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CLASSIFICATION OF THE FOSSORIAL, PREDACEOUS AND PARASITIC WASPS, OR THE SUPERFAMILY VESPOIDEA.

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TRIBE II .- Mutillini.

This tribe, to the initiated, is readily distinguished by the eyes, which are usually quite differently shaped, rarely smooth and shining, and always distinctly facetted, although a few females have small ellipsoidal or somewhat rounded eyes, as in the tribes *Photopsidini* and *Sphaerophthalmini*, and therefore, if the greatest care is not given to other characters, could be confused with certain genera in those tribes.

	Table of Genera.
	Males I Females 28
1.	Eyes not large, oval, ovate or ellipsoidal, never emarginate within distinctly facetted
	Eyes large, always distinctly emarginate within
2.	Apterous or subapterous forms
	Fully winged forms
3.	Subapterous or with rudimentary wings
	Apterous or entirely without wings.
	Thorax with distinct sutures, the scutellum more or less differentiated4
	Thorax without sutures, the scutellum not differentiated, entirely absent; eyes small, oval. (Europe, Africa and
	Asia.)Brachymutilla, André.
	(Type B. gynandromorpha, André)
ŀ	Mandibles dentate
	Mandibles edentate, acute at apex.

Thorax oblong, narrowed posteriorly, scuttellum very minute; eyes small, oval.	
Milerica.j	····. Morsyma, Fox.
5. Thorax not ob bell-shaped	pe M. Ashmeadii, Fox.)
Thorax not ob bell-shaped. (Ty Thorax ob-bell-shaped, widest in front, the wider than the mesonotum and a little wider Head transverse, the temples narrow; oc present; abdomen spotted with whi narrowed into a slight petiole at base, sessile with the second. (Asia,	pronotum very short, r than the head. elli wanting; scutellum ite, the first segment but broad at apex and
Africa)Spilomo	utilla. Ashm gen non
(Type Mut	illa perfecta, Radoszk.)
(Africa.)Viere	ckia Ashm
(Type Murill	la dumbrodia, Péring.)
(Africa.)Apteromut	illa Ashm
(Type	Mutilla aeda, Péring.)
	or poorly the
angles acute; mandibles 3-dentate.	or nearly, the front
Head armed with a large tooth on each sid	e beneath the
placed anteriorly rather close	a to the
(North America.)	Myrmilloidan Andri
(Type Mutil)	
and they the upper hind angles	not
Asia.)	. Myrmilla, Wesman
Front wings with three cubital cells, or the th	ird partially formed
never entirely absent	partially formed,
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And the second s	
 Not entirely black, the thorax red; head transverse, rounded behind the hind angles not 	
and angles not acute	•
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Head transverse-quadrate, the hind angles acute; mandibles	
bidentate	5
Pseudomethoca, Ashmead.	
Head transverse rounded by the Mutilla Canadensis, Blake.)
Head transverse, rounded behind, the hind angles not	
acute	
(I vne Mutilla lunulata o ' 1 1	
transverse, wider than the thorax: mandibles	
than the thoras and the	
narrow, arcuate, tridentate at apex. (Africa.) Labidomilla, André.	
(Tuno Marilla, André.	
(Type Mutilla tauriceps, Kohl.) Mesonotum with furrows; hind tibiæ spinous on outer face12.	
Mesonotum mithaut furrouse, hind tible spinous on outer face12.	
Mesonotum without furrows; hind tible not spinous on outer face.	
Not entirely black, the thorax red; front wings with <i>two</i> recurrent	
and 4 more than twice longer than	
Mussill W	
Diack; front wings with only and recurrent	
and 4 hardly longer than	
tnick(?) Dimorphomutilla Asland	
3 dentate.	
First and second joint of the flagellum not short, fully twice as long	
as thick. (South America.)Euspinolia, Ashm., g. nov.	
(Ture Marilland), Ashm., g. nov.	
First and second joints of the flagellum short, the first distinctly	
shorter than the second. (Africa.) Dasylabroides, André.	
(Amca.)Dasylabroides, André.	
13. Antennæ simple, never flabellate	
Antennæ abnormal, flabellate.	
Thorax with distinct parapsidal furrows; the scutellum with a deep	
across the base; front wings with there are in	
Psammotherma, Latreille	
formed15.	

Fro	ont wings with only two cubital cells, the third entirely
	bbliterated
	mapea
16. Mes bi	sonotum with distinct furrows; mandibles excised beneath, dentate at apex: abdomen with the first ventral segment carinate edially, the hypopygium margined laterally, emarginate at apex. frica.)
	(Type Marilland
po	onotum with distinct parapsidal furrows, or the furrows indicated steriorly
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18. Mand	protum without parapsidal furrows
	believed, before the middle evolved
	"" a process of tooth before the in-i-i-
pro	cess or tooth beneath
	Didentale
th	median cell longer than the median, the second cubital cell nore or less triangular, the third large, hexagonal; first joint of the flageilum shorter than the second. (Europe, Africa,
A	sia.)
20. Subme	dian centionger than the median rando
(Nor	th and South America.)
secon	(Type Mutilla dubitata, Smith.) lian and median cells equal, the marginal cell not much longer wide; first joint of the flagellum distinctly shorter than the d; hind tibiæ not spinous, but with long hairs, ope.)
	(Type Mutilla rufipes, Latr.)
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21. Mandibles tridentate	_
Mandibles bidentate.	2.
Submedian cell longer than the median; disc of clypeus subconve	
first joint of the flagellum a little shorter than the second	х;
second ventral segment normal. (Europe.)Ronisia, Cost	1;
(Type Mutilla 1 7	
22. Second ventral segment carinate, and sometimes dentate posterior	,
(Africa.)	y
(Type Mutilla mutil or to	
of the following the median the third the	
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-3' - Morat with the Hollt margin slightly arguate the and	
Tiont wings with 1700 recurrent nervures	
and the frontal margin slightly concave the and	;
wings with one recurrent nervure	
Head transverse, not as wide as the thorax; mesonotum with	1
distinct furrows; median and submedian cells of an equal length; abdomen with a white band.	1
(Asia.)	
(Type Mutilla simplicifessis D. 1.	
subquadrate, with two tubercles between the antenna	
temples broad; recurrent nervures converging and anti-	1
second cubital cell close together	
(Africa.)	
(Type Mutilla bitubergulata G. 11)	
tread transverse, without tubercles between the antenno the transport	
not broad; recurrent nervures not converging mid-la	
(Amea.) Mimecomutilla, Ashm., gen. nov.	
(Type Mutilla purposes a total	
-7. Soutenam transverse-quadrate, tridentate posteriorly, second	
segment armed with a tooth. (Africa.). Péringueya, Ashm., gen. nov.	
Scutellum large for hideret (Type Mutilla erynnis, Péring.	
Scutellum large, flat, bidentate posteriorly, a tooth at each hind angle	
that curves inwardly; second ventral segment normal, unarmed	
(Africa.)Odontomutilla, Ashmead.	
(Type Mutilla Saussurei, Sèchel.)	

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28. Thorax quadrangular, not much narrowed posteriorly, the sides parallel or nearly, sometimes laterally slightly sinuate or compressed medially, rarely observables.
obtrapezoidal.
and shaped of otherwise usually named to
contracted at the sides
contracted at the sides
randing with a pyoidial area in mid-
rarely with only the upper margin of the truncature dentate34.
second joint transverse. (Africa.)(?) Trogaspidia, Ashmead.
Thorax with side slightly compressed medially; head large, quadrate,
(South America.) Euspinolia, Ashm., gen. nov.
(Type Musilla skilla sk
(Type Mutilla chilensis, Spin.) 33. Head quadrate, a little wider than the thorax, with two triangular
tubercles between the antennæ. (Africa.). Blakeius, Ashm., gen. nov.
Head transverse, not wider than the thorax, without tubercles
between the antennæ. (Asia.). Radoszkowskius, Ashm., gen. nov.
(Type Mutilla simplisite, gen. nov.
(Type Mutilla simplicifascia, Radoszk.) 34. Upper margin of the metathoracic truncature armed with three or Upper margin of the metathoracic truncature armed with three or
Upper margin of the metathoracic truncature normal, unarmed36.
instantionatic truncature normal, unarmed36.

35. Thorax not twice as long as wide, the upper ma	urgin of the truncature
3 to 5 teetn; head large, quadr	ate the temples were
broad. (Africa.)Péringu	eva. Ashm gen nor
(Type Mi	stilla outore D.
Thorax a little more than twice longer than wid	e the unver
the truncature armed with about 8 teeth; h	e, the upper margin of
temples not especially broad.	lead subquadrate, the
(Africa.)	
/Town Mariti	illa, Ashm., gen. nov.
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36. Mandibles at apex not tridentate	37.
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or projection	
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projection before the emargination. (Europe.	.)Ronisia, Costa.
(Type	Mutilla beutia Dat
thorax.	cely wider than the
Mandibles bidentate; third joint of the ante	ennæ not loness it
the fourth, shorter than the fifth, or no lo	nger
(Europe.)Smi	cromyrme, Thomson.
Mandibles acuminate, edentate, rarely with	a slight tooth within
before apex; third joint of the antennæ lo	nger than the family
usually as long as joints 4 and 5 united	(North and Saust
rincirca.)	Timulla Ashan
ricad large, quadrate, wider than the thorax	the temples bear
thorax more than twice longer than wide and	oman with ton 1 !.
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39. Thorax not escuteneon-snaped	
somewhat escutcheon-shaped sinuat	aly amarainat 1
contracted from about the apical one-fourth	the postarior
and angles founded; head transverse, as wide	as the thoray
oval. (Allica.)	h.ooo
40. Thorax quite differently shaped, without a lateral	tooth at the ani-1
time	
Thorax sinuate and slightly narrowed posteriorly	from a lateral to
at the apical third.	nom a lateral tooth

Mandibles simple, edentate; third joint of the antennæ obconical,

	hardly longer than thick at apex.
	(Africa.)Odontomutilla, Ashmead.
Ι.	Thorax not hexagonal, usually obpyriform, obovoid, obtrapezoidal or
	violin-shaped
	Thorax distinctly hexagonal, widest at the angles a little before the
	middle, squarely truncate anteriorly.
	Head quadrate, the temples broad; eyes oblong-oval.
	(Africa.)Xenomutilla, Ashm., gen. nov. (Type Mutilla eurydice, Péring.)
12.	Thorax not much elongate, less than thrice as long as wide43.
	Thorax much elongate, obpyriform, at least thrice as long as wide, or even longer; pygidium towards apex usually smooth, shining, the pygidial area nearly obliterated.
	Thorax more than thrice as long as wide, coarsely pitted or
	rugose, the front margin rounded, the lateral margin with a
	triangular tooth before the middle; second ventral segment
	with a median tooth; head subquadrate, hardly as wide as the
	thorax, rounded behind, the temples broad; mandibles
	acuminate at apex, but with a tooth within near the middle,
	usually not visible when the mandibles are closed.
	(Africa.)
	Thorax about thrice as long as wide, but not coarsely sculptured,
	the front margin squarely truncate, the lateral margins without a
	tooth; second ventral segment unarmed; head transverse,
	not wider than the thorax, the temples narrow; mandibles
	acuminate, edentate. (Asia.) Promecilla, André.
	(Type Mutilla regia, Smith.)
43.	Thorax obpyriform, obovoid or subtrapezoidal, narrowed posteriorly. Thorax subtrapezoidal; head subquadrate, rounded behind, the
	temples broad; eyes small, oval; mandibles arcuate, acuminate.
	(Africa)Brachymutilla, André.
	Thorax obovoid or obpyriform.
	Head quadrate, the temples broad; eyes ellipsoidal; mandibles
	conically-pointed; third antennal joint longer than the fourth,
	but not twice as long as thick. (North
	America.)

	Head subglobose; eyes not small, oval or ovate; mandibles stout, conically-pointed; third antennal joint fully twice as long as thick, obconical, longer than the fourth. (Europe, Africa.)
	Thorax quadanguiar or nearly, trapezoidal or obpyriform46. Thorax, seen from above, almost violin-shaped.
	acute, beneath armed with a tooth on each side; mandibles usually bidentate, rarely simple, the over tooth
	(North America.)
	America.) Dimorphomutilla, Ashmead, gen. nov.
	Thorax, seen from above, almost quadangular, with the sides bisinuate or crenulate; head transverse, a little wider than the thorax, the cheeks unarmed; eyes ellipsoidal; mandibles bidentate. (Africa.)
40	
	Thorax trapezoidal
	No median longitudinal carina on thorax, the lateral margins finely denticulate; head large, nearly quadrate, wider than the thorax; eyes oval; hind tibia spinous; scape long, somewhat curved; first joint of the flagellum very long, three or more times longer than the second; tarsi long and slender; mandibles large, falcate. (Africa.)
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	acute, the find angles acute: head oblame to
	wide; eyes oval; middle and hind italia smooth, not spinous. (Europe, Asia, Africa.)

47. Thorax quadrangular or nearly, the sides parallel or nearly, rarely

(Type Mutilla voucheri, Turn.)

	Thorax obpyriform or much narrowed posteriorly52
48	Thorax quadrangular or nearly
	pressed or sinuate medially.
	Head not wider than the thorax; abdomen ovate, subsessile, the second segment large, with two white spots.
	(Africa.) Apteromutilla Ashmead
50.	Head somewhat large, but without a tooth on each side beneath, the
	hind angles rounded, not acute; eyes oval or oblong; antennal scape not specially long
	Head large with a tooth on set it to the set of the set
	Head large, with a tooth on each side beneath, the hind angles acute; eyes oval; antennæ rather widely separated, the scape long, the third joint very long; mandibles long, narrow, arcuate and bidentate at anex. (North America)
51.	bidentate at apex. (North America.)Myrmilloides, André. Mandibles 3-dentate; third antennal joint only about twice as long as the fourth, or as long as joints 4 and 5 united. (Europe, Africa,
	Asia.)
	Mandibles acuminate at apex, with a tooth within before apex, never
	tridentate; third antennal joint more than twice longer than the
	Tourth. (Europe, Africa.) Edrionotus, Radoszkowski.
52.	Head not wider than the thorax, strongly concave beneath, the
	margins rimmed; second abdominal segment anteriorly depressed, the depression limited by an oblong cushion.
	(Asia.)

A NEW JOINT-WORM PARASITE FROM RUSSIA. BY WILLIAM H. ASHMEAD, M.A., D.SC., WASHINGTON, D. C.

Homoporus Vassiliefi, sp. nov.—♀—Length, 2 mm. Head and thorax bluish, finely, closely punctured, the face and the pleura with a greenish metallic lustre, the metapleura decidedly brassy; antennæ brown, the scape yellow; legs concolorous with the thorax, the hind coxæ with a metallic greenish fringe, the apices of all femora, all tibiæ and tarsi, except the last joint, yellow, the last joint dark fuscous; wings hyaline, the nervures brown, the stigmal vein two-thirds the length of the marginal, the

postmarginal vein very nearly as long as the marginal; abdomen aeneous black, tinged with metallic green basally at the sides, ovate, somewhat pointed at apex, very little longer than the thorax.

Type.—Cat. No. 1010, U. S. N. M.

Host.-Hym.: Isosoma eremitum, Portschinsky.

Hab.—Oufa, Russia. Described from a single specimen, received from Mr. Ivan Vassilief, of St. Petersburg.

Two of the Russian joint-worms described by Portschinsky, namely, Isosoma apterum and I. eremitum, should be relegated to the genus Philachyra, Haliday.

CONCERNING GASTROPHILUS EPILEPSALIS, FRENCH.

Mr. Washburn's note in the November number (p. 320) induces me to state that Gastrophilus epilepsalis, French, is no Gastrophilus at all; in fact, not the larva of an Œstrid. The figure shows that it is a Muscid larva, very probably of Calliphora, certainly so if the figure is correct. The species cannot be identified until more of these forms are reared. French's figure indicates that it is very close to the European C. vomitoria as figured by Piepers. There is no definite character known to identify Œstrid larvæ, but the larvæ of some Muscidæ can be separated from the Œstridæ. The larvæ of Calliphora differ somewhat in the structure of the mouth from any known Œstrid larvæ. That Prof. Washburn had a Gastrophilus is quite possible from the habits; but it is not the G. epilepsalis, French.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SIR,—Please insert the following addition to my paper on Isodontia, published in the CANADIAN ENTOMOLOGIST for October, 1903 (p. 271):

Isodontia macrocephala, var. cinerea. Described from four specimens taken at Enterprise, Fla.; Columbia, S.C.; Texas, and one without locality. These cotypes are in the collections of the U. S. National Museum, American Entomological Society, Mass. Agricultural College, and Dr. W. H. Ashmead, the collections from which I received them.

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SOME NEBRASKA BEES.

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Melissodes brevicornis, Cress.—Lincoln, Aug. 12-27, on Teucrium Canadense. The Q differs from the 3 only in having the face-parts black, pubescence on face lighter, segments 2 to 4 only banded; the scopa is yellowish. The 3 3 taken all had the tibiæ and tarsi entirely fulvous.

Nomada grindelia, Ckll.—?. Head and thorax black, shiny, very sparsely punctured; abdomen red, very sparsely and finely punctured; face covered with decumbent, silvery-white pubescence; mandibles and labrum apically ferruginous; antennae ferruginous beneath; mesothorax almost impunctate medially; scutellum sub-bilobate; pleura of mesothorax swollen, whole thorax with white pubescence, especially pleura and metathorax; form more robust than in §. Length 7 mm.

3.—The posterior femora have a small tooth beneath, toward base. Common at Lincoln in August; taken on Solidago Missouriensis, Grindelia squarrosa; Euphorbia and Lactuca.

Mr. Pierce informs me that it is probably a parasite of *Halictus* ligatus, Say.

Stelis lateralis, Cress —West Point, June 10, '01. Taken at the holes of Alcidamea simplex in rose bushes.

Ncopasites Illinoiensis, Robt.—Lincoln and West Point, Sept. 4 to 11, on Solidago rigida and Grindelia squarrosa.

N. heliopsis, Robt.—West Point and Lincoln, Aug. 30 to Sept. 11, on Aster, S. rigida and G. squarresa.

Halietoides marginatus, Cress.—Common at Lincoln and West Point in August and September; found on Grindelia, Helianthus, Solidago, Teucrium, Bidens.

H. maurus, Cress.—Sioux Co., June, on Campanula. Mr. Viereck, to whom this was sent for comparison with Mr. Cresson's types, informs me that the types are all males, and not females, as stated in the original description.

Perdita maura, Ckll.—Many specimens from both Lincoln and West Point, but all on Physalis. Dr. Graenicher writes that he has found it burrowing in loamy soil at Milwaukee, Wis., and regards it as an oligotropic visitor of Physalis. Prof. Cockerell writes that it may possibly be found on Aster growing in the vicinity of Physalis, and no doubt this was the case in the type material.

The abdominal segments 2 and 3 or 2-4 have a small white spot on each side

P. zebrata, Cress.—Scott's Bluffs, Aug. 14, 1901, on Cleome. New to Nebraska

Panurginus Piercei, n. sp. - 7. Black, head closely and rather coarsely punctured above antennae, sparsely so below; scape of antennae black, coarsely punctured in front; flagellum dark; clypeus, labrum, base of mandibles, lateral face-marks nearly as high as insertion of antennæ and broad above, dog's-ear marks, supra-clypeal area, all tarsi, anterior tibiæ in front, spot at apex of femora in front, base and apex of all tibiæ, yellow; pubescence of head and thorax rufo-ochraceous, dense on thorax; thorax rather coarsely and sparsely punctured; wings dusky, more so at apex; nervures and stigma dark; tegulæ testacous; metathorax roughened, the base irregularly rugose; base of first abdominal segment impunctate, the disc punctured; all the other segments densely and strongly punctured, apical margins broadly depressed, shiny and transversely lineolate; depressed margins at sides and apical segments all over with thin whitish hairs; margin of clypeus and of process of labrum black; clypeus with a median impunctate area, in the middle of which is a longitudinal depressed line not quite reaching apex of clypeus.

Length 8 mm.

Q .- Similar, form broader, punctuation finer; yeilow confined to spots on four anterior knees; clypeus without impunctate area and depressed line; process of labrum trapezoidal, base much wider than apex, slightly emarginate; wings almost hyaline, nervures testaceous, but stigma dark; first abdominal segment impunctate, lineolation plainer than in the δ ; narrow apical margins of segments testaceous; segments not so plainly depressed; fimbria and scopa whitish.

Length 8-9 mm.

A pair from nest, Lincoln, Nebr., Sept. 7, 1903 (W. D. Pierce, coll.); also six other 9 9 (not from nests); a & West Point, Nebr., Sept. 12, 1903, on Bidens (Crawford, coll.).

Dedicated to Mr. Pierce, who first found the species, in recognition of his work on the habits and parasites of bees.

Differs from P. rudbeckiæ in its larger size, dark tubercles, presence of dog's ear marks, clypeus of with depressed median line, instead of "a broad median depression, which is impunctate or nearly so."

Panurginus Nebrascensis, n. sp. - 3. Black shining labrum, base of mandibles, clypeus, lateral face marks as high as insertion of antenne, supra-clypeal and dog's-ear marks, a line in front of scape of antennæ, spot on tubercles, knees, front tibiæ except black line on rear, base and apex of intermediate and rear tibiæ, and all tarsi, lemon-yellow; face with sparse large punctures as high as antennæ, above this closely and more finely punctured; vertex and head behind eyes with sparse, large and deep punctures; pubescence of head and thorax sparse, whitish; mesothorax with rather large but not close punctures; scutellum with coarse punctures; postscutellum closely and more finely punctured; base of metathorax enclosed, longitudinally striate; truncation and sides dull from fine, close punctures; ides of mesothorax shiny, and with coarser and sparser punctures; tegulæ testaceous; wings dusky, darker apically; base of abdominal segment smooth, beyond with rather close punctures; apices of segments depressed and transversely striatulate; segments beyond first closely and finely punctured, abdominal segments clothed with very short yellowish pubescence, visible only in certain lights.

Q.—Similar, but lacking yellow marks of male; mesothorax more
finely and sparsely punctured; punctures of truncation of metathorax of
pleura finer; first abdominal segment almost impunctate; abdomen
lacking the pubescence of Z; anal fringe reddish; scopa whitish.

Lincoln and West Point, Nebr.: on Solidago rigida and S. Missouriensis, and also Grindelia squarrosa. Aug. 24 to Sept. 11. 20 δ 's, δ $\hat{\varphi}$'s. Sexes in copula.

Andrena Alicia, Robt. — A single specimen on Bidens chrysanthemoides, Sept 19, 1903, at West Point. New to Nebr.

Our other fall Andrenas are pulchella, helianthi, solidaginis, nubecula and two apparently undescribed species.

Sphecodogastra Texana, Cress .-- Lincoln, Sept.; on Grindelia; West

Point, Oct. Halictus aberrans, n. sp.— Q. Black, shiny, with thin pubescence; head finely and closely punctured; thorax rather sparsely and finely punctured; clypeus sparsely punctured; antennæ dark; tegulæ black, externally honey coloured; wings slightly milky and nervures honey colour; legs black, with a very thin loose scopa of silvery-white hairs; base of metathorax finely irregularly wrinkled; abdomen very shiny, finely and sparsely punctured, punctures more dense toward bases of segments, margins of segments light testaceous, and with bands of white hair on segments one to four.

Length about 9 mm.

Three specimens: Sioux Co., Nebr., June 3, on Symphoricarpos; Crawford, Nebr., July 28, on Cleome; Manitou, Colo.

A NEW GENUS OF BEES.

BY J. C. CRAWFORD, JR., WEST POINT, NEBR.

Protandrenopsis, new genus.—Labial palpi four-jointed, r about twice as long as 2-4 together, 2-4 slightly decreasing in length; maxillary palpi 6-jointed, r and 2 subequal, longer than any of the following joints; 3, 5 and 6 subequal, 4 slightly longer; tongue long, lanceolate; mandibles simple; labrum transverse, process of labrum large, almost covering labrum; foveæ present, small; stigma large, well developed, nearly two-thirds the length of the obliquely truncate, subappendiculate marginal cell, which is about as long as the two submarginals together; second submarginal fully one-third longer than the first, receiving the first recurrent nervure about one-third from base and the second near apex; median cell along the median nervure, a little longer than the submedian, the transverse median nervure joining the median just before the origin of the basal nervure; scopa on posterior tibiæ, first joint of tarsi and on venter.

Type, the following species:

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Protandrenopsis fuscipennis, n. sp. 9 .- Black, somewhat shining, almost entirely nude, the pubescence being confined to the goldenyellowish anal fringe and scopa on legs, a little inconspicuous pubescence around insertion of antennæ and on vertex, a line on prothorax passing around behind tubercles, some yellowish pubescence on rear of head, on under side of insect and a few plumose hairs at extreme side of abdominal segments; all pubescence inconspicuous and not showing from above, except fimbria and scopa; head closely and rather coarsely punctured, more coarsely so on sides of face; process of labrum very large, concave, the anterior margin bent upwards, process smooth and shining, basally a little roughened and with a median ridge, apically subemarginate; rest of labrum covered with yellowish pubescence; foveæ narrow, short, deep, the lower end nearer eye than the upper; mandibles black, obscurely reddish medially; mesothorax coarsely and rather sparsely punctate, the pleura confluently so; sides of metathorax finely roughened, the truncation closely and finely punctate, becoming sparse and coarse at top, laterally; base of metathorax narrow, rounded behind and bounded by a carina; behind this an impunctate space; enclosed base with coarse, quite regular rugæ, almost what is called a transverse row of shallow pits in the genus Colletes; wings very deeply infuscated; nervures and stigma blackish; tegulæ black anteriorly, dark testaceous

posteriorly; legs black, anterior coxæ each with a long pubescent spine on the inside behind trochanters, anterior and middle knees with a yellow spot, their femora thickened and keel-shaped beneath; inner spur of hind tibiae finely serrate; scopa golden-yellowish, more reddish on tarsi, first joint of hind tarsi produced to a free apex reaching tip of second joint; abdomen coarsely and rather closely punctate, the apical margins of segments 1-4 broadly depressed, shining, somewhat lineolate; at sides of segment 2 a small, oval, depressed spot; the part of the segment covered by the preceding segment is finely lineolate and the posterior margin finely punctured; this covered portion produced at each side of segments 2-4 as a finely-punctured triangle with the apex posterior; venter black, apical half of segments closely punctured, scopa yellowish.

Length 10 mm.

Two specimens collected by the author at West Point, Nebr., Sept. 18 and 20, 1903, on *Bidens chrysanthemoides*.

unknown.

The intense black colour, unrelieved by any pubescence, and the very dark wings, make this a conspicuous insect. Viewed from above, it is all black except the fimbria and scopa on legs.

The generic name is given on account of the similarity to *Protandrena* in venation, in facial characters and general characteristics. It has a very different tongue, however.

In Ashmead's table this would run to *Panurgida* to number 6, but differs from either division under that in having the second submarginal much longer than the first. It is, I consider, a long-tongued *Andrenid* with but two submarginals, more closely related to *Protandrena* than any other genus, but the tongue about as in *Panurginus*, which genus, it is interesting to note, has similar foveæ, and a large species of which would look very similar to *Protandrenopsis* \mathcal{Q} . From the yellow knees of *fuscipennis* \mathcal{Q} I should imagine that the \mathcal{J} has more or less yellow on the face.

Dr. L. O. Howard, Chief Entomologist of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, delivered at Toronto, on Saturday, November 7th, a lecture on "Some International Work with Insects." It was given under the auspices of the Canadian Institute, in the new medical building of the Toronto University, and was the first of a series provided for by a gift from Sir Sandford Fleming. The lecture attracted much attention, and long reports of it were given in the Toronto daily papers on the Monday following.

MISCELLANEOUS ENTOMOLOGICAL NOTES.

BY H. H. LYMAN, MONTREAL.

There must be many facts known to entomologists which, though not sufficiently important to work up into an article for the entomological magazines, are still of much interest, and worthy of publication, and I would like to suggest that a page or part of a page at the end of each number of the "Canadian Entomologist" be set aside for this purpose, and that correspondents be invited to send brief notes of rare captures or other interesting items.*

NEMEOPHILA SCUDDERI, Pack.

In July, 1890, when at Nepigon, I obtained eggs of this species, which had been described by the late Henry Edwards under the name Selwynii,† and carried the larvæ through to imago, and in CAN. ENT., XXV., 248, published a paper on the preparatory stages of this species. On account of my rapid travelling across the continent and back again to Montreal, and being much occupied in collecting Lepidoptera and plants, sight-seeing and photographing, I was not able to give these larvæ very close attention, and was afraid that I had missed some of the moults, but as Dr. Fletcher expressed the opinion that if I had descriptions of four moults, that was probably all there were, I ventured to publish my notes; but in 1895 Dr. Fletcher kindly sent me a moth and 12 eggs of the form found at Olds, N.-W. T. These I failed to carry to imago, but carried two past 7th moult, and so found that my previous observations had been inadequate. In 1902 I was again indebted to Dr. Fletcher for eggs from Banff, and carried seven to imago, getting some nice variations, but as I was exceedingly busy, and knew that Dr. Metcher and Mr. Gibson were also rearing the species, I did not take any further notes.

EGG OF ALBUNA TORVA, Hy. Edw.

A female of this species having been captured on a flower by one of those present at the excursion of the Montreal Branch of the Ent. Soc. Ont., to St. Adele, Q., on 6th June, 1896, the writer secured it and obtained about 55 eggs, which were laid loose and all at once.

Length, .875 mm.; width, .625 mm.

Rather almond shaped, or somewhat like a hen's egg, except that the transverse section would be oval. Perfectly smooth and shining. Light

^{*}The Editor will always be pleased to receive notes of this kind for publication. †In Dyar's Catalogue this name is erroneously credited to Neumogen.

brown in colour. On 14th June, eight days after being laid, they appeared to be shrivelling as though infertile. They, however, hatched on 20th June. Egg period 14 days.

Egg and Young Larva of Hepialus Argenteomaculatus, Harris. Laid on 15th July, 1896. Length, .75 mm.; width, .58 mm.

Rather even oval. Smooth, under a 23-inch objective seen to be very slightly roughened.

White when laid, soon turning black.

Hatched about 7th August. Egg period about 23 days.

Length, 1.75 mm. Head rather large, it and the plate on first thoracic segment dark brown. Body slender, creamy white, with simple setæ as long as or longer than the diameter of the body.

PAPILIO BREVICAUDA, Saunders.

At the annual meeting in 1898, Mr. Winn read a paper on this species, and Dr. Fyles, in commenting on it, as reported on p. 38 of the 29th Annual Report, stated that he had found the larvæ hard to please. He did not mention whether he had tried parsley.

I never had so large a percentage of success with any other species. I received that year, from Mr. D. Brainerd, two eggs out of five which Mr. Winn sent him, which duly hatched, and I carried both larvæ through to imago without the least difficulty. I took them with me to the meeting of the A. A. A. S. in Boston, and afterwards to Prout's Neck, Me. At Prout's Neck I found an umbelliferous plant which they preferred to parsley, though when I returned home I fed them on parsley again. Both imagos are now in my collection.

THECLA TITUS, Fabr.

A fine female was taken in 1896, probably in August, and confined with wild cherry. Five eggs were laid, three on the leaves near the edge and two on the twig, one on each side of the base of a leaf petiole.

The egg is round, Sea Urchin shape; 1 mm. in diameter. The projections are coarser, and much closer together than shown in Scudder's Fig. 11, Plate 65. One was pale yellow, the others considerably tinged with orange.

In the spring all the eggs were found to be more or less chipped at the micropyle; one had the whole micropyle bitten out, and the larva could be seen inside the shell, but it was apparently dead, as there was no movement, and none succeeded in getting out.

I have had the same trouble with the eggs of Lycaena Scudderii*,

^{*}Can. Ent., XXXIV., 127.

and do not know how to account for it, unless it be that these eggs with thick shells and heavy sculpture, in which these species pass the winter, require to be softened by the carbonic acid washed down by the rain before the young larva can eat its way out.

THE AUTHORSHIP OF PSEUDANARTA.

BY THE LATE A. RADCLIFFE GROTE, HILDESHEIM, GERMANY.

[In our September number, page 257, the late Professor Grote, in his "Corrections and Notes on Dr. Dyar's List of Noctuids," stated:

"124. As I have shown in these pages, the citation to *Pseudanarta* of Hy. Edwards is spurious." At the time he wrote these words he had sent us the following paper, and supposed that it would have been published before these "Corrections" appeared.—ED. C. E.]

The history of the generic term Pseudanarta is as follows:

1878. Grote, Bull. U. S. Geol. Surv. 178: crocea (flava) sole species, and therefore type.

1882. Grote, New Check List, New York, 27: flava, var. crocea, singula, flavidens, aurea. The genus is credited without citation to Hy. Edwards, under the mistaken idea, derived from a previous correspondence, that this writer had used or described the genus. The name Pseudanarta was originally proposed in letters by Grote for Edwards's Anarta crocea, in which the eyes are naked, the tibie unarmed, and which is, in reality, as originally stated by Grote, allied to Hadena, Led., nee Schrank.

1889. J. B. Smith, Ent. Amer., V., 175: falcata, aurea, flava (crocea), singula, flavidens. The citation to Hy. Edwards is now supplied and reference is made to: "Proc. Cal. Ac. Sci., Vol. 6, p. 133, 1875." But this page contains the original description of Anarta crocea, and no mention is there made of Pseudanarta. This specific description refers to what is only a probable variety of the previously described Hadena flava, Grote. After examination of the communications of Hy. Edwards to the California Academy: "Pacific Coast Lepidoptera, Nos. 1 to 22" (all published), no mention of Pseudanarta is found in any one of them. This citation by Prof. Smith in 1889 justified the subsequent use of Hy. Edwards's name as author in the absence of a verification. The erroneous citation is twice repeated in the Washington Catalogue, p. 148, and must have been made without consulting the text. It was probably supplied to support Grote's incorrect use of Hy. Edwards's name as authority for Pseudanarta in the first instance.

NOTES ON THE ENTOMOLOGY OF PECOS, NEW MEXICO. . BY T. D. A. COCKERELL, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

1. Two bees with unexpected habits.

Halictus galpinsia, n. sp.

Halictus amicus, var. a, Ckll., An. Mag. Nat. Hist., Jan., 1901, p.

A single specimen was collected one evening at Las Vegas, at a flower of Gaura coccinea. I then remarked of it: "Face narrower than type; possibly a distinct species." It seemed strange that it should be visiting the Gaura, but it did not occur to me that I had a genuinely vespertine bee. On June 22, 1903, at Pecos, I was astonished to see a number of bees busily collecting pollen from the flowers of Galpinsia fendleri (a large yellow evening primrose) after sunset, at 7.30 p. m. I collected some, and found that they were my "Halictus amicus, var. a," which is evidently a distinct species. It is readily known from H. amicus by the narrower face and more sparsely punctured clypeus. It belongs to Robertson's genus Evylaeus, and is distinguished from the species in his table by the following combination of characters: Abdomen pruinose with white hair, the thin pubescent fasciæ entire; first segment shining, distinctly but minutely punctured; hind spur of hind tibia with five teeth, the basal three very long; enclosure of metathorax minutely cancellate, semi-lunar, concave, with a raised rim; stigma large, reddish-honeycolour. The scape is very long; flagellum dark, faintly brownish beneath at the end. The type specimen is from Pecos.

Halictus ovaliceps, Ckll., 1898.

Pecos, N. M., at flowers of Castilleia integra, June 23 and 24 (W. P. Cockerell.)

This peculiar bee was known only by a single example, taken at Santa Fé. My wife has rediscovered it, and has ascertained that it habitually visits the *Castilleia*, which has not been considered a beeflower at all. (Compare Robertson, Trans. St. Louis Acad., 1891, p. 598.) 2. A new Aphid on Lonicera.

Rhopalosiphum Grabhami, n. sp.

 \circ .—Winged form: Spread of wings \circ 34 mm., length of body about 2 mm., of antennae about 2 mm.; measurements in μ : Antennal joints (1) 90, (2) 60, (3) 670, (4) 430, (5) 360, (6a) 120, (6b) 650; marginal cell about 850 long; radius 3 to branch (radius 1+2) 800, cauda

broad and thick, about 220 long, 330 broad; nectaries about 350 long, strongly swollen in the middle. Body entirely shining dark olive-brown, without markings; legs whitish, suffused with gray, apical portion of femora darkened; antennæ pale; wings hyaline, including veins; beak short, reaching only about half-way to middle coxæ; frontal tubercles very distinct; third and fourth antennal joints with very numerous sensoria, over 30 visible in one view on third, 17 in a row on under side, where they are most numerous.

Pupa with abdomen purplish; immature forms show very minute tubercles on abdomen.

Larva dark green; abdomen more or less tuberculate.

Hab.—Pecos, N. M., June 7, 1903 (Dr. M. Grabham). On Lonicera involucrata, curling the leaves, the affected parts of which become deep crimson above, the veins white. The first stage of change consists of greenish-yellow spots, which give way to crimson. The effect on the plant is very like that of Rhopalosiphum ribis on Ribes.

A NEW NORTH AMERICAN CATOCALA.

Professor N. J. Kusnezov, of St. Petersburg, Russia, has recently described a new Catocala from Texas, with four figures. A reprint of the description of the species may be of interest to American collectors, hence I reproduce it below:

"Catocala orba, Kusnezov.—Expanse of male 48 mm; size of C. Judith, Strecker.

"Antennæ of male ciliate, gray, scaled above, with slight tuftings of hair below. (Palpi broken off.) Front densely covered with whitish-gray hairs. Patagia and front parts of tegulæ and mesothorax dark brown; vertex gray; the rest of tegulæ, nota, and crest on metathorax, whitishgray. Upper part, sides and crests of the abdominal somites dark gray; anal tuft long, dark gray, lighter below. Thorax on the under side and femora thickly clothed with long, dirty white hairs and scales. (Fore tibiæ broken off.) Middle and hind tibiæ and tarsi gray, spotted and ringed with black. First pair of spurs of hind tibiæ very long and acute.

"Fore wings on the upper side pale gray (resembling somewhat the colour of fresh specimens of *C. concumbens*, Walker), greatly suffused on costa and at base of wings with white scales; darker in terminal area. Transverse lines visible, but very indistinct. Basal line fine, angulated;

basal dash absent. T. a. line forms a brown spot on the whitish costa and two dentations below it; the rest indistinct. Median space with a dark spot in the middle of costa, running into the reniform. T. p. line visible in its upper part alone, beginning with a dark spot on the white costa and forming two subequal dentations, filled inwardly with black; the rest indistinct. Subreniform absent. Reniform dark gray, edged with pure white. Subterminal waved line distinct, whitish, separated from the t. p. line by a light brownish irregular shade. Marginal lunules very small, almost wanting. Cilia uniformly gray.

"Hind wings on the upper side black, base covered by brownish-

gray hairs. Cilia at apex dirty whitish, the rest dark gray,

"Ground colour of wings on the under side black; fasciæ very indistinct.

"Fore wings: base dark grayish-black, basal fascia absent; postmedial and subapical ones visible, more or less regularly excurved; between them, at costa, a large pure white spot; apex triangular, white, suffused with isolated gray scales. Cilia white, with dark streaks from extremities of veins.

"Hind wings dark grayish-black, a little lighter at base and costa; median fascia hardly visible, highly excurved at vein 3, thus forming a right-angle. Cilia light gray, with darker median stripe, at apex whitish.

" Catocala orba belonged to the black-winged group of the genus, and resembles C. Judith, Strecker, and its variety, miranda, H. Edw., but is not intimately allied to them, I believe."

Here Prof. Kusnezov gives in detail points of difference between C. orba and the two named allied forms, which it does not seem necessary to repeat. I would add that from a casual glance at the figures the upper surface reminds one of C. Robinsonii, though smaller and with a different fringe to hind wings; and the under side is entirely different.

G. H. FRENCH, Carbondale, Ill.

BOOK NOTICE.

RECORD OF MY LIFE WORK IN ENTOMOLOGY, by C. R. OSTEN SACKEN, Cambridge, Mass.: 1903; pp. 204.

We desire to thank Baron Osten Sacken very heartily for sending us a copy of his autobiographical memoirs, which we have read with absorbing interest. To us who enjoyed his friendship or acquaintance more than a quarter of a century ago, these reminiscenses of the leading

Entomologists of our earlier days, including the author himself, bring back the past very vividly and recall many events that had almost passed into oblivion.

The Baron divides the record of his life into three periods, each of almost equal length. He was born in St. Petersburg, on the 21st of August, 1828, and began to take an interest in entomology at the early age of eleven. When twenty-one he entered into the service of the Imperial Foreign Office. During this period he collected all orders of insects except Lepidoptera, and published two papers on Tipulidæ, and a pamphlet of 166 pages, in Russian, contained a general survey of the insect fauna of the environs of St. Petersburg.

The second period of his career embraces the twenty-one years spent in the United States (1856–1877), during which he was Secretary of the Russian Legation, and afterwards Consul General of Russia in New York. In 1871 he resigned his official position and made several visits to Europe; for the last four years he lived as a private citizen in the United States. This was the period of his greatest scientific activity, and was made memorable by the preparation and publication of his well-known works on North American Diptera, which paved the way for all subsequent students of this order.

A great part of his time, he tells us, was taken up "in acting as a purveyor of material for Dr. H. Loew to work upon, and as a translator and editor of his manuscripts," which were published by the Smithsonian Institution. These volumes evidently owe a great deal of their value to Baron Osten Sacken's careful work, without which, indeed, they could never have been fitted for publication. His own earliest work in America was his Catalogue of the described Diptera, which was published by the Smithsonian Institution in 1858, and was the third of its long series of entomological works, which have been such a priceless boon to all students in this department of national science. Twenty years later, after doing more than any other person to advance the knowledge of North American Diptera by his collections, researches and publications, he concluded his labours on this side of the Atlantic by the issue of a second Catalogue, a critical one, of the order; this also was published by the same Institution.

The third period of his life, which, we trust, may not be closed for many years to come, has been spent almost entirely at Heidelberg, in Germany. His first proceeding was to go to Guben, the residence of

Loew, now an old and broken-down man, and arrange for the packing and transmittal of the magnificent collection of North American Diptera which had been accumulated there, to the Museum at Cambridge, Massachusetts. It contained the original types of all the species described by Loew, about 1,300 in number, and about 1,600 other species. Most, if not all, of these specimens had been sent to Loew by the Baron, with the distinct understanding that they were eventually to be returned to the United States. It may be mentioned that Dr. Loew was well paid for all his services, and that this invaluable collection reached its destination in safety. After accomplishing this task, which, under all the circumstances, was no easy one, the Baron settled down at Heidelberg and continued his studies and researches, extending his field of observation to all parts of the world, and publishing a long series of notable essays and papers as the years went by.

The present "Record" consists of two parts; the first contains a brief introductory sketch of the author's life; the second, which is very much longer, is composed of "twenty-four chapters on historical, biographical, critical and purely entomological subjects connected with his work"; the third part, not yet published, will contain a complete list of all his publications. The most interesting feature of the second part, to one who is not a Dipterist, is the author's description of many notable Entomologists with whom he was more or less intimately associated. Chief among these was Dr. H. Loew, with whom he was in constant correspondence for over twenty years, and in whose work he took so large and important a share. This is somewhat painful reading, inasmuch as Loew seems to have been largely affected by selfish motives and jealousy of others, and to have lacked the straightforwardness and candour that might have been looked for in so eminent a man; at the same time the author closes his account by stating that he is "entitled to a place, not only among the heroes, but also among the martyrs of science."

The briefer notices of others are very delightful, namely, of Kennicott, Walsh, Bassett, Le Baron and Hagen, among American Entomologists, and of Haliday, Winnertz, Zeller, Rondani and others of European fame. Portraits are given of Haliday and Loew, and a facsimile of the marvellously minute caligraphy of the latter, showing 132 lines of written

matter on an ordinary sheet of foolscap paper!

In this "Record of His Life" Baron Osten Sacken has certainly given us a volume of very great interest and also of much historical value. From its pages one learns to appreciate more than ever the excellence of the author's scientific work and the unselfish spirit in which he ever devoted himself to it. As he truly says: "The best part of my work is that which has assisted and stimulated the work of others, and I am conscious at the same time that that part of my work is the largest."

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