

A NEW GENUS OF *EUSTHENINÆ*.

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Mr. F. Sikora, who is now so successfully collecting in Madagascar, has recently sent me a new genus of the *Eustheninae* (*Tessaratominae*), which is a new addition to the many aberrant *Hemiptera* of this island. It cannot be properly placed in any of the five sections of this subfamily, as defined by Stål (Bum. Hem., i, p. 60), but may, notwithstanding the presence of three distinct basal areas of the membrane, be included in the *Haplosternina* (*Cyclogastrina*, Stål). It differs, however, so widely from the other four genera of this section, *Haplosterna*, Westw., *Natalicola*, Spin., *Liphæmus*, Stål, and *Cyclogastridea*, Reut., as to render a comparison with them unnecessary.

✓ *PLATYTATUS*, *nov. gen.*

Corpus ovatum, granulatum, et supra et subtus valde deplanatum. Caput triangulare, horizontale, lateribus ante oculos levissimo sinuatis, oculis ab oculis atque a linea media capitis subæque longe distantibus, jugis acuminatis tylo paullo longioribus, apice libere prominulis, tuberculis antenniferis prominentibus, insertione antennarum a supero apparente, his quinque-articulatis, articulo primo incrassato, apicem capitis subattingente, articulo tertio brevissimo, annuliformi, bucculis fere percurrentibus, modice elevatis, rostro longo, gracili, post coxas postiens longius extenso, articulo primo bucculis vix longiore, secundo longissimo duobus ultimis unitis multo longiore, coxas medias subsuperante, tertio quarto paullo brevior. Pronotum apice sat profunde sinuatum, lateribus rotundatum, basi retrorsum haud productum, margine apicali leviter calloso-elevato, marginibus lateralibus leviter explanatis et subreflexis, margine basali late levissime subrotundato, angulis anticis rotundatis, lateralibus obtusis non prominulis, posticis deletis. Scutellum triangulare, æquilaterum, apicem segmenti secundi connexivi haud attingens, apice breviter spathulato-producto, frenis fere ad apicem scutelli extensis. Prosternum medio planum, haud sulcatum; mesosternum prosterno medio dimidio longius, sulco lato medio profundo instructum et in fundo sulci iterum anguste sulcatum; metasternum medio prosterno paullo longius, sexangulare, haud elevatum sed leviter concavum, orificiis brevibus, marginibus in cochleam intortis. Corium scutello multo longius, margine costali, ante medium obtuse angulato, ante angulum leviter explanato-reflexo, margine apicali levissime subrotundato; membrana cellulis basalibus tribus oblongis contiguis instructo, his cellulis venas simplices sex vel septem emittentibus, una alterave harum venarum interdum furcata. Abdomen hemelytris latus, angulis posticis segmentorum leviter prominulis, ventre medio late leviter sulcato, sulco pone segmentum quartum evanescente, segmento secundo medio tuberculo destituto, spiraculis paullo ante medium segmentorum positis, a margine laterali quam a margine postico vix longius distantibus. Pedes granulati, medii quam postici paullo latus distantes, postici quam anteriores longiores, femoribus omnibus nonnihil incrassatis, incrimibus, tibiis compressis, subtriquetris, tarsis biarticulatis.

✓ *PLATYTATUS AMBIGUUS*, *n. sp.*

Piceo-niger, apice articuli quarti antennarum, signis duobus introrsum curvatis ante medium pronoti apiceque scutelli luteo-testaceis, rostro ferrugineo, sternis et abdomine medio cum coxis et trochanteribus interdum piceo-ferrugineis. Caput subrugoso-punctatum, antennis latitudine basali pronoti paullo brevioribus, articulo secundo primo duplo longiore, tertio latitudine sua vix duplo longiore, quarto secundo subæquali, quinto quarto paullo brevior, rostro apicem segmenti tertii ventralia attingente. Pronotum basi hemelytrorum paullo angustius, longitudine sua media plus quam duplo latus, lateribus ante medium fortius rotundatis, dimidio antico disci subtiliter granulato-punctato, dimidio postico parce sat fortiter hic et illic transverse subseriatim granulato-punctato, limbo basali subtiliter punctato. Scutellum sparsim granulato-punctatum. Pectus parce granulatum, mesosterno medio per spatium latiusculum leve, metasterno medio oblique striguloso. Hemelytra apicem segmenti sexti dorsalis abdominis haud attingentia, corio sat dense granulato. Abdomen dorso fere concolor, connexivo minuto granulato, segmento ultimo hujus in mare apice quam basi paullo latiore, margine apicali late oblique truncato, angulo apicali a segmento genitali longius distante et hoc subsuperante, ventre parce granulato, medio et limbo laterali extra spiracula levigatis, segmento quinto maris medio quarto paullo brevior, sexto quinto duplo longiore, segmento genitali maris segmento sexto ventrali medio subæquilongo, apice obtuse rotundato, supra subtiliter granulato, subtus transversim subtiliter strigulato. (Femina ignota).
Long., ♂, 12-13 mm.

Patria, Madagascar. Coll. mea.

This curious Pentatomid has quite the aspect and the sculpture of an Aradid, and has very probably the same *modus vivendi*, under bark and arboreous fungi.

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A NEW SPECIES OF *HELOPELTIS*.

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In the Ent. Mo. Mag., xxv, p. 272 (1889), my friend, Dr. E. Bergroth, has published a list of the species belonging to the very remarkable Capsid genus *Helopeltis*, Sign., and also described a new species from Sikkim. The species are found in the Indian and Malayan regions; it is, therefore, surprising to find that the genus is represented also in the Ethiopian region. I possess in my collection two specimens of a new *Helopeltis*, taken in Gaboon, and communicated by Mr. Sven Lampa, of Stockholm; I name this species *H. Bergrothii*. The food-plant of this is unknown.

HELOPELTIS BERGROTHII, *n. sp.*

Mas.: *ochraceus* vel fere *aurantiacus*, pedibus concoloribus, vertice, fronte, clypeo, oculis antennisque nigris; clava, tertia basali parte excepta, corio

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