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## NEW SPECIES OF THE FAMILY IPIDÆ (COLEOPTERA)\*

### PART III.

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#### *Pityokteines jasperi*, n. sp.

A small, very slender species, closely allied to *sparsus* Lec; with the elytra very closely, regularly, deeply punctured behind.

*Description of the female*—Length, 2.3 mm.; width, .7 mm.; colour, dark piceous, nearly black, with the antennæ and legs paler. The head has the front plano-convex, densely very finely granulate, with a small median tubercle, and thickly clothed with very long curved yellow hairs much as in *sparsus*; the antennal club thickened basally, very obliquely truncate and depressed apically, with the sutures confined to the apical depressed outer surface.

The *pronotum* is distinctly longer than wide, with the sides straight on the basal half, broadly evenly rounded in front; coarsely, rather densely, and irregularly asperate in front; rather coarsely, moderately closely and deeply punctured behind, more finely near the rather wide smooth median line; with sparse long hairs about the sides and in front, and the front margin densely fringed with long curved yellow hairs.

The *elytra* are elongate, with the sides parallel beyond the middle, the striae narrowly faintly impressed, the sutural striae distinctly deeper and wider, the striae punctures of median size, very close on the disc, and deep; the interstriae punctures regularly uniseriate, deep, as large as those of the striae and nearly as close on the caudal half, as close and granulate near the declivity, a little smaller and less numerous towards the base. The declivity is steep, convex, with the suture elevated and granulate and the

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