riley in Lintner's paper on the Fitch collection,\* is correct. The remaining note-books of Fitch became separated from the Fitch collection, and some of them are now in the possession of the Boston Society of Natural History. The others seem to be lost. The remnant of the Fitch collection of insects was finally purchased by the Department of Agriculture, but proved to be in a very deplorable state of preservation.

The subject of Fitch's types, and types in general, was further discussed by Messrs. Ashmead, Hopkins, Titus, Schwarz, Dyar and Banks.

—Dr. Dyar handed the following articles to the Secretary for publication :

A NEW VARIETY OF THE NOCTUID EXYRA  
SEMICROCEA GUENÉE.

(*Exyra semicrocea*, variety *hubbardiana*, n. var.)

By HARRISON G. DYAR.

The usual form of *semicrocea* has the outer half of the fore wings solidly blackish. In *hubbardiana* this color is largely

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faded out and lost, leaving a broad dark band, representing the inner edge of the usual patch and a subterminal band, the latter situated in a broad, light grayish field, which extends to the margin and touches the median band centrally. Two males, De Funiak Springs, Florida (H. G. Hubbard), bred on *Sarracenia flava*, mixed with normal *semicrocea* and with *E. ridingsii* Riley.

*Type*.—No. 7335, U. S. National Museum.

## A NEW GENUS AND SPECIES OF TORTRICIDÆ.

By HARRISON G. DYAR.

### *Gymnandrosoma*, new genus.

Palpi rather long, obliquely ascending, second joint only slightly widened by scales, third distinct, rounded; ♂ antennæ compressed, minutely bristled, subserrate; wings broad, costa arched, without fold in the ♂, veins all separate; vein 2 of the fore wings from near the middle of the cell, 3 and 4 approximate at base, 5 more distant, 7 to outer margin, 8 to costa, separate; hind wings with 3 and 4 connate, 5 remote, nearly parallel to 4, 6 and 7 closely approximated at base. Thorax with a double truncate tuft behind; abdomen in the ♂ with the basal segments of dorsum bare of scales, a pair of pencils of yellowish hair arising from the tip of the second segment. Inner margin of hind wings excavated below into a large pocket which covers the abdominal hair pencil when the wings are closed.

Allied to *Pseudogalleria* and *Ecdytolopha*, but differing in the peculiar position of the ♂ scent tuft, which is on the abdomen instead of in a fold of the wing.

### *Gymnandrosoma punctidiscanum*, new species.

Wings roughly scaled, strigose, dark gray from blackish scales heavily overlaid on a pale ground, nearly solidly so over the basal two-thirds, sometimes over the whole wing, but usually leaving the terminal third largely light. A round, punctiform, whitish discal dot, in the males situated nearly at the edge of the dark basal area which is curved inward below the cell. A more or less distinct, maculate, broken submarginal band, composed of dark patches with darker edges. Hind wings blackish brown.

Expanse ♂ 18–19 mm., ♀ 21–25 mm.

Described from two males and three females, Washington, D. C., May (L. O. Howard), New Brighton, Pa., June 2, Aug. 25 (H. D. Merrick), Newark, N. J., June 11 (W. D. Kearfott), Long Island, N. Y.

U. S. National Museum, type No. 7658.