TWO INTERESTING LINYPHIID SPIDERS FROM

COUNTY KERRY, IRELAND.

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Whilst collecting spiders on a small tidal salt-marsh at Tullaree, near Castlegregory in the Dingle peninsula of County Kerry on 22nd May 1969, a few Linyphiid species were taken. Females of Hypomma bituber-culatum (Wider) were common and also both sexes of Gnathonarium dentatum (Wider). Apart from these common species, another two species were present which, when identified proved to be a single male of Lasiargus gowerensis Locket and three females of Praestigia duffeyi Millidge. I am indebted to Mr. John Crocker for identifying these spiders and to Dr. P.Merrett for verifying the identifications.

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This section of the Zoological Record was published at the end of 1969 and covers information relative to the Class Arachnida for the year 1967. The general pattern follows that of previous years; listing all the papers received by the Zoological Society from authors throughout the world. There is the usual Author's Index, cross referenced to a Subject Index and a Systematic Index. Additionally there is, this year, for the first time, a detailed Subject Index. This is really a sub-index which will eventually prove helpful to those who need to consult the Zoological Records over a period of years for specialised information. This paper-backed volume has a total of 106 pages; about the same as that published in 1968 for the year 1966, so that one is sorry to note an increase in price from 30 shillings to 40 shillings for the current issue, especially since this follows a similar increase as recently as 1966. This means that the cost of the publication has doubled in three years and is a sad reflection on our economy! Nevertheless, the Zoological Record contains a remarkable amount of carefully compiled information and it is, of course, an indispensible publication for every serious arachnologist.

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