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6.)

23.9.49, cont. Royal Canal, Co. KD., cont.

Taken at 2.

[17 mtd. from 2 & these labelled 26.11.49.]

Cryptinids 3, including Hemiteles cf. gracilis ; not mtd.

Pezomachus fasciatus - not mtd.

& Phygadeuon nigrocinctus , ant. 21.

Atractodes sp. , ant. 23.

Acrodactyla degener : not mtd.

Promethes laticarpus : not mtd.

Mesochorus spp. 3: all mtd. = M. sp. , minute, ant. 23.

M. sp. 1, 1, ant. 33 & 32.

Sigalphus obscurus? 1; ant. 21; abd. very broad, tergite 3 entirely sculptured.

Diospilus morosus , ant. 22.

Phaenocarpa livida : not mtd.

Dacnusa pubescens : not mtd.

D. confinis , ant. 23.

Praon near volucre & ; black antennae, with 21 & 18-segments.

Aphidius matricariae? , ant. 14.

Proctos 7: none mtd.

Chalcids 3, including Hemiptarsenus fulvicollis.

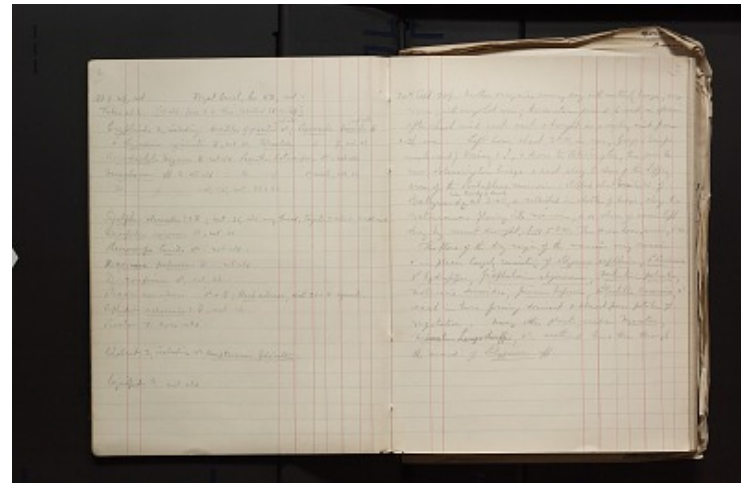
Cynipids 2: not mtd.

7.)

24th Sept. 1949.

Another very nice sunny day with southerly breeze; very warm, with very hot sun; thunderstorm passed to west in afternoon after which wind went east & brought in a smoky mist from the sea. Left home about 3 P.M. in car, George (home for week-end) Daisy & I, & drove to Blessington, then over the new Blessington bridge & east along S. shore of the Liffey arm of the Poulaphuca reservoir: stopped about two miles W. of Ballyward near Woodend Brook, at 3.45, & collected in shelter of hedge along two watercourses flowing into reservoir, & on shore of same left dry by recent drought, till 5 P.M. Then drove home, arriving 5.30.

The flora of the dry margin of the reservoir very curious & in places largely consisting of Polygonum amphibium, P. Persicaria, P. hydropiper, Graphalium uliginosum, Nasturtium palustre, Matricaria discoidea, Juncus bufonius, Potentilla anserina, &c. each in turn forming dominant & almost pure patches of vegetation. Many other plants, such as Myosotis, Mimulus Langsdorffii, &c. scattered here & there through the "sward" of Polygonum spp.



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