

*extensa* (Boh.) is regarded by Spaeth 1936 (Ent. Rundsch., Jahrg. 53, p. 139) as a mere aberration of *Deloyala guttata immunita* (Boh.) of Yucatan, but our samples from Brownsville, Tex., and the original descriptions do not support this view.

**Synonymic Notes on *Dysdercus* A. & S. (Hemip).**—In 1926 Blatchley suggests that *Capsus ocreatus* Say is the same as *Dysdercus andreae* Linné. The former species was placed by Stål in *Dysdercus*. However, apparently it cannot be the same as the latter.

Say, in his description, unequivocally states: "beneath *immaculate*" (Italics mine). Now, the numerous specimens I have of *D. andreae*, determined both by Dr. R. F. Hussey and Mr. E. P. Van Duzee, all have the ventral segments distinctly white-margined posteriorly; and the sternal sclerites are also white posteriorly. This cannot have escaped Say, who, in *Capsus* (*Dysdercus*) *mimus* immediately following brings out that it is "beneath white, with the incisures sanguineous," which is a no more obvious character than the white incisures in *D. andreae*. We must conclude, therefore, that whatever Say may have had before him from Georgia, it was either an aberrant specimen of *andreae*, or else nearly certainly something quite different. At any rate, no one seems to have seen *Capsus ocreatus* since Say's day.

The only references to this species are: the original description; Stål's in *Enumeratio* (I: 124), where he says "Ad hanc familiam verisimiliter pertinent: 1. *Capsus ocreatus* Say" and a number of others he lists; Uhler, in his Check List, a mere mention; Van Duzee in his Catalogue omits Stål's citation; and Blatchley's (Hem. E. N. Am., p. 442), where he advances the idea that *ocreatus* Say may be *andreae* L., without discussion. The latest reference is by Hussey, in his Catalogue of the Pyrrhocoridae (General Catalogue of the Hemiptera, fascicle III, p. 97). Obviously, none of these authors had seen an authentic specimen, and they knew it only from description.

In my 1912 paper "Records of Heteroptera from Brownsville, Texas" (Ent. News, XXIII, p. 121) I recorded *Dysdercus obscuratus* Dist. In his pending work on a survey of the Pyrrhocoridae, Dr. Hussey, in 1931, determined my specimens from Brownsville as *Dysdercus incertus* Distant, described from Costa Rica. Accordingly, this correction is made. This the first record of the species north of Mexico.—J. R. de la Torre-Bueno, Tucson, Arizona.





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