

A NOTE ON THE SPECIES OF *MICRONECTA* OCCURRING IN INDIA AND CEYLON (HEMIPTERA).

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In the "Fauna of British India" (Vol. III, 50-51, 1906), Mr. Distant has redescribed two species only of this genus from India and Ceylon, thus omitting six previously described, three of them being old and well established.

Eleven species are now known to me from these countries, one being now diagnosed and three left to a future time.

1. *albifrons*, Motsch., =|| *striata*, Fieber, = *-ovivora*, Westw., = *siva*, Kirk.
2. *grisea*, Fieber.
3. *haliploides*, Horvath.
4. *malabarica*, Kirk.
5. *memonides*, Kirk.
6. *M-notata*, Kirk., =|| *lineata*, Fieber, = *notata*, Kirk., 1905 (by misprint).
7. *punctata*, Fieber.
8. *thelxinoë*, Kirk.

Micronecta malabarica, sp. nov.—The general characters are those of *M. albifrons*, but the tegminal picturation is very faint; there is no trace of a transverse line on the distinctly longer pronotum, and the interior margin of the vertex is also in a direct line with that of the eyes. Length, 4 mill.

Hab.—India, Malabar Coast.

P. S.—When my list of the known species of *Micronecta* was published (Ent. News, 1905, p. 261), I had not heard of five species published the same year, viz.:

1. *quadristrigata*, Breddin, from Java.
2. *ludibunda*, " " Java.
3. *fugitans*, " " Java and Celebes.
4. *pardalina*, " " Java.
5. *inflatula*, " " Java.

I also omitted *hydroporina* (Sigara), Von der Decken, 1873, from East Africa.

I have now in the press descriptions of two new forms, *pallida* and *micra*, from Australia, so that the total number of species is now 47, of which perhaps 42 or 43 are valid. It is safe to predict that ultimately some hundred species or so will be known.