

SOME
ETHIOPIAN CICADIDÆ
IN THE CONGO MUSEUM

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Dr. SCHOUTEDEN has recently forwarded a small collection of Cicadidæ with a request that I would identify the same. Sixteen species were included, two of which were unknown and are here described. I have also added the localities from which all these specimens were derived, as they constitute new habitats for the study of distribution.

LIST OF SPECIES.

loba veligera JACOBI, B. E. A. : Elgon Distr. (D^r BAYER).

loba limbaticollis STÅL, Congo da Lemba (R. MAYNÉ).

Muansa clypealis KARSCH, Avakubi (D^r CHRISTY).

Sadaka virescens KARSCH, Port. Congo : Kibokolo do Zombo.

Sadaka radiata KARSCH, Kindu (L. BURGEON).

Platypleura ladona sp. nov., Bukama (D^r BEQUAERT).

Platypleura Severini DIST., Boma (Lt. STYCZYNSKI).

Platypleura Schoutedeni DIST. (var.), Kil. 365 de Kindu (D^r RUSSO).

Platypleura Murchinsoni DIST., Uele : Van Kerckhovenville (DEGREEF).

Platypleura divisa GERM., B. E. A. : Campi Simba (D^r BAYER).

Platypleura kabindana sp. nov., Kabinda (D^r SCHWETZ).

Pycna tanga STRAND, Vallée Lukuga (D^r SCHWETZ).

Trismarcha atrata DIST., Yambata (R. MAYNÉ), Luluabourg (P. CALLEWAERT).

Trismarcha umbrosa KARSCH, Mayumbe (DE BRIEY).

Trismarcha fuliginosa KARSCH, Buta (DE CALONNE), Mayumbe (DE BRIEY).

Lacetas annulicornis KARSCH, Kindu (D^r RUSSO).

DESCRIPTION OF NEW SPECIES.

Platypleura ladona sp. nov.

Body and legs ochraceous; antennæ, area of the ocelli, upper margin of face, a transverse line between area of ocelli and eyes, pronotal incisures, an angulated fascia near lateral margins of scutellum, which are connected with two inner longitudinal fasciæ which are again connected with a cruciform fascia and abdomen above with the segments, excluding posterior margins, black or blackish; tegmina and wing hyaline, the venation more or less ochraceous, but which becomes darker on about apical half, basal areas of both ochraceous, with dark fuscous suffusions; pronotum broad and angulate; face very strongly centrally sulcate and transversely striate on the lateral areas; rostrum slightly passing the posterior ocoxæ.

Long. excl. tegm., 16-18 mm.; Exp. tegm., 50-55 mm.

HABITAT : Anglo Egyptian Sudan : Kapei, Lado District

(H. H. KING, Brit. Mus.); Bukama (D^r BEQUAERT, Musée du Congo).

Allied to *P. longula* DIST., from Delagoa Bay.

Platyleura kabindana sp. nov.

Body and legs ferruginous-brown; eyes and ocelli ochraceous; scutellum with two central spots on anterior margin, a longer angulated spot near each lateral margin, and the cruciform elevation darker ferruginous-brown; tegmina pale ferruginous-brown with darker mottlings, the outer marginal and the submarginal markings darkest, wings pale ochraceous, the apical area (broadly) and posterior margin (narrowly) darkly infusate; rostrum passing the posterior coxæ; opercula very short and broad, not meeting internally; face very broadly, centrally, longitudinally sulcate, the lateral areas strongly transversely striate; body obscurely but distinctly pilose.

Long. : 17 mm.; exp. tegm., 45 mm.

HABITAT : Kabinda (D^r SCHWETZ), Musée du Congo.



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