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About 3 miles west of Morant Bay, in a coconut walk. (VII-10-35 only.)

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Caymanas Estates, Inc., 7 to 9 miles west of Kingston on Spanish Town Road. Banana, Sugarcane, pasture, marsh, river roads, swamps, coconuts, and barren hills.

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In A.M. tried sweeping and beating along the Rio Cobre near cane and bananas. Found only a little more than previously. Then tried same along east bank of Ferry River, finding quite a series of a green and red Chrysomelid and a few weevils. This is considered the same locality and is the best I've found so far. In P.M. went to see American Consul, and to get a package without paying duty. It worked.

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Drove over the mountains toward Annotto Bay.

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At Stoney Hill crossed the divide and then followed down the Wag Water River.

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18 miles north of Kingston on road to Annotto Bay. A steep-walled valley with grass and brush mingled with trees, cane, and bananas.

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On a fallen tree found a number of small fungi. These were full of Staphylinids. There were

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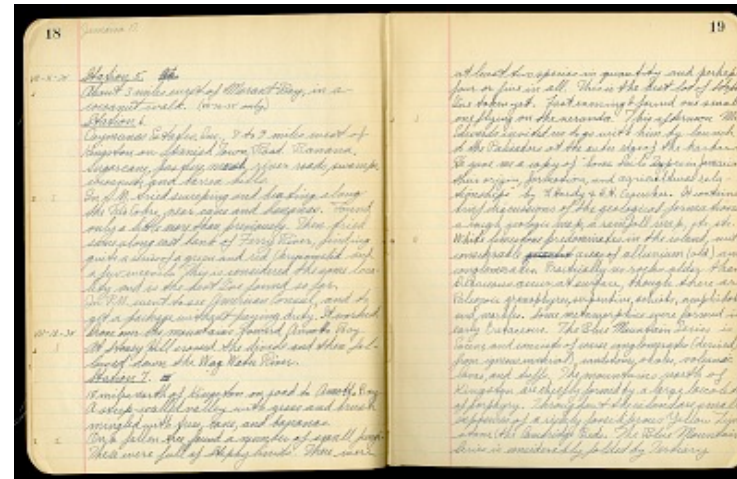
at least two species in quantity and perhaps four or five in all. This is the best lot of Staphs I've taken yet. Last evening I found one small

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one flying on the veranda. This afternoon Mr. Edwards invited us to go with him by launch to the Palisadoes at the outer edge of the harbor. He gave me a copy of "Some Soils Types in Jamaica, their origin, formation, and agricultural relationships" by T. Hardy & H.H. Croucher. It contains brief discussions of the geological formations, a rough geologic map, a rainfall map, etc., etc.

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White limestone predominates in the island, with considerable [[strike]] quant [[/strike]] areas of alluvium (old) and conglomerates. Practically no rocks older than Cretaceous occur at surface, though there are Paleozoic granophyres, serpentine, schists, amphibolites and marbles. Some metamorphics were formed in early Cretaceous. The Blue Mountain Series is Eocene, and consists of coarse conglomerates (derived) from igneous material), sandstones, shales, volcanic lavas, and tuffs. The mountains north of Kingston are chiefly formed by a large laccolite of porphyry. Throughout the island are small exposures of a richly fossiliferous Yellow Limestone (the Cambridge Beds. The Blue Mountain Series is considerably folded by Tertiary





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