

immediately have a reference to all knowledge on that species—shades of the computer. Other evenings our conversations were more prosaic and turned to practical means of making contacts with collectors over the world for exchange of specimens and ideas. As I recall the exchange of ideas was secondary. Still it was during these conversations that the idea of a Lepidoptera organization began to crystallize. While the idea of an organization jelled, nothing was done—but the idea remained alive in Harry's mind, for after the war when he met Charles Remington, they renewed the idea and between them the Lepidopterists' Society was born.

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THE REDISCOVERY OF *LIBYTHEANA TERENA* IN JAMAICA (LIBYTHEIDAE)

Libytheana terena (Godart) (considered a subspecies of *L. carinenta* by some) has been reported with certainty from the island of Jamaica only once; Philip Gosse collected a single male at Alligator Pond (Manchester Parish) in the latter half of June 1846 (Gosse 1851, *A naturalist's sojourn in Jamaica*, London; Brown & Heineman 1972, *Jamaica and its butterflies*, London; Riley 1975, *A field guide to the butterflies of the West Indies*, London). Avinoff & Shoumatoff (1946, *Ann. Carnegie Mus.* 30: 263–295) report a sight record at Balcarres (Portland Parish).

On 17 July 1977 one of us (GV) captured a single specimen approximately 3 km W of Mandeville (Manchester Parish, elev. ca. 650 m). This specimen, sex undetermined, is in the senior author's collection. About 200 m from the location of this first capture, GV observed another specimen, which eluded capture, on 11 Sept. 1977.

GV subsequently captured three additional specimens, all males, at the Mount Forest Christian Youth Camp, 18 km S of Mandeville (elev. ca. 450 m), approximately 8 km from Gosse's Alligator Pond locality: a fresh male on 23 May 1978, and two worn males on 2 July 1978 (all three deposited in the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County).

These captures demonstrate the continued existence of *Libytheana terena* in Jamaica, more than 130 years since the last (and first!) valid record. It remains to be seen, however, whether the species is resident on Jamaica, or whether recolonization occurs periodically from Hispaniola, the only other island where it is known to occur.

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