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The Tussock-Moth. A close partnership seems to

exist between two enemies of park and shade trees, the tussock-moth and the fall web-worm. Both feed on a great variety of trees and shrubs, fruit trees and ornamentals, and both do their work at nearly the same time of year, the first-

named being somewhat earlier. The web-worm makes its work the cocoon in which it passes the pupal stage. The caterpillars of the tussockmoth are very pretty objects, being yellow with black longitudinal stripes and brilliant red he ds.

The name is suggested by the brush-like bunches of hair or tussocks, four of which are cream in the and adorn the anterior part and black and project forward on each side of the head A single

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of two inches.

just as are the majority of moths or millers. Fortunately the females are very poor travellers and always lay their eggs on the cocoous from

which they have just emerged. These eggs are small and seed-like and are laid in a fine lathery fro⁴h which dries down and is easi; crumbled. Furthermore the o-coons are usually placed qui e

openly, and the snow-white eggmasses make them quite conspicuous. The most effective remady in our cities and parks is to gather the cocoons and burn them in the autumn. Sometimes a small bounty paid to school boys yields enor-Ŵ mous returns, As before stated, the females are

poor travellers, but the caterpillars crawl to quite a distance, and it trees, after picking off the egg-masses and cocoons, by placing strips of sticky fly-paper around

vermin will serve the same purpose. Of course a spray of arsenat : of cerned and to prevent accident. lead applied while the caterpillars are at work, will kill them, and in

orchards this is to be advised, but few house owners possess spraying apparatus of sufficient capacity to eces fully spray the tall shade cities can protect their parks in this way for the same reason, Therefore banding and hand-piceing of the cocoons have to suffice, and these usually prove sufficieng

R. H. PETTIT. Professor of Entomology, Mich Agricultural College.

The Delineator for September When a magazine finds some one tho can testify to an experience that is really novel, it accomplishes that is almost impossible in this day of strenuous living and much kinds. writing. In its September number the Delineator presents an article

by Almal V. Lafferty, the only woman member of the Colorado

Legislator' is a frank confession of difficulties encountered and ob stables overcome. Mrs. Lafferty tells what she accomplishes and does not omit to record her failures. What she says will be read with special interest by all who are interested in social reforms.

Another remarkable feature of this number of the Delineator is a named being somewhat earlier. The web worm makes its work conspicuous by spigning large webs in the branches of trees dur, ing late summer and fail, but the tussock moth does not produce any conspicuous uset other than the source of the branches of trees dur, man-Heiuk, the famous singer; Mrs. Harold McCormick, daugh-tussock moth does not produce ter of John D Rockefeller; and Mrs. Frederick Schoff, who has the source of the branches of the branches of the branches of the source of the branches of the branches of the branches of the source of the branches of been long identified with the Congress of Mothers. "The Loves of Ellis, Island" are charmingly sketched by Mabel Potter Daggett in a series of delightful character

of the back. Two more are long trated by Frank Craig and Fred-and black and project forward ou erick Dorr Steele. "Jo k" by J. J. Bell, is another short story of similar black tuft projects/back- exquisite quality. "The Power ward from the tail. The cater- and the Glory," the serial by pillars sometimes reach the length Grace McCowarr Cooke, develops into one of the most human of re-

When full size is reached the caterpillar spins a loose cosmo of grav silk, weaving in the hairs from the skin, and here it waits for a few weeks. Finally the adult moth comes forth. Strange to say. moth comes forth. Strange to say, the female is wingless. She has legs and looks like other moths or millers with the wings cut short, personality. Ecourat La Fontaine personality. Ecouard La Fontaine The male is provided with wings describes the costumes that he see on the Rue de la Paix at Trouville, and Helen Berkley-Lloyd review the modes entertainingly.

> The Auto Law Section 15 of the Michigan auto

aw provides that any person driving a motor vehicle shall, at the request or signal from a person riding, leading or driving a horse or horses, or other draft animals, guide such motor vehicle to the right of the road or traveled por-tion of the highway and immediately bring such motor vehicle to a stop, and it requested, shall cause the motor to cease running so long as shall be reasonably necessary to prevent accident and in-sure the safety of others. And it crawl to quite a usuance, and sure the safety of others. Sure the safety of others that been found practical to keep shall be the duty of any male oc-the caterpillars out of individual cupant thereof or driver of any motor vehicle, and other male or cupants thereof, over the age of 15 strips of sticky Hy-paper around years, while passing any horse or the trunks over a thin band of horses, or other draft animals cotion, which latter serves to fill, which appear badly frightened the small inequalities of the back. For upon the request of the person Tree-tanglefoot or catterpillar-hume. The charge of or driving such a horse or in fact any sticky substance, or horses or other draft animals, to which will turn back the crawling give such reasonable assistance to

Weeds and Thistles

The law relative to the cutting of Canada thistles, noxious weeds etc., is as follows: It shall be the trees on their premises and few duty of every owner, possessor or cities can protect their parks in occupier of land to cut or cause to cut down all Canada thistles growing there on, or on the highway passing by or through the same, so often in each and every year as shall be sufficient to prevent them

going to seed; and if any owner, possessor or occupied of land shall knowingly suffer any such Canada thistles to grow thereone and the

seed to ripen so as to cause or endanger the spread thereof, he shall be liable to a fine of ten dollars for every such offense. The law also applies to noxious weeds of all It is the duty of owners or occupants to cut the weeds.

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