

## NEW COLEOPTERA. IX.

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OMOPHRON Lat.

**O. decoloratum**, sp. nov.

Broadly oval, form nearly as in *robustum*, size a little larger than the latter, color above testaceous, beneath brown fading to yellow at the margins; markings similar in form and position to those of *robustum* except that the transverse frontal plaga is not produced forward at middle, the sutural stripe is not dilated before the apex, and they are throughout of a pale brownish tint, without trace of metallic lustre. The surface throughout is polished and strongly shining, the elytral striae fine, entire and set with rather distant punctures.

Length 6.7 to 6.9 mm.; width 4.5 to 4.6 mm.

Described from three examples bearing label Gray Co., Kansas, July 9-15, 1917. Specimens were sent me by Mr. W. Knaus, who received them from the University of Kansas. The type is a female.

This species falls with *pallidum* and *robustum* by Casey's table.\* *Pallidum* differs distinctly by its smaller size and dull alutaceous lustre, in which it resembles *gila*. *Decoloratum* is more nearly allied to *robustum*, but the pale, washed-out and rather small and indefinite markings, which are not at all due to immaturity, readily distinguish it.

In the Canadian Entomologist—1909, p. 276—Casey describes *O. brevipenne* from Ohio specimens. As its author remarks, this is the species which generally goes as *robustum* in collections. A careful comparison of Ohio specimens with the type of *robustum* shows them to be practically identical in all respects. The unique type of *robustum* was described as coming from Nova Scotia, but so far as I know no other specimens have been taken in that region, and I very much doubt the correctness of the locality; in any case it is quite certain that the Ohio specimens are the same thing.

## HETEROCERUS Fab.

Among a lot of miscellaneous Manitoban things recently sent for determination by Messrs. Wallis and Criddle, I find two undescribed species of this genus. It is especially noteworthy that both belong to the subgenus *Littorimus*, of which Horn recognized but a single representative in his Synopsis of the North American species. Opportunity is taken to make known two other undescribed species, one of them a *Littorimus*, which have stood in my collection for many years.

**H. minutus**, sp. nov.

Very small; entire body and appendages testaceous, the head sometimes feebly infuscate; pubescence short, pale, marginal fringe short. Head and thorax densely, very finely punctate; elytra finely punctate, the punctures separated by about their own diameters, the interspaces excessively minutely punctulate. Prothorax (♂) strongly transverse, evidently wider than the elytra, sides moderately arcuate, not narrowed in front, with the usual apical and basal constrictions, base not visibly margined. Elytra without trace of striae, but with a broad sulcus extending tending backward from the intrahumeral

\*Coleopt. Notices VII, p. 301.  
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