

XXXI. Description of a New Exotic Species of Longicorn Beetle. By J. O. WESTWOOD, F.L.S., &c.

[Read 6th August, 1834.]

LAMIA NORRISII, *Westwood.*

Plate XV. Fig. A.

SUPRA obscurè nigra, thorace utrinque obtuse unidentato, elytris posticè flavo-cinctis, antennis subtus, pedibusque hirsutiâ opalinâ indutis.

Long. corp. $1\frac{3}{4}$ unc. lat., thoracis lin. 7. Lat. elytrorum lin. $7\frac{1}{2}$.

Long. antennarum $3\frac{3}{4}$ unc. (articuli ult. $1\frac{1}{2}$ unc.)

In Museo Dom. Norris.

Habitat ad ripas fluminis apud Sierram Leonam, Africæ.

Species magna et perinsignis. Statura fere *Lamiae ornatae* Oliv., at multo major. *Corpus* totum investimento pulverulento indutum. *Caput* inter antennas depresso, thorace angustius, lateribus subrotundatis, obscure nigrum, pone oculos ad latera, opalino colore tinctum.

Antennæ corpore duplo longiores, simplices, articulis 11, articulo ultimo longissimo, tenuissimo; nigræ, subtus opalinæ.

Mandibulæ magnæ, extus angulatæ, nigræ, disco antico opalino.

Labrum et *Palpi* hirsutiâ opalinâ tecta. *Labrum* transversum angulis rotundatis et in medio subemarginatum. *Palpi* breves.

Thorax colore capitis, immaculatus, utrinque spinâ validâ obtusâ armatus, supra inæqualis, impressionibus duabus transversis (scil. unâ ante et alterâ pone medium) notatus, margine postico sinuato.

Scutellum truncato-cordatum, nigrum.

Elytra obscure nigra, marginibus externis lâete flavis (limbo versus apicem latiori) thoracis parte posticâ, multo latiora, triploque longiora, humeris subprominulis, apice singulatim subrotundato, dorso subdepresso. *Thorax* totus subtus, lâetissime flavus. *Prosternum*, subprominulum antice paullo dilatatum, subtruncatum. *Mesosternum* subprominulum, antice rotundatum prosterni basin attingens.

Abdomen articulis 6 distinctis supra lâete flavum, subtus articulis duobus basalibus flavis, reliquis nigris.

Pedes mediocres validi, nigri, supra tomento viridi-opalino indutis coxis, femoribusque infra flavis; tibiæ 4 posticæ in *medio* et *externe*, setulis nonnullis armatæ at vix dentatæ.

I have much satisfaction in naming this splendid insect (which formed one of the chief ornaments of the cabinet of my lamented friend A. H. Haworth, Esq.,) in honour of its present possessor, Thomas Norris, Esq., of Ridvales, Bury, Lancashire, M.E.S.

In the majority of its characters it most nearly approaches the *Lamia ornata* of Olivier, which with several other species from Sierra Leone and Central Africa, including the *Lamia Crux niger*, Hope, and a beautiful species recently brought home by the Niger expedition, constitute a small subgeneric group distinguished by their geographical range, the exquisite brilliancy of their colours, the very prominent prosternum, and the strongly toothed mandibles, at least in one sex.

The insect above described however, although agreeing in the first two particulars, is at once sectionally distinguished by the very great length of the terminal joint of the antennæ, the much less prominent prosternum, and the unarmed mandibles. As however the distribution of the Longicornes is at present in the course of publication by one of the most celebrated French entomologists, I shall on the present occasion content myself with pointing out the characters above detailed.

P.S. Since this memoir was read M. Serville has completed his revision of the longicorn beetles without proposing a distinct genus or subgenus for *L. ornata*, *regalis*, &c. M. Percheron has however more recently proposed the genus *Sternotomis* for these species. *Gen. des Ins. Col. pl. 16.*

XXXII. *Descriptions of some new Species of Coleopterous Insects lately received from Monte Video.* By S. S. SAUNDERS, Esq., M.E.S.

[Read October 6th, 1834.]

Fam. ENGIDÆ, MacLeay.

Genus LANGURIA, Lat.

Languria latipes. Plate XIV. fig. 1.

ELONGATA, rufo-picea, suprà viridi-cuprea, nitida, elytris obsolete punctato-striatis, ad apicem decem-dentatis, tarsisque anticis valde dilatatis.

Fig. 2

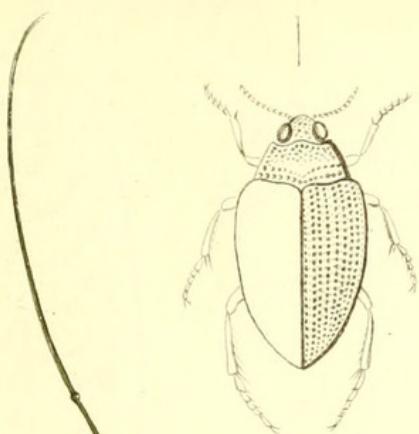


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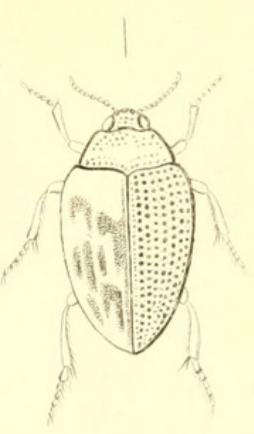


Fig. 1

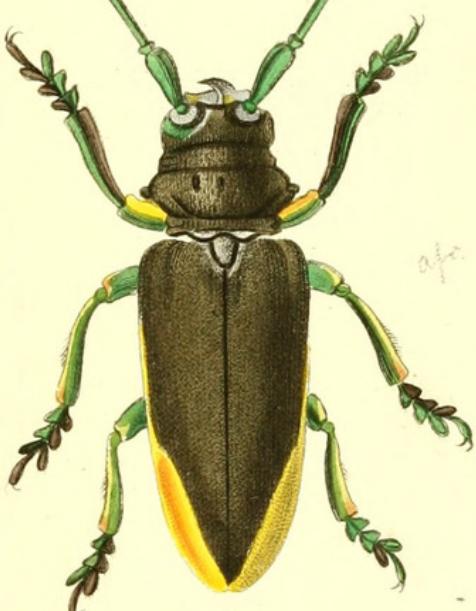


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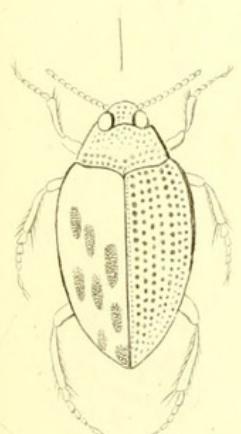


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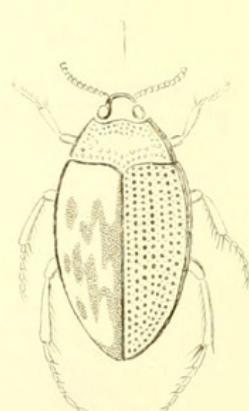
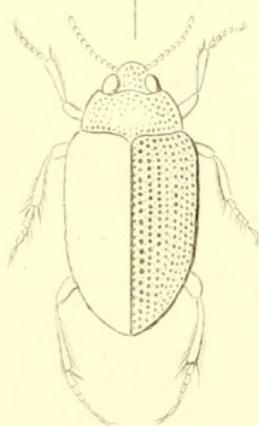


Fig. 5





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