

XI. *On a new and also on a little-known species of Pseudacræa in the collection of the Hon. Walter Rothschild.* By ARTHUR G. BUTLER, F.L.S., and The Hon. WALTER ROTHSCHILD, F.Z.S.

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PLATE X.

Pseudacræa Clarkii, Butler; and *P. Poggei*, Daw.

Pseudacræa Clarkii.

♂. Prevailing colour of upper surface of wings reddish tawny (probably rosy carmine in freshly emerged examples); primaries with the apical two-fifths and a rather broad and regular outer border greyish olive-brown; an oblique quadrangular quadrifid patch of the ground colour half-way between the discoidal cell and the apex; veins and internervular folds black; a black streak in the cell just above the median vein; internervular streaks on the median interspaces very wide, that on the upper space tapering towards the cell, that on the lower space widening and obliquely truncated; the streak on the interno-median area confined to the basal half of the wing, very broad and obliquely truncated towards the base, its outer extremity curved round in a loop, which runs along the inner margin to the base; secondaries with greyish olivaceous costal border, interrupted near apex by an oblique whitey-brown streak; eight black spots on the basal half, one large within the cell near the base, followed by a small one just above the median vein; four large subconfluent black spots crossing the end of the cell from the first subcostal branch to the submedian vein, and two small spots beyond this series above the second subcostal and third median branches; abdominal border sordid white, interrupted by smoky-brown veins; a small white spot at base of interno-median area; external border rather broadly blackish, with dentate-sinuate inner edge, and enclosing about eight ill-defined whitish spots in pairs; body black; four white dots on the head, two pale ochreous spots on the collar, tegulæ and sides of thorax spotted with whitish; abdomen spotted laterally with ochreous, and with a longitudinal interrupted white stripe

below the lateral series of spots; primaries below altogether paler than above; the ground colour rosy flesh-coloured; the darker area grey; veins and internervular streaks black as above, a submarginal black streak towards external angle, followed by four whitish dots; secondaries with the basi-abdominal area pale greenish sulphur; with black spots, and an interno-median streak arranged in four oblique series; discal area rosy flesh-coloured; external border less black than above, and enclosing twelve elongated greyish white spots, in pairs between the nervures; palpi black, with a broad lateral buff stripe; pectus blackish, spotted with pale buff; legs buff, the femora black above; venter buff, margined with blackish. Expanse of wings, 81 mm.

Hab. Lokolele, Congo R. Collected by Rev. James Clark.

Pseudacræa (Panopea) Poggei.

This wonderful species closely mimics *Danaïs (Limnas) chrysippus*, and also the mimic of the latter, *Diadema misippus*.

♂. Basal two-thirds of fore wings bright orange-tawny; apical third brownish black, striated as in *Pseudacræa (Panopea) Delagoæ* and allies, and crossed by a broad oblique white band, broken into three arrow-shaped and almost equal patches by the black nervures, and followed by four minute white dots, forming an interrupted submarginal series, followed in their turn by two indistinct whitish specks; apical end of discoidal cell enclosed by a black crescentic bar, the black of the apex running out into a thin marginal band, with chequered white fringe up to the inner angle. Hind wings paler tawny, more inclining to yellow; marginal band black; one round black spot at base of discoidal cell, and three similar spots at the base of the three branches of the median nervure; nervures of all four wings black, broadening at the margins. Under side similar, but all markings more distinct, and the colours much paler; nervures of hind wings white, and the four black spots and marginal band outlined white. Striations of apex of fore wings whitish grey. Antennæ, body, and head black, with two rows of white spots on head and thorax; abdomen spotted yellow. Expanse, 3 in.

Hab. Angola.

EXPLANATION OF PLATE X.

- FIG. 1. *Pseudacræa Clarkii*.
1*a*. Under side of ditto.
2. *Pseudacræa Poggei*.
2*a*. Under side of ditto.



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