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DESCRIPTIONS OF SOME NEW VARIETIES OF BRITISH WOODLICE.

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SINCE the publication of the "Revised Check-List," the following new varieties have been received.

***Philoscia muscorum* (Scop.).**

Var. *aureomaculata*, nov.

Cephalon and median longitudinal band dark brown, remainder of dorsal surface with brilliant golden-yellow and lighter brown maculations, dorsal margins of pleural plates of the mesosome dull reddish-brown.

Sussex.—Garden, St. Leonards, Sept., 1918! W. Ruskin Butterfield.

Var. *maculata*, nov.

Ground colour light yellow, with irregular dark brownish mottling; median longitudinal band indistinct.

Devon.—Torquay, Oct., 1918! R. S. Bagnall.

Var. *albescens*, nov.

Ground colour dirty white with numerous irregular light sepia-coloured markings.

Sussex.—Hastings, Oct., 1918! W. Ruskin Butterfield.

***Porcellio rathkii*, Brandt.**

Var. *birksi*, nov.

Cephalon dark chocolate brown; mesosomatic segments marked with three dark brown irregular patches and intervening yellow ones; metesome blackish-brown, with two bright yellow spots on each segment.

Carnarvon.—Edern, Sept., 1918! S. G. Braude-Birks.

Porcellio dilatatus, Brandt.

Var. *rufobrunneus*, nov.

Whole of body a rich reddish-brown colour.

Norfolk.—Gt. Yarmouth, Oct., 1918! A. H. Patterson.

I am indebted to the kindness of Mr. Joseph Omer-Cooper for this interesting variety.

Armadillidium vulgare (Latr.).

Var. *rufobrunneus*, nov.

Ground colour uniform reddish-brown, with the pleural plates slightly lighter in colour.

Devon.—Torquay, Oct., 1918! R. S. Bagnall.