

breadth 26·8; nasals 17·3; interorbital breadth 7; least breadth between parietal ridges 11·2; breadth between anterior lips of meatus 26; length of exposed upper area of bulla 6·2; diastema 13·8; greatest diameter of bulla 17·6; lesser diameter, from anterior lip of meatus, 12·7; length of upper molar series 6·5.

*Hab.* Palestine. Type from the Dead Sea. A skin from Jebel Usdum.

*Type.* Old male in spirit. B.M. no. 64. 8. 17. 23. Collected by the Rev. H. B. Tristram.

Four skulls collected by Canon Tristram are all closely similar to each other in size and in the great development of the bullæ.

LXI.—*A new Genet from British East Africa.*

By OLDFIELD THOMAS.

MR. C. STEUART BETTON, who has been a constant contributor to the National Collections during the last few years, has recently presented to the Museum a further small collection of East-African mammals. Among these there occurs a Genet allied to the West-African *G. servalina*, but evidently distinct. I propose to call it

*Genetta Bettoni*, sp. n.

Size markedly smaller than in *G. servalina*. Character of markings very much as in that species and the back similarly without a central crest or black line; but the general tone is lighter, more fawn, less heavily blackened, and the simple spots on the anterior half of the body, between the withers and loins, are replaced by irregular rings, black, with fawn-coloured centres. Under surface from chin to anus smoky buffy, spotted with black; the throat yellower than the belly, but without the marked ventral blackening found in *G. servalina*. Face coloured much as in the allied species; the light mark on the sides of the muzzle less distinct than usual. Back of ears black except their anterior margins, which are naked. Nape with four narrow, irregular, black, longitudinal lines, supplemented by additional elongated spots outside them. Fore limbs dark brown to the toes; hind limbs greyish brown, the upper surface of the feet grizzled smoky. In *G. servalina* both fore and hind feet are black. Tail cylindrical, not shaggy; black, with nine narrow well-defined white rings, each on the upperside about one third of the

breadth of the black rings, but broadening in the centre below, where they may equal or exceed in breadth the black interspaces.

Skull markedly smaller than in *G. servalina*, the brain-case large and well rounded, but the face small and light. Bullæ very small and low, lower than in any other Genet. Opening of posterior nares broadly rounded, its centre more than 3 millim. behind the bony supports of the molars. Teeth throughout small and delicate.

Dimensions of the type (measured in skin):—

Head and body 500 millim.; tail 380; ear (dry) 31.

Skull: greatest length 83; basal length 77; zygomatic breadth 40; nasals  $13.5 \times 6.2$ ; interorbital breadth 12; breadth of brain-case 29.5; palate length 39; length of bullæ (including thickness of paroccipital processes) 16.5. Greatest diameter of  $p^4$  8.6, outer diameter of  $p^4$  7.2; transverse diameter of  $m^1$  6.3; length of  $p_4$  6.4, of  $m_1$  6.

*Hab.* Lagari, Mau district, south of El Burgon Range, British East Africa. Altitude 7600 feet.

*Type.* Adult female. B.M. no. 2. 2. 6. 1. Collected 17th July, 1901, and presented by C. S. Betton, Esq.

The far smaller skull and different coloration will readily distinguish this species from *G. servalina*, to which alone it appears to be allied.

LXII.—*Further Notes on the Pangoninæ of the Family Tabanidæ in the British Museum Collection.* By Miss GERTRUDE RICARDO.

[Continued from vol. viii. p. 315.]

CHRYSOPS, Meigen.

*Ethiopian Region.*

Loew, in his 'Diptera Südafrik.' (1860), should be consulted for the species from this region. There are eleven described species, all from South, West, or East Africa, and three new ones are described here for the first time, the types being in the British Museum collection. I append a list of the species, no separate catalogue having yet been published of the African species.

\**C. longicornis*, ♀, Macq., Dipt. Exot. i. (1) p. 156, pl. xix. fig. 2 (1838); Gerst., Archiv f. Naturgesch. xxxvii. p. 362 (1871); Walker, List Dipt. pt. v. Suppl. 1, p. 290 (1854); Gerst., Decken's Reise in Ost-Afrik. p. 385 (1873).—S., W., & E. Africa.



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