Catalogue of the Hymenopterous Insects collected at Sarawak, Borneo; Mount Ophir, Malacca; and at Singapore, by A. R. Wallace. By Frederick Smith, Assistant in the Zoological Department in the British Museum. Communicated by W. W. Saunders, Esq., F.R.S., F.L.S.

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Fam. ANDRENIDÆ, Leach.

Gen. HALICHTUS, Latr.

1. HALICHTUS CERATINUS. H. niger; alis hyalinis; abdomen clavato. Male. Length 3½ lines. Black: the head closely and finely punctured; antennæ as long as the thorax, the flagellum obscurely testaceous beneath; the face covered with griseous pubescence; the mandibles ferruginous at their apex. Thorax closely punctured; the wings hyaline and iridescent, their apex slightly clouded; the nervures and tegulae testaceous; the legs rufo-testaceous, the tarsi paler, and covered with pale glittering pubescence. Abdomen clavate; the apical margin of the segments with fascie of short white pubescence, frequently more or less obliterated; shining and delicately punctured; beneath, the apex of the third segment, and the fourth, entirely clothed with very short whitish pubescence; the abdomen is of a dark rufo-testaceous hue, palest beneath, varying in different individuals.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This remarkable form of Halictus occurs at Sierra Leone. I have described a species from that locality, the "H. clavatus;" it is a smaller and very distinct species from H. ceratinus; in this species the first recurrent nervure is received in the middle of the second submarginal cell.

2. HALICHTUS VAGANS. H. ster, cinereo-pubescent; abdomen nitido, segmentis intermediis basi fascia albis.

Female. Length 4½ lines. Black: the clypeus produced, the face covered with cinereous pubescence. Thorax closely punctured above; the mesothorax thinly covered with short erect pale pubescence; the post-scutellum with a dense short downy pubescence; the metathorax truncated, and having some irregular coarse striæ at the base above; the wings hyaline and iridescent, the nervures and tegulae testaceous; the legs with a short yellowish-white downy pubescence. Abdomen delicately punctured, the basal margin of the second and two following segments with a fascia of short yellowish-white pubescence, the apical segment covered with similar pubescence.

This species bears a very striking resemblance to the Halictus leucozonius of Europe.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).
3. **Halictus basalis.** *H. niger; alis hyalinis; abdomine clavato, basi ferrugineo.*

**Male.** Length 3 lines. Black: the antennae nearly as long as the thorax, the flagellum fulvous beneath; the face covered with a dense griseous pubescence; the mandibles rufó-piceous. Thorax thinly clothed with pale pubescence; the wings hyaline and iridescent, the nervures pale testaceous; the tibiae and tarsi pale rufó-testaceous, the latter palest. Abdomen clavate, shining and finely punctured; the first segment and the apical margin of the second, ferruginous; the second and following segments with fasciae of pale pubescence.

**Hab.** Singapore.

This conspicuous insect might be mistaken at first sight for a variety of "*H. ceratinus,"* but in that species the apical margin of the fifth segment of the abdomen, beneath, is straight, or very slightly emarginate at the sides; in the present species it is deeply emarginate its entire width.

**Gen. Nomia, Latr.**

1. **Nomia apicalis.** *N. nigra, punctata; abdomine nitido, scutello bituberculato; alis apice nigris.*

**Male.** Length 5 lines. Black: the head with scattered cinereous pubescence, dense and short on the sides of the face; the clypeus with a longitudinal impression; somewhat swollen on each side; the flagellum testaceous beneath. Thorax closely punctured, subopake; a line of pale pubescence beneath the scutellum, which is bituberculate; the tegulae yellowish; the wings hyaline, the nervures testaceous, the costal nervure dark brown; the apex of the anterior wings with a large dark fuscous cloud; the legs with a glittering cinereous pubescence; the posterior tibiae curved, and dilated at their apex. Abdomen shining and punctured, the apical margins of the segments depressed, the apical half of the depressions impunctate.

**Hab.** Singapore.

2. **Nomia iridescens, Westw. MS.** *N. nigra; capite thoraceque punctatis subopaci; faciei pube grisea; pedibus nigris; abdomine fasciis tribus ceruleis; alis hyalinis.*

**Female.** Length 4 lines. Black: very closely and finely punctured; the head and thorax with a griseous pubescence, most dense on the face and sides of the metathorax; the clypeus with a central longitudinal carina; the mandibles obscurely ferruginous at the apex; a white line on the posterior margin of the prothorax, which passes on to and surrounds the tubercles; the scutellum bordered with a line of very short white pubescence; the tegulae pale testaceous; the wings fulvo-hyaline, with the nervures pale ferruginous; the legs clothed with a mixture of dark brown and griseous pubescence, that on the posterior tibiae within, and on all the tarsi beneath, fulvous; the claw-
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joint of the tarsi ferruginous. Abdomen shining, with an obscure violet tinge in certain lights; the apical margins of the second, third and fourth segments with a fascia of bright green or blue-green; beneath, thickly and coarsely punctured.

Hab. Malacca, India.

3. NOMIA ELEGANS. N. nigra; capite thoraceque punctatis subopacis; alis hyalinis; pedibus subferrugineis; abdomenis fasciis caeruleo-viridibus pulchriter ornatus.

Female. Length 5 lines. Black: the head closely and finely punctured, the clypeus coarsely so, with a central longitudinal depression, subtuberculate on each side; the labrum and mandibles ferruginous, the latter black at their tips; the scape in front, and the apical joints of the flagellum beneath, yellowish. Thorax: shining, with very delicate shallow punctures; a transverse band of pale pubescence at the apical margin of the scutellum; the base of the metathorax with a deep depression which is crossed by a series of short striae; the sides of the metathorax with a dense pale fulvous pubescence; the legs pale rufo-testaceo, and covered with short glittering pale pubescence; wings subhyaline and iridescent; the nervures testaceo, the costal nervure and the stigmas dark fusceous; the apex of the anterior wings slightly clouded. Abdomen smooth and shining, the apical margins of the segments with narrow, vivid blue-green fascie.

Hab. Malacca.

Most closely resembling the "Nomia crassipes♀," but that insect has the abdomen punctured, and the fascie broad, particularly at the apex of the abdomen.

Subfam. ANDRENOIDES.

Gen. CTENOPLETRA, Smith.

Head transverse: antennae inserted in the middle of the face, short, not reaching to the middle of the thorax; the basal joint of the flagellum not narrowed at the base; the second joint of the same length as the first, much narrowed at the base; the three following joints transverse and of equal length, the five apical ones rather longer, of equal length, the apex of the apical joint pointed; the labrum transverse, the anterior margin rounded; the mentum rather longer than the labium, the former acute at its apex, the latter blunt or rounded; the labial palpi 4-jointed, the two basal joints stout and of equal length, the two apical ones shorter and much more slender; the paraglossae about the same length as the palpi; the maxillary palpi 6-jointed, the three basal joints stout and of equal length, the three apical joints much more slender, and each in succession shorter than the preceding; the ocelli placed in a curve on the vertex. Thorax: large and ovate; the anterior wings with one marginal and two sub-
marginal cells, the second receiving both the recurrent nervures; **legs** with the femora broad and compressed; the calcars at the apex of the intermediate tibiae stout, acute, and bent at the apex, its hinder margin toothed like a fine comb; the inner spine of the posterior calcars toothed in a similar manner, the teeth much longer, those at the base of the spine longest, decreasing in length to the apex; the posterior tibiae and basal joint of the tarsi densely covered with long hair; the claws of the tarsi bifid. Abdomen subovate, truncated at the base.

This is a very remarkable genus of Bees: it appears to be most nearly allied to the genus *Macropis*; the neurulation of the anterior wings is very similar, and the labial and maxillary palpi consist of the same number of joints; the ocelli are placed in a curve, and the posterior legs have a dense clothing or pollen-brush as in that genus.

The beautiful comb with which the posterior tibiae are furnished is doubtless for the purpose of removing the grains of pollen collected on the hairs which clothe the shanks. (Plate I. details.)

1. **Ctenoplectra** chalybea. C. capite thoracique nigris, abdominique chalybeo, pedibus posterioribus dense pilosis.  
   **Female.** Length 6 lines. Head and thorax black: the head closely punctured; the clypeus shining, the punctures more scattered, and with a slight carina in the middle of its base; the scape in front, and the flagellum beneath, rufopiceous; the mandibles ferruginous at their apex. Thorax opake-black: the metathorax smooth and shining in the middle of its base, the sides covered with sooty-black pubescence; wings fuscous, palest at their apical margins; the posterior tibiae and basal joint of the tarsi densely covered with long black pubescence, the inner pectinated calcars pale testaceous-yellow. Abdomen: steel-blue above, black beneath.  
   **Hab.** Malacca (Mount Ophir).

**Subfam. Dasygastrea.**

**Gen. Megachile, Latr.**

   **Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak); Philippine Islands.

   **Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak); India.

   **Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak) and Nepal.

4. **Megachile amputata.** M. nigra; capite thoracique pube fulva vestitis; abdominis segmentis apicalibus fulvo marginatis; pedibus rufis.  
   **Female.** Length 7 lines. Black: the head and thorax clothed above with fulvous pubescence, on the cheeks and thorax beneath it is
slightly griseous; the clypeus shining and punctured, with a longitudinal carina in the middle, thinly covered with pubescence; the flagellum fulvous beneath. Thorax: the tegulae and legs ferruginous; the wings fusco-hyaline, the nervures fusco-ferruginous, brightest towards the base of the wings. Abdomen: the two basal segments clothed with fulvous pubescence, the four apical segments with black; all the segments with a fascia of short fulvous pubescence on their apical margins; beneath, the three basal segments thinly clothed with pale fulvous pubescence, the three apical ones with black. Allied to, but very distinct from, the Anthophora rufipes of Fabricius. 

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

5. Megachile tuberculata. M. nigra; capite thoraceque punctatis, mandibulis fortibus et porrectis; clypeo tuberculato; alis fulvo-hyalinis; abdomine totius nigro.  
Female. Length 10 lines. Black: clothed with black pubescence on the vertex and disk of the thorax, on the abdomen above it is sparing; the clypeus produced in the middle, forming a large prominent tubercle; the mandibles long, very stout and prominent, with a stout bluntish tooth on their inner margin near their base, and having three large teeth at their apex, the apical one acute. The outer margin of the tegulae ferruginous; the wings fulvo-hyaline, the nervures ferruginous, their apical margins with a fuscous border. Abdomen: the basal segment densely clothed with sooty-black pubescence; beneath, densely clothed with black pubescence. 

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Female. Length 6 lines. Black, shining and punctured: the face, cheeks and thorax beneath, thinly clothed with griseous pubescence, the sides of the metathorax densely so; the wings subhyaline, with a fuscous cloud at the apex of the superior pair; the posterior femora and tibiae with a short fine cinereous pubescence, that on all the tarsi beneath, fulvous. Abdomen subovate and curving upwards, each segment with a deeply impressed transverse line; beneath, densely clothed with long bright fulvous pubescence. 

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

7. Megachile lactuosa. M. nigra opaca; alis hyalinis; abdomine subitus fulvo; apice pube grisea vestito.  
Female. Length 6 lines. Opake-black: very closely punctured; the wings hyaline and iridescent, the nervures black; the base of the metathorax with fuscous pubescence, the sides as well as the thorax beneath with griseous; the apical margins of the second, third and fourth segments with narrow fasciae of whitish pubescence, the two former widely interrupted; the fifth and sixth densely covered
with short, whitish pubescence; beneath, clothed with fulvous pubescence.

Hab. Singapore.


*Female*. Length 6 lines. Opake-black: very closely and rather finely punctured; the labrum fringed with ferruginous pubescence; the head nearly orbicular. Thorax: the metathorax clothed with pale fulvous pubescence; the wings fulvo-hyaline, the nervures and tegulae pale ferruginous. Abdomen with a little fulvous pubescence at the base; beneath, clothed with glittering silvery pubescence.

Hab. Malacca (Mount Ophir).

Subfam. Scopulipedes.

Gen. Ceratina, Latr.


Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).


*Male*. Length 4 lines. Black: the face, inner orbits of the eyes, clypeus, labrum, mandibles, cheeks, scape, and a minute spot above the eyes, yellow. Thorax: the prothorax, two longitudinal lines on the disk of the mesothorax, an epaulet over the tegulae, a line on each side of the metathorax, a spot beneath the wings, the tubercles and legs, yellow; the coxae and base of the femora slightly rufo-piceous; the wings subhyaline, the nervures ferruginous. Abdomen: the basal and apical segments, and the apical margins of the other segments, yellow; the entire insect is shining and the abdomen delicately punctured.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This species is closely allied to the *Ceratina hieroglyphica* from India, but is abundantly distinct.

Gen. Xylocopa, Latr.

1. Xylocopa latipes.


Hab. Borneo (Sarawak), India, Singapore, Ceylon, Philippine Islands, China.


Hab. Borneo (Sarawak), India, Sumatra, Bengal, Malacca.

3. *Xylocopa aestuans*.


Hab. Singapore, India.
This species I believe to be the male of X. estuans.
Hab. Singapore, India.

Hab. Singapore, Java, East India, China.

Hab. Borneo, Java.
This I have little doubt is the male of X. collaris: I have on several occasions observed that they have been captured at the same time and place.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak), China, Madras.

8. XYLOCOPA INSULARIS. X. nigra; capite thoraceque pube rufo-
   fusca tectis; alis nigro-fuscis iridescentibus, apice acuminatis; oculis
   magnis, vertice fere connexis.
   Male. Length 11 lines. Black: the head and thorax densely clothed
   with short rufo-fulvous pubescence; the eyes very large and approxi-
   mating at the vertex; the anterior legs fringed with long black
   pubescence behind; the intermediate and posterior legs with black
   pubescence, very long on the posterior tarsi; the disk of the thorax
   very smooth and shining; the anterior wings pointed at their apex;
   the wings brown, with a violet and coppery iridescence; the pos-
   terior margins palest; the transverse nervure which separates the first
   and second submarginal cells, obliterated. Abdomen punctured;
   the basal and lateral margins with a thick fringe of black pubescence,
   the apical margins of the segments depressed and slightly rufo-
   piceous.
   Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. Anthophora, Latr.

1. Anthophora zonata.
   Apis zonata, Linn. Syst. Nat. i. p. 955.
   Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

2. ANTHOPHORA INSULARIS. A. nigra, pube fulva vestita, faciei pube
   grisea.
   Female. Length 7 lines. Black: the face, cheeks and thorax beneath
   clothed with griseous pubescence, that on the thorax above and on
   the abdomen is fulvous; the fifth segment of the abdomen with a
   mixture of black hairs; the legs have a fulvous pubescence outside;
   within it is black, it is also black at the apex of the plantae of the
   posterior legs. The mandibles, labrum, anterior margin of the clypeus
   and a narrow central longitudinal line, a minute spot above the clypeus,
and the flagellum beneath, yellow; the tegulae yellow, the wings fulvo-hyaline.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

This species closely resembles both the _A. vestita_ and the _A. concisna_, but is on comparison very distinct.

**Subfam. Sociales.**

**Gen. Apis, Linn.**

   _Hab._ India, Borneo (Sarawak), Malacca.

   _Hab._ India, Malacca, Borneo.

   _Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak). India.

The specimens from Sarawak are of a paler colour than those described by Guérin, but they agree in all the essential specific characteristics, and have the bands of pale pubescence at the base of the segments, as in _A. Perrottetii_; these bands, if the abdomen retracts after death, are hidden beneath the apical margins of the preceding segments.

4. _Apis andreniformis. A. nigra levis nitida; alis hyalinis; abdomine fasciis albis pubescentibus ornato._

_Worker._ Length 4 lines. Black: smooth and shining, slightly pilose; the face with a short cinereous pubescence; the metathorax, the coxae and femora beneath with whitish pubescence; the wings hyaline and iridescent; the basal margin of the second segment of the abdomen slightly rufo-piceous; the basal margins of the third, fourth, fifth and sixth segments with bands of white pubescence; beneath, the three basal segments of the abdomen pale testaceous in the middle.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

This remarkable Honey-Bee has exactly the appearance of an _Andrena_; it does not appear to be a worn specimen; the wings are not torn, and the abdominal bands entire; the eyes are pubescent, but less conspicuously so than in any species I have previously seen.

5. _Apis testacea._ _A. capite thoraceque nigris, abdomine pedibusque pallide testaceis, alis hyalinis._

_Worker._ Length 8 lines. Head dark fuscous; the ocelli shining, yellow; the extreme base of the scape and the tips of the mandibles, as well as the tongue, of a reddish-yellow; the head covered with rufo-fuscous pubescence, that on the cheeks palest. Thorax fuscous anteriorly, the metathorax, tegulae and legs pale rufo-testaceae; the thorax and legs with a pale yellowish-white pubescence, intermixed
with a few fuscous hairs on the disk of the mesothorax; the wings hyaline, with the nervures pale testaceous. Abdomen: pale testaceous and densely clothed with short yellowish-white pubescence.

Hab. Borneo.

A very distinct species from any hitherto described: its densely pubescent body is a distinguishing characteristic.

Genus Trigona, Jurine.

1. Trigona ventralis. T. nigra; abdomine nigro-piceo; segmento basali supra, abdomine subitus albis.

Worker. Length 1½ line. Head and thorax black; the extreme base of the scape, and the flagellum rufo-fuscous; the tips of the mandibles ferruginous; the clypeus and lower part of the face with a cinereous pile. Thorax: narrower than the head; the mesothorax margined with short whitish pubescence, the outer margin of the tegulae rufo-piceous; the wings hyaline and iridescent, the nervures dark ferruginous; the apical joints of the tarsi pale; the posterior tibiae broadly expanded towards their apex, their upper margin thinly fringed with pale hairs, the basal joint of the tarsi clothed with golden pubescence within. Abdomen dark rufo-piceous; the basal segment white, beneath entirely so.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca (Mount Ophir).

2. Trigona atripes. T. flavescenti-rufa; alis dimidio basali fuscis, apicali lacteis, tibiis tarsisque intermediis et posticis nigris.

Worker. Length 2½ lines. Pale reddish-yellow; the flagellum fuscous above; wings reddish-brown, with their apex beyond the stigma milky-white; the intermediate and posterior tibiae and tarsi black, the apical joints of their tarsi ferruginous; the anterior legs entirely reddish-yellow; the scutellum fringed with fuscous hairs.

Hab. Malacca (Mount Ophir).

3. Trigona thoracica. T. nigra; thorace obscure ferrugineo, alis flavo-hyalinis, abdomine basi pallide testaceo.

Worker. Length 3½ lines. Black: the scape of the antennae at the base, the clypeus and mandibles at their base, ferruginous. Thorax: obscurely ferruginous, the legs more or less ferruginous towards their base; the wings flavo-hyaline. Abdomen smooth and shining, pale testaceous at the base.

Hab. Singapore.

4. Trigona nitidiventris. T. nigra; alis subhyalinis, coxis et unguibus pallide ferrugineis; abdomine supra nitido, nigro, subitus pallide testaceo.

Worker. Length 3½ lines. Black: the extreme base of the scape ferruginous; the wings subhyaline and iridescent, slightly fuscous towards their base, the nervures testaceous; the margins of the thorax
and the scutellum with ochraceous pubescence; the coxae and claw-joint of the tarsi rufo-testaceus. Abdomen shining black, its extreme base, and beneath entirely, pale testaceus.

_Hab._ Malacca (Mount Ophir).

5. _Trigona lavigiceps_. _T._ nigra; capite lævi et nitido, antice pube cinerea tecto; thorace nitido, alis subhyalinis, abdomen castaneo-rufo.

_Worker._ Length 1 1/4 line. Head and thorax black: the face, above the insertion of the antennæ, smooth and shining; the antennæ rufo-testaceae; the clypeus with a hoary pubescence; its anterior margin, and also the mandibles, ferruginous. Thorax smooth and shining, the metathorax highly polished; the wings subhyaline and iridescent, the stigma and nervures ferruginous. Abdomen ferruginous, smooth and shining.

_Hab._ Singapore.

6. _Trigona apicalis_. _T._ nigra; clypeo antennisque ferrugineis, parte dimidia basali alarum fusca, spice hyalino.

_Worker._ Length 2 1/4 lines. Head and thorax black; the abdomen nigro-piceous; the clypeus, and lower parts of the face, testaceo-yellow; the mandibles ferruginous; antennæ pale ferruginous; the head covered with cinereous pile. Thorax: the tegulae testaceae; the wings from the base to the stigma brown, beyond which they are hyaline; the scutellum covered with short stiff black hairs; the sides, and beneath, with scattered black pubescence; the legs dark rufopiceous; the posterior tibie pale, flattened and widened towards their apex; the outer margin thickly fringed with black pubescence; the disk of the thorax with a cinereous pile; the apex of the abdomen pale rufo-testaceus.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

7. _Trigona canifrons_. _T._ nigra; facie pube cinerea vestita; alis hyalinis.

_Worker._ Length 2 1/4 lines. Black: the face covered with cinereous pile. The thorax thickly covered above with sooty-black pubescence, which is long and tufted on the scutellum; the tegulae black and shining; the wings hyaline, the nervures testaceae; the posterior tibie, with their upper margin, thickly fringed with black hairs. Abdomen shining black.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

8. _Trigona collina_. _T._ nigra; antennis basi ferrugineis; alis basi fuscis apice albis.

_Worker._ Length 2 1/4 lines. Black: the scape, flagellum beneath, and its apex, as well as the mandibles, ferruginous; the clypeus with a pale testaceus spot in the middle; the wings brown at their base as
far as the stigma, beyond which they are milky-white; the abdomen obscurely rufo-piceeous at the base.

_Hab._ Malacca (Mount Ophir).

9. _Trigona fimbriata._ T. capite thoraceque femoribus et abdomine basi testaceo-rufa; tibiiis tarsisque intermediae et posticis nigris.

_Worker._ Length 3½ lines. Head rufo-testaceous, the face covered with very short ochraceous pubescence, and sprinkled with longer stiff black hairs; the colour and pubescence of the thorax are similar to that of the head, but the disk is of a rather darker colour, and the black hairs are longer and more rigid; the intermediate and posterior tibiae, and the basal joints of their tarsi, black, the former densely covered with black pubescence, and the latter thickly fringed with the same, the posterior tibiae being very broadly dilated towards their apex; the wings hyaline, their nervures bright ferruginous. Abdomen: the two basal segments rufo-testaceous, their apical margins, as well as the whole of the following segments, nigro-fuscous.

_Hab._ Singapore.

_Fam. FORMICIDÆ._

Before entering upon the descriptions of the highly interesting collection of Ants made by Mr. Wallace in Borneo, Malacca, and Singapore, a few observations may not be out of place. I am perfectly aware, that in treating upon this family, I can only achieve a very partial success; our present knowledge, scanty as it is, convinces me that it is simply an impossibility to assimilate the sexes of the exotic Ants correctly, without positive observation of their economy. The sexes of some species, there can be little doubt, at present form the types of apparently very distinct genera; such indeed are the eccentricities of form in the exotic species, as to outstrip even the widest bounds hitherto conceived to be necessary to allow, for varieties in form, size and colour. A single instance will amply confirm this observation. In the third volume of the 'Transactions of the Entomological Society,' I described eleven species of the genus _Pseudomyrma_; of one of these I had the opportunity of describing the three sexes, taken in their formicarium by Mr. H. W. Bates, in Brazil. This species, _Pseudomyrma cephalica_, exhibits such a remarkable difference of form in the male, female and worker, that, had they not been obtained in the manner stated, I should unhesitatingly have removed the sexes into two distinct genera. In the male and worker the head is of the ordinary form and proportion, but that of the female is as long as the thorax, with the sides parallel; it is in fact, if I may use the term, so disproportionate, that no one, I imagine, could have
possibly supposed any relationship to have existed between the female and the other sex.

It is to the Formicidae that Mr. Wallace has made the most valuable additions: the number of new species added to the genus Polyrhachis is very important, and that of eight to the Cryptoceridae makes a grand addition to that curious and highly interesting family. The new genus, Echinopla, being founded on the examination of workers only, will no doubt hereafter require a revision of the characters laid down, but in describing a collection containing so many novelties such occurrences are almost inevitable.

Hab. Borneo, Malacca, Singapore.

Hab. Sarawak.
Specimens from Borneo have the legs more or less red, and in some examples the vertex is more or less so.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Formica viridis, Kirby, Trans. Linn. Soc. xii. 477 ♀.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak), Malacca, Sumatra, Celebes, Philippine Islands.

5. Formica festina. F. nigra, nitida; flagello fulvo; thorace subtus, metathorace pedibusque et petiolo pallide ferrugineis; abdomen subtus piceo.
Female. Length 9–10 lines. Black and shining; head oblong-quadrate; the mandibles and anterior margin of the face rufo-piceous; the flagellum fulvous. Thorax: beneath, the sides, the metathorax and the legs, pale ferruginous; wings subhyaline, their nervures ferruginous; scale of the abdomen pale ferruginous, ovate and slightly emarginate above; the posterior margins of the segments of the abdomen, above, pale rufo-testaceous; beneath, entirely pale.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).
This species closely resembles the European species F. ligniperda—in fact appears to be the exotic form of that insect.

6. Formica mistura. F. nigro-picea, ferrugineo variegata, pubescens; capite opaco, thorace abdomenque nitidis.
Female. Length 7 lines. Head black, the vertex and cheeks more or less ferruginous; the head opake, with the mandibles shining nigro-piceous; the scape attenuated, rufo-testaceous; the clypeus delicately punctured, slightly emarginate in front. Thorax elongate-ovate,
smooth and shining, with ferruginous stains in front and on the sides; the metathorax truncate, with ferruginous spots at its base above; the legs ferruginous, the tibise and basal joint of the tarsi darkest; the wings flavo-hyaline, the nervures pale rufo-testaceous. Abdomen elongate-ovate, with the margins of the segments and the apex rufo-piceous; the scale ferruginous, with its superior margin very slightly emarginate; the head with a thin fulvous pubescence; the abdomen with a few scattered pale hairs.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

7. _Formica pilosa._ _F._ nigra, dense sericea pilosa; squama ovata.
_Worker._ Length 3 lines. Black, covered with a fine cinereous pile: the head large, much wider than the thorax; eyes ovate, placed laterally rather high on the head; the anterior part of the face truncate, the sides produced beyond the anterior margin of the clypeus; a faintly impressed line above the base of the clypeus, which terminates in a shallow fovea on the front. Thorax compressed posteriorly. Abdomen ovate, with a short pale pubescence; the scale narrow, incrassate, and terminating above in a blunt point.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

8. _Formica ruﬁceps._ _F._ nigra; capite thoraceque antice ferrugineis.
_Worker._ Length 4 lines. Head ferruginous, smooth, shining, and much wider than the thorax; the mandibles and scape black, the apex of the former obscurely ferruginous; the flagellum pale rufo-testaceous. Thorax black, more or less ferruginous anteriorly, much compressed towards the metathorax; the tips of the joints of the legs ferruginous, as well as the tarsi. Abdomen black, smooth and shining; the scale ovate, acuminate at its apex above; the legs and apex of the abdomen with a scattered short pale pubescence.

_Worker minor_, about one-third smaller; only differs otherwise in having the mandibles ferruginous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

This species bears a strong resemblance to the _F. erratica_ of Europe.

9. _Formica badia._ _F._ castaneo-fusca; thorace postice attenuato, abdominis squamula incrassata, abdomine ovato.
_Worker._ Length 2½–3½ lines. Chestnut-brown; head subovate; the eyes ovate, lateral, placed high on the head towards the vertex. Thorax rounded in front, compressed behind; the metathorax obliquely truncated; the scale of the abdomen subconical, incrassate, slightly rounded in front and truncate behind. Abdomen oblong-ovate, the apex fuscous.

_Hab._ Singapore; Borneo (Sarawak).

This species has much the appearance of a species of _Polyergus_; but the mandibles are toothed at the apex: the palpi I have not examined.
10. **Formica diligens.** *F. obscure rufo-picea; antennis, mandibulis, thorace subitus et lateribus, metathorace pedibusque lete rufis; abdomine subitus pallide rufo-testaceo.* 

**Female.** Length 9 lines. Head shining, dark rufo-piceous; the carine at the insertion of the antennae, the antennae, the anterior margin of the face and clypeus, and the mandibles, ferruginous. The thorax and legs ferruginous, with the mesothorax above and the scutellum dark rufo-piceous; wings subhyaline, the nervures and tegulae pale ferruginous. Abdomen shining dark rufo-piceous, beneath pale rufo-testaceous; scale subquadrate, its superior margin slightly emarginate its entire width.

**Hab.** Malacca.

This insect closely resembles the *F. ligniperda.*

11. **Formica irritans.** *F. capite abdomineque nigro-fuscis; antennis, thorace, abdomine, squamula pedibusque ferrugineis.* 

**Worker.** Length 6 lines. Elongate and slender; head ovate; dark fuscous; the apex of the scape and the flagellum ferruginous; the clypeus and mandibles dark rufo-piceous. The thorax, scale of the abdomen and the legs, ferruginous; the thorax elongate, compressed, with the prothorax very slightly dilated at the sides. The scale of the abdomen incrassate, rounded anteriorly and truncate behind. Abdomen ovate, nigro-fuscous; the entire insect sprinkled with erect pale hairs.

**Worker minor.** Length 3 lines. Only differs in having the antennae entirely pale ferruginous and the anterior legs stouter.

**Hab.** Malacca; Borneo (Sarawak).

This is probably the worker of *F. diligens.*

12. **Formica fervens.** *F. capite abdomineque obscure rufo-piceis, thorace pedibusque pallide ferrugineis.* 

**Worker.** Length 4 lines. Head nigro-piceous, thorax and legs pale ferruginous; head subopake, with the mandibles and clypeus slightly shining, the latter with scattered punctures; the flagellum pale ferruginous; the anterior margin of the clypeus slightly emarginate. Thorax more or less fuscous in front, compressed behind. Abdomen black and shining, with the apical margins of the segments narrowly testaceous; thinly sprinkled with pale hairs; the scale ovate and ferruginous.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

13. **Formica graminipes.** *F. ferruginea, abdomine (basi excepto) obscure rufo-piceo.* 

**Worker.** Length 2 lines. Pale ferruginous, abdomen dark rufo-piceous; antennae longer than the body; head ovate, and wider than the thorax, narrowed behind; the eyes black and prominent. Thorax elongate and compressed; the prothorax narrowed into a slender neck;
legs very much elongated, the posterior pair one-third longer than the insect, the tibie and tarsi pale testaceous; the abdominal scale incrassate, rounded in front and truncate behind; the abdomen dark rufopiceous, short and ovate; the base more or less pale ferruginous.

Hab. Singapore.


Worker. Length 4 lines. Head, thorax, and scale of the abdomen ferruginous, the abdomen black; the scape black, its extreme base and apex, and the flagellum, ferruginous, the latter more or less fuscous above; the vertex with sometimes a fuscous stain; the mandibles nigro-piceous, their apex ferruginous; the thorax compressed behind, and thinly covered, as well as the head, with erect reddish hairs; legs nigro-fuscous, with the base and apex of the joints, or with sometimes the coxae and base of the femora, and also the apical joints of the tarsi, ferruginous. The scale of the abdomen ovate, terminating in a point above; the apical margins of the segments with a thin fringe of pale reddish-yellow hairs.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

15. Formica sedula. F. capite thorace pedibusque opacis nigris, abdomine castaneo.

Worker. Length 5 lines. Head and thorax opaque-black, the mandibles and legs shining black; the abdomen chestnut-red. The mandibles smooth at their base, and striated at their apex, with five stout teeth, the flagellum fusco-ferruginous; the head deeply emarginate behind; much wider than the thorax; the thorax compressed; the trochanters and apical joints of the tarsi ferruginous. Abdomen ovate and thinly sprinkled with reddish pubescence; the scale subquadrate; emarginate above, and slightly ferruginous; the head and thorax with a few erect black hairs.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Resembles F. compressa, but differs in having much stouter legs, in being pubescent, in having the posterior angles of the head more rounded, and in being pubescent.

16. Formica exasperata. F. capite thorace abdominisque squama sanguineis; tarsorum ungibus abdominisque basi rufis; thorace compresso.

Worker. Length 5½ lines. Head and thorax blood-red; sometimes blackish before the insertion of the antennae, and also a little in front of the anterior sterna; in some examples entirely red; the mandibles black, stout, strongly toothed and punctured; the head deeply emarginate posteriorly, and much wider than the thorax. Thorax: compressed, sometimes with fuscous stains at the sides, with the tibie and tarsi more or less fuscous; the head, thorax and legs with a thin scattered pale reddish pubescence. Abdomen: black, subopake,
with the apical margins of the segments usually more or less rufo-piceous; the scale erect, ovate and entire.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

The general form of this species is that of *F. compressa*; the antennæ are shorter, with shorter joints, and the legs are considerably stouter.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

17. **Formica tenuipes.** *F. castaneo-rufa levis nitida; thorace ovato; alis hyalinis; squama quadrata supra emarginata.*

**Female.** Length 4 lines. reddish-brown: mandibles stout, and armed with five stout black teeth; antennæ pale rufo-testaceous. Thorax ovate, smooth and shining; wings hyaline, the nervures pale testaceous; legs pale rufo-testaceous, with the femora much compressed, flattened; the scale of the abdomen quadrate, emarginate above. Abdomen ovate, smooth and shining.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

18. **Formica camelina.** *F. nigra, elongata et graecilis; capite postice in collum angustatato; thorace medio compresso; metathorace supra rotundatato; pedibus elongatatis; abdominis nodo globoso.*

**Worker.** Length 5 lines. Black: elongate and slender; covered with a fine silky pile, which has a golden tinge on the thorax and abdomen; the antennæ nearly as long as the body; the head oblong, much narrowed behind the eyes, the latter nearly round, and placed rather forwards on the face a little higher than the insertion of the antennæ; the carinae above the clypeus with a less elevated one between them, the antennæ inserted at the sides of the carinae. Thorax: much narrowed in front, forming a sort of neck, widened and rounded behind, broader than the meso- and meta-thorax, the latter somewhat swollen above and elevated above the anterior part of the thorax; legs very long and sprinkled with fine whitish hairs. The scale of the abdomen, viewed above, pear-shaped, broadest at the base; abdomen ovate, pointed at the apex, and sprinkled with pale glittering hairs.

Hab. Singapore.

19. **Formica pallida.** *F. pallide testacea levis nitida sparse pilosa; squamula elongato-ovata.*

**Worker.** Length 2½–3 lines. Pale rufo-testaceous, smooth and shining: the head much wider than the thorax, the vertex widely and deeply emarginate; the mandibles dark rufo-piceous; the flagellum and the legs paler than the rest of the body; the thorax compressed behind; the scale narrow and ovate; abdomen subglobose, and thinly sprinkled with long pale hairs; the head and thorax also slightly pubescent.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Some individuals of this species differ from the form described, in having the head and abdomen of a deeper hue; the prothorax is sometimes

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dark, but all have the scale of the same elongate-ovate form, without any notch above.

20. Formica irritans. F. nigra; antennae, thorace pedunculisque squama ferrugineis.

Worker. Length 6 lines. Head and abdomen nigro-fuscous; antennae, thorax, and scale of the abdomen, as well as the legs, ferruginous. Elongate and slender, the head ovate; the apex of the scape ferruginous; the clypeus and mandibles dark rufo-piceous. The thorax elongate, compressed, with the prothorax slightly dilated at the sides. Abdomen ovate: the scale incrassate, rounded anteriorly, and truncate behind; the entire insect thinly sprinkled with erect, long, pale pubescence.

Worker (minor). Length 3 lines. This only differs in having the antennae entirely pale ferruginous.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This is probably the worker of Formica diligens.

Genus TAPINOMA, Foerster.

1. Tapinoma glabrata. T. nigra, subnitida, glabra, angustior; antennae, mandibulis tarsisque rufo-pallidis; squama oblonga depressa; abdomine oblongo-ovato.

Worker. Length 1½ line. Black: the clypeus obscurely testaceous; the mandibles and flagellum rufo-testaceous, the apex of the latter slightly fuscos; the head, prothorax, and coxae beneath, rufo-testaceus; the thorax declining above to the base of the metathorax, the latter convex; the tarsi pale rufo-testaceous. Abdomen ovate; the scale inclining forwards in a line with the oblique truncation of the metathorax; the insect entirely destitute of pubescence.

Hab. Malacca.

Genus POLYRHACHIS.

Body more or less armed with spines. Antennae elongate, usually nearly as long as the body; labial palpi 4-jointed, the basal joint shortest, the three following, each in succession, longer than the preceding; the apical joint three times the length of the basal one. Maxillary palpi 6-jointed, elongate, the basal joint short, about half the length of the second joint, each of the following joints more than twice the length of the second joint. Thorax: subovate in the females; compressed and frequently flattened above in the workers; wings as in Formica ligniperda. Abdomen globose. (Details, Plate I.)

This genus of Ants, of which the Formica bihamata may be regarded as the type, forms a very distinct section of the Formicidae: the males I am not acquainted with. The habit of these insects is arboreal, as we learn from Mr. Jerdon, who, in his paper on Ants, in the Madras Journal, describes two species; of
one, *P. nidificans*, he says, "This Ant makes a small nest about half an inch or rather more in diameter, of some papyraceous material, which it fixes on a leaf; I have opened two, each of which contained one female and eight or ten workers. It is very rare; I have only seen it in Malabar." What can be the use of the formidable spines and hooks with which these creatures are armed, it is impossible to determine; on examination we find, as might be expected in species living on trees, and probably all have the same habit, that the legs are destitute of spines, and usually of pubescence also; the calcaria at the apex of the tibiae are very short, and the tips of the tarsal joints have very short spines and hairs.

The *Polyrhachis textor*, described in these papers, was captured with its nest, and was sent from Malacca by Mr. Wallace; the nest is nearly oval, not quite an inch in length, its shortest diameter being a little over half an inch; this nest is not of a papyraceous texture, but fibrous, formed, as it were, of a coarse network; the colonies must consequently be very small, as Mr. Jordan says, consisting of only eight or ten individuals; but probably at the height of the season, when the males appear, the nests may be somewhat enlarged, as we know to be the case amongst the social Wasps.

Although these insects are usually rare, or at least seldom met with in collections, Mr. Wallace has captured no less than nineteen species in the East: from the New World I have only seen one or two, about four from Africa, and the same number from Australia.

1. *Polyrhachis bihamatus*, *Drury*, *Ins.* ii. pl. 38. f. 8 folio.
   *P. thorace quadrispinosa*, squama petiolari spinis duabus arcuatis.  
   *Hab.* Borneo. India. Sumatra.

2. *Polyrhachis relicens*.
   *Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak). India.

3. *Polyrhachis carinatus*.
   *Formica carinata*, *Fabr. Syst. Pies.* 413. 71; *St. Farg. Hym.* i. 220. 28;  
   *Jerdon, Madras Journ. Lit. & Sc.* (1851).  
   *Hab.* Malacca. Singapore.

4. *Polyrhachis defensus*. *P. niger*; capite thoraceque minute verrucatis, thorace spinis duabus longis antice, duabus postice, armato;  
   abdomine opaco ferrugineo-rubo.  
   *Worker*. Length 3½ lines. Head and thorax black, and coarsely sha-
greened; the thorax armed with two long stout spines at the angles of the prothorax, and two similar ones at the posterior angles of the metathorax; the scale of the abdomen with two long stout spines diverging and curved backwards. Abdomen globose, of a dull opake rusty-red.

Hab. Singapore. Java.

Specimens from Java, in the British Museum, have the abdomen black.

5. Polyrhachis constructor. P. niger; thorace ovato, spinis duabus minutis antice armato; abdominis squamula spinis duabus armata.

Female. Length 3½ lines. Black: finely rugose; the palpi pale testaceous; the mandibles obscurely rufo-piceous; the apex of the antenna pale rufo-testaceous. Thorax: the anterior angles of the prothorax acute; the metathorax not toothed; the apex truncate, the truncation finely rugose; wings subhyaline, faintly yellow; the nerves pale testaceous. Abdomen globose; the scale quadrate, with two very stout, short, curved spines above; the insect is very thinly covered with a fine short silky ashy pile, most apparent on the abdomen.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

6. Polyrhachis Ruficornis. P. niger; antennis mandibulis pedibusque ferrugineis, abdominis squamula spinis duabus longis armata.

Female. Length 4 lines. Black: the antennae and mandibles ferruginous. Thorax elongate-ovate; wings subhyaline and iridescent, the nerves pale testaceous; the legs ferruginous, the coxae black. Abdomen: the base more or less ferruginous; the scale with two stout divergent spines above, which curve slightly backwards.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

7. Polyrhachis Carbonarius. P. aterrimus, nitidus; capite thoraceque supra aciculatis, abdominis squamula supra fornicata.

Worker. Length 2 lines. Jet-black, shining: the head and the thorax above, longitudinally aciculate, the thorax most finely so. Thorax: the anterior margin of the thorax with a short acute spine at the lateral angles; the truncation of the metathorax smooth and shining; the legs elongate, with acute spines or hairs; the calcaria pale testaceous; the anterior tibiae obscurely ferruginous in front. Abdomen ovate, smooth and shining; the scale incrassate, narrowed to a sharp edge above, the superior margin wide and arched, not spined.

Hab. Malacca.

8. Polyrhachis Textor. P. niger; thorace elongato, supra planato, dentibus duobus parvis antice et postice armato; abdominis pedunculo unispinoso.

Worker. Length 3½ lines. Black; delicately rugulose; the eyes ovate, lateral, placed high on the sides of the head; the front with two raised carinae, at the sides of which the antennae are inserted; the
clypeus and the space between the antennae, rufo-piceous; the clypeus with a slight longitudinal carina; the mandibles obscurely rufo-piceous at their apex; the apical joint of the antennae ferruginous. Thorax elongate, compressed at the sides, and flattened above; the anterior portion longitudinally aciculate; the meso- and meta-thorax delicately rugulose; a short blunt tooth or spine on each side of the prothorax, and a similar, but more acute tooth at the superior angles of the metathorax; the legs elongate, without spines or hairs; the tips of the claw-joint of the tarsi ferruginous. Abdomen smooth and shining; the peduncle with a single acute spine above, and a minute tooth on each side at its base.

_Hab._ Malacca.

9. _Polyrhachis chalybeus._ _P._ capite thoraceque nigris, pedibus abdomineque chalybeis.

_Worker._ Length 4 lines. Black: the metathorax, legs and abdomen steel-blue; the head delicately rugulose; eyes ovate, lateral, placed high on the head; the antennae inserted opposite the lower orbit of the eyes, each at the side of an elevated bent carina; the clypeus emarginate anteriorly; the mandibles large and stout, their apex denticulate. Thorax elongate, delicately transversely rugulose, with two stout acute spines in front, diverging outwardly, and two shorter erect parallel ones on the metathorax; the femora and tibiae compressed. Abdomen smooth and shining; the peduncle armed with two long stout divergent bent spines which curve backwards.

_Hab._ Singapore. Malacca.

10. _Polyrhachis nitidus._ _P._ nigerrimus, lævis, nitidus; thorace ovato, metathorace spinis duabus longis acutis, pedunculo quadrato, spinis duabus curvatis acutis armato.

_Female._ Length 4 lines. Jet-black, smooth and shining; the thorax rounded anteriorly; the metathorax armed with two long acute spines at its base; the truncation delicately transversely rugulose and shining; the peduncle quadrate, armed above at its posterior angles with two short curved acute spines; the anterior tibia rufo-piceous in front; wings subhyaline, faintly tinted with yellow; the nervures ferruginous; the stigma brown. Abdomen subglobose, very smooth and shining.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

11. _Polyrhachis villipes._ _P._ niger; thorace spinis duabus elongatis acutis antice armato; abdominis squamula spinis duabus longis acutis, singulis basi minute unispinosis, pedibus pubescentibus.

_Worker._ Length 3½—4 lines. Black: the head and thorax longitudinally delicately aciculate; eyes ovate, very prominent, situated high on the sides of the head, the head narrowed posteriorly; the carinae on the face much elevated; the palpi pale rufo-testaceos. Thorax: armed in front with two long acute divergent spines; posteriorly unarmed; the superior surface flattened, distinctly divided by two trans-
verse sutures, and having a curved decline to the verge of the truncation of the metathorax; legs elongate, with a thin clothing of erect pubescence. Abdomen smooth, shining, and sprinkled with erect black hairs; the surface of the peduncle in front subquadrate, narrowed at the base, the superior angles with long acute divergent spines, which have a minute spine at their base outside.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

12. POLYRHACHIS MODESTUS. P. niger; thorace ovato, metathorace spinis duabus brevibus obtusius, squama spinis duabus acutis retrorsum curvatis armata.

Female. Length 3 lines. Black: head and thorax very delicately rugose; the flagellum rufo-piceous beneath towards the apex. Thorax ovate; the metathorax with two short blunt spines; wings hyaline, faintly yellow; the nervures pale testaceous; the apical joints of the tarsi obscurely ferruginous. Abdomen globose, smooth and shining; the scale quadrate, armed above at the lateral angles with two acute spines which curve backwards.

Hab. Singapore.

13. POLYRHACHIS PANDARUS. P. opacus niger; capite thoraceque subverrucatus, thorace antice posticeque abdominisque squama spinis duabus longis crassis acutis armatis.

Worker. Length 4 lines. Black: head and thorax coarsely shagreened; the palpi pale testaceous; head below the antennae finely shagreened; the head with a sharp recurved margin posteriorly. Thorax: not flattened above; two long, stout, acute, divergent spines in front, and two similar ones posteriorly; the scale quadrate, with two long acute divergent spines, directed backwards; legs without spines or hairs; the calcaria, at the apex of the anterior tibie, pale testaceous, those on the intermediate and posterior pairs black. Abdomen smooth, opake-black.

Examples of this species from Singapore have the abdomen rusty-red.


14. POLYRHACHIS HECTOR. P. opacus niger; thorace spinis duabus longis acutis antice et postice armato; squama quadrata spinis duabus longis curvatis; abdomine obscure ferrugineo.

Worker. Length 4 lines. Opake-black: delicately shagreened; the head narrowed posteriorly; the thorax armed with two long acute divergent spines in front, and two slightly divergent ones behind; the scale quadrate, with two long divergent spines above which curve backwards; the legs without spines or pubescence, the calcaria black. Abdomen with an obscure ferruginous tinge. Thorax not flattened above.

Hab. Singapore.

15. POLYRHACHIS LAVIGATUS. P. niger, levis, nitidus; metathorace
spinis duabus longis acutis retrorsum directis; abdominis squama
spinis duabus curvatis armata; coxis femorumque basi rufis.

Worker. Length 2 lines. Black, smooth and shining: the flagellum
thickened towards the apex. Thorax: the anterior angles acute; the
disk not flattened; the metathorax with two long, acute, divergent
spines, directed backwards; the scale with a long curved spine on
each side, directed to the curve of the abdomen; the coxae and femora
ferruginous, the anterior pair obscure. Abdomen globose, smooth and
shining.

Hab. Malacca.

I have only seen a single specimen of this species: the clavate antenna
appear to indicate its belonging to a different genus.

16. Polyrhachis cuspidatus. P. niger; prothorace metatho-
raceque medio elevatis et bispinosis; femoribus abdominisque basi
ferrugineis.

Worker. Length 2½ lines. Black: head subovate, not narrowed be-
hind; the base of the scape, the apex of the flagellum, and the tips of
the mandibles, ferruginous. Thorax slightly compressed; the pro-
thorax with an elevation in the middle which terminates above in two
divergent spines; there is also a similar elevation, spined above on
each side, on the metathorax; the coxae, femora, and apical joints of
the tarsi, ferruginous. Abdomen ferruginous at the base; the scale
quadrate, deeply notched above.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

17. Polyrhachis flavicornis. P. niger; capite thoraceque sub-
opacis, abdomen nitido; flagello femorumque basi flavo-testaceis.

Female. Length 3 lines. Black: the head subopaque, the flagellum and
mandibles reddish-yellow; the basal joint of the flagellum, except its
extreme apex, black; the scape rufo-piceous. Thorax subopake;
ovate, without spines; legs rufo-piceous, the femora pale reddish-
yellow; wings subhyaline, nervures pale testaceous, stigma brown.
Abdomen fuscosus; the scale quadrate, armed with two short, curved
subacute spines.

Worker. Length 2 lines. Very like the female, but with the antennae
and legs of a deeper tint; the first joint of the flagellum black, except
its apex; the thorax flattened at the sides, the superior surface slightly
convex, divided by two transverse sutures, the margins acute. Abdo-
men globose, black and shining; the scale as in the female.

Hab. Singapore.

18. Polyrhachis equinus. P. niger nitidus; thorace supra de-
planato, metathorace et pedunculo bispinosis, pedibus pallide fer-
rugineis.

Worker. Length 3 lines. Black; head shining and delicately rugulose;
the palpi pale rufo-testaceous. Thorax: flattened above, the margins
acutely edged; the sides longitudinally delicately striated; the pro-
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Thorax, above, slightly concave, and shaped like a horse-shoe; the metathorax is also slightly concave, with the posterior angles acute and elevated; the metathorax smooth and shining behind; the legs rufo-testaceus. Abdomen: smooth, shining and subglobose; the scale elevated, with two short teeth above, the sides oblique; the scale narrowing to its base.

Hab. Sarawak.

19. Polyrachis dives. P. niger, aureo-sericeo vestitus; thorace spinis acutis antice et postice armatis; squama quadrata spinis duabus longis curvatis.

Worker. Length 2½ lines. Black: clothed with pale golden pubescence; the thorax with two short curved spines in front, and two of about the same length at its posterior margin; the scale of the abdomen compressed, square in front, and having two long spines which curve backwards; the pubescence on the head and thorax with an obscure golden tinge; the legs without spines or pubescence; the calcaria pale testaceus.

Hab. Singapore.

20. Polyrachis vindex. P. niger, submitidus; thorace supra deplanato, spinis duabus anterioribus; squama integra; pedibus ferrugineis; tibiis et femoribus apice tarasique fuscas.

Worker. Length 2¼ lines. Black: the head and thorax with a shining hoary pile; the head longitudinally striated; the apex of the flagellum beneath, and the palp, pale rufo-testaceus. Thorax flattened above, delicately striated longitudinally; the divisions of the thorax distinctly marked by two transverse sutures; the lateral margins raised and acute; the anterior angles produced into acute spines; the tibiae and femora ferruginous, and more or less fuscos at their apex. The scale of the peduncle incassate, compressed to a sharp edge above, which is rounded, and terminates in a minute tooth laterally. Abdomen smooth, shining and subglobose.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Subfam. Poneride.

Gen. Odontomachus, Latr.

1. Odontomachus rixosus. O. rufo-fuscus, femoribus pallide testaceis; margine interna mandibulorum subserrata, thorace transversim striato.

Worker. Length 4½ lines. Reddish-brown: the coxae, trochanters and femora pale testaceus, the extreme base, and apex of the latter, darker; the mandibles with two blunt teeth at their apex, the outer tooth notched on one side, forming a second tooth; the inner edge slightly serrated, having only four or five minute teeth; the prominence between the sulcations on the anterior part of the head,
obliquely striated; the striations crossing the sulcations, but terminating opposite the hinder margin of the eyes; the depression on the sides of the head striated, the striation becoming obsolete at the sides of the head. The thorax transversely striated, the metathorax most strongly so. The scale of the abdomen conical, terminating above in an acute spine; the abdomen very smooth and shining, the apex pale testaceous.

Hab. Singapore.

This species bears a strong resemblance to the type of the genus, O. hematodes, a South American insect; but that species has the head shorter, and the vertex delicately striated; the antennae are shorter, the joints shorter: specimens which I consider to be identical with the present species, are in the collection at the British Museum, from Birmah and Singapore.

2. ODONTOMACHUS Rugosus. O. rufescenti-fuscus; capite supra longitudinaliter striato, lateribus levibus nitidis, thorace pedunculoque rude rugosis.

Worker. Length 3 lines. Head of a red-brown, the mandibles and scape rather paler, the flagellum pale testaceous; the mandibles much narrowed at their base, their inner edge finely serrated, terminating in two long blunt teeth which are abruptly curved at right angles with the jaws; the head a little longer than broad, deeply emarginate behind, longitudinally striated above, the sides smooth and shining. Thorax darker than the head, and coarsely rugose; the legs ferruginous. The node of the abdomen conical and rugose; abdomen smooth and shining and of a dark rufo-piceous colour, the apex pale.

Hab. Singapore.

This is a very remarkable and distinct species, both in sculpture and form.

Gen. Ponera, Latr.

1. Ponera versicolor. P. purpureo et violaceo variegata seu obscure cerata; capite, thorace abdominisque basi profunde striatis; nodo spinis duabus parvis armato.

Worker. Length 4½ lines. Black, with purple, violet and green tints in different lights: the head deeply striated longitudinally, the stria terminating at the base of the clypeus, the anterior margin of which is subangular; the mandibles obscure ferruginous, their inner edge toothed, the teeth being alternately one large and one small; the mandibles finely striated; the eyes ovate, of moderate size, placed laterally about the middle. Thorax: in front with deep circular striae, behind which are a few longitudinal ones on the disk; the sides and posterior portion obliquely striated, the apex transversely so; the calcarea and apical joints of the tarsi ferruginous. The node of the abdomen incrassate, rounded in front and above, and truncate behind,
with two short sharp spines on the verge of the truncation, pointing backwards; the first segment with transverse curved striæ.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Philippine Islands.

Some specimens of this species are entirely of a bronze-green, and some have the legs more or less red.

2. Poneræ rubra. P. castaneo-rubra, levis et impunctata; abdomen elongato-ovato, nodo elevato ântice rotundato, postice truncato.

Female. Length 3½ lines. Bright chestnut-red; the head smooth and impunctate; the head dusky before the ocelli; the mandibles serrated on their inner margin; the antenne about the length of the thorax, slightly thickened towards their apex. Thorax: the disk slightly fuscous; narrowed towards the metathorax, which is obliquely truncate, the truncation smooth and shining; the anterior margin of the prothorax rounded. The peduncle of the abdomen, viewed sideways, is wedge-shaped, its front margin slightly rounded, behind truncate; the abdomen elongate-ovate, pointed, and slightly pubescent at the apex.

Hab. Singapore.


Female. Length 3½ lines. Black: the antenne, mandibles, legs and apex of the abdomen ferruginous; the head finely shagreened. Thorax oblong-ovate, finely longitudinally rugulose; the sides of the metathorax coarsely rugose, the truncation transversely striated; the scale of the abdomen incrassate, rounded above, transversely striated in front and behind; the abdomen smooth and shining, with a thin fine grey pubescence.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).


Worker. Length 2½ lines. Dark rufo-fuscous, with changeable tints of blue on the head and thorax, in different lights; the apex of the metathorax, the legs, antenne, and apical margins of the segments of the abdomen, ferruginous; the head with an abbreviated impressed line above the insertion of the antenne; the mandibles with their inner margin serrated and three teeth at their apex; the scale of the abdomen compressed, elevated, and rounded above. Abdomen oblong; the apical margin of the first segment slightly constricted.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

5. Poneræ rugosa. P. ferruginea rude rugosa; capite thoraceque profunde punctatis; abdomen rude sulcato et punctato.

Female. Length 3½ lines. Ferruginous; the head covered with coarse deep punctures, the punctures semi-confluent; the antenne short and thick; the flagellum clavate and pubescent; the mandibles longitudinally
grooved. Thorax oblong, widest in front, the anterior margin curved, the lateral angles acute; the metathorax truncate; the prothorax with large deep confluent punctures; the mesothorax longitudinally grooved; the scutellum and metathorax ruggedly punctured. The abdomen longitudinally grooved, the grooves on the basal segment punctured; the node rugged and subglobose, beneath, furnished with a remarkable flattened semitransparent appendage.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).


_Worker._ Length 5 lines. Obscur fuscous, scarcely black; the mandibles, the apex of the scape and of the flagellum, the legs and apex of the abdomen, obscurely ferruginous; the head, thorax, and node of the abdomen, rugose; the eyes small, placed forwards on the sides of the head; the antennae short and thick, the flagellum clavate; two parallel longitudinal carine running backwards from the insertion of the antennae to within about one-third of the posterior margin of the head. The thorax obliquely truncated behind, the truncation smooth and slightly shining; the truncation of the abdominal node smooth and shining, its margin denticulated; the abdomen coarsely grooved longitudinally.

_Hab._ Singapore. Malabar.

Specimens of this species from Borneo have the legs nearly or quite black.

7. _Ponera intricata_. _P. nitida nigra_; capite, thorace abdominisque basi profunde et æqualiter striatis; nodo spinis duabus acutis armato; pedibus ferrugineis.

_Worker._ Length 5 lines. Black and shining; the mandibles, legs, and apex of the abdomen, ferruginous; the flagellum obscurely ferruginous; the head evenly and deeply grooved, longitudinally on the face, and transversely on the vertex; the antennae as long as the insect. Thorax: the dilated portion with transverse grooves on the disk which are enclosed by curved ones; the thorax is much compressed, with a longitudinal groove above, the sides obliquely striated; the oblique truncation at the apex transversely striated. The node of the abdomen compressed, rounded above and in front, and obliquely grooved; the margin of the truncation with two acute spines above directed backwards; the basal segment of the abdomen with curved striae, slightly impressed or obliterated at the sides; the apical margins of the segments rufo-piceous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

8. _Ponera geometrica_. _P. nigro-ænea_; capite, thorace abdominisque basi profunde striatis, nodo spinis duabus acutis armato.

_Worker._ Length 5 lines. Black, with more or less of a bronze tint; the head longitudinally striated; the clypeus angulated in front; the
mandibles ferruginous. Thorax: rounded anteriorly; the disk in front transversely striated, these striae encircled by others which pass round the sides and front; the thorax beyond with a striaion, which runs in an elongated oval direction, the sides obliquely striated; the legs very obscurely ferruginous. Abdomen: the node incrassate, rounded in front and above, truncated behind; the margin of the truncation deeply emarginate, the lateral angles of the emargination produced into long stout acute spines; the node with a curved striaion, the curve being forwards; the first segment with a beautiful even curved striation; the apical segments smooth and shining, covered with a cinereous silky pubescence.

Hab. Singapore.

This species resembles the *P. versicolor*, but is much more regularly and evenly striated; the striaion on *P. versicolor* is coarse and uneven, and directed differently on the thorax; the joints of the antennae in this species are also longer and more slender. T. C. Jerdon has described a striated species of *Ponera*, but he says, "abdominal pedicle raised, pointing forwards with two small spines"—which does not agree with any of the insects here described.


Worker. Length 4 lines. Black: the head deeply striated, the striae on the vertex diverging from the centre; the antennae scarcely as long as the thorax, inserted at the side of two ridges at the base of the clypeus; the elevations, extreme base of the scape, and the mandibles, obscurely ferruginous. Thorax elongate, the sides straight, slightly narrowed from the front towards the abdomen; the margin of the thorax, in front, rounded, the lateral angles furnished with a short obtuse spine; the thorax is transversely striated its entire length; the verge of the oblique truncation at the apex with two very short obtuse spines; the legs ferruginous. Abdomen obscurely rufo-piceous, covered with a fine cinereous pile, and sprinkled with long pale hairs; the scale, when viewed sideways, is wedge-shaped, the upper edge deeply notched, and the scale transversely striated behind.

Hab. Singapore.

10. *Ponera vidua*. *P. rufescenti-fusca*; antennis elongatis; thorace ovato, postice truncato; alis hyalinis; abdominis nodo incrassato, subtus spinia duabus parvis armato.

Male. Length 4 lines. Red-brown: antennae elongate, fusco-ferruginous, the base, and apex of the joints, pale testaceous; the eyes large and ovate, the ocelli large and of glassy brightness. Thorax ovate, with a thin loose downy pubescence; the metathorax truncate, the sides rugose; wings hyaline, the nervures pale yellow, with the
stigma brown; the legs pale testaceous. Abdomen smooth and shining, with thin scattered long pale pubescence, most dense towards the apex; a deep strangulation between the first and second segments; the node incrassate, coarsely rugose, rounded in front and above, truncate behind; beneath furnished with two short teeth.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

11. **Poner a dimin u t a.** _P. nigra_; vertice delicatule curvato-striato; pedibus rufo-piceis; abdomine laevigato nitido squama quadrata.

*Worker.* Length 3 lines. Black: the mandibles, and the extreme base of the scape, ferruginous; the flagellum fusco-ferruginous; the head elongate, narrowed behind, delicately striated; the striae curved transversely on the vertex. Thorax elongate, produced into a neck anteriorly; swollen in front, compressed in the middle, and again widened to the apex, which is obliquely truncated; the truncation with a few deep transverse striae; the thorax above with short irregular scratches or abbreviated striae; the legs elongate, rufo-piceous, the tarsi pale. Abdomen: the scale, viewed laterally, is quadrate; above slightly narrowed in front, and truncated before and behind; the first segment rounded at the base and constricted at the apex, the second segment narrowed at the base; the abdomen smooth and shining, with the apical margins of the segments, and the apex, rufo-piceous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

This species is nearly an exact representative in form, on a reduced scale, of the _P. tarsata._

12. **Poner a pom piloid e s.** _P. nigra_, Pompilum simulans; thorace elongato-ovato; abdomine elongato nodo conico.

*Male.* Length 3 lines. Black: antennae elongate, and finely pubescent. Thorax in front and behind obscurely ferruginous; the wings subhyaline, the nervures pale testaceous, the stigma brown; the apex of the coxae, and the base of the femora, rufo-piceous; the apical joints of the tarsi pale ferruginous. Abdomen elongate, with a scattered pale downy pubescence; the apical margin of the first segment slightly constricted; the node conical and rufo-piceous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

13. **Poner a le vic e p s.** _P. nigra_; capite elongato laevi nitido; thorace abdominale laevigatissimi nitidissimi; tarsis pallidis ferrugineis.

*Worker.* Length 3 lines. Black, smooth and shining: a few striae on the face on each side of the clypeus; the latter triangular, with a central raised longitudinal carina; a longitudinal impressed line runs from the insertion of the antennae half-way towards the posterior margin of the vertex. Thorax: in front forming a short neck, behind which it is swollen; from thence it is much narrowed and compressed; the apex oblique and transversely rugose; the tarsi pale
rufo-testaceous; the abdomen with a deep strangulation between the first and second segment; the node elevated and rounded above.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

**Gen. Typhlopone, Westw.**


*Worker*. Length 4 lines. Chestnut-red: smooth and shining, longitudinally channeled, slightly interrupted, in some examples, near the margin of the vertex; the inner margin, and apex of the mandibles, black. Thorax: a slightly impressed channel in front; the peduncle narrowed and rounded in front; the abdomen and legs rather paler than the head, the margins of the segments slightly constricted.

*Worker* (minor). About half the size, pale testaceous, and more abruptly truncated on the thorax.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

**Gen. Tetraponera, Smith.**


Hab. Sarawak.

**Subfam. Myrmicidae.**

**Gen. Myrmica, Latr.**


*Worker*. Length 2½ lines. Dark brown: the legs testaceous, the tarsi and tips of the antennæ pale testaceous; antennæ longer than the body, very slender, the scape, and also the flagellum, slightly thickened towards their apex; head much wider than the thorax, narrowed behind the eyes, and prolonged into a short neck; the mandibles rufo-testaceous. Thorax: the prothorax elongate, narrowed anteriorly into a short neck, slightly swollen posteriorly; the division between the meso- and meta-thorax deeply impressed; the metathorax with two short acute upright spines. Abdomen ovate, pedunculate, the peduncle formed of two nodes, the first smaller and less elevated than the second, each having a short footstalk.


Notwithstanding the remarkable form of this species, its long slender antennæ and legs, the prolongation of the prothorax into a neck, &c., all of which appear to warrant the formation of a new genus for its reception, yet, not being acquainted with either of the perfect sexes, I do not feel justified in removing it from the genus *Myrmica*. 

*Worker.* Length 1½ line. Head and thorax dark fusco-testaceous; antennæ and legs pale testaceous, nearly white; the divisions of the thorax distinctly marked, that between the meso- and meta-thorax rather deeply impressed; the abdomen of a transparent pale testaceous colour; the metathorax not spined.

*Hab.* Singapore.

Mr. Wallace, on a ticket attached to specimens of this insect, says, "House-ant: transparent abdomen: very active, but not destructive."


*Worker.* Length 1½ line. The head, thorax, antennæ, legs, and petiole of the abdomen, pale yellow-testaceous; the head oblong quadratus; the eyes small, placed forwards on the side of the head; antennæ clavatus, the club formed of three joints; the thorax deeply straungulated between the meso- and meta-thorax; the latter without spines; the abdomen pale at its base, fuscosus at its apex.

*Hab.* Singapore.

Mr. Wallace attaches a ticket to this species, "House-ant: very destructive."


*Worker.* Length 1 line. Head, antennæ, thorax and legs pale rufo-testaceous; head and thorax very smooth and shining; the flagellum clavate, the club consisting of three joints, the basal joint of the flagellum as long as the three following. Thorax swollen anteriorly, the metathorax with two minute spines. Abdomen ovate, the first node of the peduncle elongate, the second subglobose.

*Hab.* Malacca.

**Gen. Heptacodylus, Smith.**

*Head* suborbiculate, wider than the thorax; *eyes* lateral and ovate; *stemma* placed in a triangle on the vertex; *antennæ* geniculated, filiform, the scape nearly as long as the flagellum, placed forwards on the head at the base of the clypeus; the *flagellum 6-jointed*, the joints clavate, except the apical one, which is cylindrical; the *labial palpi* 3-jointed; the *maxillary palpi* 3-jointed. *Thorax* ovate, gibbous; the *aculeum* very prominent; the *metathorax* armed with two acute spines (in the females), compressed and strangulated (in the workers). The *superior wings* with one marginal and one complete submarginal cell, the submarginal cell receiving the recurrent nerve; the superior angle of the discoidal cell touching the costal nerve. *Abdomen* ovate; the *peduncle* consisting of two nodes.
This is perhaps the most remarkable genus hitherto characterized amongst the Formicidae; it presents one of those anomalies which perplex the naturalist. In the aculeate division of the Hymenoptera, we have felt that there existed in every species certain undeviating and tangible characters, whereby the sex at least might always be discriminated; namely, an additional segment to the abdomen, whereby to distinguish the males, as well as an additional joint to the antennae; the number of joints in the male being thirteen, and twelve in the female. It is true that one or two exceptions have been recorded: thus, the male of Crabro vagus, amongst the fossorial group, has only twelve perceptible joints to the antennae; and amongst the Apidae, the males of the genus Cetiosus have apparently only six segments in the abdomen; in the latter case, however, a seventh segment is concealed, or retracted, within the sixth segment; and in all probability, in the fossorial insect, a joint is concealed within the apex of the scape. In the present genus we find, however, so wide a departure from the normal condition, that it stands almost alone, as an exception to the general rule. In the 'Transactions of the Entomological Society,' vol. ii. of the 2nd series, I established a genus (Orectognathus) on characters exhibited in a neuter Ant, the insect having only five joints in the antennae; but as a neuter cannot be fairly considered the perfect condition of a species, I have thought it possible that the discovery of the other sexes might prove that I had been premature in establishing a genus on the imperfect condition of the species. This cannot be urged in the present instance, as both the female and worker are described, and neither of them has more than six joints in the flagellum.


Female. Length 4½ lines. Head and thorax rufo-piceous, with dark ferruginous stains on the vertex, scutellum, and metathorax posteriorly; also two longitudinal lines of the same colour on the disk of the mesothorax; the abdomen very dark rufo-piceous, with the three apical segments pale rufo-testaceous; the entire insect very smooth and shining. The mandibles produced, with three black teeth at the apex, and one on the inner margin towards the apex; the antennae pubescent; the thorax with scattered pale pubescence; the wings flavo-hyaline, the nervures pale testaceous; the legs elongate, with the apex of the joints and the tarsi pale rufo-testaceous; thickly covered with erect pale pubescence. Abdomen covered with pale
pubescence, the nodes of the abdomen dark rufu-piceous, globose, and each having a distinct petiole; the petioles pale rufu-testaceous.

Worker. Length 2½ lines. Dark rufu-fuscous: the antennæ, head beneath, mandibles and lower part of the face pale rufu-testaceous; antennæ slender and elongate; head smooth and shining, not carinated. Thorax shining, the lateral margins traversed by a sharp carina; the metathorax elevated and armed with two acute spines; the legs elongate and slender, the coxae beneath, the base and apex of the femora and tibiae, and the tarsi, pale ferruginous. Abdomen smooth and shining, the apex pale ferruginous.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

2. **HEPTACONDYLUS SUBCARINATUS.** *H. capite thoraceque ferrugineis; abdomine rufo-fusco; capite thoraceque carinulis irregularibus abbreviatis; metathorace spinis duabus acutis armato.*

Worker. Length 2½ lines. Head, antennæ, thorax and legs, ferruginous, sometimes pale ferruginous; abdomen fuscous, or rufo-fuscous, the petiole of the basal node pale; head shining, and having a number of irregular delicate carinae on the front and vertex; in front of the eyes are a number of irregular striae. Thorax: the sides compressed, widest anteriorly; the superior surface slightly convex, and having a number of longitudinal abbreviated elevated carinae; the lateral margins traversed by a slight carina; the metathorax with two stout acute spines. Abdomen smooth and shining; the insect sprinkled with a number of pale erect hairs, most numerous on the scape and legs.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

3. **HEPTACONDYLUS CARINATUS.** *H. obscure fusco-ferrugineus; capite thoraceque carinis irregularibus abbreviatis; metathorace spinis duabus longis armato.*

Worker. Length 2½ lines. Dark fusco-ferruginous, closely resembling *H. subcarinatus*, but with thicker antennæ, and the joints shorter, the scape distinctly shorter and not so slender at the base; the head proportionally larger and much more strongly carinated; the thorax roughly carinated, and having longer and stouter spines; in other respects agreeing with *H. subcarinatus*.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This may possibly be a form of *H. subcarinatus*, but the various differences pointed out appear to characterize a distinct species.

The insect which I am about to describe, although evidently belonging to the **Poneridae**, is of such a different and remarkable form, to any insect belonging to any of the sections of the genus *Ponera*, or any of the subgenera, that I propose to constitute a new genus for its reception; the abdomen of this singular species
is formed, as it were, of three nodes, each being a little longer and wider than the preceding.

**Gen. Cerapachys.**

*Body elongate; head narrowed before and behind the eyes; eyes ovate, lateral, placed about the middle of the head; antennæ short, incrassate; mandibles triangular, obsolesently toothed within. Thorax oblong-quadrato, strangulated in the middle. Abdomen: oblong, with a deep strangulation between the first and second segments.*

1. **Cerapachys antennatus.** *C. sterrimus, nitidus; antennis brevis, crassis; thoraces oblongo-quadrato; abdomine elongato, nodo quadrato; abdominis segmentis primo et secundo incisura separatis.*

*Worker.* Length 3½ lines. Jet-black, smooth and shining; antennæ one-third longer than the head; the scape short and incrassate, clavate; the flagellum incrassate, the joints short and transverse, except the apical one, which is as long as the four preceding joints; the head depressed on each side in front of the eyes; the antennæ inserted at the anterior margin of the head, each at the side of an elevated carina; the mandibles, flagellum and apex of the scape obscurely ferruginous; the posterior margin of the vertex slightly emarginate its entire width, a few scattered minute punctures on the vertex, and a small fossule in the middle between the eyes. Thorax: oblong-quadrato, with a few scattered punctures above, and a few short erect hairs; the tips of the femora and tarsi, and the apical joints of the latter, pale rufo-testaceae; the basal joint of the anterior tarsi bent; the calcaria white. Abdomen elongate; the peduncle quadrato, a little narrower than the first segment of the abdomen, which has the sides slightly rounded; a deep strangulation between the first and second segments; the apex obliquely truncated, the margins of the truncation finely denticulated.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

2. **Cerapachys oculatus.** *C. pallide fuscus; oculis magnis, atris; antennis pedibusque pallide testaceis; alis hyalimis; petiolo bi-articulato, binodi.*

*Male.* Length 2½ lines. Pale-brown, with dark stains on the sides of the thorax; head oblong-quadrato, the mandibles forming a triangular projection; the eyes large and prominent, situated anteriorly on the sides of the head; the ocelli large, placed in a dark stain on the vertex; the mandibles, antennæ, and legs, pale testaceous. The thorax oblong-ovato; the wings hyaline and iridescent, the nervures pale testaceous; the basal node of the petiole narrow at the base, widened to the middle, and again narrowed to the apex, the widest part with a sharp edge, or carina; the second node ovate;
the abdomen subovate, widest towards the extremity, the apex pointed.

It is quite possible that this may prove to be the male of *C. antennatus*, but I do not feel authorized in placing them together.

**Gen. CREMATOGASTER, Lund.**

1. **CREMATOGASTER ANTHRACINUS.*** *C. sterrimus, levis et nitidus; tarsiis rufo-piceis.*

*Worker.* Length 1½ line. Jet-black, smooth and shining; the face with a few delicate striæ; the extreme base of the scape, and the apex of the flagellum, pale testaceous. Thorax: flattened above, opaque and finely rugose; the metathorax armed on each side with an acute spine; the tarsi pale testaceous, with the claw-joint darker. Abdomen: heart-shaped, smooth, shining and impunctate.

*Hab.* Singapore.

2. **CREMATOGASTER BRUNNEUS.*** *C. pallide castaneo-rufus, levis nitidusque; thorace spinis duabus acutis armato.*

*Worker.* Length 2 lines. Reddish-brown, or castaneous, varying a little in colour; head smooth and shining, wider than the thorax, about the same width as the abdomen, slightly emarginate at the vertex, and more deeply coloured. Thorax: the disk concave and finely striated longitudinally; the metathorax deeply concave and furnished on each side with a stout acute spine; the legs, with the tips of the joints and the tarsi, pale testaceous. Abdomen: heart-shaped, smooth and shining; the first node heart-shaped, flattened above; the second node globose, with two tubercles above.

*Worker minor.* About one-third smaller, and of a pale testaceous colour; the abdomen darker at the apex.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

3. **CREMATOGASTER CEPHALOTES.*** *C. testaceus; capite thorace duplo latiore; spinis metathoracis brevibus et acutis.*

*Worker,* Length 1½—1¾ line. Testaceous; head very large, smooth and shining; the antennæ, clypeus and mandibles, pale testaceous. Thorax: rounded anteriorly, deeply constricted in the middle; in front rugose, with a smooth shining space before the constriction; the metathorax deeply excavated, produced laterally into an acute spine on each side; the tibias and tarsi pale testaceous. Abdomen heart-shaped; the basal node flattened anteriorly, with the sides angulated; the second node globose.

*Worker minor.* Differs in having the head proportionally smaller, and the thorax smooth and shining above.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).
4. Crematogaster obscurus. C. testaceus, lævis et nitidus; thorace strangulato; metathorace bispinoso.

Worker. Length 1 ½ line. Dull testaceous; the base of the scape and of the flagellum, the clypeus and mandibles, pale; the head smooth and shining. Thorax: rounded in front, with a central longitudinal channel; deeply strangulated in the middle; the metathorax somewhat quadrato, with the posterior lateral angles produced into short spines; the legs with the apex of the joints, and the tarsi, pale testaceous. Abdomen heart-shaped; the basal node of the peduncle flattened in front, the narrow end above.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

5. Crematogaster inflatus. C. niger, lævis et nitidus; parte postica thoracis pallide testacea, inflata.

Worker. Length 2 ½ lines. Black, smooth and shining; the antennæ dark rufo-piceous; the mandibles striated and ferruginous, their teeth black; eyes small and lateral, placed about the middle of the head. Thorax: the anterior margin rounded; the posterior portion inflated into a yellowish semi-transparent bladder-like swelling, divided in the middle by a deep longitudinal depression; the swollen part not quite so wide as the head; the apical joints of the tarsi rufo-testaceous. Abdomen heart-shaped; the peduncle, base, and the apical margin of the first segment, obscurely rufo-piceous.

Hab. Singapore; Borneo (Sarawak).

This is one of those singular and anomalous species, which, without any particle of information, derived from observation, puzzle and perplex the naturalist; what can possibly be the use of the bladder-like excrescence on the thorax of this insect, it is difficult to imagine; to the touch it is elastic, and apparently forms a receptacle for saccharine fluids. With the aid of a microscope, a small circular orifice can be seen at each of the posterior lateral angles of the swollen part, and small crystallized particles are apparent, not only within the orifice, but scattered over the surface of the inflation; we may, therefore, reasonably suppose that this singular apparatus is for the purpose of elaborating a suitable and necessary aliment for the larvae of this singular insect.

6. Crematogaster difformis. C. niger; capite thorace multum latiore; thorace dilatato et postice profunde excavato; abdomine cordato.

Worker. Length 2 ½ lines. Black; head very large, twice as wide as the thorax; the tips of the mandibles, and apical joints of the flagellum, dark ferruginous; the head smooth and shining; the eyes small, placed laterally about the middle of the head. Thorax: the anterior margin rounded, the sides parallel behind; the metathorax greatly dilated at the sides and above, and with a deep excavation behind;
the legs stout, with their joints and the tarsi ferruginous. Abdomen heart-shaped, with the base, in some examples, slightly ferruginous. 

Worker minor. Differs only in being one-third smaller. 

Hab. Singapore; Borneo (Sarawak). 

This species resembles the C. infactus in form; but the swollen portion of the thorax is of a solid consistency; it forms, however, a similar laboratory of saccharine matter; the orifice from which it exudes is not exactly at the posterior angles, but a little way beneath; in some specimens, masses of crystallized particles can be seen beneath the orifice; of this species, both large and small workers have been examined, and the same apparatus is found on them both. 

Gen. Atta, Latr. 

1. Atta penetrans. A. capite thoraceque nigris; abdomenis obscure rufo-piceo; alis subhyalinis; capite thoraceque longitudinale striatis. 

Female. Length 4 lines. Black and shining; head longitudinally finely striated; the mouth, clypeus and antennæ, ferruginous. Thorax: elongate-ovate, the prothorax anteriorly and the legs, ferruginous; the thorax above with oblong punctures which run into striae; an impunctate line in the middle of the mesothorax anteriorly; the metathorax truncated, the truncation smooth and shining; wings subhyaline, with a fuscous line along the costal nervure; the apical margins of the wing with a fringe of very fine white hairs. Abdomen: elongate-ovate, dark rufo-piceous, the apical margins of the segments brighter; the nodes of the peduncle globose and punctured. 

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). 

2. Atta cingulata. A. ferruginea; pedibus abdomenque pallide ferrugineis; capite maximo, thorace triplo latiore. 

Worker major. Length 1½ line. Head very large, ferruginous, the antennæ paler; eyes very small, placed at the sides of the head a little before the middle. Thorax: pale ferruginous, very convex or globose anteriorly, much narrower behind, with two short acute spines on the metathorax; legs pale rufo-testaceus. Abdomen: ovate, with the base truncated, with a fuscous ring in the middle; the nodes of the peduncle globose. 

Worker minor. About 1 line in length. The head much smaller and more elongate; in colour, resembling the larger worker, and equally smooth and shining; the abdomen with a fuscous ring in the middle. 

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). 

Gen. Physatta. 

Head small; eyes of moderate size, placed a little before the middle; ocelli in a triangle on the vertex; mandibles stout and denticulate
at the apex; antennae short, not so long as the head and thorax; the scape nearly as long as the flagellum, slightly thickened at the apex; flagellum subclavate, 6-jointed, the first joint shorter than the second; the third, fourth and fifth about the same length as the first, the apical joint the length of the two basal ones. Maxillary palpi 3-jointed, the basal and apical joints of about equal length, the intermediate joint twice the length of the apical joint, the latter obliquely truncate at the apex. Labial palpi 3-jointed, the two basal joints clavate, the apical one fusiform. Thorax subglobose; anterior wings with one marginal and two submarginal cells, the first submarginal cell about the length of the stigma, the second extending to the apex of the wing; with one sub-triangular discoidal cell; the tibiae armed with a single spur at the apex. Abdomen globose, pedunculated, the peduncle formed of two nodes.

This genus in one of its most prominent characters agrees with the genus Heptacondylus, both having seven-jointed antennae: their relative proportions are, however, very different, as well as that of the joints of the flagellum; the wings have also a different neuration; this latter character will, I am inclined to believe, prove eventually that by which the generic divisions of the Hymenoptera must be regulated; even at present, with our meagre and imperfect knowledge of the species, it does, if strictly adhered to, bring together assemblages of species, allied alike in habit and structure; when taken in connexion with the structure of the mandibles and legs, indicative of habit, it becomes perhaps the most safe and available character hitherto adopted for their generic subdivision; the greatest help to science I think is its simplification.

1. Physatta dromedarius. P. capite thoraceque ferrugineis; alis abdomenque nigris.

Female. Length 6½ lines. The head, thorax, legs and petiole of the abdomen ferruginous; the mandibles with four or five black teeth; the head and thorax longitudinally striated and clothed, as well as the legs, with erect thin fulvous pubescence; the intermediate and posterior legs dark rufo-piceous; wings dark fuscous, slightly iridescent; the metatorax armed with two short stout spines at its base, the truncated portion transversely striated. Abdomen black, covered with a short erect fuscous pubescence; the nodes of the petiole subglobose, the first attached to the thorax by a short stout petiole.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).
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Gen. Typhlatta.

*Mandibles* triangular; *eyes* obsolete; *flagellum* 9-jointed; petiole of the abdomen formed of 2 nodes.

The above characters are those of the worker of the species; probably an examination of the other sexes would present other very distinctive generic characters, particularly in the neuration of the wings: the palpi I have not examined.


*Worker.* Length 2 lines. Black; the head glassy-smooth and shining; ovate, with the posterior margin of the vertex truncate; in some examples, an indistinct castaneous spot at the sides of the head, in the usual situation of the eyes; the antennae ferruginous. Thorax elongate, compressed at the sides; very smooth and shining anteriorly, with a delicate stria in the middle, the metathorax being finely rugulose; the tarsi rufo-piceous. Abdomen: ovate, very smooth and shining; the nodes subglobose, the basal one being the smallest.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Subfam. Cryptoceridæ.

Gen. Echinopla.

*Head* transverse; *eyes* small, placed laterally, high on the head; antennæ 12-jointed, inserted forwards on the head, wide apart; the *labial palpi* 4-jointed, the three basal ones of about equal length, clavate; the apical joint as long as the two preceding joints united; the *maxillary palpi* 5-jointed, elongate, the three apical joints long and slender, the two basal ones much shorter and stouter; *mandibles* short, stout, and of equal width throughout, armed with five stout teeth. *Thorax* oblong-quadrate; legs of moderate length; tarsi 5-jointed; each tibia armed with a single spine at the apex. *Abdomen* globose; peduncle formed of a single node; the first segment very large, concealing the other segments beneath it.

1. *Echinopla melanarctos.* E. nigra, hispida; oculis extantibus; abdominis squama in utroque latere spina longa acuta horizontali; abdomine gloioso.

*Worker.* Length 3 lines. Black; the head, thorax and abdomen, covered with short blunt spines, or pedestals, each having a long hair at its summit; the palpi pale testaceous; the antennæ inserted under thin elevated curved plates on the anterior part of the face, the face with a rugose striaion; the head smooth beneath, shining and concave; the eyes very prominent and globose. Thorax rugose; the legs slightly pubescent, the calcaria pale testaceous. (Fig. and details, Plate I.)

Hab. Singapore.
2. *Echinopla pallipes*. *E. nigra*, hispida; oculis prominentibus; abdomen globoso; squama in utroque latere spina horizontali; pedibus pallide testaceis.

*Worker.* Length 2½ lines. Black, rugose; the abdomen vermiculate, interspersed with slight elevations placed in great regularity over the entire upper surface, each elevation terminating in a hair; the scape and the mandibles ferruginous; the eyes very prominent; the palpi and legs pale testaceous, with the tarsi rufo-piceous; the peduncle transverse, produced on each side into a short horizontal spine; the abdomen rufo-piceous.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

It is very difficult to describe the sculpturing of this insect; on the head it is strongest; the species strongly resembles *E. melanarctos*, but the elevations are shorter, as well as the hairs at their apex.


*Worker.* Length 3 lines. Black; the head, thorax and abdomen finely striated longitudinally; the head with an obscure blue tinge; the palpi pale rufo-testaceous. Thorax: oblong, the margins denticulate, the anterior margin rounded, the lateral margins narrowed to the middle, and again widened posteriorly; above slightly arched; the division of the pro- and meso-thorax distinctly marked by a suture; that of the meso- and meta-thorax by a deep strangulation; the peduncle of the abdomen incrassate, transverse, and armed on each side by a stout spine. The entire insect thinly sprinkled with erect black hairs.

*Hab.* Malacca.

Of this species I have only seen two individuals: I place it in this genus with some hesitation; but the antennæ are similar; the thorax and scale of the abdomen of the same form; the legs also are short, as in *Echinopla*: the principal difference being, that the eyes are less prominent; it is altogether a very curious and remarkable species.

**Gen. Cataulacus, Smith.**

1. *Cataulacus insularis*. *C. niger*; vertice spinis duabus postice armato; alis flavo-hyalinis; metathorace bispinoso; abdomen cardato.

*Male.* Length 3 lines. Black: head and thorax rugose; the antennæ, the eyes, the mandibles, the tibiae and the tarsi, ferruginous; the palpi pale; the eyes very large and prominent; the clypeus produced and broadly truncate in front; the hinder margin of the vertex straight, margined, and having the posterior lateral angles produced into stout acute spines; the outer margins of the spines serrated; beneath are smaller spines at the lower lateral angles; the wings sub-
hyaline and yellowish; the nervures scarcely discernible; the hinder margin of the metathorax slightly emarginate its entire width, with an acute spine at each of the lateral angles. The nodes of the abdomen rugose; the first node oblong-quadrate; the second nearly quadrate; the abdomen reddish at the base, and, as well as the nodes, thinly sprinkled with erect whitish hairs.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

2. **Cataulacus horridus.** _C._ niger; capitis angulis posticus spinosis; marginibus capitis crenulatis; thorace aspere sculpto, spinis duabus acutis elongatis postice armato; abdomen ovato, basi striato.

_Worker._ Length 3 lines. Black; the antennae short, thick and clavate; the apex rufo-testaceae; head reticulated, produced before the eyes and widely truncated, the lateral angles of the truncation rounded; the lateral margins with a short spine before the eyes; the vertex with the posterior margin emarginate its entire width, forming at the lateral angles large acute spines. Thorax: ruggedly sculptured on the disk, narrowed to the apex of the mesothorax, which is separated from the hinder portion by a deep transverse incision; produced posteriorly at the angles into long, stout, acute spines; the nodes of the abdomen rugose; abdomen rounded, emarginate and striated at the base; the entire insect sprinkled with short erect white setae.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca.

3. **Cataulacus reticulatus.** _C._ niger, delicatule reticulatus, præsertim in abdomen; marginibus capitis thoracisque lateribus crenulatis; thorace spinis duabus validis postice armato.

_Worker._ Length 14–2 lines. Black; head and thorax reticulated; antennae short, thick and clavate; the clypeus widely emarginate; the sides of the head produced into a sharp angle in front of the eyes; behind the eyes the margin is crenulated, the posterior lateral angles acute. Thorax: the anterior margin slightly rounded; the sides rounded and narrow to the metathorax, with a short tooth anteriorly and posteriorly; the thorax produced behind into two elongate, lateral, acute spines; the anterior tibiae and tarsi and the apical joints of the intermediate and posterior tarsi, ferruginous. Abdomen: oval, margined, emarginate in front and very delicately reticulate.

_Var._ a._ minor._ The scape, apical joint of the flagellum, the margin of the head before the eyes and the legs, ferruginous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

This species somewhat resembles the _C._ Taprobane, but is different in sculpture and form.

_Gen._ Meranoplus, _Smith._

1. **Meranoplus castaneus.** _M._ castaneo-rufus; capite thoraceque subrugosiss; metathorace bispinoso; pedunculi nodo secundo spina postice armato.
Female. Length 3½ lines. Chestnut-red; the flagellum obscurely red; the teeth of the mandibles and the eyes black; the head and thorax above longitudinally strigose, the head more finely so, both sparingly covered with scattered erect fine pale hairs; the scutellum rugose; the metathorax with a stout acute short spine on each side at its base; the central portion of the truncation shining and finely striated longitudinally; the legs with scattered pale hairs, the femora dark red towards their base. The nodes of the peduncle of the abdomen rugose; the first, viewed laterally, wedge-shaped; the second sub-quadrilateral, the posterior margin produced into an acute spine; the second node is produced into an angular tooth or process at its base, and both are sprinkled with long erect hairs. Abdomen ovoid, finely punctured, and thinly sprinkled with long pale hairs, most thickly covered towards the apex. Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).


Worker. Length 2½ lines. Chestnut-red; the head and thorax palest; the head very delicately reticulated; the eyes small and black, placed at the sides of the head backwards near the vertex; the clypeus widely truncate in front. Thorax: punctured, the anterior margin somewhat transverse, slightly produced and rounded in the middle, the lateral angles acute; the sides rounded and narrowed to the base of the metathorax; the posterior margin transverse; at the angles are long acute spines, with a second shorter spine before them; the truncated vertical portion of the metathorax has on each side about the middle of the lateral margins a short acute spine. Abdomen: the first node, viewed laterally, is wedge-shaped, the second somewhat quadrato, its posterior margin above produced into an acute spine; the upper margin of the first node, truncate; the abdomen heart-shaped, acute at the apex; the entire insect sprinkled with erect pale hairs. Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This is probably the worker of M. castaneus.

3. Meranoplus mucronatus. M. capite, thorace pedibusque ferrugineis; abdomine negro; thorace quadrato; angulis singulis spina acuta armatis.

Worker. Length 2½ lines. The head and thorax ferruginous; the abdomen black; the head coarsely rugose, narrowed before the eyes and widely emarginate in front; the eyes prominent, behind them the margins are widened slightly to half the distance between them and the posterior angles of the head, towards which the margins are narrowed; the head sprinkled with a few long erect reddish hairs. Thorax: quadrato, rugose, with the angles produced into four very long, stout, acute spines; the hinder margin with two short blunt teeth or spines in the middle, with two minute ones beyond them placed some-
what obliquely; the metathorax with two long, rather slender, very acute spines; the thorax and legs thinly sprinkled with very long ferruginous hairs; the abdomen sprinkled with long erect ferruginous hairs, the nodes rugose.
Var. c. The femora rufo-fuscous.

Hab. Malacca (Mount Ophir).

To this species Mr. Wallace attached a ticket, upon which he had written "House Ant:" but I have not obtained any further information.

Fam. MUTILLIDÆ.

Gen. Mutilla, Linn.

Hab. Malacca (Mount Ophir). India.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca. India.

Female. Length 3–4 lines. Head black; the scape, palpi and mandibles, ferruginous, tips of the latter black; the flagellum ferruginous towards the apex beneath. Thorax: elongate-quadrate, slightly widened behind, above rugose, the lateral margins crenulated; sprinkled with reddish-brown pubescence; the legs ferruginous, thinly sprinkled with a mixture of reddish and of glittering white hairs. Abdomen: black, the basal segment red; three ovate spots of silvery white pubescence placed transversely towards the base of the second segment, and a broad fascia of the same at the base of the third segment; at the base, apex and beneath, a scattered glittering white pubescence.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Female. Length 6½ lines. Head and thorax blood-red and coarsely rugose; the mandibles and antennæ black; the flagellum obscurely red beneath. Thorax: the legs black and covered with glittering yellowish-white pubescence. Abdomen: longitudinally rugose, a reversed heart-shaped spot at the base of the second segment, and the third covered with yellowish-white pubescence; a triangular black spot at the base of the third segment in the middle; beneath, the segments are fringed with long pale hairs; the apical margins of the segments of the abdomen with a sooty-black pubescence.
Male. Length 5–5½ lines. This sex has the head nearly, or quite black;
the eyes slightly reniform. Thorax red; the wings dark brown with a purple iridescence, pale towards their base. Abdomen black, smooth and shining, much narrowed at the base, and subpetiolate; the second and two following segments fringed with long white pubescence; the three apical segments fringed with black.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

5. *Mutilla suspiciousa.* *M. nigra, pubescens; alis fuscis; abdominis segmentis secundo tertiisque rubris.*

**Male.** Length 4–7 lines. Black; the eyes slightly emarginate; the head covered with a thin silvery-white pubescence, most sparing on the vertex, which is shining and coarsely punctured. Thorax covered with a silvery pubescence, densely so on the metathorax; the disk of the mesothorax shining, with elongate punctures which run into striae; in the middle are three elongate carinae; the tegulae large and shining-black; the wings dark fuscous, with a purple iridescence. Abdomen finely punctured; the apical margin of the basal segment, and the second and third segments, red; sprinkled with long glittering silvery-white hairs.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

This species very closely resembles the *M. fuscopennis*; but I think it is sufficiently distinct.

6. *Mutilla gracillima.* *M. capite abdomenque nigris; thorace rubro; alis obscure fuscis.*

**Male.** Length 4 lines. Head and abdomen black, the thorax bright red; head shining, with longitudinal furrows, and a deep channel before the anterior sterna; the scape, and first joint of the flagellum, ferruginous; the pro- and meso-thorax rugose; the metathorax with large separated punctures; the wings fuscous, subhyaline at their base; the anterior tibiae and femora, and the intermediate femora, ferruginous; the calcaria white. Abdomen: the two basal segments with purple and blue tints; the apical margin of the second segment, and the third segment, with a broad band of silvery-white pubescence; the following segments fringed with black pubescence.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

7. *Mutilla familiaris.* *M. capite abdomenque nigris; thorace rubro; abdominis basi subito truncato; abdominis segmenti secundi basi macula, tertii fascia lata argenteo-pubescentibus.*

**Female.** Length 4½ lines. Head and abdomen black, the former rugose; the flagellum ferruginous beneath. Thorax ferruginous and oblong-quadrate; the disk rugose; the margins crenulated. Abdomen with elongate confluent punctures; the basal segment abruptly truncated; the second segment with a small ovate spot in the middle of its base, and the third segment covered with short silvery-white pubescence;
beneath, the margins of the segments are fringed with long-white pubescence.

_Hab._ Singapore.

Although this species bears a very close resemblance to several which have been described, it is very distinct, and may be readily distinguished by the abrupt truncation of the basal abdominal segment.

8. **Mutilla Calliope.** _M._ capite nigro; thorace rubro; abdomine cyanoe, fascia lata argenteo-pubescenti decorato.

_Female._ Length 3-3½ lines. Head black, punctured, the punctures running into longitudinal striae; the base of the scape, and the tips of the mandibles, ferruginous. Thorax bright ferruginous, elongate-quadrate and coarsely rugose; the posterior angles rounded; the anterior tibiae and tarsi, and the base of the intermediate and posterior femora, ferruginous; the legs with a scattered silvery pubescence, that on the thorax above, ferruginous; the thorax slightly carinated at the sides. Abdouien dark blue; the apical margin of the second segment, and the base of the third, with united fasciae of bright silvery pubescence; the sides and apex of the abdomen with scattered silvery hairs.

_Male._ Resembles the female in colour, but has the legs entirely black; with the apical margin of the second abdominal segment, pale testaceous; the wings dark brown; the eyes large and ovate.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

9. **Mutilla Proserpina.** _M._ capite abdomeaque nigris; thorace pedibusque rubris; abdominis segmenti secundi basi maculis duabus ovatis, tertii fasciisque argenteo-pubescentibus.

_Female._ Length 2-3 lines. Head black; the scape, mandibles and palpi, ferruginous. Thorax ferruginous, oblong, rounded in front and behind; rather finely rugose, sprinkled with reddish-brown pubescence, the margins crenulated; the legs ferruginous, with the knees and tarsi slightly fuscous. Abdomen: the extreme base ferruginous; the second segment with two ovate spots; and the third with a fascia of silvery-white pubescence; beneath, and towards the apex above, thinly sprinkled with long glittering white hairs.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

10. **Mutilla Pandora.** _M._ capite abdomeaque nigris; thorace rubro; abdominis segmento secundo maculis tribus ovatis, tertio fascia argenteo-pubescenti ornatis.

_Female._ Length 5 lines. Head black; the scape, flagellum beneath, except the basal segment; the palpi, and basal half of the mandibles, ferruginous; the head coarsely and closely punctured, with scattered erect black hairs above, and with silvery white ones beneath. Thorax and legs bright ferruginous, the former oblong-quadrate, coarsely rugose, the lateral margins crenulated; sprinkled with reddish
pubescence. Abdomen black, the base ferruginous; covered with short black pubescence; three ovate spots at the base of the second segment, a narrow fascia on its apical margin, and a broad one on that of the following segment, of silvery-white pubescence; beneath, shining and punctured, the margins of the segments rufo-piceous and fringed with glittering pale hairs.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

11. _Mutilla Sibylla._ _M._ capite abdomineque nigris; thorace rubro; abdominis segmenti secundi basi maculis duabus ovatis, fasciae segmenti tertii albo-pubescentibus.

_Female._ Length 4–6 lines. Black; the thorax red; a tubercle at the insertion of each antenna, and the middle of the mandibles, ferruginous; the vertex with scattered long erect reddish brown hairs; on the clypeus, mouth and cheeks are some long glittering silvery-white hairs; the palpi elongate. Thorax: oblong-quadrato, the anterior margin slightly rounded; the legs with scattered glittering white hairs; the legs black, with the tarsi obscurely rufo-piceous; the calcaria pale testaceous. Abdomen: two small ovate spots at the base of the second segment, and a broad fascia on the apical margin of the third, of dense, short, silvery-white pubescence; beneath, the segments shining, and the second with scattered large deep punctures; the apex of the abdomen with long white pubescence.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

12. _Mutilla Cassiope._ _M._ capite abdomineque nigris; thorace pedibusque rubris; tibiis tarsisque fuscis; abdominis basi truncata.

_Female._ Length 3 lines. Head and abdomen black, the former closely and strongly punctured; the mandibles, palpi and antennae beneath, ferruginous; the scape rufo-piceous. Thorax ferruginous; the anterior margin transverse; slightly and evenly narrowed to the apex of the metathorax; the lateral margins crenulated; the disc coarsely rugose; the coxae and femora ferruginous; the tibiae and tarsi fuscous. Abdomen: the base abruptly truncate; covered with elongate punctures; the apical margin of the third segment with a fascia of snow-white pubescence; sprinkled over with long silvery-white hairs.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

13. _Mutilla Dardanus._ _M._ capite abdomineque nigris; thorace pedeque antico rubris; alis fuscis; abdominis segmentis primo, secundo tertioque pubes alba fasciatis.

_Male._ Length 6 lines. Head and abdomen black; the thorax red; the eyes emarginate; the antennae incrassate at the base, tapering to the apex; a deep longitudinal furrow runs from the insertion of the antennae to the posterior margin of the vertex, on each side of which is a similar furrow which terminates before the insertion of the antennae; the ocelli distinct on the vertex. Thorax: the anterior legs
ferruginous; wings brown, and iridescent. Abdomen shining, punctured, and having purple and blue tints in different lights; a narrow fascia on the apical margin of the first segment and a broader one on the second and third, of snow-white short dense pubescence; the margins of the apical segments fringed with long black pubescence.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

14. MUTILLA UNIMACULATA. M. capite abdomenque nigris; thorace ferrugineo; abdominis segmenti secundi basi macula ovata, segmento tertio fascia lata alba pubescente.

Female. Length 6 lines. Black; the thorax ferruginous, and coarsely rugose. Head sprinkled with dark brown hairs, eyes large and ovate; the clypeus and scape with whitish hairs. Thorax oblong-quadrate, slightly narrowed posteriorly; the disk with short reddish-brown pubescence at the sides; beneath and on the legs it is of a glittering silvery-white; the metathorax with long thin pale pubescence; an ovate spot at the base of the second segment, and the third segment clothed with dense short white pubescence, in the middle at its base, a triangular black shape; beneath, the apical margins of the second, third and fourth segments with white marginal pubescent fasciae.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. MYRMOSIDA, Smith.

Head subquadrate; stemmata in a triangle on the vertex; eyes large, round and lateral; antenna subfiliform, inserted at the base of the clypeus, not closely approximating; the clypeus triangular; mandibles triangular. Thorax: longitudinally quadrangular, the sides slightly rounded; the posterior margin of the prothorax curving backwards to the origin of the wings; the tegulae small; the superior wings with one marginal and two submarginal cells; the first submarginal receiving the first recurrent nervure. Abdomen: ovate, the two basal segments forming distinct nodes, the first subquadrate, the second node widening towards the apex and again narrowing at one fourth from the apex.

The insect from which the above characters are drawn being a male, there can be little doubt that when the other sex is discovered the generic characters will require a complete revision; in the neuration of the wings this genus very closely approaches that of Mutilla, the males of which have the third submarginal cell frequently obliterated, and the form of the abdomen often very eccentric; the form of the eyes also varies, from being deeply emarginate or reniform, to being round and very prominent. The situation of the present genus I think must be next to Myrmosa:
we should certainly expect to find the female apterous, and the
genus correctly placed in the family *Mutillidae*.

1. **Myrmosida paradoxa.** *M. nigra*; capite thoraceque rude rugosis; alis subhyalinis; abdomine basi binodoso.

   **Male.** Length 4 lines. Black; head nearly as wide as the thorax, coarsely rugose, across the face between the eyes are some deep transverse grooves; the face with two longitudinal carinae, outside of which the antennæ are inserted; the scape short and thick, the flagellum nearly of equal thickness throughout, pointed at the apex, the extreme tip pale testaceous; mandibles ferruginous at their apex; the palpi pale testaceous. Thorax: coarsely rugose; wings subhyaline, the nervures ferruginous, stigma dark brown; the anterior tarsi ferruginous, with a dense glittering pale pubescence beneath; the base of the femora, knees and apex of the tibiae and apical joints of the tarsi, ferruginous; the calcarea pale rufo-testaceous. The abdominal nodes coarsely longitudinally rugose; the abdomen smooth and shining, the second and following segments punctured, with their apical margins impunctate.

   **Hab.** Singapore.

   Only one specimen of this very singular insect has been captured, and is in the collection of W. W. Saunders, Esq.

   **Tribe FOSSORES, Latr.**

   **Fam. SCOLIADÆ.**

   **Gen. SCOLIA, Fabr.**

   **Div. 1. The anterior wings with two submarginal cells and one recurrent nervure.**

   **Hab.** Sarawak.

   **Div. 2. The anterior wings with two submarginal cells and two recurrent nervures.**

   **Hab.** Singapore.

   **Hab.** Sarawak.
   This is *Tiphia grossa* of the *Systema Piezatorum* of Fabricius.

   **Hab.** Malacca (Mount Ophir). *Java. Sumatra. China (Shanghai).*
Div. 3. The anterior wings with three submarginal cells and one recurrent nervure.

*Hab.* Malacca. Sumatra.

*Hab.* Malacca. Java.

7. **Scolia cincta, Smith.** S. nigra; vertice flavo; alis nigris; abdomeine fascia pubescente ferruginea.  
Black; the head, from the insertion of the antennae to the hinder margin of the vertex, yellow, glossy smooth. The thorax closely and strongly punctured; a smooth shining space in the middle of the disk, the scutellum also shining, with a few large scattered punctures; the wings brown-black with a splendid violet iridescence, rather paler towards their base with the nervures ferruginous; the metathorax truncated and slightly concave. Abdomen: closely but more finely punctured than the thorax, with a shining nearly impunctate space in the middle of each segment; the posterior margin of the second segment with a fringe of bright ferruginous pubescence, also a little ferruginous pubescence at the tip of the apical segment.  
**Female.** *Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak). Length 13 lines.

This species is most closely allied to *S. patriciais*, but has the sculpture of the thorax very different and has no yellow markings on the scutellum, base and third segment of the abdomen, which distinguishes that species.

*Hab.* Sarawak. Java.

Nearly all the specimens of this fine species have been brought from Java. I believe it has occurred in India, but Borneo is probably the extent of its geographical range to the south.

9. **Scolia opalina, Smith.** S. atra; alis nigris; metathorace abdomeineque opalino pulcherrime lavatis.  
Black, with splendid prismatic colours reflected in certain lights; the head smooth and shining, and with a few scattered punctures; the scape of the antennae smooth and shining, the flagellum opake. Thorax: above shining, somewhat distantly but evenly punctured, a smooth space on the disk of the mesothorax; wings brown-black with a splendid violet iridescence. The abdomen smooth and shining, the sides and the two apical segments rather closely punctured, in the middle of the three basal segments only a few fine scattered punctures; beneath strongly but not very closely punctured. **Female.** Length, 12 lines.

The male resembles the female, but is, if possible, more beautiful in the splendour of its metallic lustre. Length 9 lines.  
*Hab.* Sarawak.
10. **Scola speciosa.** *S. atra*; fronte, macula post-oculæ, thoracis maculis duabus frontalisibus, metathorace supra, fascia annuli tertii abdominis interrupta, flavis.

Black and shining; the head impunctate; a large bell-shaped macula on the face extending from the margin of the vertex to the insertion of the antennæ, a black spot nearly in the centre of the space enclosing the ocelli; the eyes and a lunate spot behind them yellow. Thorax: a broad yellow stripe on each side in front curving over each tegula, having a straight oblique termination within; the metathorax yellow at the base as far as the margin of the truncation; the whole of the disk of the thorax impunctate, or with only a few widely scattered punctures on the sides of the mesothorax and scutellum: from the anterior angles of the latter a deeply impressed smooth line passes forward, terminating opposite to the anterior margin of the tegulae; the post-scutellum punctured and the thorax on each side of the scutellum opaque; the wings brown-black, with a splendid violet and blue iridescence, the nervures black. Abdomen: closely punctured, the first segment with a central smooth space at its base; the second segment smooth and shining, except at the sides; the third smooth at the base with a broad transverse yellow stripe slightly interrupted in the middle; beneath, the segments smooth and shining in the middle, and with a few scattered punctures.

**Female.** Length 15 lines. **Hab.** Sarawak.

This is one of the most beautiful species of the genus, and has not hitherto been captured in any other locality than Borneo.

**Gen. Tiphia, Fabr.**

1. **Tiphia fumipennis.** *T. nitida, atra, punctata; alis anticis fumatis purpureo-iridescentibus.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Black, shining, pubescent, with scattered punctures; the mandibles ferruginous, fringed beneath with bright fulvous hairs; the head strongly punctured. The prothorax strongly punctured, its posterior margin impunctate, smooth and shining; the mesothorax strongly punctured; the tegulae smooth and shining; the superior surface of the metathorax with three central longitudinal elevated lines, the spaces between them rugose; the verge of the truncation and the lateral margins bordered by an elevated line; the surface has a shining silky appearance and is very delicately transversely reticulated; the anterior wings smoky, with a bright purple iridescence; the posterior pair faintly coloured towards their apex; the legs with a glittering white pubescence. Abdomen: smooth and shining; the three apical segments punctured; the apex rufopiceous.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).
2. Tiphia stigma. *T. nitida, atra, punctata; alis subhyalinis, stigmatate atrro.*

**Male.** Length 5 lines. Black, punctured and shining; the clypeus with shining white pubescence; its anterior margin notched; tips of the mandibles ferruginous; the flagellum fuscous beneath; the metathorax with three or four longitudinal elevated lines; wings subhyaline, faintly smoky towards their apex; the nervures pale testaceous; the stigma large and black; the tibiae and tarsi with glittering white pubescence; the calcaria pale testaceous. Abdomen: the first segment much narrower than the second, and subglobose; the following segments thinly covered with sooty-black pubescence.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).


**Female.** Length 4–5 lines. Black, with scattered punctures: the mandibles ferruginous; the palpi pale testaceous; the flagellum obscurely ferruginous beneath; the scape fringed beneath with long glittering pale hairs; the superior surface of the metathorax, with three longitudinal elevated lines, extending to the verge of the truncation; the outer margin of the tegulae piceous; wings yellowish, their apical margins slightly clouded; stigmas small, and as well as the nervures, pale testaceous; the legs with a glittering white pubescence; the calcaria pale testaceous. Abdomen: smooth and shining, with scattered delicate punctures; the margins of the segments thinly fringed with long pale hairs; the apex rufo-piceous.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. Myzine, Latr.

1. Myzine tricolor. *M. punctata, nitida; capite rubro; thorace nigro; abdomine metallico-cyanoe.*

**Female.** Length 10 lines. Head red; the thorax black; the abdomen metallic-blue; the face closely and coarsely punctured; the vertex shining, the punctures finer and more distant; a deep punctured fovea behind the ocelli; the scape in front, and the mandibles ferruginous, the latter black at their tips. Thorax coarsely punctured; the wings brown at their apex, becoming by degrees hyaline at their base, the anterior pair with a bright violet iridescence; the nervures black; the legs strongly spinose, with scattered white pubescence. The abdomen partaking of purple and violet tints in different lights.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

Fam. Pompilidæ.

Gen. Pompilus, Fabr.

This extensive genus of insects, some species of which inhabit
every known country of the world, contains individuals exhibiting
great variety, not only in their colouring, but also in their struc-
ture and form; one group, which contains the most highly
coloured and elegantly formed species, have their tibiae and tarsi
destitute, or nearly so, of spines; another, on the contrary, have
their tibiae more or less spined, the anterior tarsi spined, and
frequently pectinated; a third group have the intermediate and
posterior tibiae furnished with a double row of teeth, or serrations,
the tarsi being strongly spined. All the above striking differ-
ences are, however, linked together by imperceptible modifica-
tions; these will always be found, when an extensive collection
of these insects, from various countries, are brought together and
carefully examined. The differences alluded to are undoubtedly
of high value, when investigating the economy and habit of the
species; thus we find, that the P. punctum of Europe, which
belongs to the subgenus Agenia, in which the species are destitute
of spines on the tibiae, is not a burrowing insect, but constructs
tubular cells of mud; P. rufipes, on the contrary, is eminently
fossorial and has serrated posterior tibiae, and has also the anterior
tarsi furnished with long cilia. In the present paper, I adopt as
subgenera, the names given to the groups by Schiödt, in Kröyer's
Tidsskrift.

1. Pompilus leucophæus. P. schistaceo-pubescent; facie albo-ma-
culata; prothoracis margine postica alba; alis fuscis basi hyalinis.

Male. Length 5½ lines. Black, covered with slate-coloured pubescence
or pile; a spot on each side of the clypeus, the inner orbits of the
eyes, not reaching their vertex, a narrower line behind them and the
palpi, yellowish-white; the antennae stout and tapering to their apex;
the hinder margin of the prothorax white and subangulated; wings
brown, becoming gradually hyaline to their base; the tibiae and tarsi
strongly spinose; a white spot on the posterior tibiae near their base;
the calcaria nearly as long as the basal joint of the tarsi. Abdomen
densely pilose; the apical margins of the three basal segments
naked and shining; the four apical segments beneath, naked and
shining.

Hab. Malacca.

2. Pompilus vagabundus. P. ater, gutitis maculisque flavis varie-
gatus; alis hyalinis apice fuscis; tibiis posticis ferrugineis.

Female. Length 5½ lines. Black; a line on the inner orbits of the eyes;
the anterior margin of the clypeus with a narrow line which unites
with a quadrate spot on each side of the clypeus, and a narrow line
behind the eyes, yellow; the face with a thin silvery pile, and the
cheeks with a few white hairs. Thorax covered with a fine silky white
pile, which is more dense on the coxae and femora beneath; the posterior margin of the prothorax, and a minute spot on the outer margin of the tegulae, yellow; the wings hyaline, with a dark fuscous cloud at the apex of the anterior pair: the second submarginal cell twice the width of the third, which is subangular; the nervures fuscous; the calcaria and posterior tibiae ferruginous, the latter black at their extreme base and apex; the tibiae and tarsi spinose; the anterior tarsi ciliated. Abdomen covered thinly with a fine changeable pile; a transverse yellow fascia near the base of the second and third segments, the first slightly interrupted in the middle, both widest at the sides; a narrow transverse yellow fascia in the middle of the fifth segment, slightly produced upwards in the middle.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

This species has a strong resemblance to the *P. variegatus* of Europe, but from which it is abundantly distinct.

3. **Pomphilus pulverosus.** *P. ater*, pubque cinerea tectus; alis hyalinis apice nigro-fuscis.

**Male.** Length 4 lines. Black; entirely covered with a fine glittering white silky pile; the face silvery; head and thorax smooth, shining and impunctate; the hinder margin of the prothorax subangular; the wings hyaline and iridescent, with a slight fuscous cloud beyond the first submarginal cell; the nervures dark fuscous; the legs spinose, with their calcaria nearly as long as the basal joint of the tarsi. Abdomen with a faint tinge of blue in certain lights.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

Subgen. **Priocnemis**, Schiödte.

4. **Priocnemis sericosoma.**

*Pomphilus sericosoma, Smith, Cat. Hym.* p. 146. no. 137.

**Hab.** Sumatra. Borneo (Sarawak).

5. **Priocnemis optimus.** *P. atra*, capite, thorace, dorso metathoracisque lateribus et maculis basi, coxis intermedias, aureo-pubescentibus; alis nigro-fuscis; femoribus posticis ferrugineis, basi apiceque nigris.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Black; the head and scape above covered with golden pubescence; the clypeus convex, somewhat produced in the middle of its anterior margin, which is slightly emarginate and recurved; the apex of the mandibles ferruginous. Thorax: the prothorax, mesothorax, scutellum, and sides of the metathorax posteriorly, covered with golden pubescence; a golden spot at the sides of the pectus, close to the base of the intermediate coxæ; the wings dark fuscous with a beautiful violet iridescence; the posterior margin of the inferior pair subhyaline; legs elongate, the middle of the posterior femora ferruginous; the intermediate and posterior tibiae with a
double row of serrations. Abdomen subpetiolate and covered with a fine silky pile.

Hab. Singapore.

6. PRIOCNEMIS VERTICALIS. P. ater; vertice antennarumque articulis basilibus flavis; thorace flavo-guttato; alis, tibiis tarsisque flavis.

Female. Length 9–12 lines. Black; the vertex and face above the antennae and also the scape, yellow; the first and second joints of the flagellum more or less yellow. Thorax: a line on the posterior margin of the prothorax, a quadrat spot on the disk of the mesothorax touching the scutellum, the latter as well as an ovate spot on the post-scutellum, the outer margins of the tegulae, the tips of the femora, the tibiae and tarsi, yellow: the claw-joint of the latter black; the wings yellow with their nervures ferruginous; the wings palest towards their apical margins, their extreme edge indistinctly fuscous; the metathorax transversely striated; the posterior tibiae with two rows of serrations, the intermediate pairs spinose. Abdomen smooth and shining.

Hab. Malacca (Mount Ophir); Borneo (Sarawak).

This species bears a close resemblance to P. unifasciata, Smith, ‘Cat. Hym.’ iii. p. 145, but independent of a difference in the neuration of the anterior wings, the armature of the legs is totally different: in P. unifasciata the posterior tibiae are armed with long scattered spines, not serrated, as in the present species.

Subgen. AGENIA, Schiodte.

7. AGENIA BLANDA.


Hab. Borneo (Sarawak); Singapore; Malacca (Mount Ophir).

8. AGENIA ATALANTA. A. atra; capite thoraceque flavo notatis; alis flavis fusco terminatis; tibiis tarsisque flavis.

Male. Length 7–7½ lines. Black; covered with fine silky pile. The clypeus, sides of the face, scape in front, a line behind the eyes, the mandibles and palpi, yellow. The posterior margin of the prothorax, the outer margins of the tegulae, a quadrat spot on the disk of the mesothorax touching the scutellum, and an ovate spot on the scutellum and post-scutellum yellow; the scutellum prominent; the tibiae, tips of the femora and the tarsi yellow; the apex of the posterior tibiae and the claws of the tarsi dusky; the metathorax transversely rugose-striate; the wings yellow, the nervures ferruginous; the tips of the anterior and posterior wings dark brown, with a purple iridescence. Abdomen, with a slight metallic lustre.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak); Singapore.

9. AGENIA æGINA. A. capite abdomineque nigris; thorace sanguineo; alis anticis fascia transversa fusca.
**Female.** Length 5 lines. Head and abdomen black, the thorax red. The antennae beneath and the mandibles ferruginous; the palpi elongate, pale testaceous. Thorax: the wings hyaline and iridescent, with a transverse broad dark fascia before the apex of the anterior wings; the nervures pale ferruginous, with a fuscosus stain traversing the apical portion of the externo-medial nervure and the basal portion of the transverso-medial nervure; the anterior legs pale ferruginous; the tarsi, the tibiae and apex of the femora above, fuscosus; the intermediate legs fusco-ferruginous, with a yellow spot on the femora beneath towards their base; the posterior legs fusco-ferruginous; the femora yellow, with their apex fuscosus. Abdomen smooth and shining, covered with a fine silky pile.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

10. **Agenia Daphne.** A. atra; capite thoraceque maculis auratis ornatis; alis subhyalinis, ad apicem subnubeculosus.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Black; the face, vertex and clypeus covered with golden pile; the palpi pale testaceous. The prothorax, the apical margin of the disk of the mesothorax, the scutellum, an oblique stripe beneath the wings extending to the intermediate coxae, the sides of the metathorax and the coxae, covered with golden pile; the legs with a fine silky pile; the wings subhyaline, with a slight fuscosus cloud before the apex of the anterior pair. Abdomen smooth and shining, covered with a fine changeable glittering silky pile.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

11. **Agenia Laverna.** A. obscure cyanae, fascia albida; alis hyalinis; abdomine petiolato, annulo apicali albido.

**Male.** Length 4 lines. Obscure blue, covered with a fine gray silky pile. The face, clypeus, labrum, palpi and scape in front, white; the labrum exserted; the antennae as long as the body, testaceous beneath. The anterior femora in front, a narrow line in front of the intermediate pair, not extending to their apex, and a minute spot in front on the tegulae, white; the wings hyaline and beautifully iridescent, the nervures black; the metathorax with a fine transverse granulation. Abdomen petiolated; the apical segment white.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

This species in many respects approaches closely to the species of the genus *Ceropales*: its exserted labrum, white face, and indistinctly observable joints of the antennae, are all characteristics of that genus, but the cubital nervure does not run to the apical margin of the wing.

12. **Agenia Melampus.** A. atra; faciei lateribus, margine clypei antica mandibulisque flavis; alis fuscis basi hyalinis; annulis tribus basilibus abdominis ferrugineis.

**Male.** Length 5½ lines. Black; the sides of the face, the anterior margin of the clypeus, the mandibles and scape in front, yellow, tips
of the mandibles ferruginous; the palpi black. Thorax: the anterior coxae in front and a minute spot in front of the intermediate pair, yellow; the apex of the femora beneath and the anterior tibiae in front, ferruginous; the posterior femora slightly ferruginous above; the wings brown with their base hyaline, the posterior pair palest. Abdomen petiolated, with the three basal segments ferruginous; the apical margin of the third segment dusky, covered with a fine white silky pile.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).


Female. Length 3½ lines. Head black; a broad stripe at the inner orbits of the eyes, the clypeus, labrum, mandibles, palpi and scape in front, yellow; the flagellum reddish-yellow, fuscous above beyond the first joint. Thorax: the prothorax, tegulae, scutellum, post-scumellum, the apex of the metathorax and the legs, yellow; the apical joints of the tarsi fuscous; the metathorax with a changeable golden pile; the wings hyaline and beautifully iridescent, the nervures testaceous. Abdomen: the second, third and fourth segments black with a changeable pile, the apical margins testaceous yellow; the basal and fifth and sixth segments, yellow; the apical segments incurved; the sting elongate.

Hab. Singapore.


Female. Length 6½ lines. Black, with a fine changeable pile; the face, clypeus and cheeks covered with a dense pale golden pile. The sides of the metathorax and the posterior coxae above with a dense pale golden pile; the wings flavo-hyaline, the nervures testaceous; the posterior femora ferruginous, their base and apex black. Abdomen: distinctly petiolated, the apical margins of the segments narrowly rufo-testaceous; the sixth segment with a central longitudinal smooth shining space.

15. Agenia Celano. A. atra, cinereo-pubescent; facie abdomenique argenteo-iridescentibus; alis hyalinis apice fuscis.

Female. Length 3½ lines. Black; covered with a changeable cinereous pile; that on the face, coxae and abdomen having in certain lights a silvery brilliancy; the tips of the mandibles and the palpi pale testaceous; the posterior margin of the prothorax curved; the wings hyaline, with a faint fuscous fascia crossing the superior pair at the second submarginal cell, the apex of the wings narrowly and slightly fuscous; the apical segment of the abdomen nigro-piceous with the extreme apex pale, very glossy, smooth and shining.

Hab. Singapore.
Gen. Macromeris, St. Fary.

Macromeris, St. Fary. Hym. iii. 4631.

1. Macromeris splendida.
Macromeris splendida, St. Fary. Hym. iii. 464. 2.

2. Macromeris argentifrons. M. ater, pube argentina tecta; facie dense pubescente; alis subhyalinis; metathorace quadrato.
Female. Length 8 lines. Black; covered with a fine silvery silky pile, very dense and brilliant on the face, base and apex of the metathorax, sides of the prothorax and coxae; the wings subhyaline, the nervures dark ferruginous; the joints of the anterior tarsi remarkably attenuated at the base; the claws of the tarsi small and unidentate; the tibiae slightly spinose; the thorax subelongate, the sides parallel; the metathorax transversely rugose. Abdomen distinctly petiolated, very smooth and shining, abruptly incurved; the aculeus elongate.
Male. About the same size as the female, similarly clothed with silvery pile; the coxae greatly swollen; the femora much stouter than in the female, and ferruginous beneath; the anterior tibiae ferruginous within; the posterior tibiae bent inwardly at their base; the thorax gradually widening to the apex of the metathorax, which is finely roughened transversely and margined at the truncation. Abdomen small, distinctly petiolated, and very smooth and shining.

Gen. Mygnimia, Smith.

This genus of Pompilidae contains all those species which have the first recurrent nervure uniting with the second transversocubital nervure, the posterior tibiae strongly serrated, with a double row of short spines. These insects are in fact the representatives of the Pepsis of South America, and embrace some of the largest and most beautiful species of Pompilidae; all, with one solitary exception, (a species from Mexico), are inhabitants of the Old World; Pepsis, on the contrary, is almost exclusively found in the New World: I am only acquainted with four exceptions, three being African, and one from Singapore.

1. Mygnimia flava.

2. Mygnimia anthracina.
Mygnimia anthracina, Smith, Cat. Hym. pt. iii. 183.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca and Singapore.

Black; the abdomen blue-black with a fine silky pile; the third and following joints of the flagellum fuscos; the tips of the joints ferruginous; the clypeus, the scutellum and post-scutellum, obscurely fusco-ferruginous; the metathorax transversely striated, and truncate at the apex; the margin of the truncation raised; the wings brown-black with bright violet and purple shades; a broad silvery band crosses the anterior wings beyond their middle, the band consisting of fine silvery pile. *Female*. Length 1 inch $\frac{1}{4}$.

*Hab.* Malacca (Mount Ophir).


*Female*. Length 1 inch 10 lines. Black; with obscure shades of blue, the abdomen blue-black, covered with a fine pile which partakes of purple or blue shades in different lights. The scape of the antennae ferruginous in front, the flagellum yellow; a ferruginous line bordering the anterior margin of the clypeus. Thorax: the hinder margin of the scutellum obscurely ferruginous; the metathorax coarsely transversely striated; the posterior tibiae and basal joint of the tarsi with a fine changeable ferruginous pile within; the wings brown-black, with a broad sub-hyaline transverse fascia beyond the middle, the fascia tinged with yellow.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

5. *Mygnumia iridipennis*.

*Female*. Length 1 inch. Black; the clypeus densely covered with a short dense black pubescence, slightly emarginate in front; the mandibles obscurely ferruginous in the middle. Thorax: the wings with a splendid lustre of coppery and violet tints, beneath, equally vivid in colour; the metathorax coarsely striated transversely; the pro- and meso-thorax with a short black velvety pubescence. Abdomen sub-opaque, with shades of blue in certain lights.

*Hab.* Malacca. Sarawak.

Fam. SPHEGIDÆ.

Gen. AMPULEX, Jurine.


The particulars in which this remarkable species differs from those with which I have associated it, would perhaps warrant the establishment of a new genus, but only a few specimens have yet been obtained; and although in all, the first transverse cubital nervure is obsolete, still it is a circumstance of frequent occurrence in the genus, particularly in the typical species *A. compressa*. The antennae are much stouter and shorter, and the posterior angles of the thorax without spines, in all which particulars it differs from the rest of the genus.
2. **AMPULEX COMPRESSA.**
*Hab.* Malacca (Mount Ophir). Borneo (Sarawak).

3. **AMPULEX SMARAGDINA.** *A.* lute viridis; pedibus abdomineque purpureis; prothorace tuberculato; alis anticus obscure unifasciatis.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Brilliant green with shades of violet and coppery effulgence; the vertex angulated, the sides oblique from the margin of the eyes; the antennae shorter and much thicker than in *A. insularis*. The prothorax subtuberculate in front; the mesothorax, scutellum and post-scullum, smooth and shining, the former with a longitudinal coppery vitta in middle; the wings subhyaline; the anterior pair with a slight fuscous cloud crossing them from the marginal cell; the legs bright purple; the anterior pair with their coxae beneath, their femora and tibiae in front ferruginous. Abdomen brilliant purple, smooth, shining and impunctate.

*Hab.* Singapore.

4. **AMPULEX INSULARIS.** *A.* fulgide viridis, abdomen purpureo lavato; prothorace elongato, leavigato, nitido, sine tuberculis; alis anticus fasciatis.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Brilliant green; the head smooth and shining; the vertex subquadrate with the posterior angles rounded; the clypeus covered with silvery pubescence; the mandibles ferruginous; the antenna black. The prothorax smooth and shining, not tuberculate; the mesothorax, scutellum and post-scullum, smooth and shining; the metathorax transversely striated, and having a central and three lateral carinae, the third recurved inwards at the apex; the sides margined, the apical angles produced into short acute teeth; the wings subhyaline with a fuscous cloud crossing the anterior pair at, and being the width of, the marginal cell; the tibiae and tarsi obscurely seneceous. Abdomen: very smooth and shining, with purple and violet tints; the apex compressed at the sides; the first segment much narrower than the second.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

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**Gen. TRIROGMA, Westw.**

1. **TRIROGMA CÆRULEA.**

*Ent.* ii. p. 66 θ.

*Hab.* Singapore. Northern India and Madras.

2. **TRIROGMA PRISMATICA.** *T.* fulgide cærulo-viridis; abdomen purpureo et violaceo lavato.

**Male.** Length 6 lines. Brilliant green, the abdomen vivid purple or violet in different lights, highly prismatic; the palpi and mandibles white, the latter ferruginous at their apex; the scape of the antennæ green with purple reflexions, the flagellum fuscous; the face below
the antennæ, the scape, checks and mandibles, thinly covered with long white pubescence; the head coarsely punctured; a deep transverse impressed line behind the ocelli, the vertex impunctate. Thorax the prothorax forming a neck, with two elevated tubercles behind. the mesothorax with three or four transverse elevated carinae at the base, the spaces between rugose; the disk behind, smooth and shining; the scutellum with an elevated shining tubercle in the middle; the metathorax smooth and shining, with an elevated carina traversing its margins; the lateral margins produced at the sides into a blunt angle or tooth; the disk with two longitudinal carinae which curve towards the sides, then inwardly towards the apical margin, not quite meeting in the centre; between the curved carinae are two central and two lateral ones, none extending to the outward ones; wings subhyaline and splendidly iridescent; the thorax at the sides and beneath, and also the abdomen, thinly clothed with white pubescence; the third segment above, with scattered short white hairs. Abdomen very delicately and distantly punctured.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This beautiful species is very distinct from the Trirogma cerulea, the only species previously known; the antennæ are much longer and perfectly filiform, the apex of the joints not thickened as in that species.

Gen. SpheX, Fabr.

1. SpheX sericea.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca.

This species is very widely distributed: we have seen examples from the islands of the Pacific, the Philippine Islands and Java; some specimens have the scutellum and post-scutellum black; in all probability the S. ferruginea of St. Fargeau is a variety of this insect.

2. SpheX nigripes.
Sphex nigripes, Smith, Cat. Hym. pt. 4. p. 254 q.
Hab. Singapore. Sumatra.

3. SpheX diabolicus. S. ater; metathorace densissisme nigro-pubes-
cens; alis flavo-hyalinis basi fuscis, apice subnebeculosis.

Female. Length 14 lines. Black; the head and thorax opaque; the mandibles very stout, forcipate, acute at their apex and having a stout tooth in the middle of their inner edge; their outer margins fringed with long hairs; the face thinly covered with black pubescence. Thorax: the metathorax covered with a dense black pubescence: a similar-coloured pubescence, but more sparing, clothes the thorax on the sides and beneath; wings flavo-hyaline, blackish at their base;
the apical margins of the anterior pair with a pale fuscous border; the nervures ferruginous. Abdomen: sub-opake, smooth and slightly shining.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

**Gen. Pelopœus, Latr.**

1. **Pelopœus javanus.**

Pelopœus javanus, _St. Farg. Hym._ iii. p. 309.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca. Java.

2. **Pelopœus fervens.** _P._ ater; clypeo scapoque antice, pedibus abdomineque ferrugineis; alis subhyalinis.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Black; the scape in front, the clypeus and tips of the mandibles ferruginous. Thorax: the posterior margin of the prothorax, the tegulae, a transverse line at the base of the scutellum, the tips of the anterior and intermediate femora, the posterior pair, except their base, the tibie and tarsi, ferruginous; the apical joints of the tarsi fuscous; the wings subhyaline, with a black spot at the apex of the superior pair; the nervures ferruginous; the mesothorax finely striated transversely, the metathorax much more strongly so; the head and thorax thinly covered with long thin pale pubescence. Abdomen: ferruginous, with the base of the petiole black; the three apical segments fusco-ferruginous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

**Fam. Larridæ, Leach.**

**Gen. Tachytes, Panzer.**

1. **Tachytes nitidulus.**


_Hab._ India. Borneo.

2. **Tachytes argentatus.**


3. **Tachytes aurifex.** _T._ ater; facie aurate pubescente; pedibus ferrugineis; alis flavo-hyalinis; abdomine aurato-fasciato.

**Female.** Length 10½ lines. Black; the face densely clothed with golden pubescence; the cheeks and vertex behind, with a changeable golden pile; the scape and mandibles at their base, ferruginous, the former black at their base above; the palpi pale ferruginous. Thorax: with a changeable golden pubescence, very dense and shining on the posterior margin of the prothorax, the margins of the mesothorax and on the post-scutellum; the tegulae and legs ferruginous; the coxae and femora fuscous; the wings flavo-hyaline, palest towards the apical margins, which have a pale fuscous narrow border. Abdomen:
fusco-ferruginous at the apex; covered with a thin changeable golden pile; each segment with a bright golden fascia on its apical margin; beneath smooth and shining, with the apical margins of the segments rufo-piceous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

**Gen. Larrada, Smith.**

1. **Larrada exilipes.**
   Larrada exilipes, _Smith, Cat. Hym._ pt. 4. p. 278.
   _Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

2. **Larrada carbonaria.** *L. nigerrima; capite abdomenque nitidis; thorace opaco; alis rufescenti-fuscis, purpureo late micantibus. Female.* Length 10 lines. Jet-black, shining; the clypeus delicately punctured; the flagellum fuscous; the cheeks with a fine cinereous pile. _Thorax:_ the pro- and meso-thorax, the scutellum and post-scutellum closely punctured; the metathorax elongate, its superior surface finely shagreened; the truncation finely strigose; the tegulae testaceous; the wings brown, with a brilliant violet iridescence; the legs strongly spinose. _Abdomen:_ as long as the head and thorax, being smooth, shining and very delicately and sparingly punctured.
   _Hab._ Singapore.

3. **Larrada Sycorax.** *L. nigerrima, laevigata, nitida, punctata; alis fucisc violaceo-iridescensibus. Female.* Length 7½ lines. Jet-black; shining and finely punctured; the face and cheeks covered with silvery pubescence interspersed with long pale hairs; the metathorax oblong, truncated at the apex; the superior surface with a central impressed longitudinal line, on each side of which it is delicately striated obliquely. The thorax: beneath, the sides and also the legs, covered with a cinereous pile, and sprinkled with long white hairs; the wings brown, with a violet iridescence; their base, as well as the posterior pair, palest. _Abdomen:_ smooth, shining and very delicately and distantly punctured; the margins of the segments slightly depressed and glittering in certain lights with silvery pile.
   _Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

4. **Larrada polita.** *L. nigra; capite abdomenque nitidis; thorace opaco; femoribus tibiisque intermedias postices ferrugineis; alis fusco-hyalinis.
   Female.* Length 6 lines. Black; the head shining, the clypeus closely and finely punctured and covered with silvery pile; the mandibles ferruginous. The pro- and meso-thorax closely punctured, thinly covered with a short glittering pubescence; the metathorax transversely rugose; the thorax on the sides and beneath covered with a fine changeable silvery pile; the intermediate and posterior femora and tibiae, bright ferruginous; the wings fusco-hyaline and iridescent.
Abdomen: elongate, smooth, shining, and covered with a thin changeable glittering silvery pile; the apex acute and having a produced ferruginous style.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

5. **Larrada Tisiphone.** *L. nigerrima; capite thoraceque subopacis; metathorace reticulato; alis fusco-hyalinis.*

**Female.** Length 4 lines. Black; the head very delicately and closely punctured, sub-opake; the face and clypeus covered with silvery pubescence, the mandibles ferruginous at their apex; the cheeks with a bright silvery pile. Thorax: the pro- and mesothorax closely and finely punctured, the scutellum more delicately and sparingly so, the former sub-opake, the latter shining; the metathorax coarsely reticulated; the tegulae piceous; the wings fusco-hyaline and iridescent, the nervures black; the thorax beneath, and the legs, covered with a fine silky pile. Abdomen: smooth and shining, the apical margins of the segments with fasciae of silvery pile, only observable in certain lights.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

6. **Larrada Alecto.** *L. nigerrima; capite thoraceque subopacis; metathorace reticulato; alis fusco-hyalinis.*

**Female.** Length 5½ lines. Jet-black; the head shining; the cheeks with a silvery down; the clypeus impunctate; the mandibles ferruginous; the palpi rufo-testaceos. The mesothorax shining, closely and finely punctured; the scutellum shining; the metathorax rugose, more finely so towards the verge of the truncation, the latter transversely rugose; the tegulae rufo-testaceos; wings fusco-hyaline, splendidly iridescent, with the nervures black; the legs strongly spinose, the knees somewhat ferruginous. Abdomen: smooth, shining and impunctate.

*Hab.* Singapore.

**Gen. LARRA, Fabr.**

1. **Larra prismaticca.** *L. nigra, pulchre prismaticca, maculis fascisque varis flavis ornata.*

**Female.** Length 4–5 lines. Black, with prismatic tints of violet and blue, particularly on the abdomen. The palpi, labrum, clypeus and a triangular space above it, an abbreviated line at the inner orbits of the eyes, the scape in front and the flagellum beneath, yellow; the clypeus emarginate in its entire width and a black transverse spot in the middle, a similar spot at the base of the labrum, which is rounded in front. The posterior margin of the prothorax, the tubercles, the outer margins of the tegulae, an oblique spot on each side of the scutellum, a transverse line on the post-scutellum and an elongate spot on the lateral margins of the metathorax, yellow, the margins compressed; the anterior legs with the femora beneath and a spot at their apex above, and the tibiae and tarsi in front, yellow, the claw-joint entirely so;
the intermediate legs with a line on the femora behind, a spot at their apex in front, the tibiae in front as well as the tarsi, yellow; the posterior legs with a stripe on the tibiae in front at their base; the wings hyaline and iridescent. Abdomen: an elongate transverse yellow macula on each side of the basal segment near its apical margin, a yellow fascia on the apical margin of the second segment, widest at the sides, an abbreviated fascia in the middle of the third, an entire one on the fourth, and a spot on each side of the fifth.

*Male.* Differs in having the clypeus black, two parallel abbreviated yellow lines on the disk of the mesothorax and the fasciae on the abdomen entire, that on the basal segment being very broad and deeply notched in the middle.

*Hab.* Borneo (Sarawak).

I have here restored the name *Larra* to one of the insects agreeing with the type, *L. vespiformis,*—the *Stizus vespiformis* of many authors.

**Gen. Pison, Spin.**

1. **Pison suspiciosus.** *P. niger; capite thoraceque rude punctatis; abdomine levigato, nitido; facie pube argentea ornata.*

*Female.* Length 4 lines. Black; the face with silvery pubescence; the palpi testaceus; the tips of the mandibles ferruginous; the head and thorax strongly and closely punctured, the clypeus finely so. Thorax: the tegulae testaceus; the wings fusco-hyaline; the first recurrent nervure received at the apex of the first submarginal cell; the second at the apex of the second submarginal; the nervures dark fuscos; the metathorax with a number of coarse radiating striae at its base; the truncation transversely rugose. Abdomen: very smooth and shining, with a few delicate scattered punctures; the margins of the segments depressed.

*Hab.* Singapore.

This species very closely resembles the *Pison rugosus,* but it differs from that species in the neurature of the wings, and also in the puncturing of the abdomen; I suspect that an example in fine condition would have silvery bands on the abdomen.

**Subgen. Pisonoides, Shuck.**

*The anterior wings with one marginal cell, and two submarginal cells, each receiving a recurrent nervure.*

1. **Pisonoides obliteratus.** *P. aster, glaber, tenuissime punctatus; facie argenteo-villosa; alis hyalinis iridescentibus; metathoracis basi levii.*

*Female.* Length 3½ lines. Black; the head and thorax punctured, the mesothorax rather distantly so; the clypeus and the notch of the eyes
with a silvery pubescence; the tips of the mandibles ferruginous; the
tegulae testaceous; the nervures brown; the costal nervure and the
stigma black; the tibiae and tarsi simple; the metathorax with a
depth triangular depression at its base, which is obliquely striated on
each side, and from which a deep smooth channel runs to the apex of
the metathorax; on each side of the depression it is smooth and
shining, and finely punctured beyond. Abdomen highly polished, with
the margins of the segments deeply depressed; the apical margins
with a fine short silky white pubescence; the sixth segment acute at
the apex.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

I have formed a section for the reception of this species, which I regard
as a true Pison, having the petiolated cell obsolete, or rather the apic-
cal nervure of the usually enclosed cell. I have seen other species with
the nervure obsolete in both, or sometimes only in one wing; the latter
circumstance confirms my opinion of this species only being an excep-
tional case, and that it is a true Pison.

Fam. BEMBICIDÆ, Westw.


Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Sumatra.

Fam. CRABRONIDÆ, Leach.

Gen. Trypoxylon, Latr.

Hab. Singapore. Madras.

2. Trypoxylon petiolatum. T. nigrum nitidum, petiolo gracili
elongato; abdominis articulis secundo et tertio ferrugineis.
Female. Length 7 lines. Black, very smooth and shining; the clypeus,
the inner orbits of the eyes, the emargination of the eyes, and the
cheeks, with a glittering silvery pile; the mandibles ferruginous; the
palpi pale testaceous. Thorax: the tegulae, anterior and interme-
diate tarsi, the extreme base of the posterior tibiae, the calcarea, and
the claws and pulvillus of the tarsi, pale rufo-testaceous; the apical
joints of the tarsi fuscous; the sides of the thorax sprinkled with
glittering silvery hairs; the wings hyaline, the nervures rufo-fuscous.
Abdomen: the petiole slender, as long as the head and thorax, with
the apex of its node, the second and third segments, ferruginous;
covered with a fine changeable pile, only observable in certain lights.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

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3. **Trypoxylon coloratum.** *T.* nigrum, laxe, nitidum; pedibus pallide ferrugineis, abdomine subferrugineo supra, obscure maculato.

*Male.* Length 7½ lines. Black, smooth and shining: the clypeus, mandibles, palpi and scape of the antenna, covered with golden pile; the cheeks and the emargination of the eyes with a glittering pale golden pile. Thorax: the posterior margin of the prothorax, the tegulae, tubercles and legs, pale ferruginous; the intermediate and posterior tibias beneath, and also the tarsi, fusces; the apex of the joints of the latter ferruginous; the wings hyaline, their nerves ferruginous, the stigma pale; the sides of the thorax and the metathorax with golden pubescence. Abdomen rufo-testaceus; the petiole, except its base, above, the node at its apex, above, as well as all the segments, more or less black, or rufo-fusces above; the base and apex of the segments, as well as the apical segment entirely, pale; beneath entirely pale.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

This species is about the size of *T. bicolor*, which it very much resembles, but from which it is very distinct.

**Gen. Crabro, Fabr.**

1. **Crabro familiaris.** *C.* niger, ocellis triangulariter ordinatis, mesothorace punctulato, pedibus flavis, metathorace laxe nitido, abdomine pubescente.

*Male.* Length 2½ lines. Black: head a little wider than the thorax, shining and delicately punctured; the stemmata in a triangle; the clypeus and cheeks with silvery pubescence; the scape yellow; the flagellum rufo-testaceus, slightly fusces above; the palpi pale testaceus; the mandibles ferruginous at their apex. Thorax: the collar, tubercles, tegulae, scutellum and post-scutellum, the extreme base of the wings, and the legs, of a sulphur-yellow; the wings hyaline and splendidly iridescent; the base of the femora and the coxae slightly ferruginous; the mesothorax delicately punctured; the metathorax smooth and shining, with a central impressed fovea. Abdomen pubescent, with the apical margins of the segments rufo-piceous.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

2. **Crabro rugosus.** *C.* niger, ocellis triangulariter ordinatis in vertice, mesothorace longitudinaliter striato, metathorace rugoso.

*Male.* Length 2½ lines. Black: head wider than the thorax, quadrato; the stemmata in a triangle on the vertex; an impressed line in front of the anterior stemma extending to the sulcation on the face; an impressed line running round the orbits of the eyes; the cheeks and face with a dense silvery pubescence; the scape yellow; the tips of the mandibles ferruginous. Thorax: an interrupted line on the collar, the tubercles, two spots on the scutellum, the post-scutellum, the tips of the anterior femora, all the tibiae at their base,
and the basal joint of the tarsi, yellow; the apical joints of the tarsi rufo-fuscous; the yellow markings on the legs paler than those on the thorax; the mesothorax deeply striated longitudinally; the metathorax rugose; the wings hyaline and iridescent. Abdomen: the four basal segments with a small ovate yellow spot at their extreme lateral margins; the fifth with a yellow fascia at its base.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

This species has a remarkably close resemblance to the _Crabro Panzeri_ of this country.

**Gen. Mellinus, Fabr.**

1. _Mellinus crabroniformis._ _M._ niger, scapo palpis mandibulis tuberculis pedibusque flavis, abdomen ferrugineo.

_Female._ Length 4 lines. The head and thorax black; the legs and abdomen pale ferruginous; the head and thorax with a thin glittering pale golden pubescence; the palpi, mandibles and scape of a yellowish white; the flagellum testaceous, yellow beneath. Thorax smooth and shining; the tegulae and base of the wings of a yellowish white; the wings hyaline and splendidly iridescent; the nervures testaceous; the metathorax with a subenclosed space at its base, with a row of sulcations along the basal margin; the sides and apex of the metathorax rugose. Abdomen pale ferruginous, smooth, shining and pubescent; the basal segment petiolated, the petiole curved, clavate at the apex.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

I am aware that this insect, if a strict adherence to the neuration of the wings, as a character for generic subdivision, were rigidly adopted, would form a type of a new genus, but the difference is too slight in my opinion to justify such a course; in other respects it agrees with the insects included in the genus _Mellinus_; the principal difference in the neuration of the present species is the elongation of the third discoidal cell.

**Gen. Cerceris, Latr.**

1. _Cerceris sepulcralis._ _C._ capite thoraceque nigris, abdomen ferrugineo.

_Female._ Length 7½ lines. Black, with the abdomen ferruginous; the head and thorax finely shagreened; the face with a silvery-white pubescence; the carina between the antennæ, an ovate spot on the clypeus, and the mandibles, obscurely rufo-testaceous. Thorax: a minute obscure spot on the posterior margin of the prothorax, laterally, and a distinct spot on the tegulae in front, pale yellow; the wings brown, their base subhyaline; the sides of the metathorax covered with hoary pubescence; an indistinct pale spot on the inter-
mediate and posterior tibiae, outside; the apical joints of the anterior
tarsi, and the calcaria, pale testaceous; the tarsi beneath, and the
posterior tibiae within, clothed with a golden-yellow pubescence.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

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Fam. EUMENIDÆ.

Gen. GAYELLA, Saussure.

1. GAYELLA PULCHELLA. G. nigra, punctata, subnitida, flavo-guttata
et fasciata, pedibus ferrugineis flavo-guttatis, alis subhyalinis et iri-
descentibus.

Female. Length 10 lines. Black: head quadrate; the clypeus deeply
emarginate in front, the angles of the emargination produced and
denticulate; a large oblong spot behind the eyes, two oblique lines
on the vertex nearly touching the summit of the eyes and inclined
inwards, a stripe at the base of the scape in front, the labrum and
mandibles, yellow. Thorax: the prothorax in front, two longitudinal
abbreviated lines on the disk of the mesothorax, the tegulae in front
and behind, a slightly interrupted transverse line on the scutellum
and post-scutellum; a spot beneath the wings, and the sides of the
metathorax, yellow; the legs ferruginous; a stripe on the anterior
femora outside, another on the anterior and intermediate tibiae, and a
spot at the apex of the posterior pair, yellow; the tibiae and tarsi
fuscous; the wings fusco-hyaline; the anterior margin of the superior
pair yellowish, their apex slightly clouded. Abdomen: the lateral
and apical margins of the petiole, an ovate spot on each side of the
basal segment, a fascia a little before the apical margins of the first,
second and third segments, yellow; beneath black.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. EUMENES.

1. Eumenes flavopicta.
fig. 2.

Hab. Singapore.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

fig. 2 Ψ.

Hab. Malacca.

Eumenes cincinalia, Fabr. Syst. Pizz. p. 286 (var. ?).

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).
5. Eumenes hæmorrhoidalis.  
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

The specimens from Sarawak only differ from those from China in having the tibiae and tarsi paler.

7. Eumenes inconspicua.  
E. nigra flavo-variegata, capite thoraceque dense punctato, abdomen sublaevigato nitido.  
**Female.** Length 5 lines. Black: the clypeus deeply emarginate at the apex, the angles acute; the basal portion of the clypeus yellow, with a yellow spot above between the antennae, and a narrow abbreviated yellow line behind the eyes; the tips of the mandibles, and the apex of the flagellum beneath, ferruginous. Thorax: an abbreviated line on the posterior margin of the prothorax in the middle, a spot beneath the wings and another before it, the tegule, a spot behind them, the post-scutellum, two spots on each side of the metathorax, the tips of the femora and the tibiae, yellow; the anterior tarsi yellow, the intermediate and posterior pairs dusky; the intermediate and posterior tibiae fusco-ferruginous beneath; wings subhyaline, the anterior margin of the superior pair fuscos. Abdomen: a minute spot on each side of the petiole, its apical margin, a larger spot on each side of the second segment and its apical margin, yellow; the following segments with a silky pubescence.  
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

8. Eumenes singularis.  
E. nigra flavo-variegata, capite thorace petioloque (ad apicem excepto) rude punctato; abdomen laevigato nitido.  
**Female.** Length 6 lines. Black: the basal and the lateral margins of the clypeus, an oblong spot between the antennae, a minute spot in the sinus of the eyes and a short line behind them, yellow; the apex of the antennæ ferruginous beneath. Thorax suborbicular; the prothorax in front, two spots on each tegula and another behind them, a transverse line on each side of the metathorax at its base, two ovate ones at its apex, and a spot beneath the wings, yellow; the anterior femora at their apex, the tibiae, and the intermediate and posterior tibiae outside, yellow; the wings fusco-hyaline, and iridescent, their apical margins darkest. Abdomen: the petiole longer than the head and thorax; the apical margin of the petiole, an ovate spot on each side of the first segment, its apical margin, and a line in the middle of that of the following segment, yellow; the thorax and abdomen beneath with a fine griseous pile.  
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).
Gen. Rhynchium, Spinola.

1. Rhynchium hæmorroidale.
Hab. Singapore. Malacca.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

4. Rhynchium nitidulum.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

The specimens from Borneo have the clypeus strongly punctured; in other respects they agree precisely with Indian and Javanese examples.

5. Rhynchium obscurum. R. capite thoraceque rude punctatis, alis apice nigris, abdominis segmento primo rubro-fasciato.

Female. Length 6 lines. Black: the head and thorax very coarsely punctured; the margins of the clypeus covered with silvery pile; the face with scattered, short, griseous pubescence. Thorax: the tegulae black and shining; the wings fusco-hyaline; a dark stain along the anterior margin of the externo-medial cell, and a dark fusco-cloud beyond the second submarginal cell occupying the entire apex of the wings. Abdomen: opake black, the apical margin of the first segment with an obscure ferruginous band; the apical margins of the following segments slightly and very obscurely ferruginous, and covered with fusco-ferruginous pubescence.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. Odynerus, Latr.

Hab. Malacca (Mount Ophir). Java.

2. Odynerus manifestus. O. niger, capite thoraceque rude et confluenter punctatis, clypeo scapo pedibus et prothorace flavo-guttatis, abdomen fascis duabus flavis ornato.

Male. Length 5 lines. Black: the head and thorax covered with deep coarse confluent punctures; a spot on each side of the clypeus, a line on the scape in front, and another behind the eyes, yellow; the clypeus produced and truncate in front. Thorax: a line on the posterior margin of the prothorax in the middle, a spot on the tegulae in front and behind, the post-scutellum, the apex of the anterior and intermediate femora, and all the tibiae outside, yellow; the tarsi black; wings subhyaline, the nervures black; the anterior margin of the
superior pair fuscous. Abdomen shining and delicately punctured; the first and second segments with a yellow fascia on their apical margins.

Hab. Borneo.


Male. Length 5 lines. Black: head and thorax deeply, but not coarsely punctured; the margins of the clypeus, the labrum, mandibles, scape in front, the sinus of the eyes, a longitudinal stripe running from the anterior stemma to the insertion of the antennae, and a line behind the eyes, yellow. Thorax: a transverse line on the prothorax in front, not touching its anterior angles, two longitudinal abbreviated lines on the disk of the mesothorax, the tegulae, two spots on the scutellum, the post-scutellum, the sides of the metathorax, a spot beneath the wings, an oblique line beneath it, and a similar line running down to the posterior coxae, yellow; the legs yellow, with a fuscous line on the femora above and on the tibiae behind. Abdomen: the anterior, posterior and lateral margins of the basal segment yellow; a fascia across the middle of the second segment, and another a little before its apical margin, and also before the margins of the three following segments, yellow; beneath, the second segment yellow, with an oblong black spot in the middle; the apical margins of the three following segments yellow.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).


Female. Length 3½ lines. Black: the clypeus, mandibles, antennae beneath, a spot between them, another in the sinus of the eyes, and a stripe behind them, yellow; the antennae rufo-fuscous above; the mandibles ferruginous at their apex. Thorax: the anterior margin of the prothorax, the tegulae and a spot behind them, a spot beneath the wings, the scutellum, a line on the post-scutellum and the sides of the metathorax, yellow; the legs yellow, with the coxae and the femora above, more or less fuscous; the wings hyaline, with a black spot occupying the greater part of the marginal cell and passing off beyond it to the apex of the wings; the nervures fuscous. Abdomen shining and delicately punctured; the first segment short and cup-shaped, its apical margin thickened; the second segment much wider than the first, its sides rounded; a yellow fascia on the apical margins of the segments, that on the third segment much narrower than the others; an ovate spot on each side of the second segment, at its lateral margins, at the base.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This species is closely allied to the O. miniatus of Saussure.
5. **Odynerus multipictus.** *O. niger,* capite thoraceque rade punctatis et flavo-variegatis, pedibus flavis, alis hyalinis apice fuscatis, abdomen flavo-fasciato.

**Female.** Length 5½ lines. Black: the head and thorax rugose-punctate; the mandibles, clypeus, sinus of the eyes, a longitudinal line running from the anterior ocellus to the insertion of the antennae, a parallel line on each side of the ocelli touching the eyes, a broad stripe behind the eyes, and the scape in front, yellow; a black spot in the centre of the clypeus, and the apex of the mandibles, ferruginous; the flagellum fulvous beneath. The prothorax in front, two longitudinal lines on the mesothorax, two ovate spots on the scutellum, the sides of the metathorax with a large angular spot, the tegulae, a spot and an oblique line beneath them, and also the legs, yellow; a line on the femora above and on the tibiae behind, and the coxae spotted with fuscous; a black spot on the tegulae; the wings subhyaline and iridescent; a dark cloud on the anterior margin of the superior pair towards their apex. Abdomen smooth and shining; a yellow fascia on the apical margins of the segments, and also a fascia at the base of the first segment, with a transverse spot on each side of the second segment; beneath, the second segment yellow, with a black quadrate spot at its base, a yellow fascia on the apical margins of the following segments.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

6. **Odynerus latipennis.** *O. niger,* angustus, elongatus, alis amplis apice nigro-maculatis, capite thoraceque flavo-guttatis, pedibus flavis, abdomen flavo-fasciato.

**Female.** Length 6 lines. Black: head and thorax strongly punctured; the clypeus, and an ovate spot above, from which a narrow line runs up to the anterior ocellus, the sinus of the eyes, a stripe behind them and the scape in front, yellow; the flagellum fulvous beneath; the tips of the mandibles ferruginous. Thorax elongate; the prothorax in front, the tegulae, two spots on the scutellum, and the metathorax, yellow; a longitudinal black line in the middle of the latter; a yellow spot beneath the wings and an oblique line behind it; the legs yellow; the wings very large, subhyaline and iridescent; the nervures towards the base of the wings fusco-ferruginous, towards their apex they are pale testaceous; the costal and externo-medial cells with a slight fuscous cloud; a dark cloud occupying the apical half of the marginal cell and passing on to the apex of the wings. Abdomen: the basal segment campanulate, the apical margins of the segments with yellow fascia.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

This species belongs to the subgenus *Symmorphus.*
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Group SOCIAL WASPS.

Fam. VESPIDÆ.

Gen. ISCHNOGASTER, Guérin.

1. Ischnogaster cilipennis, Smith, Cat. Hym. pt. v.
   Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca (Mount Ophir).

   Hab. Malacca. Sarawak.

3. ISCHNOGASTER NIGRIFRONS. I. niger, subitus flavo-variegatus, cellulis primo secundoque submarginalibus æquis, tertia breviori et ad cellulum marginalem angustata.
   Female. Length 6 lines. Black: the face and clypeus covered with pale golden pubescence, the colour changing in different lights; the clypeus produced at its apex into an acute spine; the scape in front, the flagellum beneath, the palpi and mandibles, yellow, the latter ferruginous at their apex. Thorax globose; the posterior margin of the prothorax, two oblique lines on the mesothorax anteriorly, a spot on each side of the scutellum, the post-scutellum, and two spots at the apex of the metathorax close to the insertion of the petiole, yellow; beneath, fusco-ferruginous; the legs rufo-piceous, with the knees and the anterior and intermediate tibiae outside, yellow. Abdomen obscurely rufo-fuscous; the first segment petiolated; beneath, with two lines at the base of the node of the petiole; the extreme lateral margins of the first segment, two oblique ones towards its apex beneath, an ovate spot on each side of the two following segments beneath, and the extreme lateral basal margin of the second segment above, yellow.
   Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

   Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca.

Gen. POLISTES, Latr.


There is probably no species of this genus which is so widely distributed as the present; the specimens which I have seen from Borneo are all smaller than the Indian ones, and are more highly coloured; the mesothorax has a central longitudinal ferruginous stripe, and the metathorax two longitudinal ones.

Gen. POLYBIA, Sauss.

2. **Polybia stigma.** *P. nigra, flavo-variegata, alis antecis hyalinis, margine antico obscuro, stigmate flavo.*

**Male.** Length 5 lines. Black: the clypeus and cheeks with a silvery pubescence; the mandibles, clypeus, sinus of the eyes, the antennæ beneath, and the cheeks, yellow. Thorax: the anterior margin of the prothorax, the tegulae and a line beneath the wings, a broad oblique stripe on the sides of the metathorax, the scutellum, post-scutellum, and an oblong-quadrat spot beneath it, and also the legs, yellow; the femora and tibiae slightly fuscosus behind; the anterior wings with a dark spot at the apex of the externo-medial cell; the stigma honey-yellow, with a dark stripe beyond it at the margin of the wing. Abdomen: an ovate spot on each side of the second segment at its base, and a yellow fascia on the apical margin; the extreme apex of the abdomen yellow; the fascia on the second segment, continued beneath, and two ovate maculae at its base.

**Hab.** Bornéo (Sarawak).

This is probably the male of *P. decorata.*

3. **Polybia luctuosa.** *P. opaca, nigra, clypeo margine antico flavo, segmentis primo tertio quartoque abdominis flavo-marginatis, alis apice nigro uni-maculatis.*

**Female.** Length 5½ lines. Black: the anterior margin of the clypeus, slightly interrupted in the middle, and a very narrow line at the inner orbits of the eyes, not entering the sinus, yellow; the head and thorax opake; wings hyaline, with a black spot on the anterior margin of the superior pair, near their apex. Abdomen: a narrow yellow fascia on the apical margins of the first, third and fourth segments, the extreme apex yellow.

**Hab.** Bornéo (Sarawak).

4. **Polybia decorata.** *P. nigra, flavo multidecorata, pedibus flavis.*

**Female.** Length 5 lines. Black: the clypeus, mandibles, antennæ beneath, the sides of the face and sinus of the eyes, a spot above the clypeus running up into a point as high as the anterior ocellus, and two minute spots on the margin of the vertex, yellow. Thorax: the anterior margin of the prothorax, the tegulae, and a large broad oblique spot beneath the wings, two longitudinal lines on the mesothorax, the scutellum and post-scutellum, the metathorax and legs, yellow; the scutellum and metathorax with a longitudinal black line down the middle; the wings subhyaline, with a fuscosus cloud in the marginal cell; the tibiae outside, and the tarsi above, slightly fuscosus. Abdomen: the first segment campanulate, with a yellow spot on each side at its apex; the second segment with two very large spots at its base occupying nearly half the length of the segment, and nearly uniting its apical margin as well as those of the three following, with a marginal fascia, yellow; the apical segment entirely yellow; beneath
yellow, with only the apical margins of the segments narrowly fuscous.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

**Gen. Icaria, Saussure.**

The male of this species has been received from Borneo since I described the female, from which it only differs in having the clypeus and mandibles entirely black; in other respects they agree.


**Hab.** Borneo. Malacca. Sumatra.

3. Icaria ferruginea, *Fabr.*


**Hab.** Malacca (Mount Ophir). India.

4. **Icaria lugubris.** *I. opaca nigra pube sericea variabilis vestita, alis subhyalinis, apice nigro subnebulosis.*

**Female.** Length 6 lines. Black: covered with a fine changeable white silky pile; head opaque, delicately roughened; the clypeus angular in front and with a broad white margin, smooth and shining anteriorly; the mandibles smooth and shining, with a white spot at their base. Thorax finely rugose; the sides of the prothorax, the scutellum and post-scutellum, very obscurely tinged more or less with ferruginous, sometimes not observable; the wings subhyaline, with a dark brown stain at the apex of the externo-medial cell, a similar stain occupies the marginal cell, and a paler cloud descends from it across the apex of the wing. Abdomen: the apex of the petiole and the apical margins of the third and following segments very indistinctly tinged with ferruginous, generally black; the third and following segments densely covered with silky pile.

In my Catalogue of Vespide, I have indicated this species as being a black variety of *I. speciosa*; I had only one or two examples at that time for examination; but having now a series, I am satisfied of their being distinct: in *I. speciosa* the first segment of the abdomen is as broad as long, in the present it is longer than broad.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

5. **Icaria modesta.** *I. nigra, alis fulvo-hyalinis, abdomine ferrugineo.*

**Female.** Length 5 lines. Black: the head and thorax roughly punctured; the face and cheeks with short griscescent pubescence; the clypeus angular in front, produced into an acute point. Thorax: the posterior margin of the prothorax ferruginous in the middle; the apical joints of the tarsi ferruginous; wings fulvo-hyaline, the ner-
vures dark ferruginous towards the base of the wings, and pale ferru-
ginous towards their apex. Abdomen dark ferruginous, somewhat
obscure; the first segment and base of the second bright red; the
sides and the apex of the abdomen with a fine silky white pile.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. Vespa, Linn.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca (Mount Ophir).

Hab. Malacca.

Hab. Singapore.


Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

6. Vespa annulata. V. nigra, scutello flavo-maculato, post-scutello
metathoraceque flavis, illo in summo nigro, segmentis tenuibus flavo
marginatis. 
Worker. Length 10 lines. The clypeus emarginate in front, its lateral
angles acute and slightly produced; an elongate-quadrat black spot
in the middle not extending to the anterior margin; the cheeks, man-
dibles, clypeus, a coronet-shaped spot above, the emargination of the
eyes, the scape in front and the flagellum beneath, yellow. Thorax :
a narrow line on the anterior and posterior margins of the prothorax,
the tegulae and a spot beneath the wings, an ovate spot on each side
of the scutellum, the post-scutellum and metathorax, yellow; wings
subhyaline, with a narrow fuscous stain at the anterior margin of the
superior pair; legs yellow, with a fuscous stain on the tibias and
femora above. Abdomen: two large spots at the base of the first
segment, and a narrow fascia on the apical margins of all the segments,
yellow; the yellow bands abruptly widened laterally; the abdomen
yellow beneath, with the base of the segments blackish.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak). Malacca.

Fam. Tenthredinidæ, Leach.

1. Tenthredo coxalis. T. calybea, clypeo palpis trochanteribus
coxarum apicibus tibiisque postice albis, alis hyalinis.
Female. Length 4 lines. Steel-blue; the antennæ black; the clypeus
and palpi white. Thorax : a line before and a spot beneath the tegulae,
the trochanters, apex of the coxae, the knees and the tibiae behind, white; the wings hyaline and iridescent; the nervures and stigma dark brown; two minute white spots on the post-scutellum; the extreme apex of the abdomen with a white spot.

_Hab._ Singapore.

**Gen. Tremex, Jurine.**

1. **Tremex insularis.** _T. ater_, capite thorace disco viridibus, abdomine et thorace flavo-variegatis, alis subhyalinis, margine antico fuscis.

_Female._ Length 8 lines. Head brassy-green, strongly punctured; the antennae black with the apical joints yellow; the face thinly covered with white pubescence. Thorax: the disk and the scutellum with a green tinge; the pro- and metathorax above yellow; the segments of the abdomen have each a yellow fascia, the first two slightly interrupted, the terminal segment with an oblique yellow stripe on each side; the tibiae yellow, the tarsi ferrugineous; the base of the abdomen yellow beneath; the wings subhyaline, a dark fuscous stain along the anterior margin of the superior pair, the apical margins of both wings fuscous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

**Fam. Cynipidae, Westw.**

1. **Cynips insignis.** _C. flavo-ferrugineus_, antennis fuscis, alis flavo-hyalinis apice fuscis.

_Female._ Length 4½ lines. Reddish-yellow, smooth and shining, rather paler beneath; the flagellum slightly fuscous, with the base and apex pale; tips of the mandibles black; the mesothorax deeply and transversely grooved; the base of the wings flavo-hyaline; from the base of the stigma to the apex dark fuscous; the insect is thinly covered with a short pale pubescence; the ovipositor black; the sheath and the claws dark ferruginous.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

**Fam. Ichneumonidae, Leach.**

1. **Ichneumon penetrans.** _I. niger_, capite thoraceque flavo variegatis, pedibus flavis nigro-maculatis, abdominis annulis flavo-marginatis.

_Female._ Length 8 lines. Black: the face below the insertion of the antennae, the labrum, mandibles, palpi, check, inner orbits of the eyes, and the antennae, yellow; the scape and base and apex of the flagellum black: a black spot above the clypeus, and the apex of the mandibles ferruginous. Thorax: the lateral margins of the prothorax, a
spot on the tegulae, two longitudinal spots on the mesothorax, the
scutellum, post-scutellum, two spots on the metathorax behind and a
line at the sides, two oblique maculae on the sides of the thorax and
the legs, yellow; the anterior and intermediate legs with a fuscous
line outside; the posterior femora and the apex of the tibiae black;
wings hyaline. Abdomen: the base of the petiole and its apical mar-
gin yellow; the base of the first segment and the apical margins of all
the segments with a yellow fascia; beneath entirely yellow.
Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

2. **Ichneumon comissator.** *I. niger*, antennis medio albis, thorace
pedibusque flavo variegatis, abdominis petioli basi marginibus basa-
libus segmentorum trium sequentium duobusque segmentis apicali-
bus flavis.

*Male.* Length 7 lines. Black: antennae white in the middle; the
head is yellow, except the hinder part of the vertex, and a black stripe
running from the vertex to the insertion of the antennae. The pro-
 thorax has the anterior and posterior margins yellow; the tegulae, two
spots on the disk of the mesothorax, the scutellum and post-scutellum,
and metathorax, yellow; a black spot on the tegulae, another on the
scutellum, and a black T-shaped mark on the metathorax; the thorax
with yellow macule on the sides, and the legs yellow; the anterior
and intermediate legs with a black line outside, and the posterior fe-
mora and apex of the tibiae black. The petiole of the abdomen yel-
low, with a black macula at its apex; the first, second and third seg-
ments with a broad, deeply emarginate fascia at their base; the two
apical segments entirely yellow.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

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**Gen. Cryptus, Fabr.**

1. **Cryptus croceipes.** *C. niger*, metathorace bispinoso, antennis
medio tarsisque posticis et abdomine apice albis, pedibus flavis.

*Female.* Length 5 lines. Black: subopake, with the apex of the abdo-
men white above; the middle of the antennae, above, white about
one-third of their length; the legs yellow; the posterior tibiae and
claw-joint of the tarsi, and also the anterior tarsi, fuscous; the pos-
terior tarsi white; the wings hyaline and iridescent, with a faint cloud
at the apex of the first submarginal cell, the stigma and nervures,
black; the metathorax armed with two short spines which are white
at their tips.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

2. **Cryptus elegans.** *C. niger*, antennis medio scutelloque et abdo-
minis apice albis, alis hyalinis macula fusca ad apicem, abdominis
fasciis albis, thorace bispinoso.
Female. Length 4½ lines. Black: the scape pale rufo-testaceous, the apical half of the flagellum and the palpi white; the apex of the flagellum, and the outside of the white portion, fuscous. The tegulae, scutellum, a line on the post-scutellum, and the posterior tarsi, white; the legs pale rufo-testaceous; the metathorax rugose and armed with two white spines; the wings hyaline, with a fuscous stain descending from the stigma to the inferior margin of the discoidal cell. Abdomen: the basal segment rufo-testaceous at the base and white at its apical margin; the second segment black at its base, then rufo-testaceous, becoming white at its apical margin; the apex of the abdomen white.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).


Female. Length 6 lines. Black; shining: antennae white in the middle; the wings hyaline, the nervures black; the anterior and intermediate legs, and the posterior coxae, reddish-yellow; the anterior and intermediate tarsi fuscous, the posterior pair white; the three apical segments white above; the posterior margins of the second and third segments with very narrow white fasciae; the metathorax transversely striated.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. Pimpla, Fabr.

1. Pimpla punctator.

Ichneumon punctator, Linn. Syst. Nat. i. 935. 38.

Hab. India. Borneo (Sarawak).

Gen. Megaproctus, Brullé.


Female. Length 8 lines. Head and scape of the antennae ferruginous, smooth and shining; the flagellum and tips of the mandibles black. Thorax opake black, rugose, but not coarsely so; the mesothorax convex in front, sub-bituberculate, the tubercles obsolely ferruginous; the wings hyaline, the nervures black; the base of the tibiae, the apex of the first and second joints of the anterior tarsi, the third and fourth entirely, the intermediate pair wanting, and the posterior pair, white; the claw-joint of the latter black. Abdomen opake black, broad at the base and slightly widening to the apex; the first segment and a large angular shape in the middle of the second with large close punctures; on each side of the angular shape it is longi-
tudinally rugulose; the apical segments smooth and shining; the ovipositor a little longer than the insect.

_Hab._ Singapore.

**Gen. Rhyssa, Gray.**

1. _Rhyssa mirabilis_. _R._ capite thorace pedibus anticis et intermediiis sanguineo-rubris, coxis intermediiis antice posticisque a tergo, albis, alisfuscis, abdomen basi nigro sensim ad apicem pallidiore, apice flavescenti-albo, ovipositore elongato.

**Female.** Length 13 lines. Head, thorax and anterior legs ferruginous; the mandibles black; wings dark fuscous, with a coppery effulgence; the intermediate and posterior legs dark rufo-piceous; the intermediate coxae in front and the posterior pair behind, white; the intermediate tibiae ferruginous in front, the tarsi fuscous; the apex of the metathorax above black, smooth and shining. Abdomen smooth and shining, black at the base, and gradually becoming paler to the apex, which is pale yellowish-white; the apical segments deeply emarginate in the middle above; the ovipositor one-third longer than the body.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

2. _Rhyssa maculipennis_. _R._ nigra, flavo dense maculata, alis anticus macula magna fusa ad apicem.

**Female.** Length 10 lines. Black: the face, inner and outer orbits of the eyes, and a spot on the scape in front, yellow. Thorax: the posterior margin of the prothorax, the tegulae and two spots beneath the wings, the scutellum and a minute spot on each side, at its anterior angles, a spot on the post-scutellum, a trilobate spot on the metathorax, in the middle, and a large irregular macula at the sides, yellow; the legs yellow; the tarsi fuscous; the anterior coxae behind and the femora and tibiae outside with a rufopiceous stain, the intermediate and posterior black and spotted with yellow, the femora black above, the tibiae fuscous at their base behind; the wings hyaline, with a faint yellow tinge, the nervures black, the stigma ferruginous; a large dark brown macula on the anterior wings placed at the apex of the stigma. Abdomen: a longitudinal yellow spot in the middle of the two basal segments, and an oblique ovate yellow spot at the sides of the three following segments towards their apical margins; the ovipositor one-fourth longer than the body.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak). Singapore.

**Gen. Megischus, Brullé.**

1. _Megischus insularis_. _M._ niger, capite ferrugineo, thorace abdominisque segmento primo rugosis, alis subhyalinis, ovipositore ad apicem albo annulato.

**Female.** Length 10 lines. Black: the head red, coarsely rugose, having three or four deep transverse curved grooves above the ocelli, in front
of which is a triangular shallow cavity which has several radiating carinae; the corners of the triangle raised and recurved; the antennae and palp black. Thorax coarsely rugose, having a mixture of transverse sculpturing and large shallow punctures; wings fusco-hyaline, with the nervures black, a slight fuscous cloud in the first discoidal cell; the posterior margin of the prothorax narrowly pale testaceous; the posterior coxae transversely rugose-striate; the posterior femora incrassate, denticulate beneath. Abdomen: the first segment transversely striated, the following smooth and shining; the ovipositor a little shorter than the body.

*Male.* About the same size as the female, similarly coloured and sculptured; the posterior femora similarly denticulate; the first segment of the abdomen more finely striated, the apical margins of the third and three following segments notched in the middle.

*Hab.* Sarawak.

**Gen. Macrogaster, Brullé.**


*Female.* Length 15 lines. Head black; the face, cheeks, mandibles, and scape in front, yellow. Thorax black, transversely rugose; the posterior margin of the prothorax, a small and a large spot beneath the wings, the legs and breast in front, four spots on the mesothorax, a spot on the scutellum and a smaller one at each side, the tegulae, and the base and sides of the metathorax, yellow; the wings hyaline; the nervures black; the stigma yellow; a large dark fuscous macula at the apex of the marginal cell extending across the second submarginal cell. Abdomen black and subopake, with the apical margins of the segments smooth and shining; each segment with a yellow fascia before its apical margin, the two basal fasciae widest in the middle, the four following narrowest in the middle, or the two last slightly interrupted; the ovipositor twice the length of the insect.

*Hab.* Singapore.

This species may possibly be a *Rhyssa* with the petiolated submarginal cell obsolete; the neuration of the wing agrees with that of Brullé's genus *Macrogaster.* I am not acquainted with any other genus to which it could belong; the antennae are those of *Rhyssa,* not apparently of *Macrogaster.***

**Gen. Ophion, Fabr.**

1. *Ophion iridipennis.* *O. rufo-ferrugineus, capite postico flavo, abdomine fusco basi ferrugineo, metathorace rugoso.*

*Female.* Length 10 lines. Reddish-yellow; the eyes distinctly emarginate; the face smooth and shining, slightly convex; the tips of the mandibles black; the head yellow behind. Thorax: the mesothorax smooth and shining, with a central longitudinal fuscous stripe; the metathorax coarsely transversely rugose, with a series of short longi-
tudinal strie at the base; wings hyaline and splendidly iridescent, the nervures ferruginous, with the costal nervure and stigma much darker. Abdomen fuscos, with the first, second, and base of the third segments ferruginous.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

2. OPHION VESTIGATOR. O. rufo-testaceus, abdomen apice fusco, metathorax subrugoso.

Female. Length 10 lines. Pale rufo-testaceous: eyes deeply emarginate; wings hyaline and iridescent, the nervures fusco-ferruginous; the meso- and metathorax rugose; the four apical segments of the abdomen fuscos and covered with short cinereous pubescence.

Hab. Malacca.

Gen. XYLONOMUS, Grav.

1. XYLONOMUS FULGIDIPENNIS. X. opacus, niger, antennis flavo-annulatis, alis nigris aureo-fulgentibus, abdomen nigro-chalybeo.

Female. Length 14 lines. Black and opake; antennae annulated with yellow; the thorax narrowed anteriorly; the metathorax large and wide; the wings dark brown, with a bright coppery effulgence; the tegulae and two spots at the base of the metathorax obscurely blue. Abdomen blue-black, with bright tints of blue in certain lights.

Hab. Sarawak.

I have assigned this fine insect to the genus Xylonomus, to which it appears to belong; the neuration of the wings and the enlarged metathorax connect it with that genus.

Fam. BRACONIDÆ, Westw.

Gen. BRACON, Fabr.


2. BRACON QUADRICEPS. B. capite thorace pedibus anticiis et intermedii coxisque posticiis ferrugineis, pedibus posticis et abdomen nigris, alis fuscis basi hyalinis.

Female. Length 7½ lines. Head, thorax, anterior and intermediate legs, and the posterior coxae, ferruginous; the head and thorax smooth and shining, the former quadrate; the clypeus deeply emarginate; the scape and first joint of the flagellum ferruginous within; the wings yellow to the apex of the externo-medial cell, beyond which they are fuscos and mottled with a number of semitransparent spots; the base of the stigma reddish-yellow. Abdomen and posterior legs black; the first segment of the abdomen at an oblique angle with the following segments, above, with a central and two lateral carinae, outside of which it is yellow; the second and third segments longitudi-
nally rugose-striate; the following segments smooth and shining; the ovipositor ferruginous, the sheaths black and very pubescent.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This species, which has the posterior tarsi thickened and the abdomen angulated at the base, I have little doubt belongs to the genus *Myosoma* of Brullé.

3. *Braco* *suspiciosus*. *B.* capite thorace pedibus anticis et intermediis sanguineo-rubris, alis fuscis, abdomine nigro.

**Female.** Length 8 lines, of the ovipositor 9 lines. Black: the head, scape of the antennae, anterior legs, pro- and mesothorax, ferruginous; the head subquadrate, very smooth and shining; the clypeus emarginate its entire width, the tips of the mandibles black. The thorax highly polished above; the wings dark fuscous, with a semi-hyaline streak crossing the lower angle of the first submarginal cell; the posterior tibiae and tarsi stout. The first segment of the abdomen at right angles with the following segments; the second and third segments longitudinally striated, the following segments smooth and shining.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

This species in all probability belongs to Brullé's genus *Myosoma*.

4. *Braco* *insignis*. *B.* capite thorace pedibus anticis et intermediis ferrugineis, metathorace supra nigro, abdomine pedibusque posticus nigris, alis nigro-fuscis, ovipositore corpore quadruplo longiore.

**Female.** Length of the body 11 lines, of the ovipositor 44 lines. Head, thorax, anterior and intermediate legs ferruginous; the head and thorax smooth and shining, the antennae black; the metathorax, posterior legs, and abdomen, black, wings dark fuscous; beneath the first submarginal cell is a minute hyaline spot. Abdomen: the basal segment, and a triangular impressed shape at the base of the second in the middle, longitudinally striated; the second, third, and fourth segments with a rugose striation, radiating from the middle of each segment; the apical segments smooth and shining; the ovipositor ferruginous, the sheaths black and pubescent.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

5. *Braco* *cephalotes*. *B.* rufescenti-flavus, antennae et ovipositore nigris, alis flavo-hyalinis, macula nigra ad stigmatis basin, alteraque in cellula prima discoidali.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Rufo-flavous; antennae and tips of the mandibles black; anterior margin of the clypeus entire; head wider than the thorax, quadrate, smooth, and shining. Thorax very smooth, shining; the mesothorax very convex anteriorly, with an oblique depression on each side anteriorly; the wings flavo-hyaline, with a black macula at the base of the stigma, and a smaller one at its apex, a third macula in the first discoidal cell, and an oblong stain beyond it on the margin of the wing; the posterior wings with their apex and inferior margin fuscous; the posterior tarsi slightly fuscous. Abdo-
men smooth and shining, the basal segment with a deep fovea anteriorly, and a convex shape beyond extending to the posterior margin; the two following segments with an oblique depression on each side.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

This species resembles the *B. aculeata*, Fabr., but differs in not having the thorax narrowed anteriorly, and in having an additional spot on the wings; the head is also much larger, and in what I consider to be *B. aculeata*, the two basal joints of the antennae are pale ferruginous.

6. **Bracón perplexus.** *B. flavus*, vertice macula triangulari notato, antennis tarsisque posticis et ovipositore nigris, alis fuscis, dimidio basali flavis.

**Female.** Length 6 lines. Yellow: the vertex with a large triangular shape, which extends to the insertion of the antennae, the tips of the mandibles and the antennae black; the head smooth and shining; the thorax smooth and shining, with the posterior tarsi dusky; wings yellow-hyaline as far as the apex of the externo-medial cell, beyond which they are of a uniform black, not intense in colour, and with an oblong hyaline streak in the first submarginal cell and two ovate ones below; the stigma yellow at the base. Abdomen: the first segment with a central longitudinal convex shape in the middle, which, as well as the two following segments, is longitudinally striated; the ovipositor black.

**Hab.** Borneo (Sarawak).

7. **Bracón vagatus.** *B. capite thorace pedibusque anticis et intermediiis ferrugineis, abdomine maculaque metathoracis nigris, alis flavescentibus.*

**Female.** Length 5 lines. Head, thorax and legs, smooth, shining, ferruginous, the antennae black, a fuscous spot on the vertex. Thorax smooth and shining; the metathorax black above, and the posterior legs black; the wings flavo-hyaline; a black spot at each end of the stigma; the apex of the posterior wings and the apical portion of the inferior margin of the superior pair, slightly fuscous. Abdomen: the lateral and apical margins of the basal segment, and the apical margins of the third and following segments, yellow; the basal segment with a longitudinal deep lateral channel and a central carina; the second segment rugose, with the apical margin and three triangular spaces at the base, smooth, shining, black; the third segment with an oblique deeply impressed line on each side, the ovipositor black.

**Hab.** Malacca (Mount Ophir).

8. **Bracón inquietus.** *B. capite thorace pedibusque anticis et intermediiis ferrugineis, abdomine alis maculaque metathoracis nigris.*

**Female.** Length 9 lines. Head, thorax, anterior and intermediate legs, ferruginous; the face with a triangular flattened projecting appendage at the base of the clypeus; the antennae black, the head quadrate, smooth and shining. Thorax smooth and shining, with a black spot on the metathorax above; the wings and posterior legs black. Ab-
domen finely rugose, the basal segment with two deeply impressed smooth longitudinal channels, the lateral margins yellow, beneath yellow; the ovipositor with its sheaths very pubescent.

_Hab._ Sarawak.

This species probably belongs to the genus _Myosoma_ of Brullé.

9. _Bracon rugifrons_. _B._ niger, capite thorace pedibusque anticis et intermediiis ferrugineis, alis nigris.

_Female._ Length 5 lines. Black: head, thorax, anterior and intermediate legs ferruginous, the scape ferruginous; the thorax and the vertex smooth and shining, the face rugose; the head subquadrate; the thorax much narrowed towards the head; the mesothorax with two longitudinal smooth elongate impressed lines converging towards the scutellum; the wings of a uniform dark fuscous. Abdomen: the three basal segments longitudinally and irregularly striated; the basal segment margined laterally and having a central carina, the second segment with a central and two converging carinae; the third segment with a deep transverse depression, the apical margin smooth and shining; the fourth segment irregularly depressed and striated at the base.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

10. _Bracon floralis_. _B._ niger, capite thorace pedibusque anticis ferrugineis, antennis pedibusque intermediiis et posterioribus, alis et abdomine maculaque metathoracis nigris.

_Female._ Length 6½ lines. Head, scape of the antenna, thorax, anterior and intermediate legs, ferruginous; the head and thorax very smooth and shining; the thorax narrowed anteriorly into a neck; the mesothorax with two elongate converging smooth impressed lines; the metathorax dark rufo-piceous above, with a bright ferruginous line down the centre; the intermediate tibiae and tarsi black; wings dark brown, with a hyaline spot at the inferior angle of the first submarginal cell. Abdomen smooth and shining; the first segment with a deeply impressed channel on each side, and a central impressed line extending from the base half way towards the apex; the second segment with a spear-shaped elevation in the middle of its base, and a lateral deep longitudinal excavation at the sides; the third segment with an oblique impressed line at the sides.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

11. _Bracon vultuosus_. _B._ capite thorace pedibusque anticis ferrugineis, abdomine pedibusque intermediiis et posticis, abdomine maculaque metathoracis nigris.

_Female._ Length 7 lines. Black: head, thorax and anterior legs, the scape and basal joints of the flagellum in front, ferrugineous; the face with a projecting flattened appendage at the base of the clypeus; the scape fringed with black hairs on its inner margin. Thorax smooth and shining; the metathorax obscure, black in the middle and...
rufo-piceous at the sides, above; wings fuscous, palest towards their apex, with the stigma yellow; the intermediate legs with the knees ferruginous. Abdomen opake, finely rugose; the basal segment with a longitudinal striation, a deeply impressed space at the sides, with the extreme lateral margins, yellow; the second segment with a small arrow-headed raised shape in the middle of its base and an oblique impressed line on each side; the two following segments have also oblique impressed lines at the sides; the third and fourth segments with their apical margins straight in the middle and abruptly oblique at the sides.

Hab. Singapore.


Female. Length 7 lines. Black: head, thorax, scape in front and the anterior legs, ferruginous; the face punctured, the thorax smooth and shining; the mesothorax with two converging longitudinal depressions extending to the scutellum; the wings dark fuscous; the intermediate tibiae at their apex in front obscurely ferruginous. Abdomen: the four basal segments longitudinally rugose; the basal segment with a longitudinal smooth shining depression on each side; the second segment with two triangular smooth depressions and a longitudinal one on each side running onwards and terminating in a large fovea; the third and fourth segments with a smooth shining fovea on each side, the fifth and sixth segments smooth and shining; the ovipositor more than twice the length of the insect, and very pubescent.

Hab. Singapore.


Female. Length 7 lines. Black: the face, mandibles and cheeks, of a reddish-yellow; a black triangular spot in the middle of the face. Thorax shining, much narrower towards the head; a line before the tegulae uniting with a large spot beneath the wings, a transverse space between the posterior wings, the metathorax above, the tegulae and legs, yellow; a transverse black patch at the base of the metathorax with a line running backwards from each extremity; the posterior legs black with the knees yellow; the wings yellowish-hyaline, the nervures pale ferruginous, the apex of the wing slightly fuscous, a black spot at the base of the first submarginal cell, the stigma pale ferruginous. Abdomen: the basal segment yellow, with a shining black spot in the middle; the apical margins of the four following segments yellow; the abdomen yellow beneath, with an elongate black line on each side of the segments.

Hab. Borneo (Sarawak).

14. Braccon crassipes. B. capite thorace pedibusque antice ferrugineis,
metathorace supra nigro-piceo, abdomen pedibusque intermediis et posticis nigris, alis hyalinis basi fuscis.

**Female.** Length 8 lines. Head smooth and shining; antennæ and tips of the mandibles black; clypeus deeply emarginate. Thorax: much narrowed towards the head, smooth and shining; the wings subhyaline, the posterior pair fuscosus towards the base, the superior pair yellowish, the nervures pale ferruginous, the costal nervures dark ferruginous, the stigma pale; the legs thick, particularly the posterior pair, the intermediate tibiae ferruginous at the base. Abdomen: the basal segment at right angles with the following segments; the base of the second segment with an impressed oblique line on each side, and a central carina, each extending to about the middle of the segment; all the segments of an opaque black, and margined posteriorly; the margin of the second segment curved and strongly crenulated, the abdomen yellow beneath.

*Hab.* Singapore.

**Gen. Agathis, Latr.**

1. Agathis flavipennis, Brullé, Hym. iv. p. 484. 3.

*Hab.* Singapore. India.

**Gen. Microdus, Esenbeck.**

1. *Microdus apicalis.* M. capite thorace pedibusque anticis et intermediis pallide ferrugineis, abdomen pedibusque posticis, mesothorace trimaculari et metathorace supra nigris, alis flavescentibus apice fuscis.

**Female.** Length 5½ lines. Head and thorax pale red; the antennæ, a spot enclosing the ocelli and the eyes, black. Thorax: the mesothorax divided into three elevations by two oblique converging deeply impressed lines, each division with a black stripe in the middle; wings yellow, fuscosus beyond the apex of the stigma, the fuscosus cloud inclining inwards and crossing both wings. Abdomen: the three basal segments longitudinally striated; their lateral margins and the apical margin of the basal segment, yellow; the abdomen yellow beneath. The ovipositor about the length of the insect.

*Hab.* Singapore.

**Fam. Chalcididae, Walker.**

**Gen. Epistenia, Westwood.**


**Female.** Length 7½ lines. Head and thorax of a rich purple, the metathorax with tints of bright green; the legs black, the apex of the joints rufo-piceous as well as the apical joints of the tarsi. Abdomen: of
changeable hues, partaking of tints of blue, purple, violet or green, in different lights; the three basal segments deeply emarginate above, with central longitudinal depressions extending to their base; the ovipositor thick and pubescent, two-thirds of the length of the abdomen. 

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

This beautiful insect appears to belong to the genus _Epistienia_, established by Westwood in Griffith's 'Animal Kingdom;' if not so, it is very closely allied.

_Fam._ CHRYSIDIDÆ, _Leach._

_Gen._ HEDYCHRUM, _Latr._

1. _Hedychrum orientale_. _H._ viridi-cyanæum, capite thoraceque confertissimæ punctulatissimæ, abdominis segmenti tertii margine apicali arcuato integerrimo, alis subhyalinis.

Length 2½ lines. The head and thorax very coarsely punctured, the abdomen more delicately so; the abdomen of a bright green, with blue tints in different lights, the flagellum fusco-testaceæus, the mandibles ferruginous at their apex; the deep concavity of the face, in which the scape rests in repose, delicately transversely striate; the tooth at the lateral angles of the metathorax acute; the abdomen nigro-seneus beneath, with a thin, short, glittering pale pubescence, the apical segment widely emarginate.

_Hab._ Singapore.

_Gen._ CHRYSIS, _Linn._

2. _Chrysis malachitica_. _C._ crassissimæ punctata viridi-cyanæa, thorace viridi-aureo, alis fusco-hyalinis, abdominis segmentis apicalibus dentibus sex armatis.

Length 4½ lines. Metallic green, splashed with gold on the thorax and sides of the abdomen; the flagellum, mandibles, and tarsi black; the hinder margin of the vertex tinged with blue. The disk of the thorax blue; the tegulae and nervures of the wings with a purple tinge; the wings subhyaline and iridescent; the lateral posterior angles of the metathorax acute; the post-scutellum produced, the apex truncate. Abdomen: more finely punctured than the head and thorax, but most strongly so at the base; the basal margin with a deep excavation on each side, the lateral angles somewhat produced and obtuse; the basal margin of the second segment blue; the apical margin of the third segment armed with six acute teeth.

_Hab._ Borneo (Sarawak).

3. _Chrysis vestigator_. _C._ viridis nitens purpureo variegata, punctatissima, abdominis segmentis margine basali nigro-seneis, ane tridenticulato.

Length 3½ lines. Green, with shades and spots of deep blue; the tarsi, flagellum and mandibles, black; the head and thorax coarsely and
deeply punctured, the abdomen more finely so; one or two of the basal joints of the flagellum green above; the region of the ocelli blue. Thorax: a transverse blue line in the middle of the prothorax; the mesothorax with an oblong-quadrate blue shape in the middle; the wings subhyaline with the nervures brown. The abdomen with a central longitudinal smooth line; the middle of the abdomen tinged with rich blue; the apex distinctly tridentate.

The valuable collection of *Hymenoptera* which I have described, and, by permission of the Society, have had the pleasure of laying before them, is the property of W. W. Saunders, Esq., Fellow of the Society, and is the most complete collection formed by Mr. Wallace. In addition to the interest attached to the description of new species, I have endeavoured to show the extent of the known geographical range of those already described. Of the family *Apidea*, forty-one species are enumerated, twenty-six of which are new. It is, however, to the *Formicidae* that the most valuable additions are made: of the eighty-five species collected, only seven have been previously described; ten are added to the *Mutillidae*, forty-one to the Fossorial group, and thirteen to the family *Vespidae*. This enumeration will serve to give some idea of the valuable additions to science, resulting from the labours of Mr. Wallace, in collecting the insects of the Eastern Archipelago.

**Description of the Plates.**

**Tab. I.**

Fig.

1. Tongue of *Ptenoplectra chalybea*. 1 a, labial palpi; 1 b, paraglossæ; 1 c, labium.

2. The maxilla of *Ptenoplectra chalybea*. 2 a, maxillary palpus.

3. The posterior leg of *Ptenoplectra*.

4. Calcar or spur on the posterior tibia of *Ptenoplectra*.

5. Anterior wing of *Ptenoplectra*.


7. The labial palpi of *Polyrhachis*.

8. Maxillary palpi of *Polyrhachis*.

9. Thorax and abdomen of *Polyrhachis bihamata*.


Fig.
25. Echinopla melanacte. 26. Section of the abdomen of the same,
showing the styles, or blunt spines, with hairs on their summits,
which cover the abdomen above. 27. Maxillary palpus of the same.
28. Mandible of the same. 29. Labial palpus of the same.

Tab. II.

1. Myrmosida paradoza. 1 a, antennæ; 1 b, wing.
2. Crematogaster inflata. 1 b, wing; 1 c, manble.
3. Cataulacus horridus.
4. Cataulacus insularis. 4 a, anterior wing.
9. Tongue of Gayella pulchella. 9 a, labial palpi; 9 b, parasglossæ.
10. Maxilla. 10 a, maxillary palpi.
11. Anterior wing of Gayella pulchella.

On the general Geographical Distribution of the Members of the
Class Aves. By Philip Lutley Sclater, Esq., M.A.,
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An important problem in Natural History, and one that has
hitherto been too little agitated, is that of ascertaining the most
natural primary divisions of the earth’s surface, taking the amount
of similarity or dissimilarity of organized life solely as our guide.
It is a well-known and universally acknowledged fact that we can
choose two portions of the globe of which the respective Faunas
and Flora shall be so different, that we should not be far wrong
in supposing them to have been the result of distinct creations.
Assuming then that there are, or may be, more areas of creation
than one, the question naturally arises, how many of them are
there, and what are their respective extents and boundaries, or
in other words, what are the most natural primary ontological di-
visions of the earth’s surface?

In the Physical Atlases lately published, which have deservedly
attracted no small share of attention on the part of the public, too
little regard appears to have been paid to the fact that the divi-
sions of the earth’s surface usually employed are not always those