10. Sphæria carbonaria. n.s.

Crowded, globose, semi-immersed, having an obtuse rugulose ostiolum, clothed at the base with branched septate hyaline threads; asci eylindrical, commonly truncate at the apex; sporidia almondshape, dark-brown, with a very short hyaline tail, uniseriate; paraphyses linear. Sporid. 0009 × 0003.

On burnt ground, near Shrewsbury, 1873. This appears to be allied to S. rotula, Cooke.

Plate 25, fig. 3. a. perithecia in the ground, magnified; b. asci and paraphyses; c. sporidia; d. mycelium clothing the base of the perithecia.

11. Sphærella Iridis. Gon. & Rabh. Myc. Eur. t. 5. f. 71.

Amphiginous, black, at first covered by the epidermis, then somewhat free, scattered, depresso-globose, pierced with a simple minute pore; asci obovate-oblong, attenuated at the base into a short stem, sporidia 8, subtriseriate, oblong, rounded at the ends, straight, uniseptate, not constricted at the septum, epispore thick, 17 × 4-5 mic. On dead leaves of *Iris pseudacorus*. Near Shrewsbury, Nov. 1873.

12. Sphæria (Delitschia) Winteri. n. s.

Perithecia immersed, spherical, black; ostiolum elongated, cylindrical, tuberculose, rugulose, frequently somewhat curved; assi cylindrical, octosporous. Sporidia involved in mucus, uniseptate, black-brown, elliptical.

On rabbits' dung. North Wootton, Dec., 1873.

The perithecia are completely immersed in the matrix, only the tip of the ostiola being visible. The sporidia are at first greenish-yellow, then clear brown, becoming eventually almost black, when young surrounded by a gelatinous envelope, which subsequently disappears. They exhibit a tendency to fall in halves at the septum, 1003 in. long by 1001 in. wide (1062 m.m.-1028 m.m.).

Dr. George Winter, to whom specimens were submitted, considers it distinct from all its allies, and adds, "it approaches nearest

to D. chætomoides, Karst., Fungi Fennici. Exs.

Plate 25. a. perithecia enlarged; b. ascus and sporidia; c. three sporidia.

13. Cucurbitaria Dulcamaræ. Fr. Fuckel Symb. Mycol., p. 175, Fr. S. V. S. p. 391.

Sphæria dulcamaræ, Kunze & Schm., Myc. Heft. i., p. 62.

Sphæriacei Brit. Cent. ii. (inedit.)

On dead stems of Solanum dulcamara, in company with a Hendersonia, which doubtless bore some connexion with it, as a secondary form of fructification.

King's Lynn, Jan., 1874.

* Stemonitis pulchella. Bab. Cooke's "Handbook," No. 1160. Church Stretton, Salop, Dec., 1873.

* Peziza pustulata. Pers. Cooke's "Handbook," No. 1986. Sporidia .0006 × .0003. Tips of asci bright-blue with iodine. On charcoal beds, the Wrekin, Salop, 1873.

Plate 24, fig. 2, asci, paraphyses and sporidia, magnified.

