

This species is described from two specimens: one obtained in the Western Province of Southern Nigeria by Mr. A. E. Kitson, and presented by him in 1908; the other from Bibianaha, Gold Coast, presented by Dr. H. G. F. Spurrell in 1912.

LXXII.—*Description of a new Cyprinodont Fish from the Sobat River.* By G. A. BOULENGER, F.R.S.

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Haplochilus kingii.

Depth of body $3\frac{1}{3}$ to 4 times in total length, length of head 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ times. Head flat above; snout very short, shorter than eye, which equals postorbital part of head; mouth directed upwards, lower jaw projecting; interorbital width $1\frac{1}{3}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ times diameter of eye; præorbital $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ diameter of eye. Dorsal 6–7, originating $1\frac{3}{4}$ to 2 times as far from eye as from root of caudal, above middle or posterior third of anal; longest ray about $\frac{2}{3}$ length of head. Anal 11–12. Pectoral about $\frac{3}{4}$ length of head, extending to beyond base of ventral; latter small, equally distant from end of snout and from root of caudal. Caudal rounded, as long as or a little longer than head. Caudal peduncle a little longer than deep. 26–27 scales in longitudinal series, 16 round body in front of ventrals. Yellowish, the scales on the sides and back finely edged with brown, the black powdered with brown; fins whitish, dorsal, anal, and caudal sometimes blackish (males).

Total length 34 mm.

This little fish is very closely related to *H. schoelleri*, Blgr., and *H. loati*, Blgr. It was discovered in a khor on the Sobat River by Mr. H. H. King, Entomologist to the Sudan Government Department of Education, who has presented five specimens to the British Museum.



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