

Anal legs both in male and female long and slender.

Genital appendages of male long and conspicuous; composed of three distinct articles, of which the ultimate is conical and terminates in a stout bristle.

Claw of gonopods of female undivided; basal spines 2 + 2, conical distally, cylindrical or somewhat clavate proximally.

Length of male, 10.5 mm.; width at eighth dorsal plate, 1.4 mm. Female shorter, in length 8.5 mm., and more slender, the width at eighth dorsal plate being 1.1 mm. Length of anal legs in male ad 4.6 mm.

Localities.—Berkeley and Mill Valley.

This is the second species of *Buethobius* to become known. In the case of the type species, *B. oabitus* Chamberlin, found in Mississippi, all the specimens found had the gonopods terminating in claws, thus appearing to be females. The character of the appendages in the male is interesting, these appendages differing from those in the female only in lacking the terminal claw and the basal spines. It may be found that in *Lamyctes*, *Zygethobius*, etc., even these differences do not occur, and that the males and females have not been distinguished heretofore in consequence.

THE POTATO BEETLE, *DORYPHORA DECEMLINEATA*, EATING THE EGGS OF ITS KIND.

While ridding some early potatoes of beetles at Westbrook, Maine, in June, 1911, masses of their eggs were frequently noticed, which had part or all of their contents emptied, leaving the shrivelled coverings on the leaf. My curiosity was aroused, but was shortly to be satisfied. In the large tin pail into which the egg-bearing leaves and the beetles were thrown, one of the latter was noticed feasting upon the eggs. There was no mistake. With her mouth-parts upon an egg, and with jaws and antennæ working, the egg was seen to collapse, and she moved to the next, with like result. During the next half-hour not less than a dozen were carefully observed feeding on the eggs in the pail.

It may be of interest to remark that only females were observed to do this.—ARTHUR H. NORTON, Museum of Natural History, Portland, Me.

ERRATA.—Page 356, explanation of fig. 23, line 1, for "b" and "d" read "c;" line 2, for "c" read "b and d;" line 3, for "d" read "e."