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The Hemiptera collected by Dr. Stoliczka, though not numerous, are interesting in the details of their geographical distribution, and conform, I believe, in that respect, to the other portions of the fauna of the districts traversed by the expedition. Two faunas are represented in the collection, one the Indian or Oriental, rather strongly by the insects collected at Murree, the remaining Hemiptera from the other localities being almost wholly Palæarctic.

The following is the analysis of the portion of the collection obtained at Murree:-

Dalpada confusa, n. sp.	A genus belonging principally to the Indian region, extending to Java and the					
	Philippines, but represented also in Madagascar.					
tecta, Walk	Eastern Bengal Province (Blanford).					
Palomena viridissima, Poda						
reuteri, n. sp	The genus extends to the Japanese sub-region of the Palmarctic region.					
Bagrada picta, Fab	Indian Province (Blanford). Palearctic, Persian sub-region.					
Menida distincta, n. sp.1	Genus represented chiefly in Indian and Ethiopian regions, and by one species					
	in the Japanese sub-region of the Palmarctic.					
Prionaca exempta, Walk	Eastern Bengal Province (Blanford).					
Acanthosoma proxima, Dall	P type collected by General Hardwicke (no locality).					
A. forfex, Dall	P Northern India P (Brit. Mus.).					
A. aspera, Walk	· · ·					
Urostylis fumigata, Walk. var.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Cletus punctiger, Dall. var	Indian region.					
Lygaus (Spilostethus) militaris,						
Fab.	Palmarctic and Indian regions.					
Arocatus pilosulus, n. sp	Genus represented in Palæarctic, Indian, and Australian regions.					
Phytocoris stoliczkanus, n. sp.2.	Genus Palæarctic.					
Calocoris stoliczkanus, n. sp						
forsythi, n. sp						
	Eastern Bengal Province (Blanford), P. N. India (Brit. Mus).					

¹ This species was also collected in the Sind Valley.

² This species was also collected in the Jhelam and Sind Valleys.

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The strong Indian affinities of these 18 species collected at Murree may be seen as under:—

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In discussing the Indian relationship of the Hemiptorous fauna, I have followed the subregions or provinces of Mr. Blanford (Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., 4th Ser., Vol. 18, pp. 280—2, 1876). As regards the sub-regions of the Palæarctic area, I shall prefer to follow Mr. Sclater (Address Biol. Sec. Brit. Assn., Bristol, 1875).

The following are the 13 species which are also found in the Cis-Atlantean or Mediterranean sub-region:—

Zicrona cerulea, Lin	Kugiár, Eastern Turkestan:
Carpocoris nigricornis, Fab.	
Dolycoris baccarum, Lin	Sind Valley, Kashmir.
Eurydema festiva, Lin	Yangihissar, E. Turkestan.
Comptopus lateralis, Germ.	Sind Valley, Kashmir.
Therapha hyoscyami, Lin	Kugiár.
Lyg. (Spilostethus) militaris, Fab	Murree, Punjab hills.
saxatilis, Scop.	Sind Valley, Kashmir.
- (Graptolomus) equestris, Lin	Kugiár and neighbourhood of Sánju, E. Turkestan.
Gonianotus marginepunctatus, Wolff	Pamir road, Sarikol to Panja,
	Yárkand.
Notonecta glauca, Lin	
Corisa geoffroyi, Leach	en e

The following 4 species have been recorded from the sub-region of the Atlantic Islands, principally from Madeira and Teneriffe:—

Dolycoris baccarum, Lin.		Sind Valley, Kashmir.
Comptopus lateralis, Germ.		
Lyg. (Spilostethus) militaris, Fab.		Murree, Punjab hills.
Gonianotus marginepunctatus, Wolff.	4.1	Pamir road Sarikal to Pania

This list is, however, very poor and inadequate, owing to the little knowledge we yet possess as to the Hemiptera of the Atlantic Islands. It would be futile to carry the analysis of this region further, owing to the paucity of record.

HEMIPTERA-HETEROPTERA.

Family-PENTATOMIDA, Stål.

Sub-family-CYDNINAE (CYDNINA), Stal.

1. ÆTHUS MAURUS, Dall.

M. maurus, Dall., List, pt. 1, p. 118, 18 (1851).—Walk., Cat. Het. 1, p. 158 (1857).—Stal, Enumerat. Hemip., pt. 5, p. 26, 1876.

Hab.—Jhelam Valley, July 1873.
Distributed generally throughout Hindustan.

2. ÆTHUS, sp.

Allied to *E. pygmæus*, Dall., of which it is probably only a slight variety. The collection contains only one specimen.

Hab.—On the road across the Pamir, from Sarikol to Panja, April to May 1874.

Sub-fam.—ASOPINÆ (ASOPIDA), Stal.

3. ZICRONA CŒRULEA, Lin.

Cimex ceruleus, Lin., Syst. Nat., ed. 10, i, p. 445, 38 (1758).—Stål, Enumerat. Hemip., pt. 1, p. 36, (1870).

Hab.—Kugiár, South Yárkand, May to June 1874.

This wide-ranging species extends throughout the whole of the Palæarctic and Oriental regions.

Europa tota, India orientalis, Java, Borneo, Malacca (Stål.); Astracan (Jacovlev); N. W. Siberia (Sahlberg); Bagdad (Coll. Brit. Mus.); Morocco, Japan (Coll. Distant).

Sub-fam.—PENTATOMINÆ (PENTATOMINA), Stål.

4. DALPADA CONFUSA, Dist. Fig. 1.

Dalpada confusa, Dist., Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond., 1879, p. 121.

Luteous, thickly covered with green punctures. Head emarginate in front with the sides reflexed, and some small indistinct ochreous markings at base. Antennæ pitchy, each joint luteous at base, basal and apical joints smallest, 2nd shorter than 3rd, 3rd and 4th subequal. Rostrum just passing posterior coxæ, with the tip pitchy. Pronotum somewhat transversely gibbous at base in a line with lateral angles, after which it is abruptly deflexed towards head, lateral angles prominent, subacute, lateral margins denticulated for about half their length

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from spex; the punctuation is very dense along the lateral margins and at pronotal angles. Scutellum somewhat gibbous at base, deflexed towards apex, where it is more sparingly punctured. Corium with a faint impunctate longitudinal line on disc, extending from base to about two-thirds its length, rather widened at apex. Membrane extending beyond apex of abdomen, pale fuscous with the nervures dark brown for half the length from base, followed by a row of four brown spots and a marginal row of six spots of the same colour, the two outer ones being long and linear. Under side of body luteous, with the pectoral and abdominal margins broadly punctured with green, sparingly on abdomen, and more densely on prosternum; legs luteous, thickly spotted with brown; tarsi luteous, apical joint pitchy.

ở. Long. 14 mill.; lat. pronot. ang. 6₺ mill.

2. Long. 15 to 16 mill.; lat. pronot. ang. 74 mill.

Rab .-- Murree.

I have compared the above with all the congeneric types of Dallas in the British Museum and of Hope in the collection at Oxford, from which it is quite distinct in general structure. Dr. Stoliczka collected a fine series of both sexes.

5. DALPADA TECTA, Walk.

Dalpada tecta, Walk., Cat. Het. 1, p. 224, 1867.

Hab .- Murree. The type was from Sylhet.

PALOMENA VIRIDISSIMA, Poda.

Cimex poda, Mus. Gr. 56, 10. Pal. viridissima, Stål, Hem. Fab. 1, p. 28. Muls. et Rev., Pun. Fr. 277, 1, 1866. Pent. dissimilis, Dall., List. 1, p. 241, 20, 1851.

Hab .- Murree.

This Palæarctic form is generally distributed throughout Europe. N. W. Siberia (Sahlberg).

Palomena Reuteri, Dist. Fig. 2. Palamena reuteri, Dist., Trans. Ent. Soc., Lond., 1879, p. 122.

&. Green; head, anterior border of pronotum, basal half of scutellum, and membrane bronzy. Head obscurely rugulose, very thickly and strongly punctured with black, median lobe slightly shorter than the lateral ones. Rostrum luteous, with the tip black. Antennæ luteous, apical joint somewhat fuscous, 3rd joint distinctly longer than the 2nd, rather shorter than the 4th, 5th longest. Pronotum obscurely rugulose, very thickly and strongly punctured with black, with two slightly waved lateral linear impunctate foveæ situated a little behind the anterior margin, lateral angles somewhat prominent and rounded. Scutellum thickly covered with deep black punctures, slightly rugulose at base. Corium thickly and deeply punctured with black. Abdomen above black, thickly and finely punctured with the connexivum luteous, punctured with black. Body beneath pale luteous, slightly clouded with greenish. Legs greenish, tarsi luteous.

2 Second joint of antenna distinctly longer than the 3rd, 2nd and 4th subequal. Abdomen, beneath, with some irregular obscure black markings.

Long. 11 to 12 mill.; exp. pronot. ang. 6 to 7 mill.

Hab .-- Murree.

Allied to P. viridissima, Poda, but differs in its smaller size and shorter antennæ; it is also more straightened and narrowed than in that species, and the structure of the pronotum

8. Carpocoris nigricornis, Fab.

Cimex nigricornis, Pab., Ent. Syst., IV, 94, 59.

Hab.-Kugiár, May to June 1874.

This is a common Palæarctic form. N. W. Siberia (Sahlberg); Astracan (Jacovlev); Algeria (Lucas); Morocco (Coll. Distant).

DOLYCORIS BACCARUM, Lin.

Cimex baccarum, Lin., Faun. Sv., 249, 928 .- Mormidea baccarum, Fieb., Eur. Hem., 335, 1 .- Pentatoma baccarum, Hahn, Wanz, Ins., fig. 152.—Cimex verbasci, De Geer, Mem. iii, 257, 4 (1773).

Hab .- Sind Valley, August 1873.

Common to Palæarctic region. Madeira (Wollaston); Tunis (Coll. Brit. Mus.); Morocco (Coll. Distant). Algeria (Lucas); N. W. Siberia (Sahlberg); Astracan (Jacovlev).

10. EURYDEMA WILKINSI, Osch. in litt., Fig. 4.

Eurydema wilkinsi, Dist., Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond., 1879, p. 123.

Pale luteous, somewhat thickly and coarsely punctured. Head with the anterior portion of the submarginal lateral borders and a large triangular marking at base; pronotum with two large discal subquadrate linear markings elongated exteriorly; scutellum with the base and two central forked lines extending therefrom to about middle, and two spots on lateral margins a little before apex; corium with two claval streaks; a linear spot on middle of outer margin; a transverse-waved fascia, extending from base of membrane for two-thirds across corium, and a rounded sub-apical spot, shining green. Abdomen above luteous, apical segment black, connexivum with a row of large green spots. Underside of body pale luteous. Abdomen with a marginal row of spots situated on the outer edge of each segmental suture, and a submarginal row of transverse slightly-waved linear markings, situated on middle of each segment, greenish-black. Sternum with some irregular markings of the same colour. Legs pale luteous, streaked with greenish-black, and femora obscurely annulated with the same colour near apex. Antennæ black, 2nd joint about as long as 1st and 3rd together, 4th somewhat dilated, about equal in length to 5th. Rostrum luteous pitchy at base and apex.

Long. 7 mill.

Hab.—Yangihissar, April 1874.

I have retained the unpublished name under which, Dr. Reuter informs me, this species has been sent from Turkestan. In most specimens the markings on the pronotum are

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not perfectly subquadrate, but disjointed. I have, however, thought it best to describe the specimen submitted to Dr. Reuter and returned as above.

M. EURYDEMA PESTIVA, Lin.

Cimez festiva, Lin., Syst. Nat., 723, 57.—Strackia festiva, Hahn, Wanz. Ins., fig. 93.—Eurydomu ornata, Sahlb., Mon. Geoc. Fenn., 24, 1.

Hab.—Yangihissár, April 1874. Kugiár, May to June 1874. Sind Valley, August 1873.
A common Palæarctic form. Madeira (Wollaston); N. W. Siberia (Sahlberg); Astracan (Jacovley); Algeria (Lucas).

Ma. E. FESTIVA, VAR. HERBACEA, H. Sch.

Eurydema herbaceum, H. Sch., Cont. Panz. F. G., 115, 12, and Nom. Ent., 1, 55, and 91 (1835). Hahn, Wanz. 3, F. 239 (1835).

Hab.—Sind Valley, August 1873.

12. BAGRADA PICTA, Fab.

Cimez pictus, Fab., S. Ent., p. 715, 93 (1775), Spec. 2, p. 359, 127 (1781). Wolff, Ic., 1, p. 17, F. 17 (1800).—Strachia picta, Dall., List. 1, p. 259, 5 (1851). Stål, Enumerat. Hemip., pt. 5, p. 88.

Hab .-- Murree.

This species, with few exceptions, has hitherto been only received from Bengal. Bombay (Coll. Dist.); Bagdad (Coll. Brit. Mus).

MENIDA DISTINCTA. Fig. 3.

Menida distincta, Dist., Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond., 1879, p. 122.

Luteous, covered with strong greenish-black punctures. Head luteous, with the lateral margins and four longitudinal furrowed punctured lines greenish-black. These lines are much more distinct on the ante-ocular portion of the head. Eyes dull ochreous. Antennæ pilose with the 2nd joint shorter than the 3rd, 4th and 5th subequal, rather longer than 3rd; first 3 joints luteous, apex of the 1st and apical half of the 3rd, black, 3rd and 4th joints black, narrowly luteous at base. Rostrum luteous, apical joints pitchy. Pronotum with an anterior submarginal line of greenish-black punctures and two irregular transverse ocellated punctured marks of the same colour on anterior portion of the disc. Scutellum with a large central subbasal greenish-black spot, and two small and somewhat indistinct ones of the same colour situated on the lateral margins a little before apex. Membrane transparent, whitish. Abdomen above black, connexivum luteous, spotted with black. Underside of body and legs luteous, sparingly and distinctly punctured with black. Tarsi pitchy.

Long. 6 mill.

Hab.-Murree and Sind Valley, Kashmir.

Menida histrio, Fab., is the nearest allied species.

14. PRIONACA EXEMPTA, Walk.

Prionaca exempla, Walk., Cat. Het., 3, p. 569.

Hab .-- Murroe.

N. Hindostan (Coll. Brit, Mus.); Assam (Coll. Distant).

Sub-Family - A CANTHOSOMINÆ (A CANTHSOMINA), Stal.

15. ACANTHOSOMA PROXIMA, Dall.

Acanthosoma proximum, Dall., List., 1, p. 303, 2 (1851).

Hab .- Murree.

The type in the British Museum without a locality was presented by General Hardwicke, and is probably from N. India.

16. Acanthosoma forfex, Dall.

Acanthosoma forfex, Dall., List., 1, p. 308, 16 (1851).

Hab.—Murree. N. India (Coll. Brit. Mus.).

17. Acanthosoma recurva. Dall.

Acanthosoma recurvum, Dall., List., 1, p. 310, 19 (1851).—Clinocoris recurvus, Stal, Enumerat. Hemip, p. 5, p. 114 (1876).

Hab.—Sind Valley, August 1873. N. India (Coll. Brit. Mus.).

18. Acanthosoma aspera, Walk.

Acanthosoma aspera, Walk., Cat. Het., p. 2, p. 395, 17 (1867).

Hab.—Murree. N. India (Coll. Brit. Mus.).

Sub-Family-UROSTYLINÆ (UROSTYLINA), Stål,

19. UROSTYLIS FUMIGATA, Walk. var.

Urostylis fumigata, Walk., Cat. Het., 3, p. 413 (1867).

Hab .- Murree. The type was from Sylhet.

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HEMIPTERA-HOMOPTERA.

Family-CERCOPIDÆ.

Sub-family-CERCOPINÆ (CERCOPINA) Stål.

44. Cosmoscarta dorsimacula, Walk,

Cercopis dorsimacula, Walk., List. Homop. Ins. III, p. 658, 31 (1851).

Hab .- Jhelam Valley.

N. Bengal, N. India, Cachar (Types, Brit. Mus.)

Sub-family-APHROPHORINÆ (APHROPHORINA) Stål.

45. PTYELUS COSTALIS, Walk.

Physius costalis, Walk., List. Homop. Ins. III, p. 707, 13 (1851). Physius concolor, Walk., ib., p. 715, 26. Stål, Ofv. vet. Ak. Forh., 1862, p. 498.

Hab.—Dras, Kargil, and Leh, August to September 1873.N. India (Types, Brit. Mus).

46. CLOVIA NEBULOSA, Fab.

Cercopis nebulosa, Fab., Ent. Syst., IV, 50, 14; Syst. Rhyn., 94, 3. Ptyclus quadridens, Walk., List. Homop. Ins. III, p. 711, 19 (1851). Ptyclus guttifer, Walk., ibid., p. 712, 21. Clovia nebulosa, Stål, Hem. Fab., 2, p. 16, 1869; Sign., Rev. and Mag. Zool., 1852, tom. 5, p. 188. Stål, Ofv. vet. Ak. Forh., 1862, p. 493.

Hab.—Sind Valley, August 1873.

Family-JASSIDA.

Sub-family-CENTROTINÆ.

In his Hem. Af. 4, pp. 82-83 (1866), the late Dr. Stål. gave a "Conspectus subfamiliarum" of his family "Jassida." In that work he placed the genus Oxyrhachis, Germ., in his sub-fam. "Membracida," owing no doubt to the dilated fore tibie of the insects comprised in that genus. Subsequently, however, Ofv. vet. Ak. Forh., 1869, p. 280, he placed it in his sub-fam. "Centrotida," adding "Conspectus generum, centrotidum mundi antiquivide Hem. Af., IV, pp. 86-89." Although there is an error in this statement, the genus Oxyrhachis clearly belongs to the Centrotida, in which I have placed it.

47. OXYRHACHIS, sp.

Hab.-Jhelam Valley. One spirit-specimen too much damaged to be described.

Sub-family-PROCONIINÆ (PROCONIINA) Stål.

48. EUACANTHUS EXTREMUS, Walk.

Tettigonia extrema, Walk., List. Homop. Ins., III, p. 761 (1851). Sign., Ann. Ent. Fr. Ser. 3, 1, p. 663, pl. 21, fig. 4 (1853). Stål, Ofv. vet. Ak. Forh., 1862, p. 495.

Hab.—Murree.

The type was from N. India.

Sub-family-JASSINÆ (JASSINA) Stål.

50. Bythoscopus stramineus, Walk.

Acocephalus stramineus, Walk., List. Homop. Ins., III, p. 847 (1851).

Bythoscopus indicatus, Walk., List. Homop. Ins. Suppl., p. 266, 1858. Stål, Ofv. vet. Åk. Forh., 1862,
p. 494.

Hab.-Sind Valley, August 1873.

The types were from Java, N. China, and Celebes; it is, however, a commonly received Indian species.

The remaining specimens of *Homoptera* contained in the collection, mostly somewhat minute species, are so damaged by immersion in spirit as to be undeterminable and of little value as museum-specimens. I should certainly pause before describing insects in this condition, as colour is obliterated and good figures could not be made. There are two small species of *Ricania* and one of *Nephesa*; the rest call for little comment.

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2. Palomena reuteri, Dist., p. 4.

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, 11a. The same, from below, more highly magnified.

.. 116. The anal appendages of the same, from above.

.. 11c. The same, from below.

.. 11d. The same seen vertically.

.. 11e. The rostrum.

12a, & 12b. The anal appendages of the female.

