The Canadian Kntomologist.

Vol. XXIX.

LONDON, AUGUST, 1897.

No. 8.

PRELIMINARY STUDIES OF N. AMERICAN GOMPHINE.

BY JAMES G. NEEDHAM, CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, N. Y.*

(Continued from page 168.)

Herpetogomphus pictus, n. sp. Male,---Ithaca, N. V.

Length, 49 mm.; abdomen, 35; hind wing, 27.

Green and brown, varied with black and yellow.

Face and from above entirely yellow; a broad black band between the eyes, including the ocelli; antenna black, the extreme rim of their cuplike insertions yellow. Occiput yellow, its border convex, ciliated with black. Rear of eyes brown, paler externally.

Prothorax fuscous, with a median twin spot greenish.

Thorax bright green, very thinly clad with brownish hairs, and faintly striped with brown. Dorsal and both lateral stripes subobsolete. Humeral stripe complete, irregular; antehumeral, isolated above, and separated from the humeral by a narrow green line. Subalar and antealar carinae brown.

Wings hyaline, flavescent at the base. Membranule minute, pale; stigma brown; veins black; costa faintly yellow externally.

Femora straw yellow, lineated with black internally and each with a subapical incomplete ring of black. Tibiae black, each with an external straw yellow line. Tarsi black; hind tarsi with a yellowish mark or, the second and third segments superiorly.

Abdomen brown with transverse apical rings of black on segments 2 to 9; additional transverse lines of black on segments 3 to 7, at one-third the length of the segments. A middorsal yellow line, diffuse on segments 3 to 6, sharply bordered with black on 7 to 9. Apex of segment 10 and sides of 8 and 9 (except extreme lateral margin, which is black) and appendages yellow.

Superior appendages scarcely longer than the toth segment, clad with blackish hairs. Seen from above they are divergent half their length, then parallel to their blunt

Prof. T. D. A. Cockerell has promptly and very kindly called my attention to an oversight in proposing the name *Orcus*, which is preoccupied. I replace it with *Arigomphus*.

^{*}An unfortunate misarrangement of the table for nymphs crept in at the end of the last paper. The two paragraphs immediately preceding the last one on page 168 both relate to *Stylurus*. They should therefore be consolidated and preceded by 7.