

PAPILIO TELEMACHUS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Antennæ apicem versus crassiores, sæpius clavato-capitatae.

Alæ (sedentis) erectæ sursumque conniventes (volatu diurno).

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 744.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PAPILIO alis dentatis fuscis, maculis marginalibus subluteis, area communi cærulea radiata.

PAPILIO TELEMACHUS. P. alis dentatis; supra fuscis immaculatis area communi cærulea radiata, singulis subtus ocellis sex.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 752.

Mer. Surin. t. 68.

Pulcherrimum hunc papilionem depinxit Domina Merian in opere suo cui titulus "*Metamorphoses Insectorum Surinamensium*:" quæ tamen silet de planta quam depasci solet eruca, cum a servo nacta sit insectum in sylva captum. Erupit papilio exacto quasi mense e quo eruca in chrysalidem conversa est.

TELEMACHUS.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ thickening towards the end, and commonly terminating in a clavated tip.

Wings (when at rest) meeting upwards; (flight diurnal).

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Butterfly with denticulated brown wings, with radiated blue disk, and yellowish marginal spots.

Merian Ins. Surin. pl. 68.

The highly elegant Butterfly here represented is figured by Madam Merian in her History of the Insects of Surinam. Madam Merian however was unable to say on what particular plant the caterpillar fed, having received it from a slave who had found it in a wood. The Butterfly made its appearance in about the space of a month from the time of changing into its chrysalis state.





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