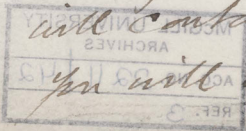


Wm. Druce
Montreal, France, Jan. 20/72

My dear Sir

I have no opportunity to refer to Mr. Hitchin's note in the Canadian Naturalist — whose recent death I was pained to hear — and therefore take the liberty of asking if you will kindly tell me, if you can, at what exact date *Pisni rapae* made its apparition in Montreal — I am endeavouring to trace its progress over the country and accumulating all the authentic data possible. An answer sent to my brother H. E. S. Riverside Press, Cambridge, Mass would reach me safely.

Now that my work on fossils of the English Butterflies is nearly completed I hope soon to betake myself to the fossil insect, collecting of which I brought with me and then I shall engage in studies which will probably have more interest for you; although when the first mentioned work appears, I will beg you to look at the introductory matter which I own some will contain some matters which you will be interested to see — partic-



clearly that relating to the
coloration of secondary sexual
distinctions among butterflies

Yours ever

Very respectfully yours

Sam. D. H. [Signature]