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DESCRIPTIONS OF THREE NEW VARIETIES OF  
BRITISH WOODLICE.

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In connection with my forthcoming Monograph of the British Woodlice, Mr. R. Standen, of the Manchester Museum, has during the past year very kindly given me considerable help by permitting me to work through his collections of these interesting crustacea.

In a recent consignment I find examples of three well-marked varieties which have not hitherto been recorded, which I here describe:—

***Philoscia muscorum*** (Scopoli) var. ***standeni*** nov.

Ground colour light yellowish-brown with fine irregular dark brownish coloured markings; no median longitudinal band.

*Loc.*—Newmarket, North Wales, June, 1913. R. Standen.  
Meols, Cheshire, July, 1916. R. Standen.

I have much pleasure in associating with this striking variety the name of Mr. Standen, whose excellent work on the elucidation of the distribution and habits of the Terrestrial Isopoda has proved so valuable.

***Oniscus asellus*** L. var. ***bicolor*** nov.

Ground colour yellow with a series of almost black median and lateral blotches forming three longitudinal bands, with a similar series on the pleural plates of the mesosomatic segments, forming less complete bands.

*Loc.*—Peckforton, Cheshire, April, 1916, B. R. Lucas.

***Porcellio dilatatus*** Brandt. var. ***flavus*** nov.

Whole of animal a light yellow.

*Loc.*—Cavedale, Castleton, Derbyshire, September 13th, 1913. R. Standen.

In this same collection there are examples of *Philoscia muscorum* var. *rosea* Bagnall, from Peckforton, Cheshire, and a form approaching very near to var. *nacrum* Clige., from Hope, Derbyshire.