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Subject: : Stoneflies (Order: Plecoptera)

Topic: : Early Black Stonefy - Aurora Snowfly (*Allocapnia aurora*)

Re: V E Stone

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Kilwell wrote:

I have been seeing the snow flies or as locally called, little black stoneflies on Penns Creek. They are about #18 in size but later on in April I see some larger #14's, locally called little brown stoneflies.

Is the little brown just a larger version of the little black or are they two separate bugs? My reference book, "Hatch Guide for New England Streams", only lists one called early dark stoneflies but does mention they range in size from hook sizes 12-18.

Many anglers lump the early stoneflies together like the book you mention but they are separate species. From Troutnut, here are pics and info about them:

<http://www.troutnut.com/common-name/404/Tiny-Winter-Blacks>

<http://www.troutnut.com/common-name/388/Early-Black-Stoneflies>

<http://www.troutnut.com/specimen/347>