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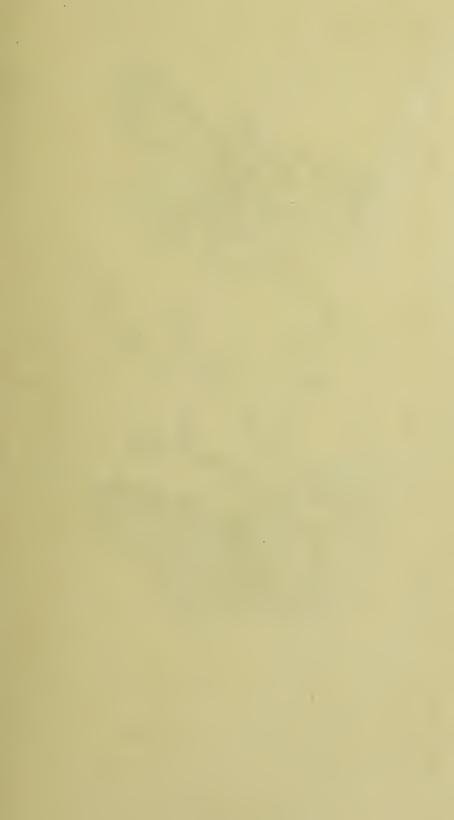
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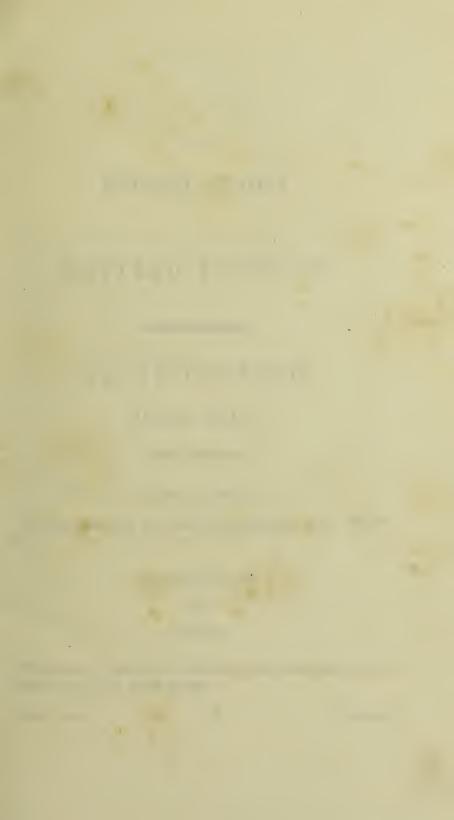
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BRITISH INSECTS.

PLATE CCCCXXXIII.

PAPILIO APOLLO.

APOLLO BUTTERFLY.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ terminating in a club: wings erect when at rest. Fly by day.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings entire, white fpotted with black: lower ones with four red ocellated fpots above and fix beneath.

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Papilio Apollo: alis albis nigro maculatis: posterioribus supra ocellis quatuor, subtus sex basique rubris. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1032.—It. gothl. 230.

Papilio Apollo. Fabr. Inf. 2. 35. n. 417. Haworth. Lep. Brit. 1. p. 29.

This large and very beautiful butterfly, is an inhabitant of various parts of Europe, and is found also in the more temperate parts of Siberia. We are induced to insert it among the British Papiliones on the assurance of Mr. Haworth, that he was recently informed the species had been taken in Scotland*. It would afford us much pleasure could the particulars of its capture be submitted to our readers, but we have been unable to procure any surther information on this subject; and presuming the fact at least to be correctly stated, we could not refrain commencing our new volume with the representation of such an interesting object.

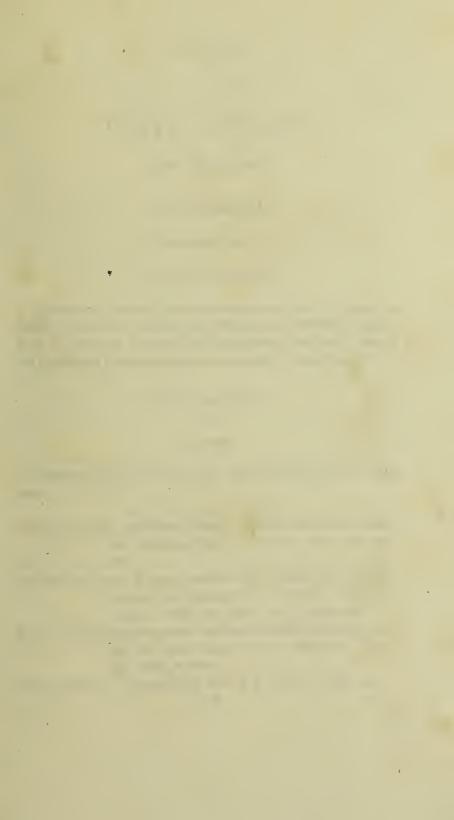
Papilio Apollo is the offspring of a folitary fluggish larva, or caterpillar, of a black colour, covered with a fost and filky down. All the rings are marked on both sides with two red spots, which together constitute a longitudinal series along each side. Besides these spots, every ring or joint is marked nearer the middle of the back with three small lateral dots of blueish, disposed in a semilunar manner, and thus forming a longitudinal waved line on each side within the two rows of red spots. The anterior part of the head is surnished with tentacula, which the animal can advance or retract at pleasure; this is surcated when completely spread out. The Pupa is slightly solliculate, somewhat ovate, and of a blueish colour.

^{*} Haw. Lep. Prodr. Pref. p. 29.









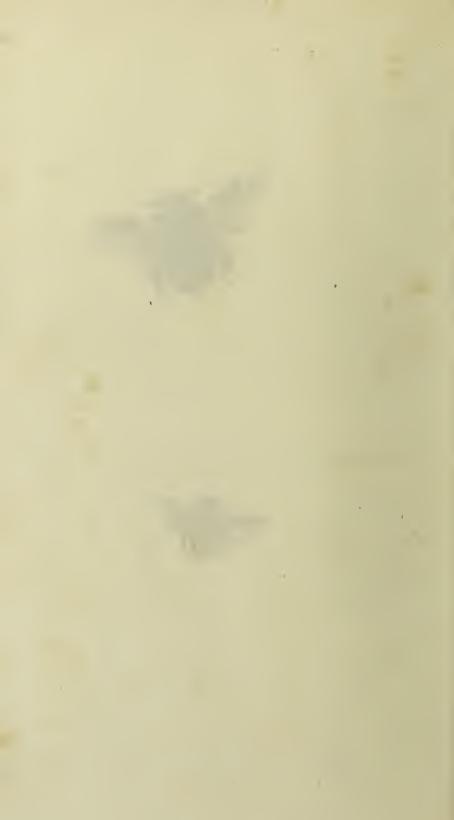


PLATE CCCCXXXIV.

APIS PENNIPES.

PLUME LEGGED BEE.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth horny, jaw and lip membranaceous at the tip: tongue inflected: feelers four, unequal and filiform: antennæ short and filiform in the males, in the semales subclavated: wings flat: sting of the semales and neuters pungent and concealed in the abdomen.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Somewhat greyish and pubescent: middle legs tusted with long hairs.

- Apis pennipes: pubescens subgrisea; pedibus secundariis elongatis crinito-pectinatis. Lin. Nat. MS. in Syst. Nat.
- Apis retus A mas. Corpore masculo nigro, hirsuto-sulvo; ano nigricanti, pedibus intermediis elongatis, crinito-pectinatis. Kirby Ap. Angl. v. 2. p. 296. n. 69.
- Apis plumipes, hirfuta, pedum mediorum metatarfis fcopa atra, poftice pilis raris longis barbatis. Schranck. Enum. Inf. Austr. n. 804.
- APIS PLUMIPES. Pallas Spicil. Zool. 9. p. 24. tab. I. fig. 14.

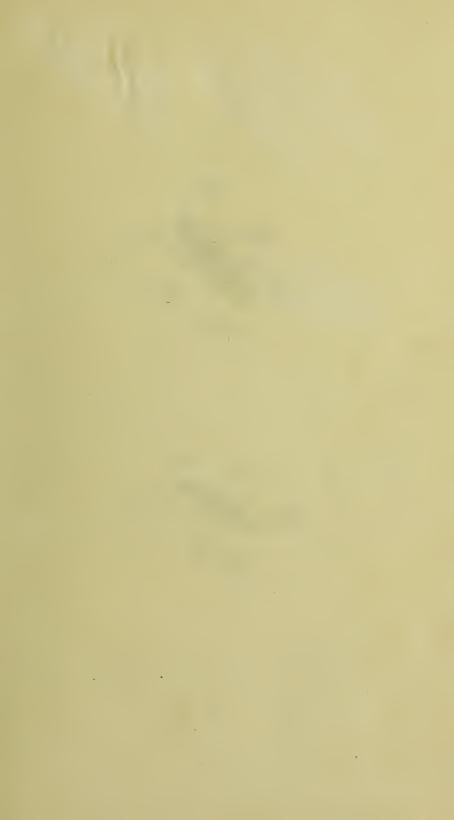
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APIS PILIPES. Christii Hymenopt. p. 131. tab. 8. fig. 9. mas. APIS HISPANICA. Panz. Fn. Inf. Germ. Init. n. 55. tab. 6.

This curious kind of bee appears to be described by several writers under the various names of plumipes, pilipes, and pennipes, in allusion to the remarkable tusts of long hairs upon the middle pair of legs, which contribute in such a striking manner both to the beauty and singular appearance of the species. Panzer describes it under the more local, and therefore more objectionable epithet of hispanica.

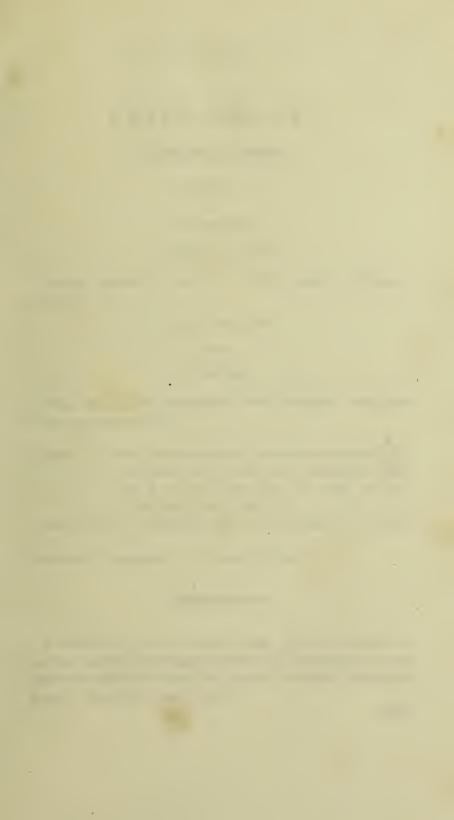
Mr. Kirby confiders this as no other than the male fex of the Linnau fpecies retufa, and notwithstanding the great dissimilarity which prevails between the two infects supposed to be male and semale, there is reason to apprehend, according to the observations of Mr. Kirby, that they may be really of the same species: the evidence in favour of such an opinion affords a strong presumption of the fact, although it still remains to adduce in support of it, the testimony of those circumstances which we are taught to admit as the most convincing, and unerring proof.—It has been remarked, that when this insect makes its first appearance in the spring, the down of the upper side of the body, the vent excepted, is of a reddish yellow colour, and that later in the year the hair becomes more cinereous.

This infect is very local; it is fometimes found in nefts or cells confiructed in old walls in pretty confiderable numbers, but except in fuch fituations is very fcarce. The smallest figure denotes the natural fize.









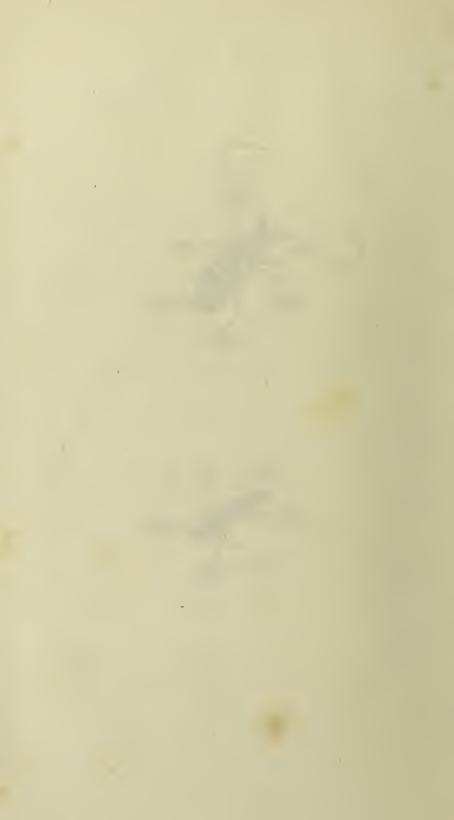


PLATE CCCCXXXV.

CERAMBYX SUTOR.

FIG. I.

COLEOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ fetaceous: feelers four: thorax fpinous or gibbous: wing-cases linear.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings obtufe, deep black clouded with ferruginous; fcutel pale yellow: antennæ very long.

CERAMBYX SUTOR: elytris obtufis atris ferrugineo-fubnebulofis, scutello luteo, antennis longissimis. Marsh Ent. Brit. T. I. p. 329.—Linn. Syst. Nat. 628. 38.—Fn. Suec. 655.—Gmel. 1830. 68.

LAMIA SUTOR. Fabr. Syst. Ent. 172. 10.—Spec. Inf. I. 218.

CERAMBYX ATOMARIUS. De Geer. 5. 65. 4.

Cerambyx Sutor is not a common infect. The male differs from the female in being rather larger and having the antennæ three or four times the length of the body, the antennæ of the latter being much shorter. The species occur in woods.

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FIG. II.

CERAMBYX MERIDIANUS.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

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SYNONYMS.

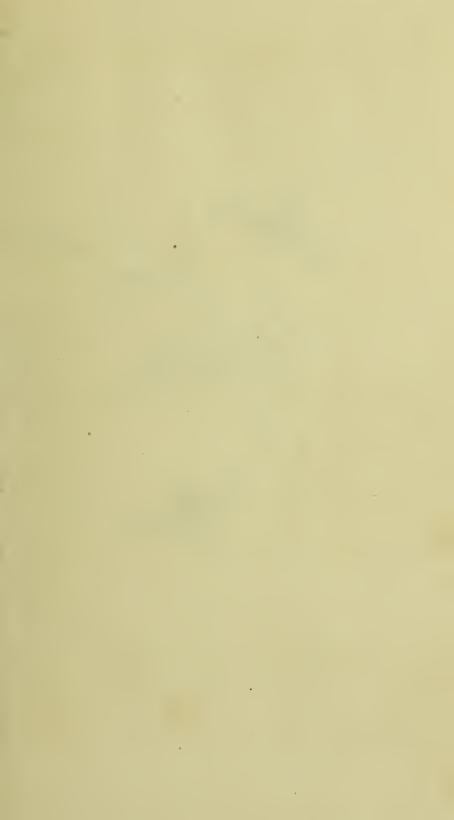
Black: wings fomewhat fastigiate, and with the tip of the abdoment testaceous: breast glossy:

Cerambyx Meridianus. Linn. Syst. Nat. 630. 47.—Faun. Suec. 648. Gmel. 1861. 47.

LEPTURA MERIDIANA: nigra, elytris fubfaftigiatis abdomineque apice testaceis, pectore nitenti. Marsh Ent. Brit. T. I. p. 340. n. 1.

STENOCORUS MERIDIANUS. Fab. Syst. Ent. 178. 1.—Spec. Inf. I. 225. 1.—Mant. I. 143. 1.

The male of this species is black, with the wing-cases ruso-testaceous, the female entirely black with a few yellow downy hairs.







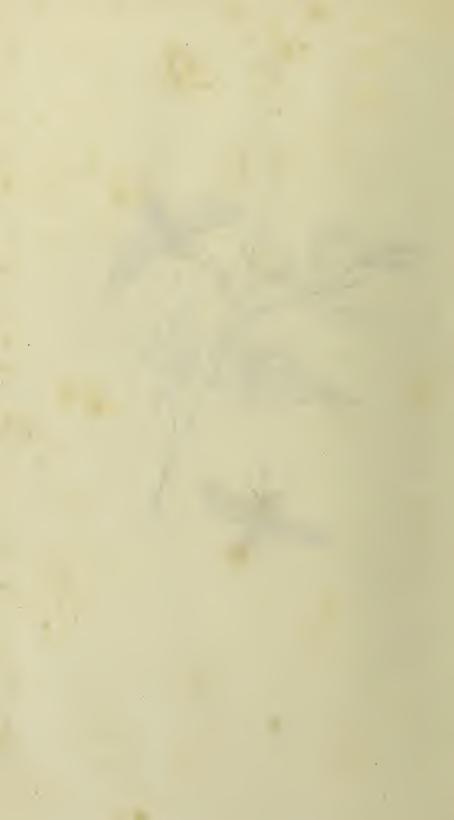


PLATE CCCCXXXVI,

SPHINX CRABRONIFORMIS.

LUNAR HORNET SPHINX.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ thickest in the middle: tongue mostly exserted: feelers two, reslected: wings deslexed.

* Section Sesia:

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

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SYNONYMS.

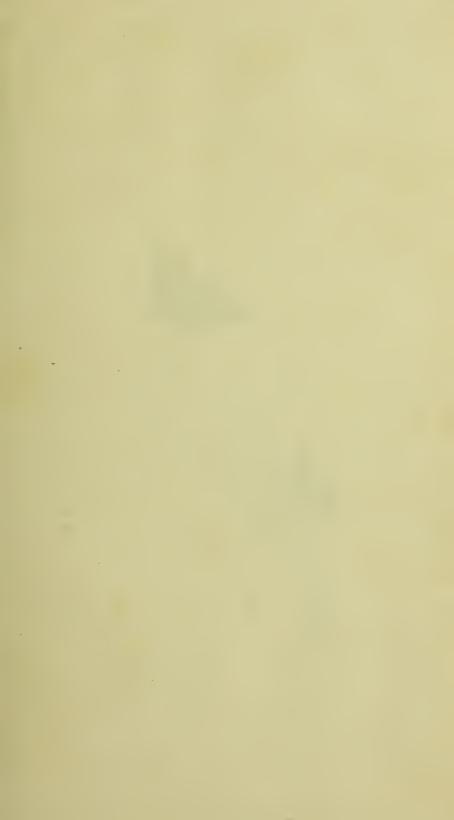
Head black: anterior margin of the thorax with a femilunar spot: abdomen yellow with two black bands.

SPHINX CRABRONIFORMIS. Linn. Tranf. Soc. v. 3. pl. 3. f. 6-10.

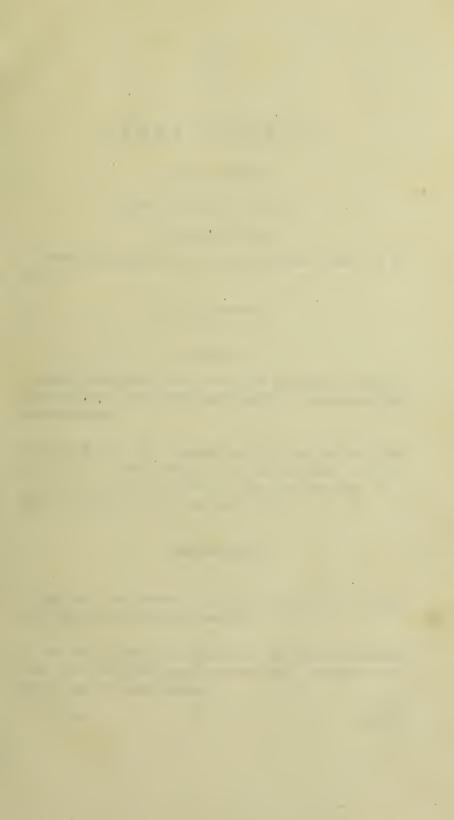
A species of the Sesia family, nearly allied to Sphinx apisormis, from which it is principally distinguished by having the whole of the anterior margin of the thorax yellow instead of two spots of that colour; it is also rather smaller, and far more uncommon.

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The larva is whitish inclining to yellow, with some brown dots; the pupa reddish susceptible. Both sexes have two dark or blackish bands at the base of the abdomen, but in one those bands are entire, in the other marked on each side with a subtriangular spot of yellow. The larva lives in the trunks of willow trees, and appears in the winged state in July,







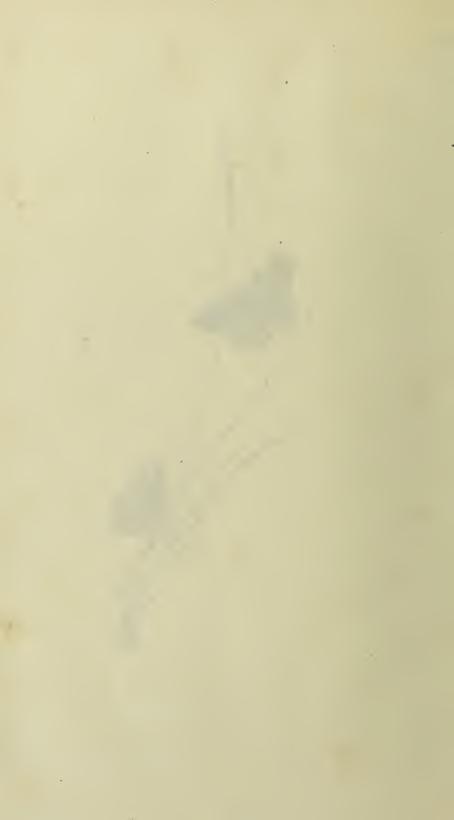


PLATE CCCCXXXVII.

PAPILIO PRUNI.

BLACK HAIR-STREAK BUTTERFLY.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ terminating in a club: wings erect when at reft. Fly by day.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings flightly tailed: above brown with a red fpot at the tip of the lower ones: on the posterior pair beneath a fulvous marginal band dotted with black.

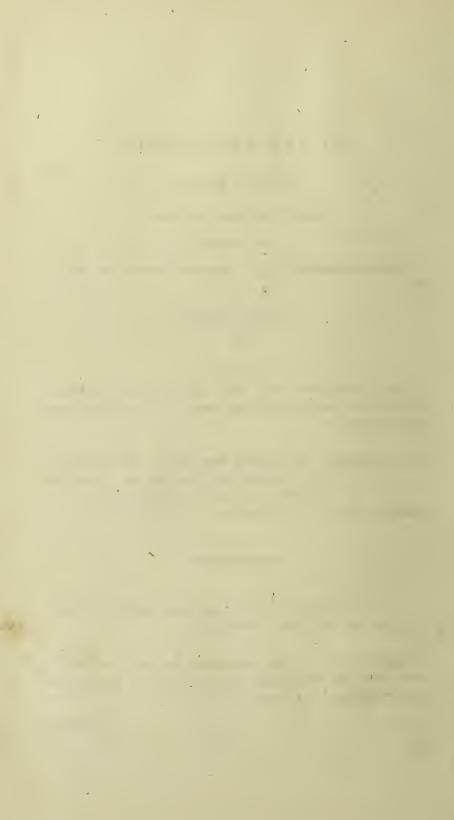
Papilio Pruni: alio subcaudatis supra suscis: posterioribus subtus fascia marginali sulva nigro punctata. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1071.—Gmel. Linn. Syst. Nat. 2341.

HESPERIA PRUNI. Fab. Ent. Syst. 3, 377. 70.

The larva of this species is of a green colour with a pale lateral line; the pupa brown with the head white.

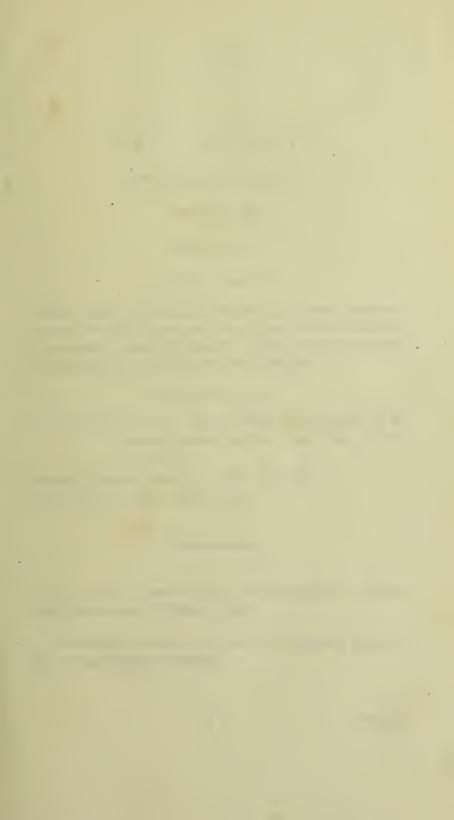
This kind is found in the larva state on the cherry, bullace, and other trees of the Prunus genus, whence its name. It appears on the wing in July, and is not common.

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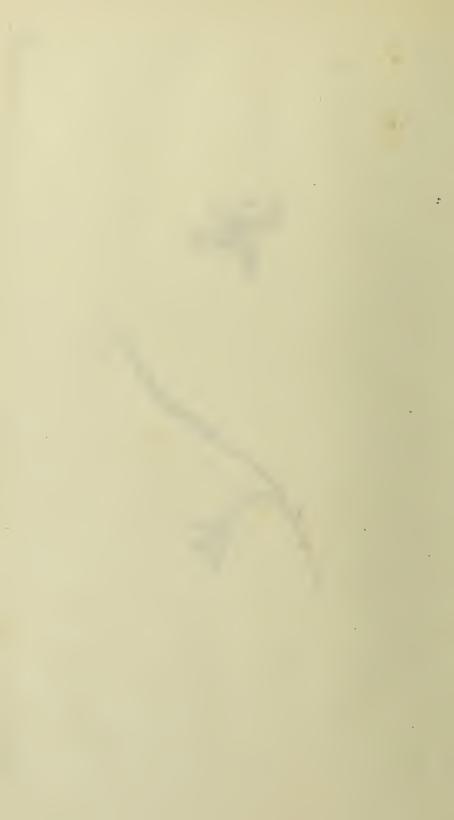


PLATE CCCCXXXVIII.

APIS QUINQUEGUTTATA.

FIVE SPOT BEE.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth horny, jaw and lip membranaceous at the tip: torgue inthected: feelers four, unequal and filiform: antennæ short and filiform in the males, in female subclavated: wings stat: sting of the females and neuters pungent and concealed in the abdomen.

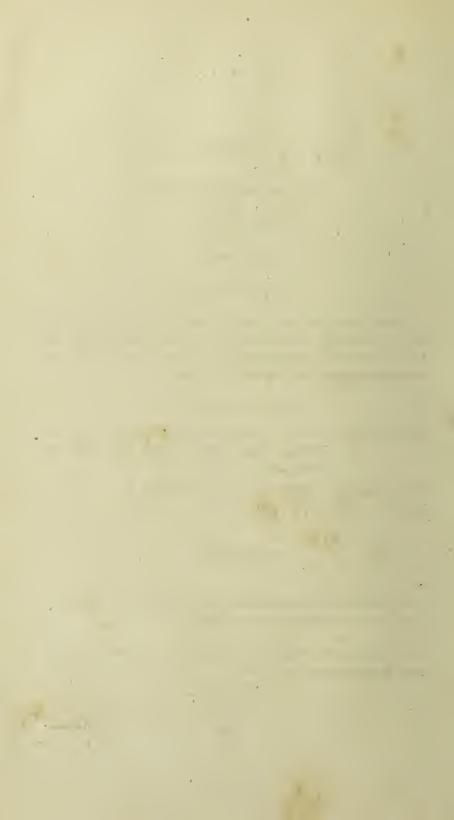
SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

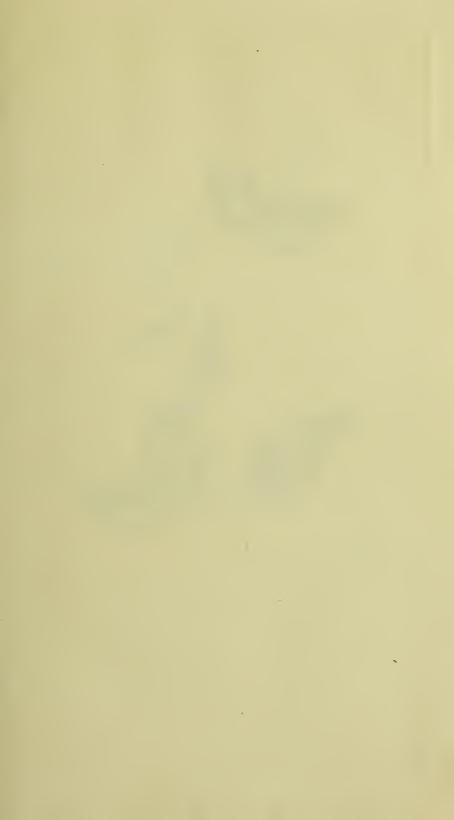
APIS QUINQUEGUTTATA. Black: fecond and third joint of the abdomen rufous: posterior ones black with five whitish dots.

Scolia Quinque-punctata. Fabr. Ent. Syst. Sapyga 5-punctata. Latreille Inf.

A scarce and very elegant species of the Melitta family. Our specimen was taken near Faversham in Kent.

The small figure resting on the leaf No. 1. represents the natural fize; the upper figure is magnified.







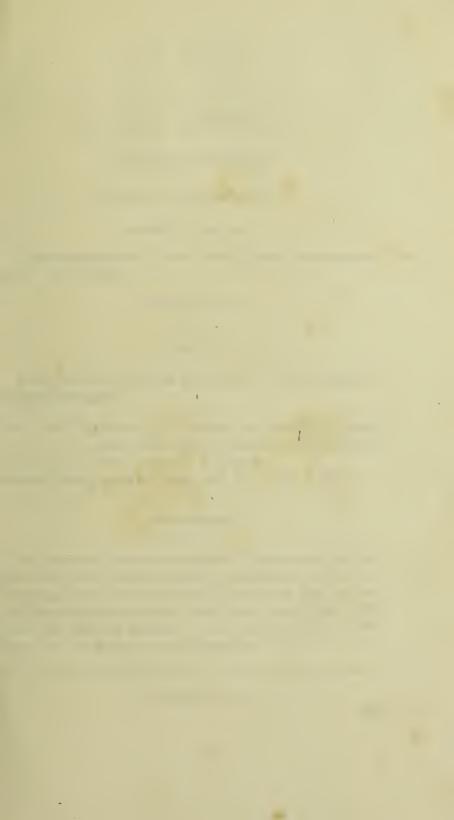




PLATE CCCCXXXIX.

PHALÆNA OLEAGINA.

GREEN BRINDLED DOT MOTH.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ tapering from the base: wings in general deflected when at rest. Fly by night.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings green-brown with two white spots, the anterior one pupillated, posterior largest.

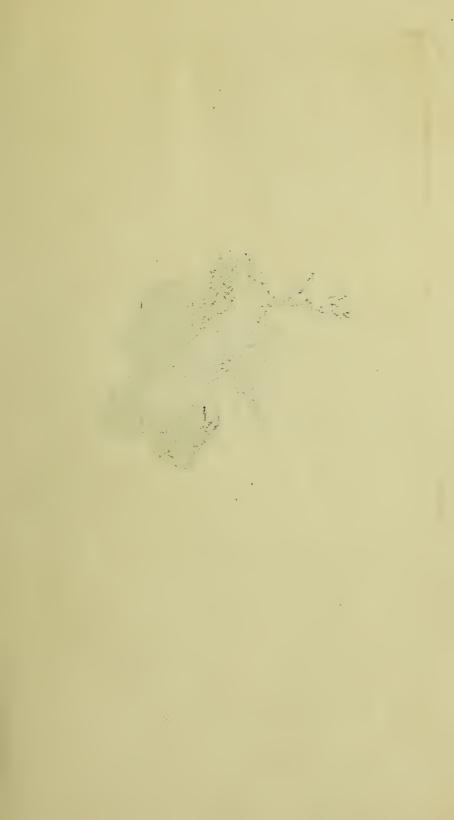
PHALENA OLEAGINA: alis viridibus fusco subundatis: maculis duabus albis anteriore pupillata; posteriore majore. Wien. Schmetterl. p. 59. n. 2.

GREEN BRINDLED DOT. Haw. Lep. Brit. p. 120. n. 70.

We accidentally met with an individual of this species on the wing about twilight one summer's evening * near Fishguard in Pembrokesshire, South Wales. It occurred among a number of other insects of the Noctua and Bombyx families by the side of the low hedges which divide the fields and meadows at a short distance from the town. This is the only specimen we have seen British.

^{*} In the month of July 1800.

The larva, as described by Fabricius, is quadridentated: behind cinereous with black and red indentations, and the collar red dotted with black.





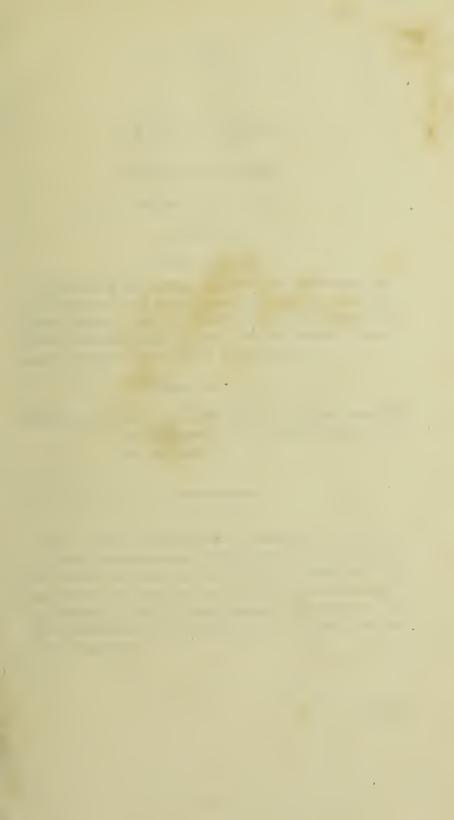




PLATE CCCCXL.

SIREX BIMACULATUS.

BIMACULATED SAW-FLY.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

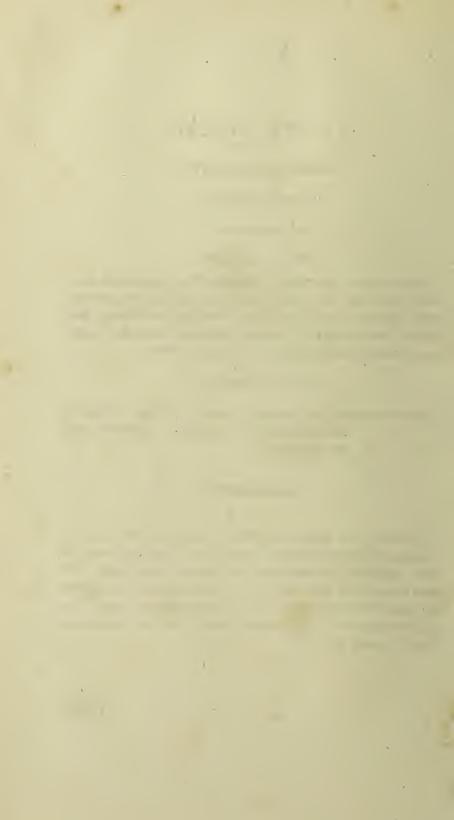
Mouth with a thick, horny, truncated, fhort, denticulated mandible: feelers four, the posterior part longer and thicker upwards: antennæ filiform, of more than twenty-four equal articulations: sting exserted, serrated, and stiff: abdomen sessile, terminating in a point: wings lanceolate and incumbent, the lower ones shorter.

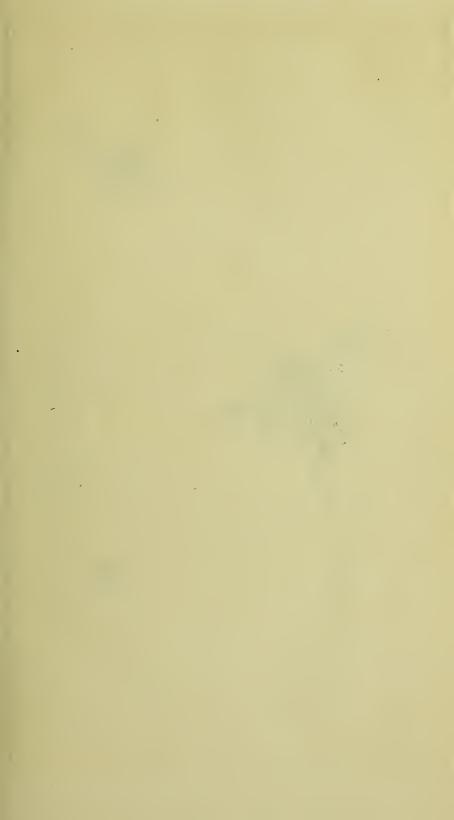
SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

SIREX BIMACULATUS. Abdomen yellow: a black fpot on the first and three posterior rings: thorax subfuscous, with two black spots.

This is a curious fpecies, and differs apparently from any of the Sirex genus at prefent described. The head and thorax is suscous, the latter marked in the middle with two blackish oblong spots. The body is orange with black spots, and the legs orange having the posterior pair marked at the lower end of each principal joint with black. The legs are compressed. Wings reddish-brown. The sigure in the plate is of the natural size.

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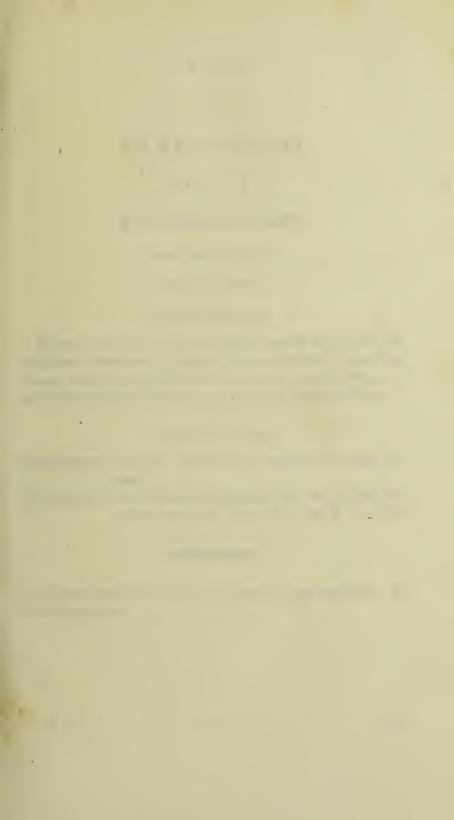




PLATE CCCCXLI.

FIG. I.I.

TENTHREDO COLLARIS.

COLLARED SAW FLY.

HYMONOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth with a horny curved mandible, toothed within; the jaw straight and obtuse at the tip, the lip cylindrical and trifid: feelers four, unequal and filiform: wings tumid, the lower ones less: sting composed of two ferrated laminæ and almost fecreted: stemmata three.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

TENTHEEDO COLLARIS. Black anterior margin of the thorax rufous.

TENTHREDO OPACA: antennis septemnodiis atra thorace utrinque macula apicis rusa. Fabr. Ent. Syst. T. 2. p. 120?

A scarce species shewn both in its natural size, and magnified. It is found in gardens.

FIG. II.

TENTHREDO SUCCINCTA.

BROAD YELLOW BANDED TENTHREDO.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

Black: margin of the thorax, fcutel, and two middle abdominal fegments yellow: legs yellow, thighs black.

Found on plants in May and June.











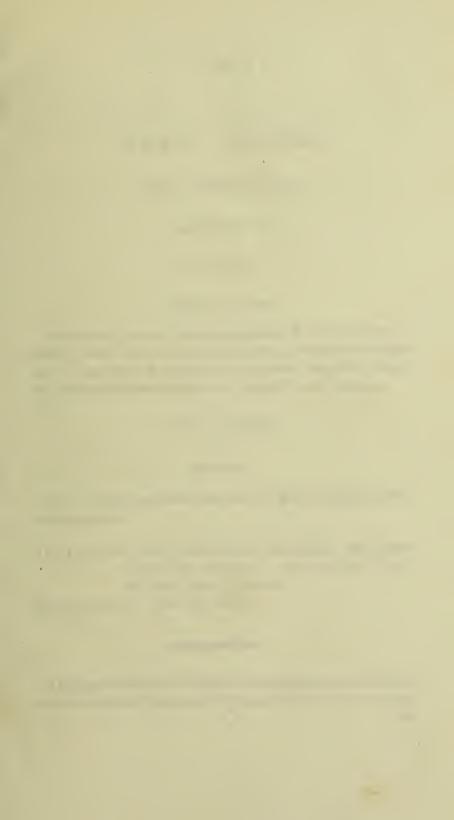




PLATE CCCCXLII.

APIS LAGOPODA, var.

THICK LEGGED BEE,

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth horny, jaw and lip membranaceous at the tip: tongue inflected: feelers four, unequal and filiform: antennæ short and filiform in the males, in the females subclavated: wings flat: sting of the females and neuters pungent, and concealed in the abdomen.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

SYNONYMS.

Grey: anterior legs dilated and ciliated: posterior shanks clavate: vent emarginate.

APIS LAGOPODA: grisea pedibus anticis dilato ciliatis, tibiis posticis clavatis, ano emarginato. Linn. Syst. Nat. 2. 927. 27.-Fn. Suec. 1702,-var.

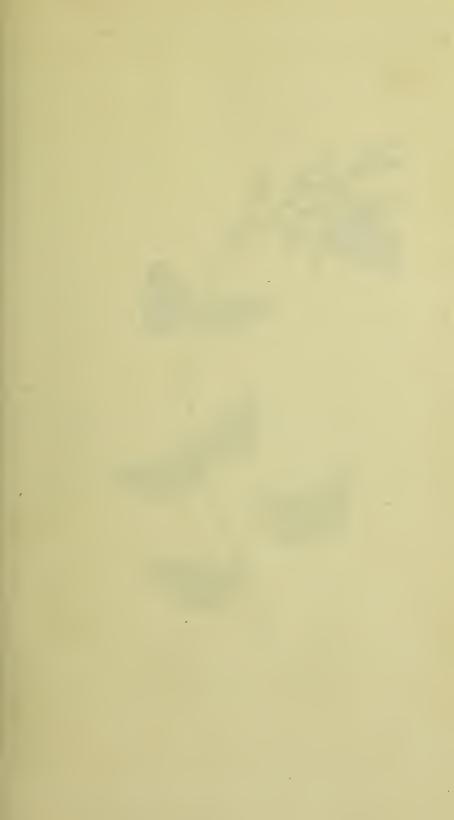
APIS LAGOPODA. Panz. Fn. Suec.

The fingular dilation of the shanks of the anterior legs of this infect form a very firiking character of the natural family of bees, to which D 2

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the species belongs. In the present insect the anterior legs are reddish yellow; the dilation convex above, beneath convex, and deeply ciliated with hairs of the same colour. It is a scarce species, and like its congeries is supposed to live in the putrescent wood of willow trees.

Fig. I. represents the upper surface of the insect in its natural size; fig. 2. the underside a little enlarged. Fig. 3. the under surface of the anterior leg. Fig. 4. the upper surface.





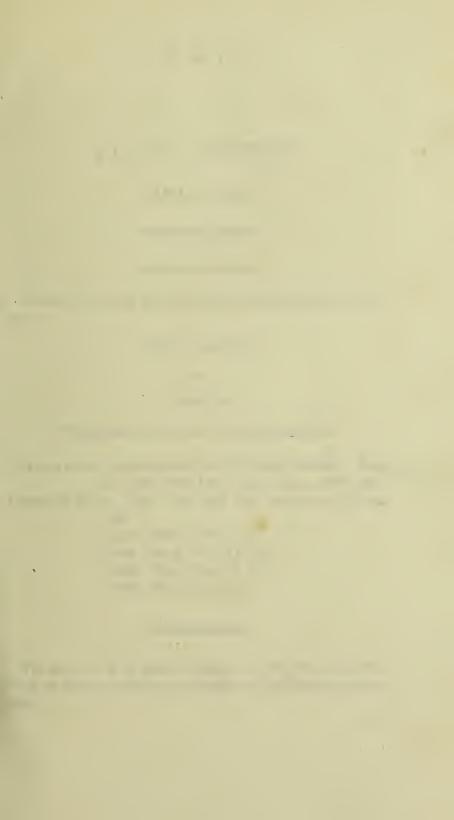




PLATE CCCCXLIII.

PAPILIO RUBI.

GREEN HAIR-STREAK.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ terminating in a club: wings erect when at reft. Fly by day.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings flightly tailed, above brown, beneath green.

Papilio Rubi: alis subcaudatis supra suscis subtus viridibus. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1077. Gmel. Linn. Syst. p. 2352. 237. Hesperia Rubi. Fabr. Ent. Syst. 523, 339.—Spec. Inf. 121.

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Esper' Schmet. t. 21. f. 2. Ræm. Gen. t. 18. f. 11. 12. Schæff. Icon. t. 29. f. 5. 6. Geoffr. Inf. p. 2. p. 64.

The green hair streak butterfly occurs in the larva state on the bramble in the month of July, and the perfect or winged insect appears in May.

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The larva of this species is of a green colour varied with yellow, andhas the he ad black: the pupa is pale brown. The upper surface of the fly in both sexes is brown, and the lower a rich and elegant filky green. Near the centre of the anterior wings on the upper surface is an obscure paler spot of an oblong form, and which is commonly most conspicuous in the male. The two sexes may be in a great measure distinguished likewise by the number and situation of the white dots on the lower surface of the posterior wings, these in the female constituting an uniform series or line extending entirely across, while in the male they are interrupted, and though distinct on the edges of the wing, are scarcely perceptible towards the disk. The female is also larger than the male; a circumstance not peculiar to this species, but common to most others of the insect tribe.











PLATE CCCCXLIV.

TENTHREDO VIRIDIS.

GREEN SAW-FLY.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth with a horny curved mandible, toothed within; the jaw ftraight and obtufe at the tip: lip cylindrical and trifid: feelers four, unequal, and filiform: wings tumid, the lower ones fmaller: fting composed of two ferrated laminæ and almost fecreted: ftemmata three.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Green: head and thorax, charactered with black: abdomen with black spots.

TENTHREDO VIRIDIS: capite thoraceque supra characteribus nigris. Geoff. Inf. 2. 271. n. 1.

Tenthredo viridis: antennis feptemnodiis, corpore viridi, abdomine fupra fusco. Linn. Syst. Nat. 2. 924. 27.—Fn. Suec. 1554.—Fabr. Ent. Syst. T. 2. p. 113. n. 33. Sulz. Inst. 18. sig. 112.

The ground colour of this elegant infect varies from a pale yellow to bright green, and fometimes to brown, the markings of black lines appear appear to be pretty nearly the same in all the varieties. This insect is common in the summer season, and is chiefly sound on the Alder, on which it is supposed to seed.

The fmallest figure in our plate denotes the natural fize.

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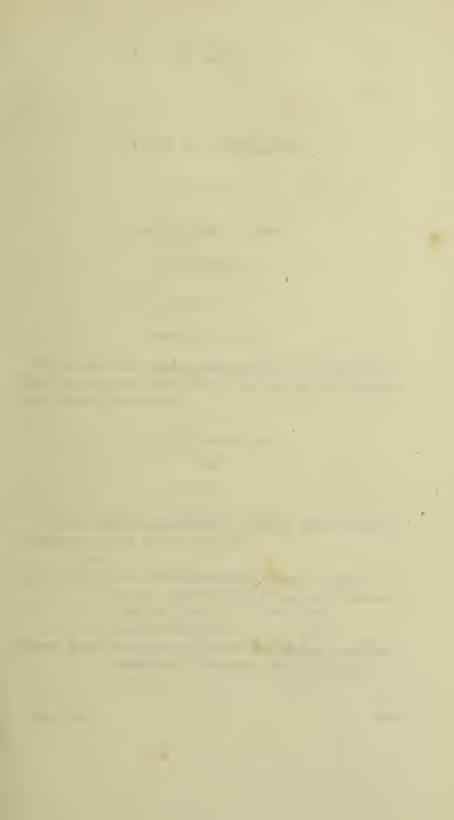




PLATE CCCCXLV.

FIG. I. I.

MUSCA MACULATA.

SPOTTED FLY.

DIPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth with a foft exferted fleshy proboscis and two equal lips: sucker furnished with briftles: feelers two, very short or sometimes none: antennæ generally short.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Cinereous: thorax lineated with black: abdomen fpotted with black, and marked at the tip with two black dots.

Musca maculata: antennis plumatis pilosa nigra, thorax nigrolineato, abdomine atro-maculato, ano bipunctato. Linn. Syst. Nat. 12. 2. p. 990. n. 70. Scop. ent. carn. 870.

Musca maculata: cinerea, thorace abdomineque maculis numerofis atris. Fabr. mant. Inf. 2. p. 342. n. 8.

This is a remarkably pretty species, and appears to considerable advantage before the lens of an opaque microscope. The two small distinct black dots on the extreme joint of the abdomen is a striking character of this interesting insect.

The smallest figure represents the natural size; this species is found on plants in Europe, and is rare.

FIG. II. II.

MUSCA SERICEA.

SILKY MUSCA.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

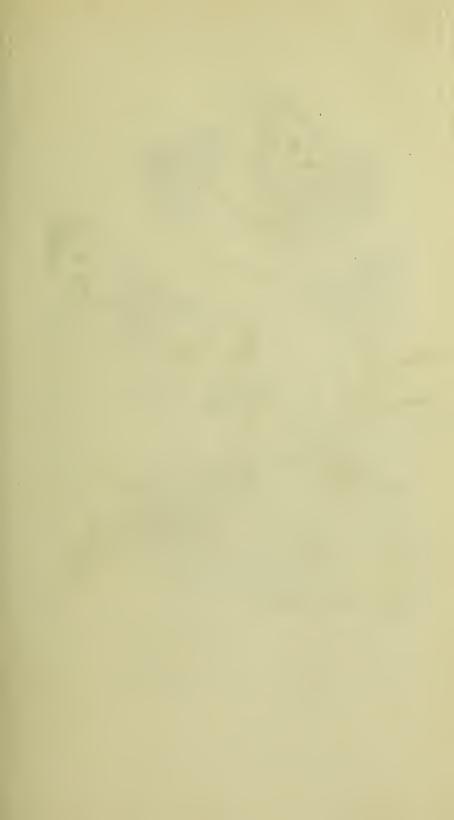
Musca sericea. Silky: head, thorax and fcutel subtestaceous: first three joints of the abdomen reddish-orange with a dorsal black stripe; tip greyish black.

A curious species and of the fize denoted by the smallest figure (No. 2.) in the annexed plate. The whole surface of this insect except the wings has a delicate silky appearance: the thorax is marked in the middle with two distant black lines, and each side with two shorter lines

lines of the fame colour, forming altogether a remarkable character of this particular species.

This kind appears to be rare, our specimen was taken in Kent in the neighbourhood of Faversham.







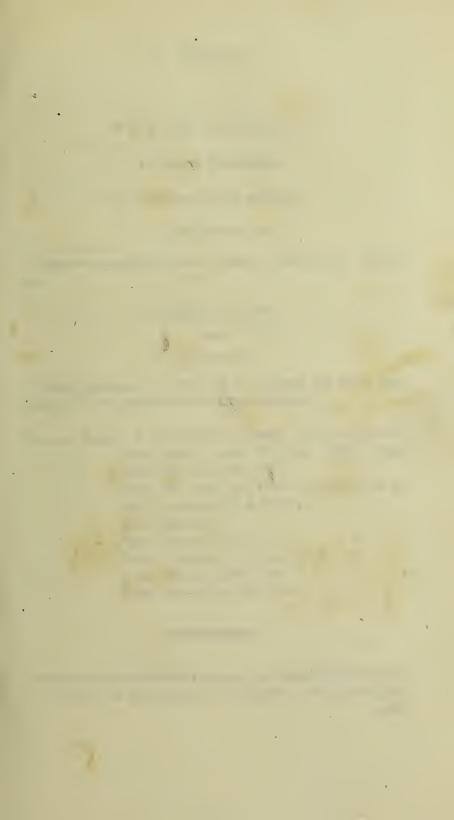




PLATE CCCCXLVI.

PAPILIO BRASSICÆ.

LARGE GARDEN WHITE BUTTERFLY.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ terminating in a club: wings erect when at rest. Fly by day

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

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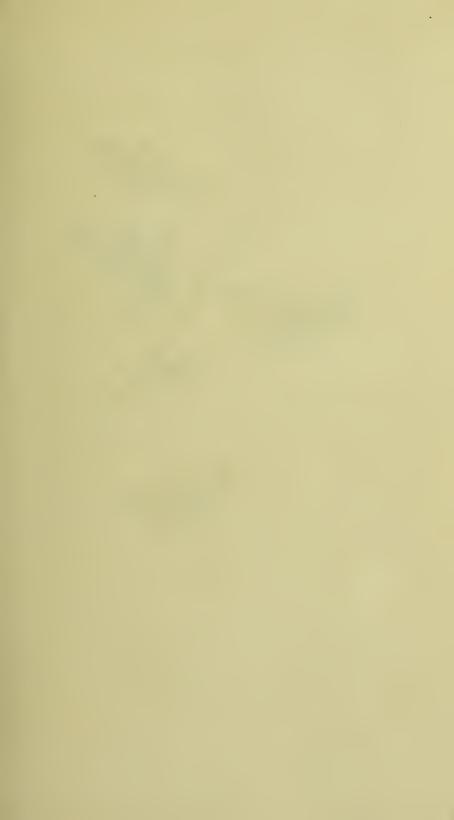
SYNONYMS.

Wings rounded, entire, white: tip of the upper pair in the male black, and in the female marked with two black spots.

Papilio Brassicæ: alis anterioribus maculis duabus apicibusque nigris, major. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1035.—Gmel. Linn. Syst. Nat. 2259. n. 75.
Fabr. Ent. Syst. 463. 110.—Fab. Syst. Ent. 3. 186. 574.—Spec. Inf. 2. 38. 161.
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Geoffr. inf. p. 2. p. 68. n. 40.
Wien. Schmetterl. p. 163. D. 2.

In dry feafons favourable to the growth and increase of these pernicious insects, the larvæ become very injurious to our gardens, and would would be infinitely more fo were it not for the number of small birds which prey upon them, and thus lend their friendly aid to destroy those unwelcome intruders. They seed for the most part on cabbages, and some other horticultural plants, which renders them more injurious to the kitchen garden than any other. The larva is of the number of those known in England by the trivial title of the grub, and in the perfect or winged state it is distinguished by the less ambiguous epithet of Large Cabbage Buttersly.

The larva of this species appears in spring, and indeed throughout great part of the summer, as there are two or more broods of them every year. The appearance of these Butterslies on the wing in a morning is considered generally as an unerring indication that the weather will clear up, and the day eventually prove fine. This insect though common is certainly not uninteresting.





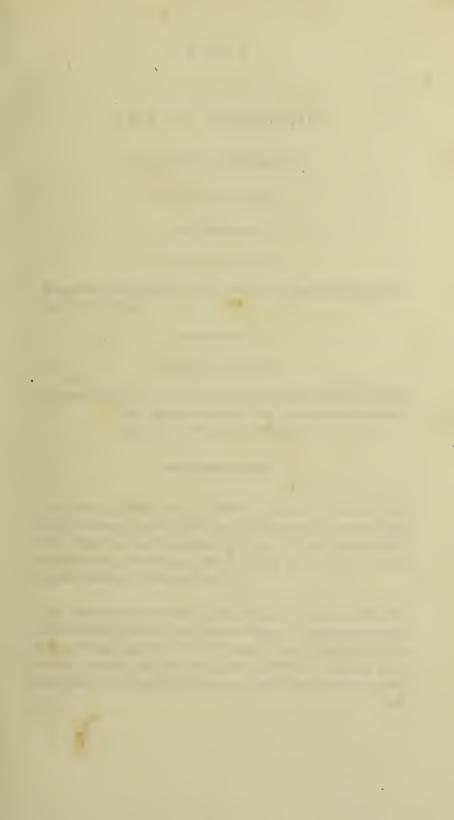




PLATE CCCCXLVII.

PHALÆNA URSULARIA.

THICK-HAIRED MOTH.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ tapering from the base: wings in general deflected when Fly by night. at rest.

GEOMETRA.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALÆNA URSULARIA. Thorax thickly clothed with hair: anterior wings pale brown, with undulated fuscous waves and dots: posterior pair whitish.

This moth possesses every character of a genuine Bombyx, and might be without fcruple referred to that fection, but for the authority of Mr. Drury who was fo fortunate as to rear it from the caterpillar; and which being of the looper kind decidedly proves it to be of the Geometra instead of Bombyx family.

The antennæ in this infect as in the Bombyces is much pectinated, the thorax thick, and the body large and bulky From its general habit it appertains therefore to the full bodied tribe of Geometræ, at the head of which we may rank the species Hirtaria. This last mentioned infect is so clearly of the Bombyx family from its general appear-

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ance, that if its larva had not been diffinely afcertained to be one of the loopers, we should have still considered it of the Bombyx kind. Our present insect bears some resemblance also to the species Hirtaria but is smaller.

Mr. Drury bred the two fexes of this extremely rare infect many years ago. These specimens are still preserved in the cabinet formed by that eminent collector, and are the only examples of the kind we have ever seen; neither is the species, which we believe to be persectly new, in the possession of any other collector within our knowledge.

Both fexes are represented in the annexed plate.





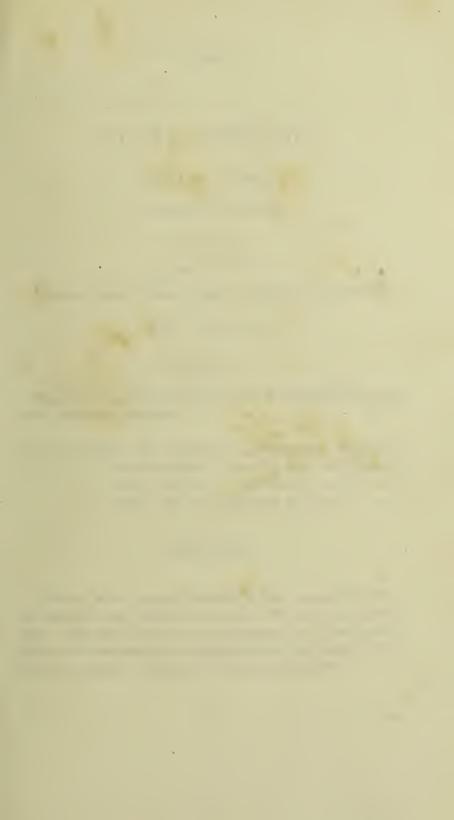




PLATE CCCCXLVIII.

PAPILIO ADIPPE.

HIGH BROWN FRITILLARY.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ clubbed at the end: wings erect when at rest: fly by day.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings indented, fulvous with black fpots; twenty three filver fpots on the posterior pair beneath.

Papilio Adippe: alis dentatis fulvis nigro maculatis: fubtus maculis 23 argenteis. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1066.—Gmel. Linn. Syst. Nat. p. 2334. n. 212.—Fabr. Ent. Syst. 3. 146. 448.—Syst. Ent. 517. 213.

The larva of this beautiful Butterfly is found on plants in May, and appears in the winged state in July. The larva is cinereous brown, with numerous rusous hairs and spines, and a dorsal white stripe, with a dark line along the middle, and the sides marked with a series of white spots. The pupa is suscous with silvery dots.

This species is scarce, and occurs chiefly near the skirts of woods. The larva is said to feed on the two species of wolet, viola odorata, and tricolor.





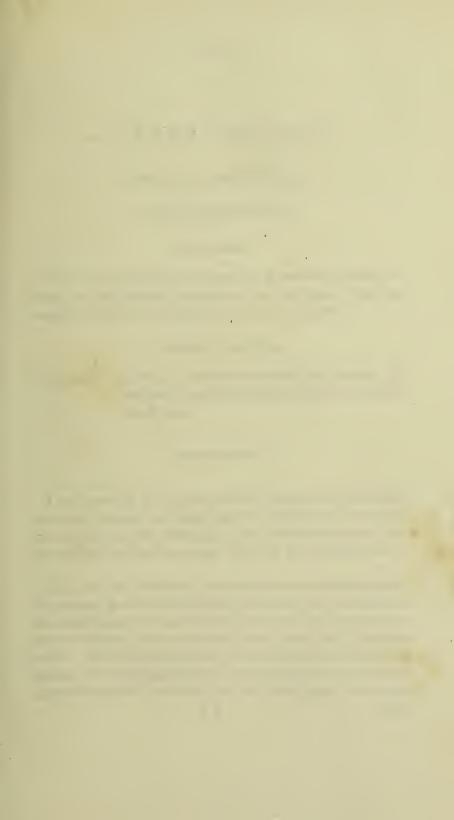




PLATE CCCCXLIX.

LIBELLULA BIGUTTATA.

BIMACULATED DRAGON FLY.

NEUROPTERA.

Mouth armed with jaws, more than two in number; lip trifid: antennæ very thin, filiform, and fhorter than the thorax: wings expanded: tail of the male furnished with a furcated process.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

LIBELLULA BIGUTTATA. Abdomen depressed and narrow; the first joint marked in the middle with two small yellowish spots.

A fmall brood of this curious species of Dragon fly was discovered about eight years ago in a marshy ground at Hampstead, since which time they have entirely disappeared. It is neither described by Linnæus or Fabricius, nor by any other writer we are acquainted with.

This new species is allied in its general aspect to the Libellula depressa: the abdomen as in that infect is flat, and rifing into a longitudinal ridge along the middle, but is confiderably narrower in proportion, and this circumstance is alone sufficient to prove that it is of a different species. The pale yellowish spots on the first joint of the abdomen at the base is also a striking character: two of these spots are placed contiguous to each other on the back, and two others appear one on each F 2

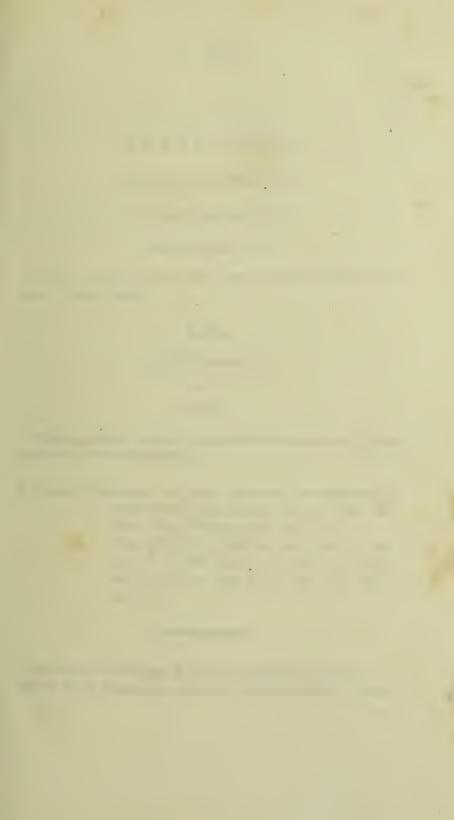
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fide, but so close to the lateral edge as to escape attention unless inspected closely. A similar lateral spot is perceptible likewise a little below these, neither of which are however so conspicuous as the two dorsal spots first mentioned. The wings are transparent with a common oblong testaceous stigma at the costal margin near the tip.

Libellula biguttata is reprefented in its natural fize in the annexed plate.







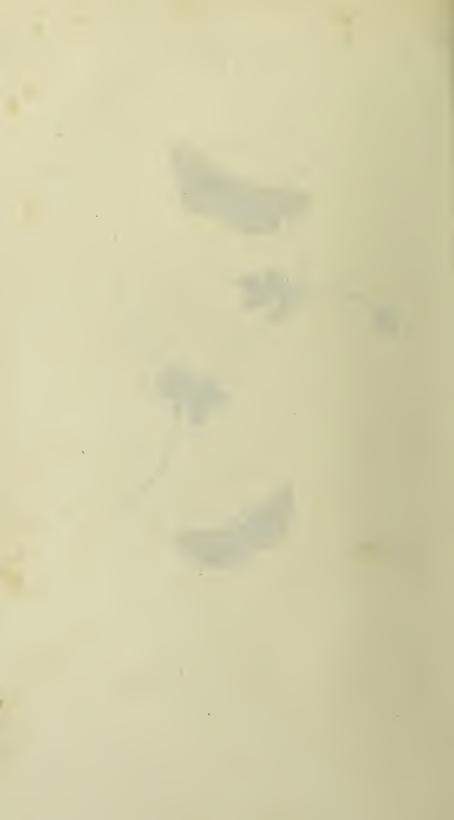


PLATE CCCCL.

PHALÆNA GRAMMICA.

FEATHERED FOOTMAN MOTH.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ tapering from the base: wings in general deflected when at rest. Fly by night.

Bombyx.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings pale yellow: anterior pair yellow striated with black; lower ones with a black terminal band.

PHALENA GRAMMICA: alis luteis: primoribus flavis nigro firiatis, posterioribus fascia terminali nigra. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1134.—Amoen. acad. 5. t. 3. f. 31.

Fabr. sp. ins. 2. p. 196. n. 113. Roef. 4. t. 21.
f. A. D. Geoffr. ins. p. 2. p. 115. n. 17. Schaff. icon. t. 92. f. 2. Ray Ins. p. 169. n. 28. and p. 280. n. 13.

We introduce this elegant species of the Moth tribe among the infects of Great Britain upon the most satisfactory authority, having

ourselves met with a living specimen of it in the Island of Anglesea some sew years ago. This occurred in the day time, in the month of September, under the shade of a little cluster of stones and bushes near Manachty, the northern extremity of the island, and at no great distance from the road to Gwyndy.

It is not entirely new as an English insect, having been described by Ray, but this is the only instance within our recollection, since the time of that writer, in which any naturalist is said to have meet with it in our country. In Germany, and several others parts of Europe it is not very unfrequent.

The specimen discovered by us is of the male sex, and is that represented in the upper part of the annexed plate. The lower figure is of the semale kind, which we have ventured to add, though taken from an exotic specimen in order to illustrate the history of this curious insect, the two sexes of which differ so materially that they might readily be mistaken for distinct species.

It rarely occurs to observation in the larva state: by some it is supposed to feed on the ash, while others affirm that its natural food is the plaintain. The larva is brown with a white dorsal line, and rusous legs. The pupa ferruginous.

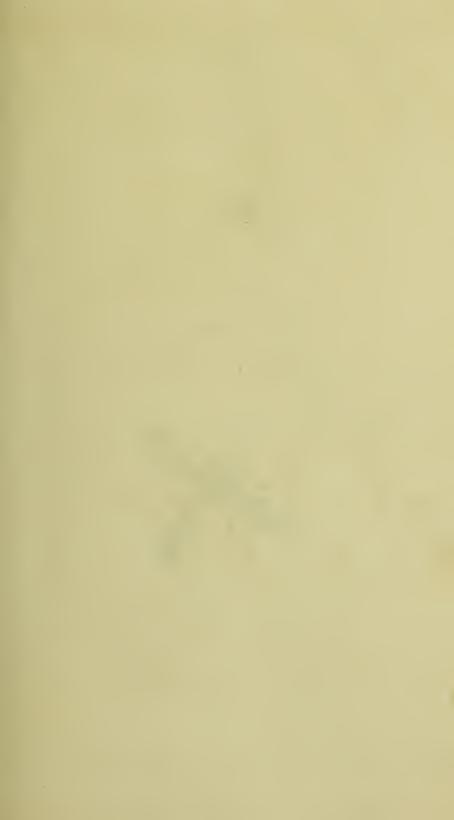








PLATE CCCCLI.

CONOPS PETIOLATA.

PETIOLATED CONOPS.

DIPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth with a projecting geniculated probofcis: antennæ clubbed and pointed at the end.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Antennæ black, with the club reddish: head yellow: abdomen petiolate.

CONOPS PETIOLATA: antennis nigris: clava rubra, capite flavo, abdomine petiolato. Gmel. Linn. Syst. Nat. p. 2894.

An example of this very rare, and elegant infect occurs in Mr. Drury's cabinet of British infects now in our possession: the particulars relative to its capture are however unknown to us. The species is evidently the *petiolata* of Gmelin, described by that writer, as it appears on the authority of Laxman as a native of Siberia. We have reason to apprehend that it is not figured in any work, and is only noticed as a species on the authority above mentioned.

The finallest figure denotes the natural fize. The general colour of this infect is black with a hoary cast, the petiole of the abdomen brownish

brownish red, and the club of the poisers yellow. Its wings are brown midway down from the costal rib, and becomes hyaline towards the thinner margin. The legs are reddish,









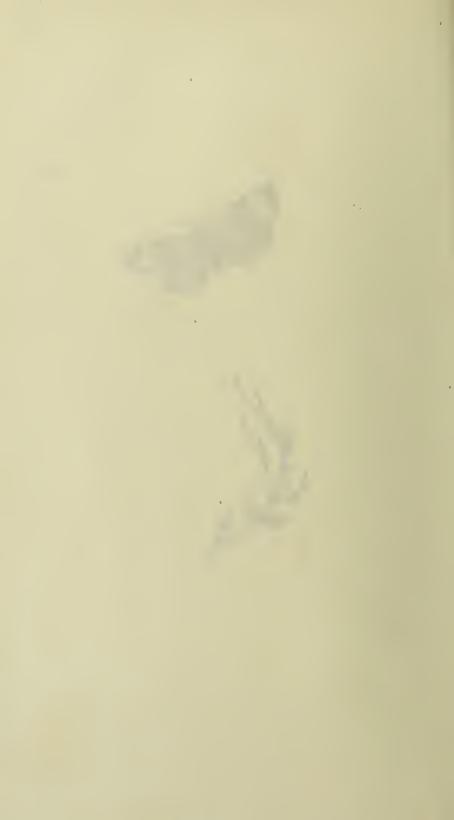


PLATE CCCCLII.

PHALÆNA FASCIELLA.

BANDED TINEA MOTH.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ tapering from the base: wings in general deslected when at rest. Fly by night.

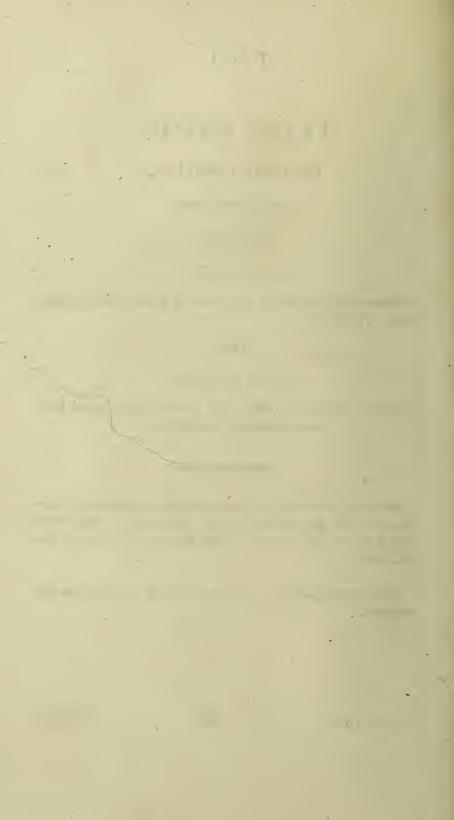
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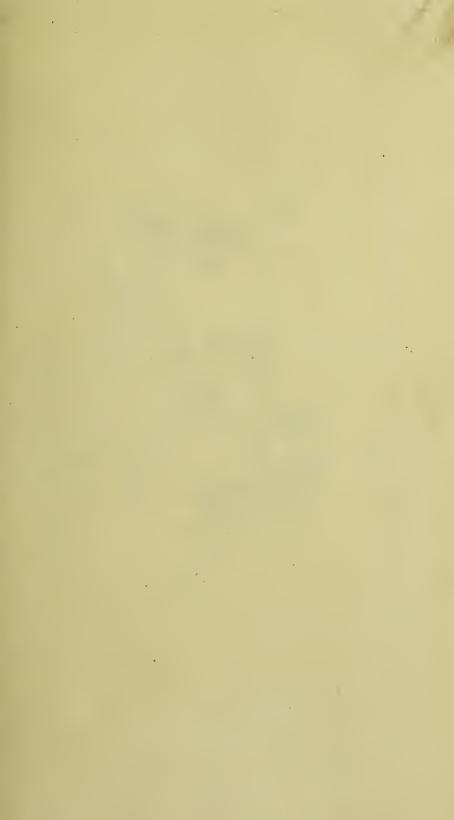
SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA FASCIELLA. Buff, with a broad greyish figured band across the middle: tip greyish.

An infect of finall fize, but extremely elegant, and fingular in its appearance. We met with the specimen on the fide of Dinas Brân Hill, in the Vale of Llangollen, North Wales, in the month of August, 1802.

This pretty acquisition is represented both in its natural size and magnified.









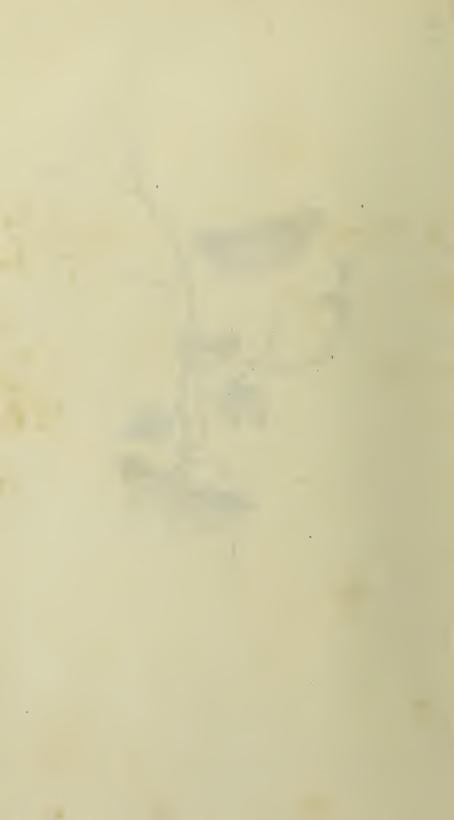


PLATE CCCCLIII.

FIG. I.

PHALÆNA AUROSIGNATA.

SCARCE PURPLE GOLDEN Y MOTH.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ taper from the base; wings in general deflected when at rest: sly by night.

Noctua.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA AUROSIGNATA. Anterior wings purplish varied with fuscous: in the middle a vermicular golden character irregularly lobate at one extremity.

This is an extremely scarce, and we believe, undescribed species. In its general appearance this curious insect is nearly allied to the Noctua interrogationis of Fabricius; it is as large as the Common Y Moth (Noctua gamma): the anterior wings are tinged with purple, and the slexuous mark in the middle of each golden. The habits of this species are unknown.

FIG. II.

PHALÆNA LEUCONOTA.

WHITE-BACKED MOTH.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA LEUCONOTA. Fuscous: thorax, back part of the anterior wings, and transverse band white: abdomen and posterior wings whitish.

A fingle specimen of this elegant and strikingly singular Phalæna, occurs in the cabinet of the late Mr. Drury; the figure in the annexed plate represents it in its natural size, and it is the only example of the species we have seen.

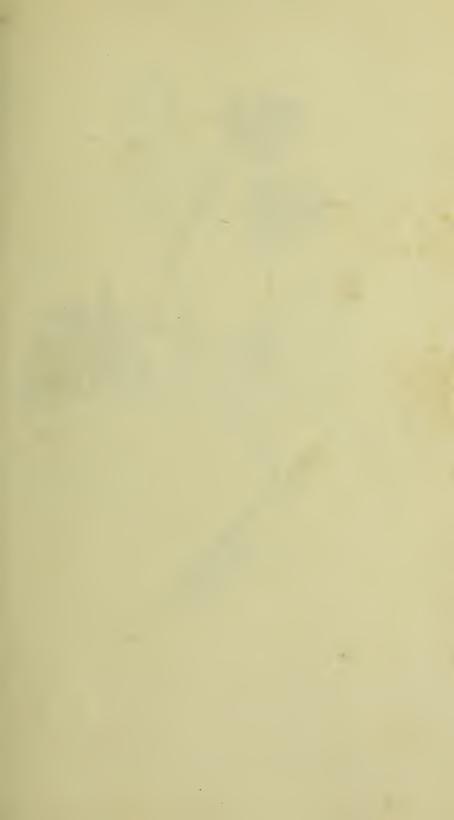








PLATE CCCCLIV.

PAPILIO CRATÆGI.

BLACK VEINED WHITE BUTTERFLY.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ terminating in a club: wings erect when at rest. Fly by day.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings white, entire; and veined with white.

Papilio Crategi: alis albis: venis nigris. Linn. Fn. Suec.

1034.—Gmel. Linn. yft. nat. p. 2257. n. 72.—
Fabr. Ent. Syft. T. 3. p. 182. 563.

Aldrov. inf. 246. f. 9.

Reaum. Inf. 2. t. 2. f. 9. 10.

Roef. Inf. I. p. 2. t. 3.

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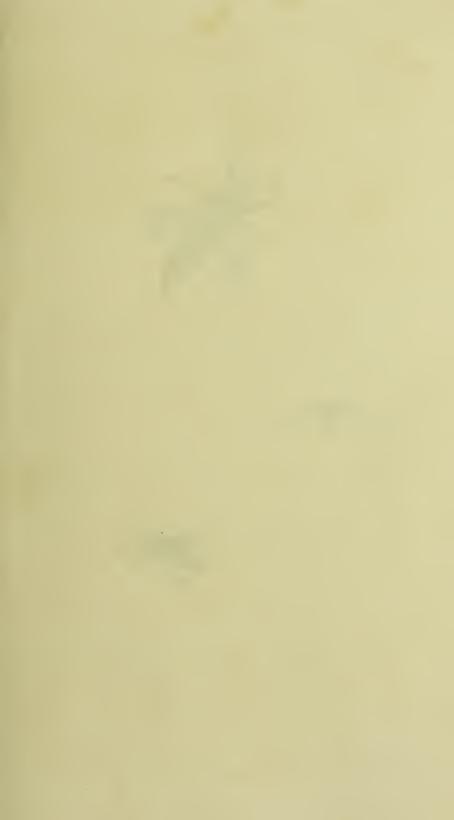
Schaff. ic. t. 140. f. 2. 3.

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Papilio Cratægi is one of the rarest species of the Danai candidi, or white tribe of butterslies found in Britain. It is a delicate, and by

no means inelegant infect, though altogether plain in its appearance; and may be readily diftinguished from the other analogous species, by the nerves both of the upper and lower wings being black, while the ground colour is white.

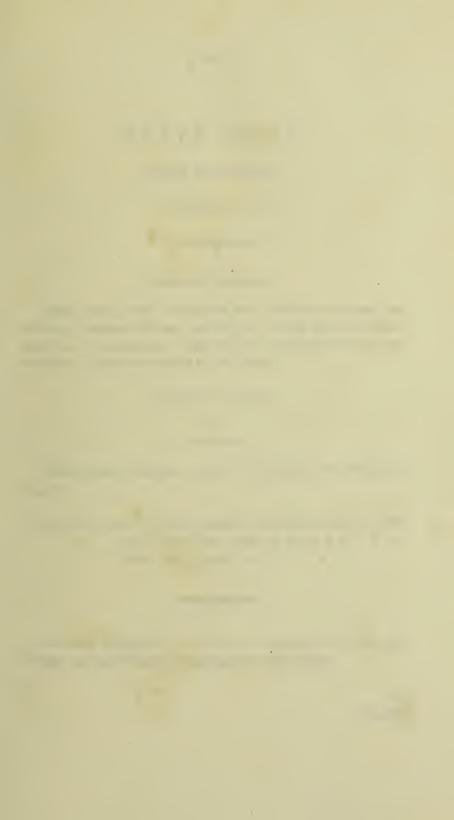
The larva feeds chiefly on the pear tree, or goofeberry, and is found in fpring. The perfect infect occurs in fummer, and is fometimes observed in gardens hovering about fruit trees, the nectareous juices of which afford it sustenance.











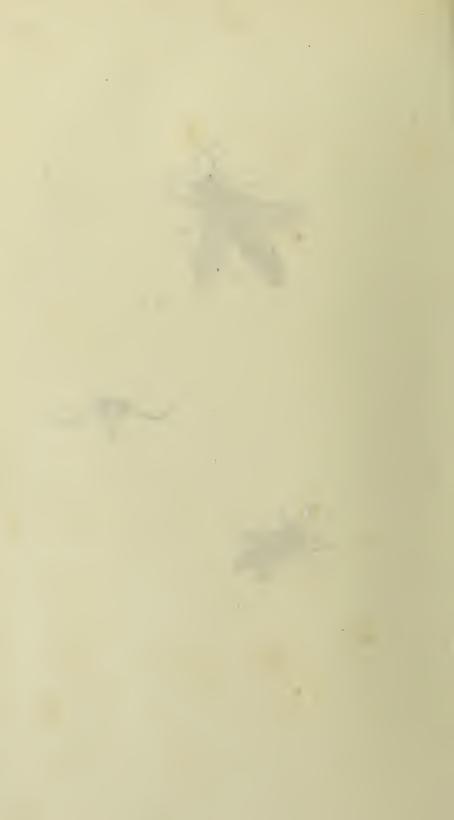


PLATE CCCCLV.

VESPA SEXCINCTA.

SIX BELLED WASP.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth horny, with a compressed jaw: feelers four, unequal and filiform: antennæ filifiorm, the first joint longest and cylindrical: eyes lunar: body glabrous: sting pungent, and concealed within the abdomen: upper wings folded in both sexes.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

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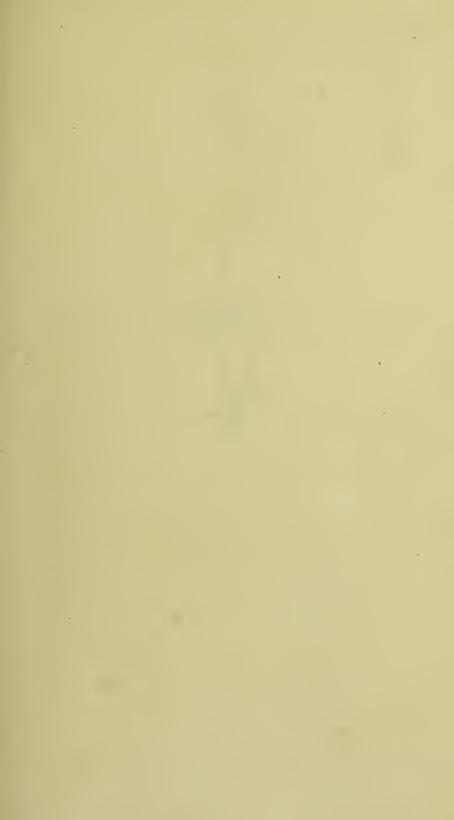
SYNONYMS:

Thorax spotted: abdomen with fix yellow bands, the first interrupted.

VESPA SEXCINCTA: thorace maculato: abdomine fasciis sex flavis primo interruptis. Fabr. sp. ins. I. p. 470. n. 7.

Mant. Ins. I. p. 295. n. 9.

Described by Fabricius as a native of Germany: it is a very rare British species, and has not been figured by any author.





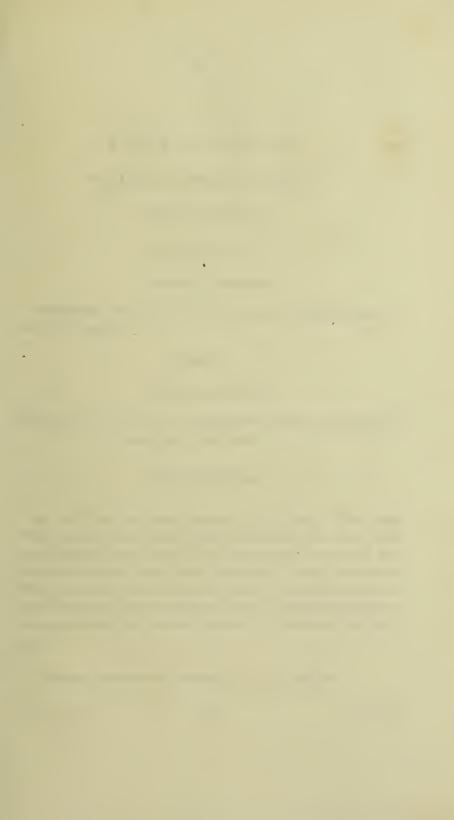




PLATE CCCCLVI.

PHALÆNA COMMUNIFASCIATA.

SINGLE STREAK MOTH.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ taper from the base: wings in general deslected when at rest. Fly by night.

GEOMETRA.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA UNIFASCIATA. Cinereous-buff with a fingle common fuscous streak in the middle.

An infect met with many years ago by Mr. Drury. The upper wings are pale cinereous buff colour, the lower ones of the fame teint but rather paler, and both are marked with a common fufcous ftreak extending entirely across the middle. A fingle row of dots form a line along the outer margin of all the wings, and another feries though much fainter traverse the upper wings midway between the common band, and the outer margin. It is extremely rare, if not unique.

The figure reprefents this curious infect in its natural fize.

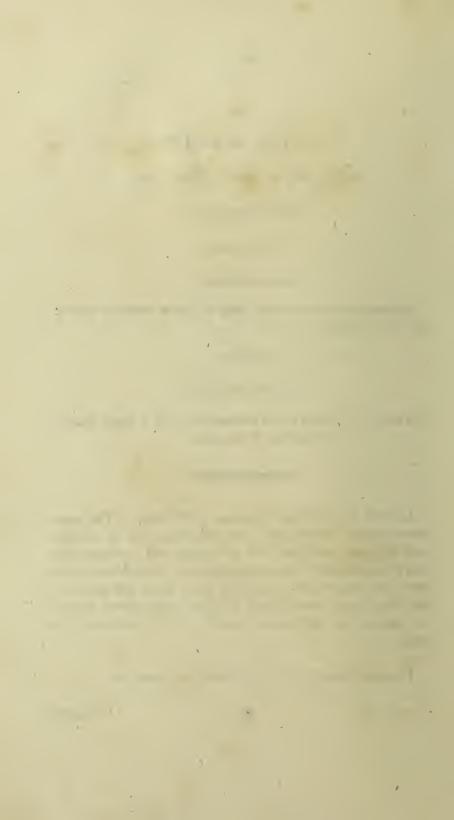












PLATE CCCCLVII.

BLATTA MADERÆ.

MADEIRA COCK ROACH.

HEMIPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head inflected: antennæ fetaceous: feelers unequal, and filiform: wing-cafes and wings fmooth, and fomewhat coriaceous: thorax rather flat, orbicular, and margined: legs formed for running: abdomen terminated in four spines or briftles.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

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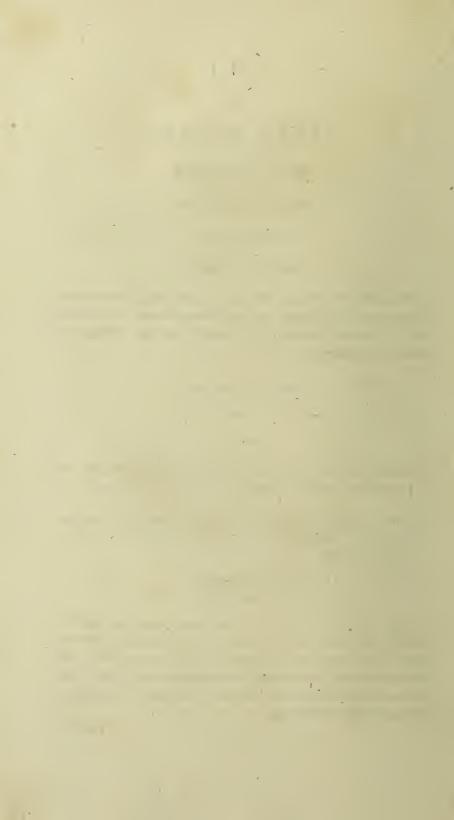
SYNONYMS.

Brown: thorax livid variegated with brown: wing-cases pale livid, the extreme half marked with numerous transverse brown lines.

BLATTA MADERÆ: fusca thorace elytrisque lividis susco variegatis. Fabr. Ent Syst. T. 2. p. 6, 119. 2.

A large species of the cock roach tribe which inhabits the island of Madeira, and from whence it has been lately introduced into this country with goods and merchandize as the common cock roach (Blatta orientalis) was originally from the eastern parts of the world. The species has not yet become common in England. Our specimen was taken by Mr. Stachbury.

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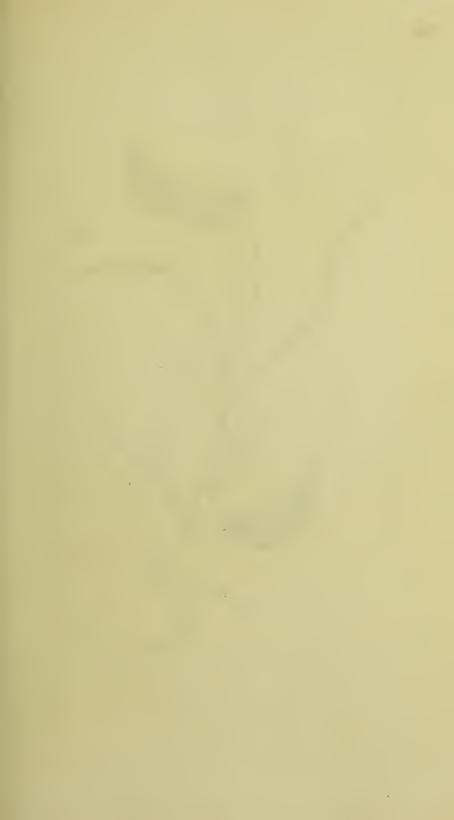








PLATE CCCCLVIII.

PHALÆNA GRAMINIS.

ANTLER MOTH.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ tapering from the base: wings in general deflected when at rest. Fly by night.

Bombyx.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings brown, with a trifurcated whitish line, and dot.

PHALENA GRAMINIS: alis grifeis: linea trifurca punctoque albidis.

Linn. Fn. Suec. 1140.—Act. Stockh. 1742. p. 40.

t. 2.

Fab. Spec. Inf. 2. p. 204. n. 148.

---- Syft. Ent. 2. 586. 106.

Frisch inf. 10. t. 21.

Noctua tricuspis Hiib. Schmet. 3. t. 60. fig. I.

This infect obtained the name of "Antler Moth" among the old collectors, in allufion to the trifurcated whitish mark on the anterior wings, which bears some resemblance to the antler of a stag. In this country the species is very uncommon; in some other parts of Europe on the contrary it is exceedingly abundant, and as it seeds on grass

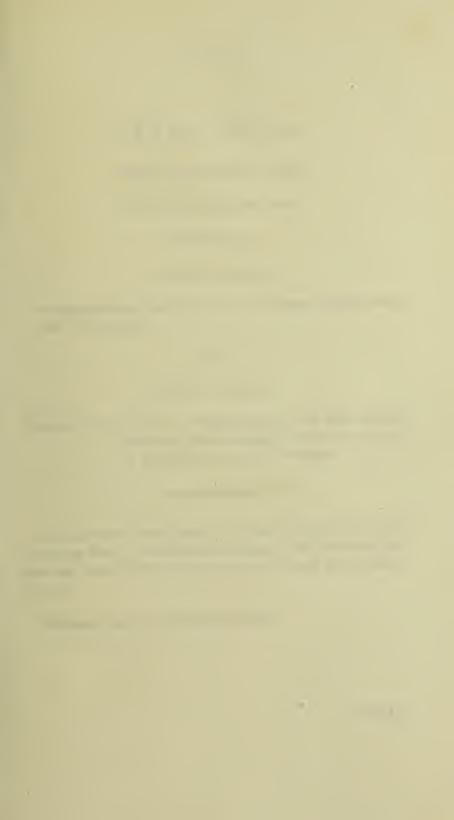
grafs is exceffively destructive. The ravages committed in the space of a single year by this Insect in the Swedish pastures has been estimated at a clear loss of a hundred thousand ducats.

The larva is fmooth, and dufky, with a dorfal yellow ftripe, and another of the fame colour on the fides. It is found at the roots of grafs; the winged infect in woods.









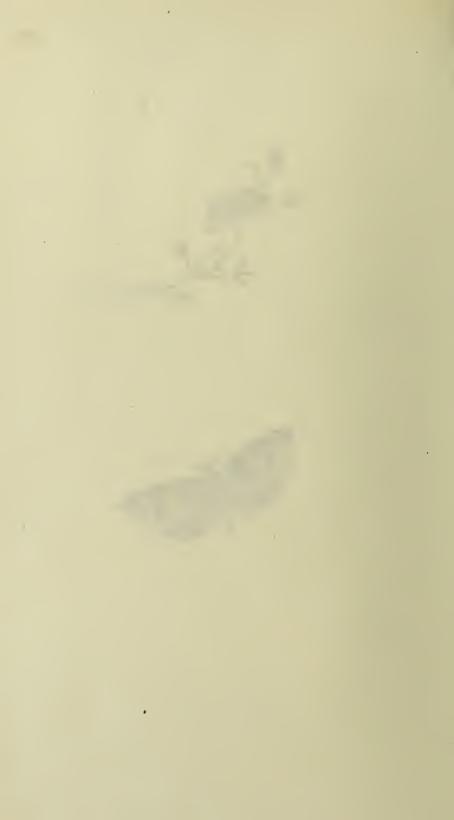


PLATE CCCCLIX.

PHALÆNA BIMACULANA.

BIMACULATED TORTRIX MOTH.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ tapering from the base: wings in general deflected when at rest. Fly by night.

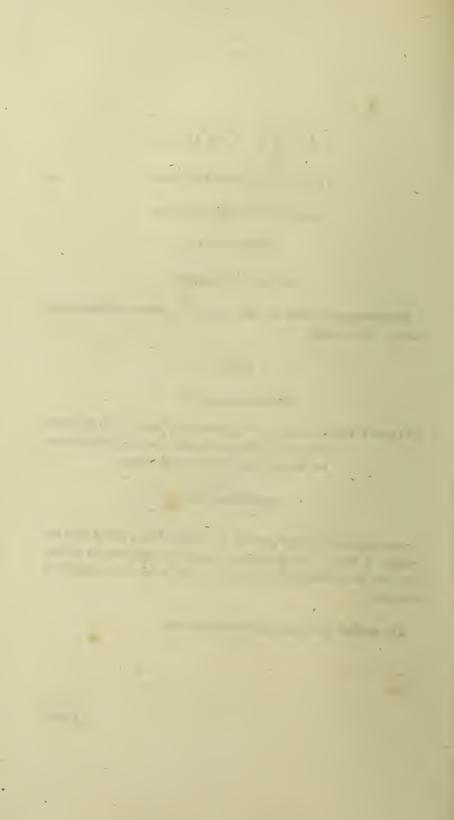
Tortrix

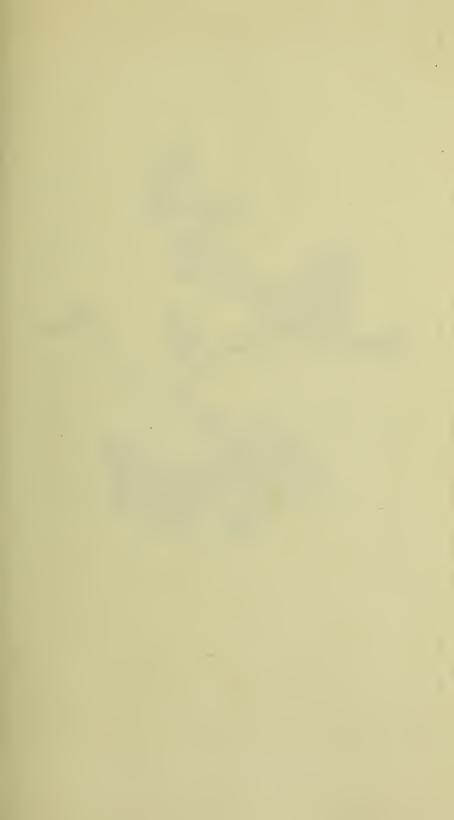
SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA BIMACULANA. Wings deep grey varied with transverse fuscous and testaceous bands: two large sub-triangular whitish spots on the interior margin.

An elegant and curious moth of the Tortrix family found near Faversham in Kent. The species is not apparently described by any author, and the present is the only specimen of its kind we recollect to have seen.

The fmallest figure represents the natural fize.









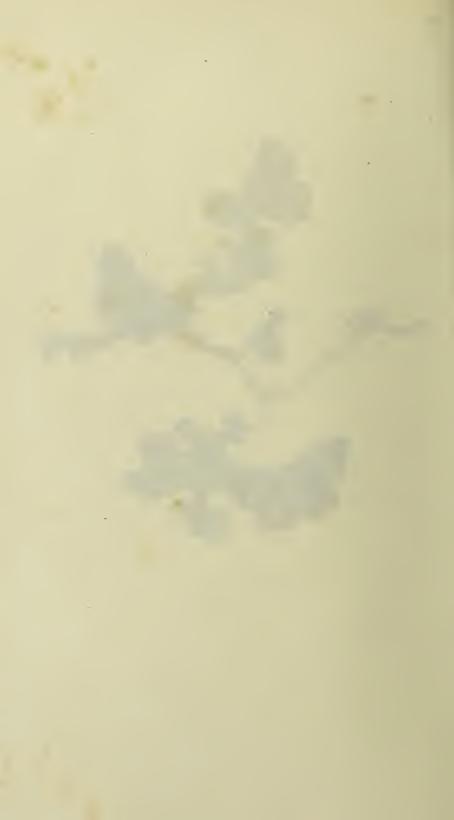


PLATE CCCCLX.

PAPILIO QUERCUS.

PURPLE HAIR-STREAK BUTTERFLY.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ terminating in a club: wings erect when at rest: fly by day.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings flightly tailed; blue above, beneath cinereous with a white freak, and double fulvous dot in the anal angle.

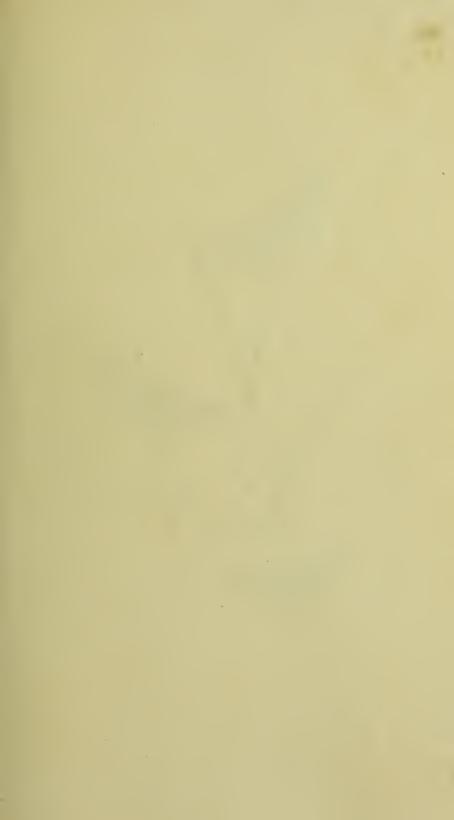
Papilio Quercus: alis fubcaudatis cærulescentibus, fubtus cineries: striga alba punctoque ani gemino fulvo. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1072.—Mus. Lud. Ulr. 314.—Gmel. Linn. Syst. Nat. I p. 2341.

HESPERIA QUERCUS. Fabr. sp. inf. 2. p. 113. n. 527.—Mant.
inf. 2. p. 69. n. 652.—Ent. Syst. 3. 278. 72.
Esper Schmet. t. 19. f. 2. c, a.
Albin Inf. t. 52. b. c.
Admiral Inst. t. 17.
Roem. Gen. t. 18. f. 10.

The Purple Hair Streak feeds on the Oak. The larva is fat, of a pale or rofy red colour, and marked with lines of green dots; the pupa gloffy, and ferruginous, with three dorfal lines of brown yol. xiii.

dots. This species is found in the larva state in June, the fly appears in July.

Both fexes of this Butterfly are of a blackish brown colour, but the male is distinguished by having a large cordated space of a rich blue colour in the disk of the anterior pair. This is an interesting species, and not by any means common.





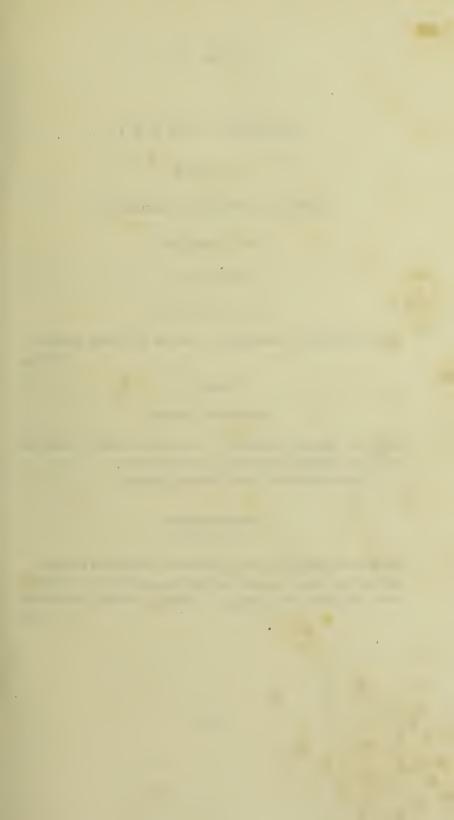




PLATE CCCCLXI.

FIG. I.

PHALÆNA MEDIOPUNCTARIA.

MIDDLE-DOT MOTH.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ taper from the base: wings deslected when at rest. Fly by night.

Geometra.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA MEDIOPUNCTARIA. Wings pale; anterior pair with two transverse waved lines and central dot of susceptibles; posterior pair with a single waved susceptible.

A pair of this fingular and decidedly marked Phalæna occurs in the collection of Mr. Drury, and these are the only examples of the species we have seen in any cabinet. It appears to be entirely of a new kind.

FIG. II.

PHALÆNA TRISTRIGARIA.

THREE-STREAK MOTH.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA TRISTRIGARIA. Anterior wings greyish, with three fmall black streaks at the tip, and a subtestaceous band across the middle: posterior wings immaculate.

This is an interesting species of that particular kind of moths called the Carpets. The general colour is faint reddish grey with a single irregular broad band of a somewhat testaceous hue across the middle of the anterior wings, and the space at the base of the wing is of the same colour rather paler. Towards the apex are three short black streaks, and a small triangular spot which seems to constitute one of the most essential characteristics of this species. The lower wings are pale brown, and immaculate.

We believe this Phalama is not described by any author.







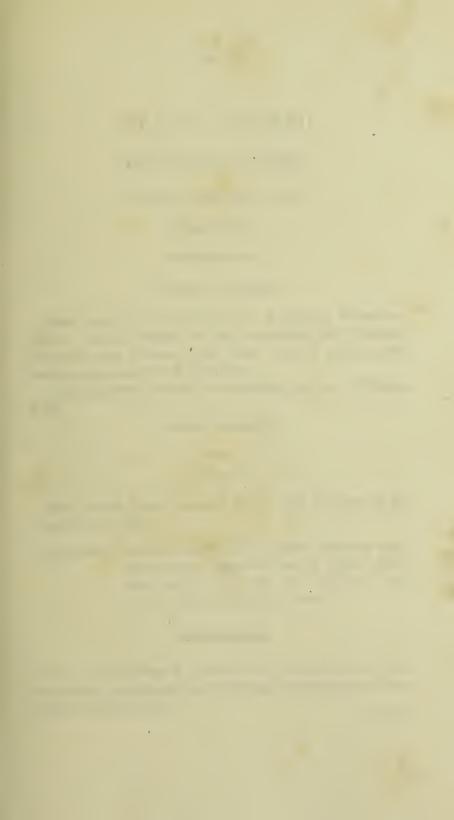




PLATE CCCCLXII.

PHILANTHUS FLAVIPES.

YELLOW LEGGED PHILANTHUS.

Vefpa Linn.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth horny, with a compressed jaw: feelers sour, unequal and filiform: autennæ filiform, the first joint longer and cylindrical: eyes lunar: body glabrous: upper wings solded in each sex: sting pungent, and concealed in the abdomen.

* Lip compressed, rounded and longer than the jaw. Philanthus Fabr.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

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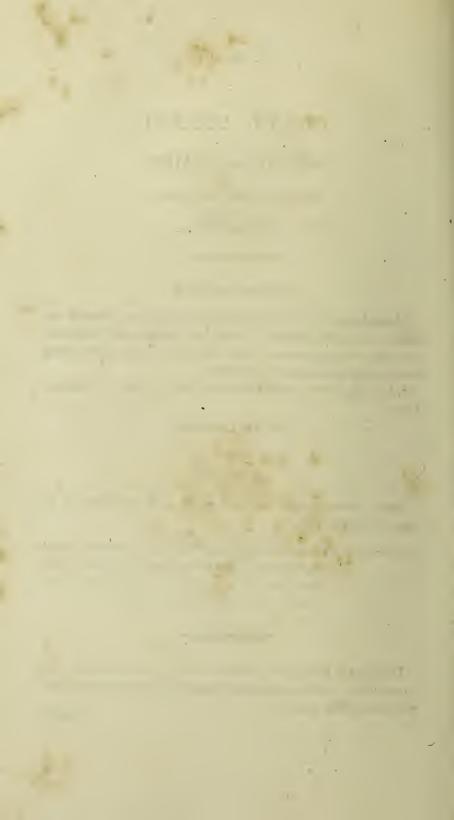
SYNONYMS.

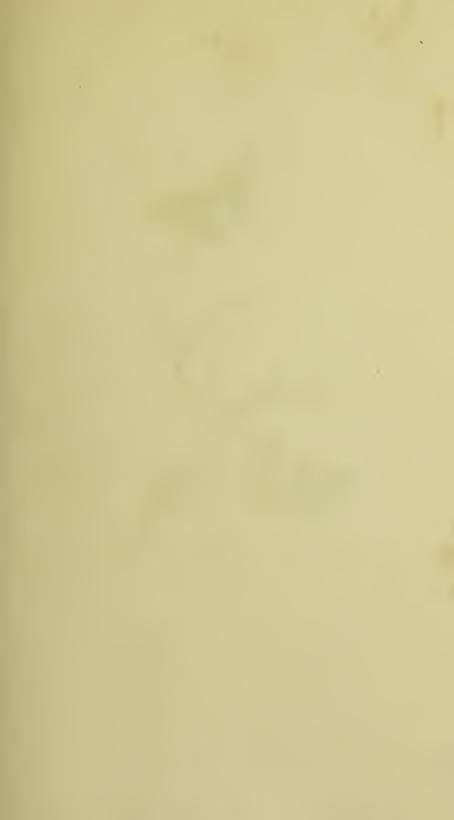
Black: thorax fpotted: abdomen yellow, with the edges of the fegments and tail black.

PHILANTHUS FLAVIPES: niger thorace maculato, abdomine flavo:
fegmentorum marginibus anoque nigris. Fabr.
Ent. Syst. T. 2. p. 290. n. 7.—CRABRO FLAVIPES. Fabr. Mant. Inst. I. 295. 8.

Described by Fabricius as a native of Italy, where it appears to be a rare insect; it is likewise found in Germany and England, but is not common in either country.

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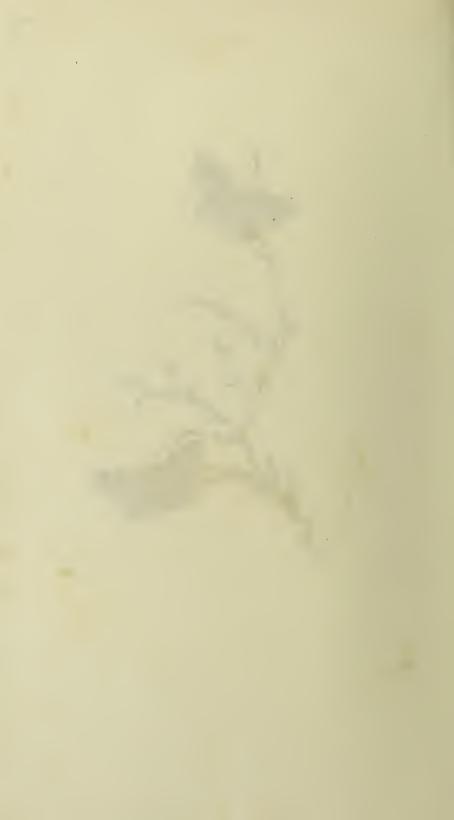


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PHALÆNA QUADRIPUSTULATA.

FOUR SPOT HEATH MOTH.

LEPIDOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

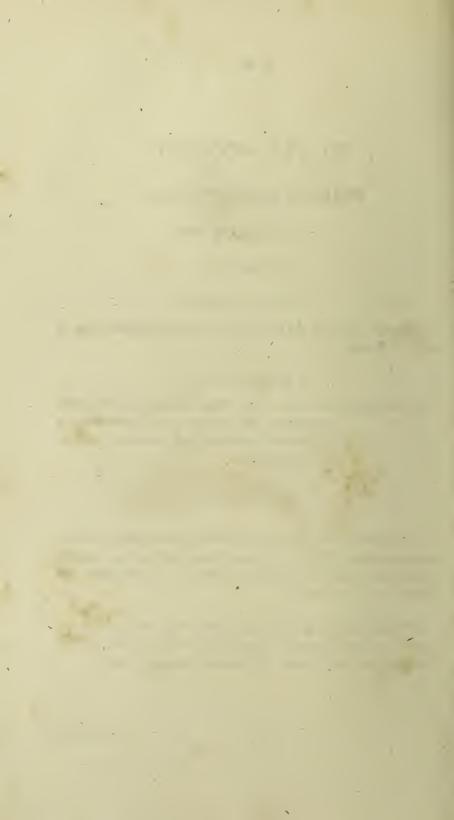
Antennæ taper from the base: wings in general deslected when at rest: sly by night.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

PHALENA QUADRIPUSTULATA. Wings fcalloped, greyish gloffed with purple, and speckled: a small whitish spot in the middle of each wing, and a common irregular line of dots behind.

An elegant and very rare species of the Geometra family with setaceous antennæ. This we discovered some years ago upon a fandy plain close to the Severn sea in the county of Glamorganshire, between Newton and Kensig.

This Infect was taken in the winged ftate the last week in July, and was observed to fly in the open day, just skimming the surface of the scanty herbage on the sands. Its flight was amazingly rapid.









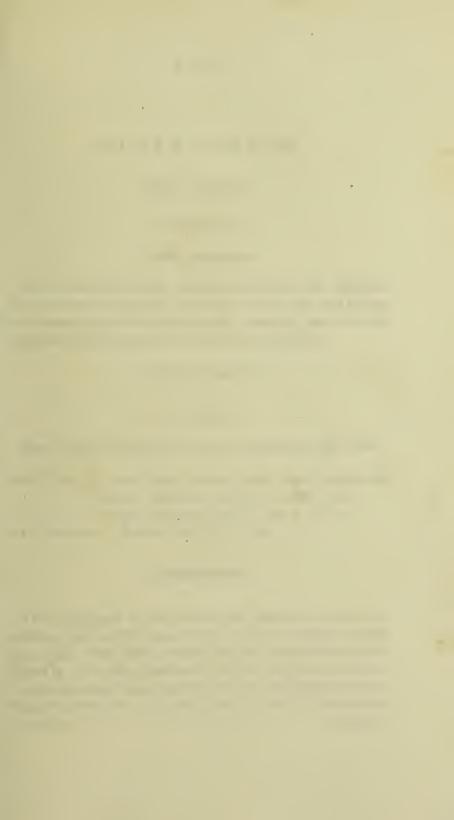




PLATE CCCCLXIV.

APIS VESTALIS.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth horny, jaw and lip membranaceous at the tip: tongue inflected: feelers four, unequal and filiform: antennæ short and filiform in the males, in the females subclavated: wings stat: sting of the females and neuters pungent and concealed in the abdomen.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Black, hairy, tail white with black tip: thorax at the base yellow.

APIS VESTALIS: atra, hiríuta, ano albo, apice nigro; thorace basí flavo. Kirby Ap. Angl. v. 2. p. 347. n. 95.

Geoffr. Hist. Ins. Par. 2. p. 419. n. 26.

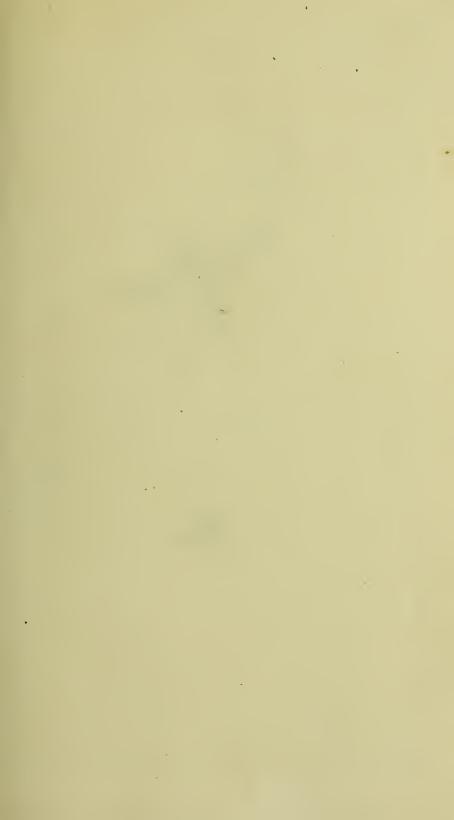
APIS VESTALIS. Fourcroy Ent. Par. n. 26.

The upper figure in the annexed plate represents the male, the lower the female, of this curious species; and both are shewn in their natural size. The semale is largest, and may be surthermore distinguished by having the sulvous band at the anterior part of the thorax as well as the white sascia at the posterior part of the abdomen broader than in the other sex. The white abdominal band in the semale is vol. XIII.

fomewhat interrupted by the black space at the tail pointing upwards, in the male its breadth is uniform throughout.

Mr. Kirby observes that Apis vestalis is one of the Bombinatrices, which like A. campestris and Barbutella have no instruments for carrying or preparing masses of pollen. The posterior tibiæ, of one specimen in his cabinet is covered from one end to the other with a thin coat of pale earth, mixed with particles of fand, which it is probable they employ in constructing their nests or cells. The species was known to Geoffroy, who describes it with accuracy except that he does not notice the black extremity of the vent*. The species is found on flowers in the summer.

[&]quot; * Cette grande espèce est noire. Le haut ou la base de son corcelet a une bande de poils jaunes citrons. Les deux tiers superieurs du ventre sont noirs, ensuite il y 2 quelques poils jaunes, et son extrémité est blanche."







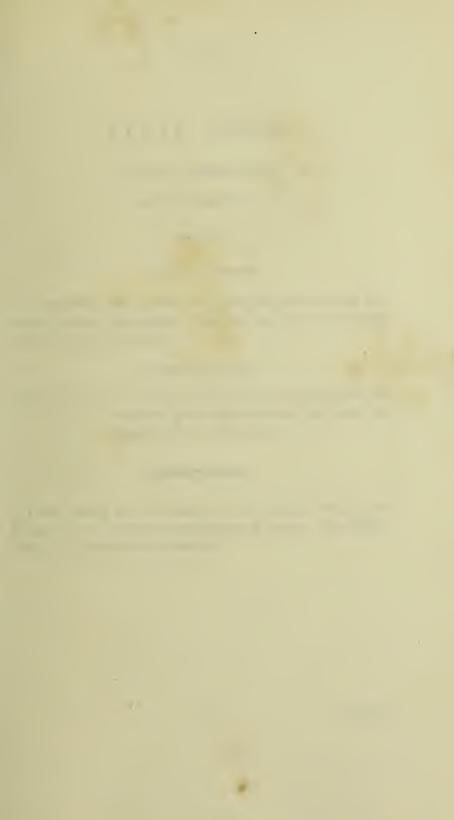




PLATE CCCCLXV.

MUSCA CINGULATA.

YELLOW GIRDLED MUSCA.

DIPTERA.

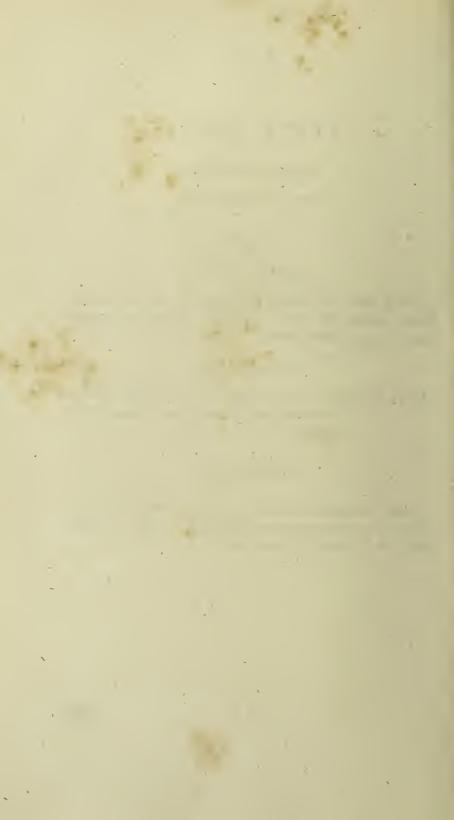
GENERIC CHARACTER.

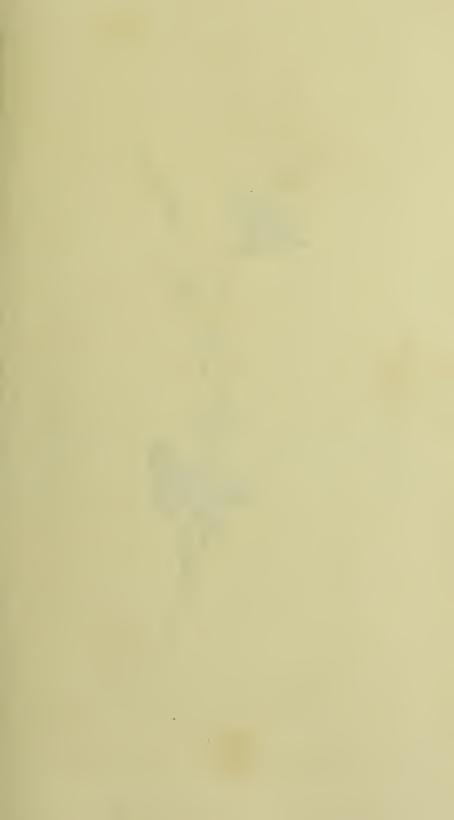
Mouth with a foft exferted fleshy proboscis and two equal lips: sucker furnished with bristles: feelers two, very short or sometimes none: antennæ generally short.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

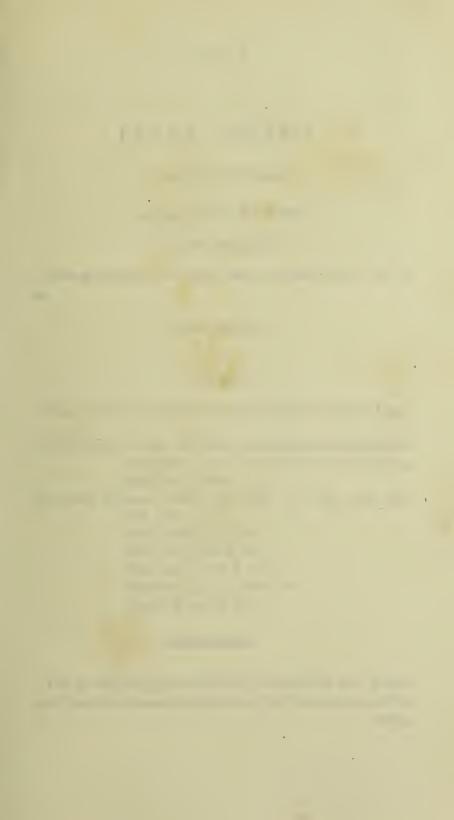
Musca cingulata. Deep velvetty black with a fingle yellow zone on the first joint of the abdomen: legs yellowish, extreme half of the thighs black.

Taken, though not in abundance, in the month of July, on the hedges near the road-side about Nutfield in Surrey. The fmallest figure, No. I. exhibits the natural fize.









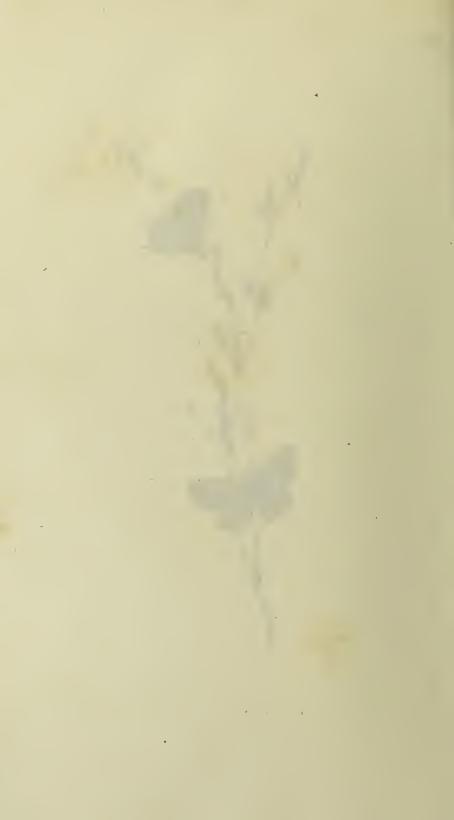


PLATE CCCCLXVI.

PAPILIO PHLÆAS.

COMMON COPPER BUTTERFLY.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ terminating in a club: wings erect when at rest. Fly by day.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings fub-entire, coppery fulvous spotted with black, beneath hoary.

PAPILIO PHLEAS: alis fubintegris fulvis nigro punctatis fubtus canefcentibus. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1078.—Gmel. Linn. Syft. Nat. I. 2258.

HESPERIA PHLEAS. Fabr. Ent. Syst. 311. 178.—Spec. Inf. 126. 570.

Petiv. Muf. 24. n. 317. Raj. Inf. p. 125. n. 20. Roef. inf. 3. t. 45. f. 5. 6. Geoffr. inf. p. 2. p. 65. n. 36. Schaff. Icon. 143. 3. 4.

This fplendid little species of Butterfly, is one of the most familiar kinds, being very common in almost every field and meadow, and delighting

lighting in funny fituations among the hedges on the road fides, or the most frequented foot paths, where it cannot easily escape the attention of the most casual observer.

The general colour on the upper furface is fulvous richly gloffed with a metallic luftre, and finely relieved with a great number of black fpots, which contribute to render its appearance when exposed to the vigorous rays of funshine equally brilliant and diversified. Its larva and pupa seem to be unknown; in the winged state it appears very common from April till the end of August.

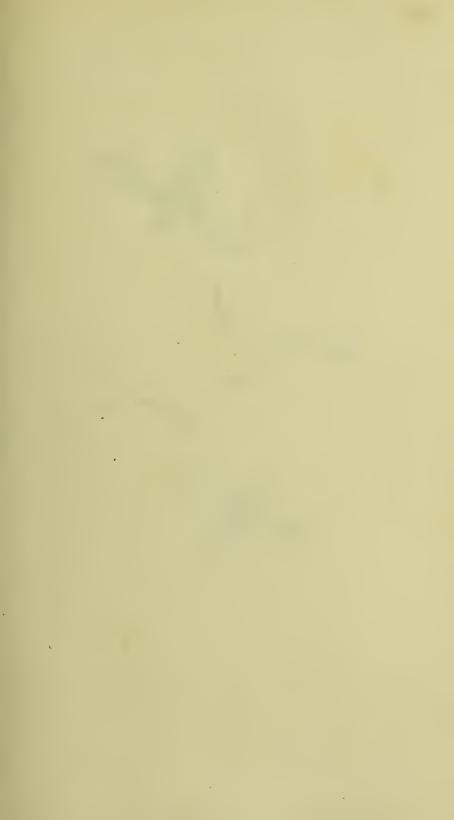








PLATE CCCCLXVII.

FIG. I. I.

MUSCA VIBRANS.

VIBRATORY FLY.

DIPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth with a foft exferted fleshy proboscis and two equal lips: sucker furnished with bristles: feelers two, very short, or sometimes none: antennæ generally short.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Wings hyaline with the tip black: head red.

Musca vibrans: alis hyalinis apice nigris, capite rubro. Linn. Fn. Suec. 1867.—Degeer. Inf. 6. p. 32. n. 11. t. 1. f. 19.

Found about trees, and diffinguished in its flight by the brisk vibratory motion of its wings.

` The figure refting on the leaf in the annexed plate denotes the natural fize, that in the upper part of the plate its magnified appearance.

FIG. II. II.

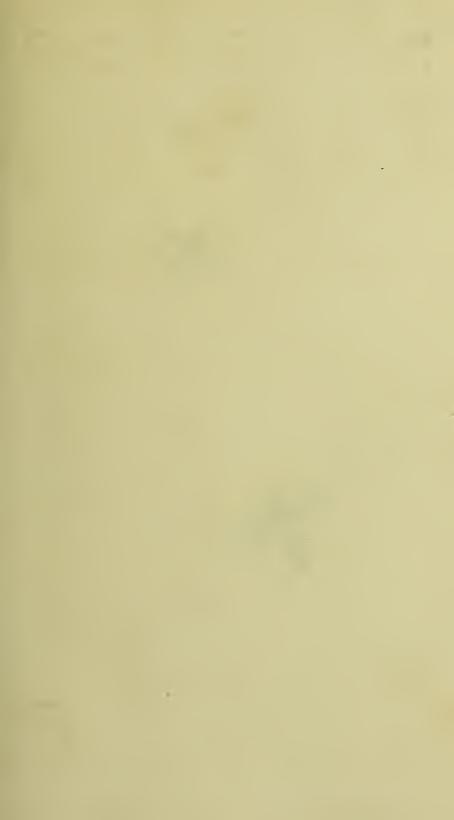
MUSCA QUADRISTRIGATA.

FOUR STREAKED FLY.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

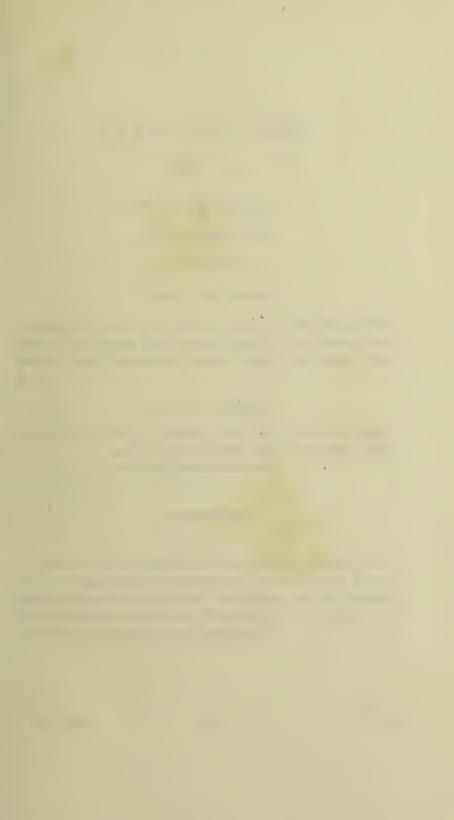
Musca Quadristrigata. Brown: band furrounding the eyes, four freaks on the thorax, and fcutel yellow.

A minute species represented in its natural size by the smallest figure in the lower part of the plate. Its magnified appearance is shewn below.









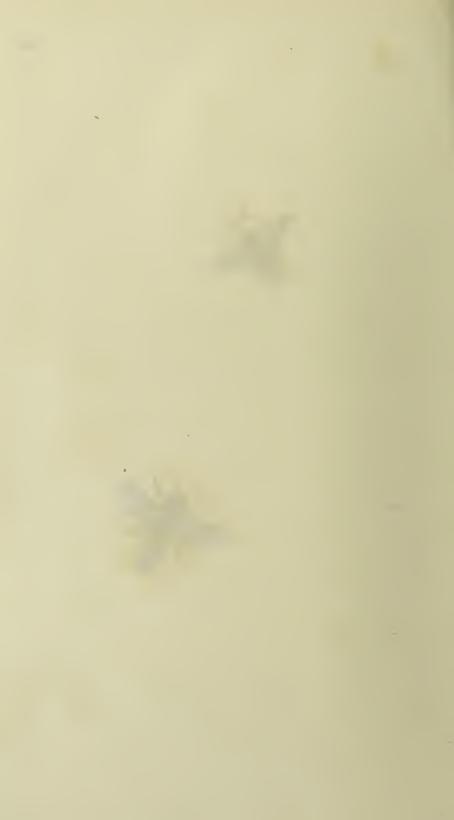


PLATE CCCCLXVIII.

FIG. I,

VESPA FLAVICINCTA.

YELLOW BANDED WASP.

HYMENOPTERA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Mouth horny, jaws compressed: feelers four, unequal: antennæ filiform, with the first joint long and cylindrical: eyes lunate: body glabrous: sting pungent, and concealed: upper wings folded in both fexes.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

VESPA FLAVICINCTA. Antennæ yellow, the extreme half black: head and thorax black, with yellow fcutel: abdomen black banded with yellow.

A specimen of this insect occurs in the cabinet of Mr. Drury, without any information relative to its capture. It is a species of the middle size as appears from the sigure in the upper part of our plate, which exhibits the natural size. This insect is not noticed in the works of any writer that we are acquainted with.

FIG. II.

AMMOPHILA ARENARIA.

LONG WINGED SAND-WASP.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Snout conic, inflected, concealing a bifid retractile tubular tongue; jaws forcipated, and three toothed at the tip: antennæ filiform in each fex, and confisting of about fourteen joints: eyes oval: wings flat; sting purgent and concealed in the abdomen.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER

AND

SYNONYMS.

Black: petiole of a fingle articulation, and with the first three joints rufous: wings length of the body.

SPHEX ARENARIA: hirta nigra abdominis petiolo uniarticulato: fegmento fecundo tertioque rufis, alis longitudine corporis. Fabr. Ent. Syst. T. 2. p. 199. n. 2. Linn. Trans. 4. p. 206.

Distinguished from Sphex sabulosa to which it seems at first glance nearly allied by the shortness of the petiole which connects the body to the thorax, that part being remarkably long, and consisting of two joints in the above mentioned species. Like that Insect Ammophila arenaria, inhabits sandy places, and appears most lively in the sun shine.—The sigure in the lower part of the annexed plate represents this insect in its natural size.

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