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Dear Ritchie,

In looking over one of the books I bought at Mr Robb's sale (Hooker's British Flora) belonging to the late Dr. Robb of P. Ed. Island I found the inclosed moth (Pieris Rapae?). Of course it must be a common one or it would not have got there (into the book), but as it may be an additional locality, I send it round to you. Hoping it may be a new species! and that other naturalists may buy "mourn its singleness & solitude" altho I think it like a moth I have frequently seen flickering round my "midnight oil"

I remain, Yours Very truly
John Bell.

P.S. When is there to be another meeting of the Nat. Hist. Soc^{y}? I have not been summoned to one for an age. W.B.