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20th Aug. 1944.

Mainly dull & cooler, but a nice afternoon with some rain, strong NE. wind; after an early NW-NE jam & rain in Dublin at 8-30-9-0 AM., but no rain at Crumlin & no rain S. of Jobstown till we were within a mile of Athdown, where a jam formed & misty rain wet all the upper Liffey Valley above Ballysmuttan Bridge.

Left home on bikes at 9.20, with wind behind & reached Ballysmuttan in 2 hours or less, then took our time to let shower pass. Arrived at Athdown at 12 noon where everything dripping & collecting impossible except on lee side of trees & bushes. Stayed till about 5.20 & arrived home at 7 against stiff NE. wind.

Collected in 4 areas as follows:-

- 1 = various places on right bank of R. Liffey, below the footstick, chiefly off hazel & oak on S. side of the "dun"
- 2 = dry bank along upper side of corn-hay field just NE of the dun = station (3)13.8.44.
- 3 = amongst *Salix aurita* &c., on flat 1/4 mile

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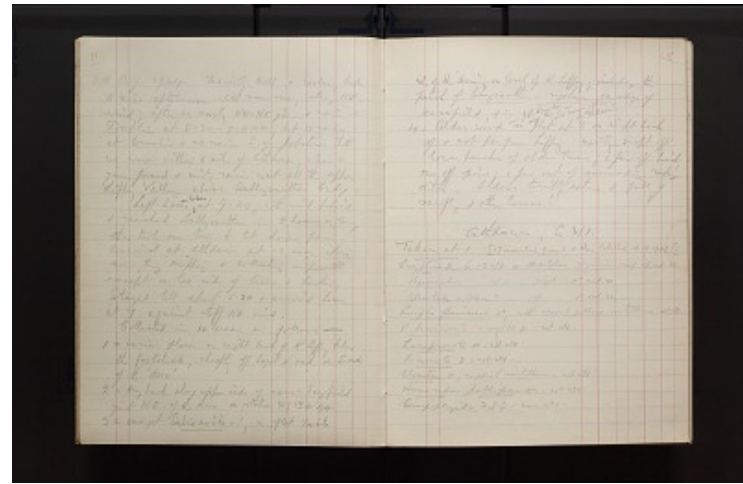
W. of the "dun", on level of R. Liffey; including the patch of *Chrysanthemum segetum* on edge of cornfield, &c.  
4. Alder wood - J.P. Brunner says this is an old burying place or "Killeen" - on flat at 3 on right bank of & not far from Liffey: mainly swept off lower branches of alder trees; a few off birch; one off pine; a few out of surrounding rushy ditch. Alders terribly eaten & full of sawfly & other larvae!

Athdown, Co. WI.

Taken at 1.

[17 mounted from 1 & these labelled 18.12.1947!]

Cryptinids 6: 3 mtd. = *Hemiteles* cf. *gracilis* group 1, ant. 20  
*Pezomachus* sp. wingless, ant. 20.  
*Atractodes* or *Stilpnus* sp. ant. 20.  
*Pimpla flavicoxis* with almost yellow scutellum: not mtd.  
*P. brevicornis* 1 small: not mtd.  
*Lampronota*: not mtd  
*Lissonota*: not mtd.  
*Alexeter*, reddish scutellum: not mtd  
*Homocidus pallipes*: not mtd.  
Campoplegids 2: none mtd.



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