Among the butterflies only Lycænopsis pseudargiolus was seen — throughout the area in moderate numbers (10-15 individuals seen, mostly males), and had been on the wing, apparently, for several days. Among the plants *Trillium* (both grandiflorum and erectum) were beginning to flower — perhaps 30% of the buds being open; dogwood buds were still tightly closed; *Hepatica* had nearly finished flowering, though I saw one clump of three flowers in their prime; beech leaf buds were large but still tightly closed.

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NOMENCLATURE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the possible use by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature of its Plenary Powers is involved in an application relating to the under-mentioned name included in Part 11 of Volume 12 of the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature*, which was published on 30th November 1956:

PIERIDÆ Duponchel, 1832, validation of family-group name (Class Insecta, Order Lepidoptera) (Z.N.[S.]289).

Notice is also given that the possible use by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature of its Plenary Powers is involved in an application relating to the under-mentioned names included in Part 1 of Volume 13 of the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature*, which was published on 25th January 1957:

Bithys and Chrysophanus Hübner, 1818 (generic names of neotropical Theclids), suppression of (Class Insecta, Order Lepidoptera) (Z.N. [S.] 802).

Any specialist who may desire to comment on the foregoing applications is invited to do so in writing to the Secretary to the International Commission (Address: 28 Park Village East, Regent's Park, London, N.W.1, England) as soon as possible. Every such comment should be clearly marked with the Commission's File Number as given in the present Notice, and sent *in duplicate*.

If received in sufficient time before the commencement by the International Commission of voting on the application in question, comments received in response to the present Notice will be published in the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature;* com₁ ments received too late to be so published will be brought to the attention of the International Commission at the time of the commencement of voting on the application in question.

The period within which comments on the applications covered by the present Notice are receivable is a period of six calendar months calculated from the date of publication of the relevant Part of the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature*. In consequence any comments should reach the Secretariat of the International Commission at the latest by 30th May and 25th July 1957, respectively.

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