

and *macra*, Lec., as being only varieties (races) of *C. cuprascens*."— (Entomologische Nachrichten, Berlin, Jahrgang xxiii. (1897), No. 2, Seite 17–20.)

Kansas has two remarkable collecting localities for Cicindelidæ: the salt flat near Kackley, and the sand hills south-west of Medora, in Reno County. At the former locality, from July 1st to the 15th, can be found *Tetracha virginica*, *Cicindela fulgida*, *punctulata*, *sperata* var., *circumpicta* and *togata*. At the latter locality, from May 1st to June 1st, occur *Cicindela scutellaris*, *Lecontei*, *splendida*, *formosa*, *venusta*, *vulgaris*, *repanda*, *hirticollis* and *punctulata*.

To the thirty species and varieties herein enumerated as occurring in Kansas, other species will from time to time be added, as collectors more thoroughly explore Western Kansas.

CYANIRIS PSEUDARGIOLUS, BOISDUVAL AND LECONTE.

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Mr. Butler's proposal to alter the well-known and universally accepted name of this species to *C. ladon* is one against which I must enter my strongest protest. Whatever species Cramer's figure may have been intended to represent, it certainly, in my copy, is not in the least like *pseudargiolus*, and even if it were like it, it is impossible now to say what *C. ladon* was. I will go further and say that even if it were possible now to prove that *C. ladon* was the same as *pseudargiolus*, the attempt to enforce the strict rule of priority in such a case as this would be contrary to good sense, and detrimental to the uniformity of nomenclature to which we hope some day to attain. Entomologists as well as botanists are now beginning to realize the impossibility of adapting the old rules of nomenclature to cases like this; and though I have little fear that any one is likely to follow Mr. Butler, yet it is just as well to let American Entomologists know that his dictum carries no authority in Europe. *Pseudargiolus* is certainly a much more appropriate name than *ladon*, because it indicates the near affinity of the American species to *C. argiolus*, Linn.

We deeply regret to learn that the Rev. Dr. Fyles, South Quebec, President of the Entomological Society of Ontario, met with a very painful accident a few weeks ago. He slipped upon a snow-covered board, and falling dislocated his ankle and fractured the socket. He has been confined to his bed ever since. His numerous friends unite in sympathy for him and in the earnest hope that he may speedily recover his health and strength.