

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

G. B.—*Polyommatus Arion* and *Thecla Pruni* will both appear about the second week in July, earlier if the season be forward.

F. N.—Your insect is the variety of *Agestis* termed *Salmacis*.

H. R. C. — *Tortrix Viridana*, vol. ii. p. 198.

G. G. M., FRANKFURT.—Die *Butalis* Raupen sind glücklich angekommen; die Art ist *Fusco-ænea*, Haworth. Meine beste Danken dafür.

E. H.—The *Illigerella* are only *Depressaria Angelicella*! H. T. made the same mistake last year, so console yourself; thanks for your good intentions.

CAPTURES.

LEPIDOPTERA.

Polyommatus Arion.—It is with pleasure that I write to inform you that I have taken (within six miles of this town) *P. Arion* in tolerable abundance. They are to be found in three different localities near here, and I took three pairs of them as early as the 8th of this month; these were in excellent condition, but those which I took yesterday are, I am sorry to say, overflown. I also saw a very fine specimen of *Aporia Cratægi* yesterday, but the wind was up, and I could not catch him.—W. H. COMYN, *Wolseley Villa, Cheltenham*; June 16.

Erastria venustula.—On the 13th inst. I made a capture of two specimens of that very rare species *Erastria venustula* in Epping Forest. I took them during a smart shower of rain. One of them is a beautiful specimen of the insect, and tallies with the description in the 'Manual,' with the exception that the rosy tinge is spread over the whole of the fore wing, deepening towards the centre.—JOHN BAKER, 7, Blossom Street, Norton Folgate, N.E.; June 20.

COLEOPTERA.

Coleoptera at Down.—We three very young collectors have lately taken, in the parish of Down, six miles from Bromley, Kent, the following beetles, which we believe to be rare, namely, *Licinus silphoides*, *Panagus 4-pustulatus* and *Clytus mysticus*. As this parish is only fifteen miles from London, we have thought that you might think it worth while to insert this little notice in the 'Intelligencer.'—FRANCIS, LEONARD & HORACE DARWIN.

OBSERVATIONS.

Larva of Mæsia Belgiaria.—During the past week I have bred several fine specimens of this insect, from larvæ found feeding on heath at West Wickham. I have also bred *C. rotundaria*, from larva found on sallow at Colchester.—D. T. B.

EXCHANGE.

Melitæa Artemis.—Having taken a quantity of this species, I should be glad to exchange it for any common local species of either moth or butterfly. My collection is small, and therefore anything local would be useful. I will pay one half of postage.—WILLIAM HOLCROFT, *Upholland, Wigan*.

Pterostoma palpina.—Any of my old correspondents can have eggs of this insect by enclosing addressed envelope.—G. GASCOYNE, *Newark*; June 20.

Arctia Villica.—I have larvæ of this species to spare, and shall be glad to hear from those in want of it, at the same time stating what they will give in exchange. In the 'Manual' I see that September is given as the month in which the eggs are hatched; but the larvæ which I have now on hand were hatched about the 3rd and 4th of this