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Very Reverend Sir

Very many thanks for your beautiful work on the Chrysopidae of Europe. I am delighted to get it.

As you know during the war we in England are forbidden to send printed papers of any kind to neutral countries I cannot therefore send you my papers now but as soon as we are permitted I shall send them

I shall be able to send insects I hope. Will you please

make away the whitest of type forms. On the contrary with another specie Psigalia pilosaria (pedaria) the order of the words is reversed; that which produces melanic O. autumnata produces type P. pedaria & vice versa. However this does not deal with Neuroptera; I simply tell it to show that our commonest forms may be worthy of your attention. I intend to work hard at the Trichoptera in particular this year.

Yours very truly

J W H Harrison

almost sure to be different from the common types of Spain & Southern Europe generally. We have scarcely an insect here belonging to any order which is the same as those of the same species found in the south of England. All of our lepidoptera &c without exception show signs of melanism - reason unknown in spite of all the magnificent & marvellous theories evolved by various authors. So uncertain is the incidence of this melanism that I know of one species of lepidoptera Ephyra autumnata which in two different woods on the same moor gives us the most extreme melanic form & only a

tell me how you prefer them. I always preserve them in alcohol. Shall I send you the insects preserved thus or dried in papers?

I too am interested in all kinds of Neuroptera (sens. lat.) & collect therefore Trichoptera, Psocoptera, Odonata etc. etc. I have just described a new species of Psocoptera - an apterous form from stones in the sea shore. This I have named Hyperetes britannicus. I intend to send you all kinds of Neuropterous insects from this locality, even of the commonest types. They are