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## A SYNOPSIS OF THE GENERA IN CHLOROPIDÆ, FOR NORTH AMERICA.

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Having had occasion recently to identify species of North America Chloropidæ, I found some difficulty in placing the specimens in their proper genera by the use of the published keys to the family. The most recent paper on the Chloropidæ is that by Becker,\* which is a rather unsatisfactory one, lacking in many details, though it purports to be a "monographic" treatise. About a dozen North American species are left out of the paper, and the table of genera in the Chloropinæ is so framed that it is not possible to locate specimens generically. I do not purpose criticising Becker's work, believing that criticism alone is seldom beneficial, and offer the following table, which I hope will prove useful to the extent of satisfactorily locating specimens in the genera to which they belong.

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### GENERIC SYNOPSIS:

1. Costa reaching to third vein or slightly beyond it . . . . . 2  
Costa reaching distinctly to fourth vein . . . . . 13
2. Outer cross-vein absent . . . . . *Elliponeura* Loew.  
Outer cross-vein present . . . . . 3
3. Hind femur much thickened, hind tibia bent . . . . . 4  
Hind femur not thickened; hind tibia straight, or almost so . . . 5
4. Third joint of antennæ much elongated, about four times as long as broad; veins 2 and 3 but slightly bent forward . . . . . *Neodiploxa*, n. gen.  
Third joint of antennæ but little longer than broad; veins 2 and 3 much bent forward . . . . . *Meromyza* Meigen.

\*Ann. Nat. Mus. Hung., 1912.