

I recorded the advent of *L. leautieri* (Blair's Shoulder-knot) in Winchester last year (in *Ent. Rec.*, 89: 23). Although it was only possible to run the trap on about two nights in 1977 when *leautieri* was likely to be about, five specimens appeared between 7th and 22nd October. These, together with last year's, would indicate that this species is now well established in the neighbourhood.

1978 has produced an extraordinarily early record for *I. seriata* (Small Dusty Wave). A recently emerged ♀ was found resting on a fence just inside V.C.11 on 7th January by Mr. M. J. Sterling. — Col. D. H. STERLING, "Tangmere", 2 Hampton Lane, Winchester, Hants., SO22 5LF.

ISLE OF MAN LEPIDOPTERA, 1977. — It may be worth reporting some of the lepidoptera recorded here in 1977, during the fortnight beginning on 20th June. *Bembecia muscaeformis* Esp. (Thrift Clearwing), was seen in good numbers at a spot on the west coast on 22nd June. I flushed a female *Setina irrorella* L. (Dew Moth), from grass on the clifftop at Niarbyl the same day, in bright sunshine. Quite a careful search of grassheads, etc., in the same place early one morning a few days later, failed to reveal any more. Dusking at sea campion at various rocky places seemed to indicate that *Hadena caesia* Borkh. (The Grey), is not a common species, and I netted one only.

It was interesting to find *Pyrausta sanguinalis* L.; two at Rue Point on 23rd June, and one at the Ayres on 3rd July. One specimen of the Cochylid, *Aethes cnicana* Westw. came to mercury vapour light at Ballaugh on 29th June; and a single *Narycia marginepunctella* Steph. (Tineidae), occurred at Ballaugh Currags on 30th June. Two other species, *Argyresthia conjugella* Z. and *A. laevigatella* H.-S. (Yponomeutidae) (both confirmed at BMNH), were taken singly at Tholt-y-Will Glen on 2nd July. These five species are not recorded in Chalmers-Hunt, *The Butterflies and Moths of the Isle of Man* (1970), and so may be new to Man.

Other of the smaller moths noted were: Pyralidae. *Aphomia sociella* L., Ballaugh; *Crambus pratellus* L., South Barrule; *Scoparia ambigualis* Treits., Ballaugh; *Pempelia dilutella* Hb., Rue Point; *Pyrausta cingulata* L., the Ayres. Cochylidae. *Agapeta hamana* L., Ballaugh. Tortricidae. *Cydia succedana* D. & S., Ballaugh; *Olethreutes lacunana* D. & S., South Barrule; *Aphelia viburnana* D. & S., South Barrule; *A. paleana* Hb., Ballaugh beach; *Pseudargyrotoza conwagana* F., Kirk Michael. Glyphipterygidae. *Glyphipteryx thrasonella* Scop., Ballaugh Currags. None of the larger moths, apart from those mentioned, or of the butterflies seen were of any particular interest, though a *Deilephila porcellus* L. (Small Elephant Hawk), which turned up at Ballaugh, is perhaps worth recording. — Dr. F. H. N. SMITH, "Turnstones", Perrancoombe, Perranporth, Cornwall. [The discovery on the Isle of Man of the beautiful and exceedingly local Pyralid, *Pyrausta sanguinalis*, is of great interest. — J.M.C.-H.]