

New Records of Insects on Molokai, and Miscellaneous Notes

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Bactra truculenta Meyrick.

The nutgrass moth was taken at light at Kaunakakai, June 6, 1932. It is the first record of its occurrence on Molokai.

Monopis meliorella (Walker).

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Polynema reduvioli Perkins.

Four of this egg-parasite of *Reduviolus* were reared from *Chaetochloa verticillata* grass, collected at Kaunakakai, June 6, 1932. No doubt the grass stems contained eggs of *Reduviolus capsiformis* (Germ.), as this bug was observed to be present where the grass was collected. It is the host for this mymarid. The parasite was not previously recorded from Molokai.

Leptomastidea abnormis (Girault).

Three of this parasite were reared from *Pseudococcus kraunhiae* (Kuwana) on seed pods of *Stictocardia campanulata*, at Mapulehu, April 4, 1932. It had not previously been recorded from Molokai. From the same material, two *Pauridia peregrina* Timberlake also issued. Both are parasites on the mealybug.

Marietta graminicola Timberlake.

This parasite issued from *Trionymus insularis* Ehrhorn, collected at Kaunakakai, June 6, 1932. It is considered to be a hyperparasite of mealybug parasites.

Oxacis collaris (Sharp).

This oedemerid beetle was quite common at light at Kaunakakai, Molokai, June 6, 1932. An undetermined species of *Ananca* was also collected at light at the same time.

Crociosema lantana Busek.

This tortricid moth was found infesting pods of *Bignonia chrysis-*

antha at Kaunakakai, June 6, 1932. *Tecoma stans*, a closely related plant, has been reported with terminal twigs bored by larvae of this moth in Honolulu, several times in recent years.

Chloridea obsoleta (Fab.).

A caterpillar of this moth was found feeding on *Euxolus* at Mapulehu, June 6, 1932. This is an addition to the numerous host plants of this moth.

Argyroploce illepida (Butler).

Several of this moth issued from fruits of *Sapindus oahuensis* collected on Niu Ridge, June 4, 1932. It is probably a new host record for this moth.

Cosmophila vulpicolor Meyrick.

Two of this moth matured from caterpillars collected on *Osteomeles anthyllidifolia* on Niu Ridge, June 4, 1932.

Plagithmysus cuneatus Sharp.

Several specimens of this beetle matured from larvae collected on *Sapindus oahuensis* on Niu Ridge, June 4, 1932. Two beetles also issued from the same material, which proved to be a new species, as yet unnamed.*

Vanessa atalanta (Linn.).

A ragged specimen of this butterfly was collected on Kumuwela Ridge, Kauai, June 27, 1932. This is the first record of this butterfly on any of the Islands except Hawaii, where it has been known for quite a long while.

Tromatobia rufopectus (Cresson).

Five of this parasite issued from a spider egg-cocoon collected on a leaf of *Dianella odorata* at Kumuwela, Kauai, June 25, 1932. There were five dead pupae remaining in the same egg-cocoon. This is the same parasite reported by Mr. Rosa at a previous meeting as having been reared from an egg-cocoon of *Argiope avara*. The identity of the Kauai spider egg-cocoon is not known, but it was not *Argiope*.

* Described by Perkins on page 265 of this issue. [Ed.]