

VI.—*Descriptions of Two more new Species of Butterflies from New Britain, in the Collection of Mr. Grose Smith, captured by Captains Cayley Webster and Cotton.* By H. GROSE SMITH.

Thysonotis hanno.

Male.—*Upperside* similar to that of *T. hymetus*, Feld., but both wings more violet-blue, with the outer margins more narrowly black.

Underside with the costal and outer margins of the anterior wings and the outer margin of the posterior wings brighter black; on the anterior wings the black band along the costa, on its inner margin, has a short black spur at the end of the cell and a longitudinal excrescence a little before the apex, and the basal blue streak above the cell extends further along the wings; on the posterior wings the subbasal blue streak does not extend along the inner margin, the metallic blue rings round the submarginal row of black spots are less clearly defined, and the black area above them is less irregular on its inner edge.

Expanse of wings $1\frac{1}{8}$ inch.

Hab. New Britain.

One specimen only was in the collection; it is a tailless species.

Thysonotis hamilcar.

Female.—*Upperside* closely resembles that of the same sex of *T. cyanea*, Cramer, but on the anterior wings the white area is less sharply angulated at its apex, and the outer margin is rather more broadly greyish black; on the posterior wings along the costal margin is a broad greyish-black band, which extends from the base two thirds along the wings towards the apex; the blue band of lunules across the disk towards the outer margin is broader and brighter.

On the *underside* the double white lines, which intersect the greyish-black outer marginal band on the anterior wings, are less distinct, especially the outer line, and they do not extend so far towards the apex. On the posterior wings the dark band along the costa is, as on the upperside, broader and longer than in *T. cyanea*; the dark outer marginal band is broader, and the black spots in the row of blue ocelli before the margin are smaller.

Expanse of wings $1\frac{3}{8}$ inch.

Hab. New Britain.

One specimen only in the collection; it is tailed like *T. cyanea*.



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