THE RANGE OF FLIGHT OF \textit{MUSCA DOMESTICA}.

EXPERIMENTS CONDUCTED IN THE TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE.

Introductory note.

It having been considered desirable that further experiments upon the range of flight of flies should be carried out, the investigation of the subject was entrusted to Dr E. Hindle and Mr G. Merriman, who are engaged in research in my laboratory. Although the experiments here recorded were carried out under somewhat adverse climatic conditions, they appear of sufficient interest to warrant publication, since the results with regard to the influence of wind seem to run counter to those recorded by previous workers, and also, apart from Hewitt's work referred to below, data have hitherto been wanting in respect of the range of flight of flies (\textit{Musca domestica} Linn.) in towns. The simple graphic method of recording the results of the flight experiments, which occurred to me during the course of the work, may commend itself to others who may carry out similar investigations in the future.

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