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In continuation of the study of the crane-flies taken by Dr. René Malaise and Mrs. Malaise in Burma in 1934 the species of the tribe *Pediciini* are here considered. This is a relatively small tribe in the *Tipulidae*, the great majority of the known species being Holarctic in distribution, with a very few further forms in New Zealand, Australia, and Chile. A small proportion of the Holarctic genera invade the Oriental Region, always at relatively high altitudes in the mountains. A rather surprising number of species were taken by Dr. and Mrs. Malaise, all those discussed at this time being from Kambaiti, altitude approximately 7 000 feet. The types and uniques of the various species are to be preserved in the Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet, Stockholm.

Genus Ula Macquart.

Ula (Ula) fulva sp. n.

General coloration of thorax fulvous, the dorsal pleurites and posterior sclerites of the mesonotum somewhat darker; antennal scape and pedicel yellow, flagellum black, antennae rather long; femora yellowish brown, the tips narrowly dark brown; wings fulvous brown, sparsely patterned with darker brown; stigma yellow, darkened at either end; basal section of R_5 very reduced to entirely lacking, in the latter case r-m connecting directly with the end of Rs; inner end of cell 1st M_2 arcuated.

Female. Length about 8-9 mm; wing 8-9.5 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum obscure yellow; palpi dark brown. Antennae with scape and pedicel yellow, flagellum black; antennae relatively long for the female sex, if bent backward extending about to the root of the halteres; flagellar segments elongate-oval to subcylindrical; longest verticils of the intermediate segments a trifle shorter than the segments. Head dark brown above, paling to obscure yellow on sides.

General coloration of thorax fulvous to fulvous vellow, darker on mesonotum; dorsal pleurites and postnotum a little infuscated, forming a vague dorsal stripe extending from the cervical region and propleura across the dorsal mesopleura to the postnotum; scutal lobes weakly darkened. Halteres with stem yellow, knob infuscated. Legs with the coxae and trochanters yellow; femora obscure yellow basally, passing into yellowish brown, the tips narrowly dark brown; tibiae and tarsi brown, the outer tarsal segments darker; tibial spurs distinct, blackened, with flattened setae on proximal half. Wings (Fig. 1) with a strong fulvous brown tinge, the prearcular and costal fields clearer yellow; a restricted but conspicuous pale brown pattern, arranged as follows: Origin of Rs; cord, extending from the proximal end of the yellow stigma to the posterior border of the wing along vein Cu_1 ; $R_1 + 2$ and R_2 , forming the outer end of the stigmal area; outer end of cell 1st M_2 ; very restricted darkenings over posterior arculus, Sc_2 , and the tips of veins R_3 and R_4 ; certain of the longitudinal veins and the posterior wing border narrowly suffused with darker; veins pale brown, somewhat darker in the patterned areas. Macrotrichia abundant in cells of the outer two-thirds of wing, in the basal cells becoming sparse to finally lacking. Venation: Sc_1 ending about opposite fork of R_{2+3+4} , Sc_2 at near three-fifths the distance between arculus and origin of Rs; R_{1+2} shorter than R_2 ; basal section of R_5 reduced to entirely lacking, in the latter case r-m connecting directly with Rs at the fork; m-cu close to the fork of M; proximal end of cell 1st M_2 lying basad of cells R_4 or R_5 .

Abdominal tergites dark brown to brownish black, the proximal segments slightly more brightened; basal sternites yellow, the sixth and succeeding segments more uniformly darkened. Ovipositor with the cerci broad at base, upcurved to the acute tips.

Holotype, alcoholic \mathcal{Q} , Kambaiti, altitude 6 800 feet, April 10, 1934 (MALAISE). Paratopotypes, 2 alcoholic $\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{Q}$.

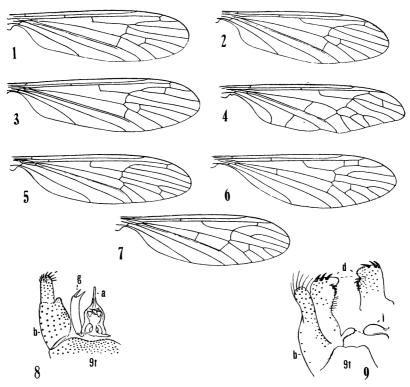


Fig. 1. Ula (Ula) fulva sp. n.; venation. — Fig. 2. Ula (Ula) bidens sp. n.; venation. — Fig. 3. Ula (Metaula) splendissima subgen. et sp. n.; venation. — Fig. 4. Malaisemyia ornatissima gen. et sp. n.; venation. — Fig. 5. Pedicia (Tricyphona) perrecessa sp. n.; venation. — Fig. 6. Pedicia (Eucyphona) epione subgen. et sp. n.; venation. — Fig. 7. Pedicia (Nasiternella) ignara sp. n.; venation. — Fig. 8. Ula (Ula) bidens sp. n.; male hypopygium. — Fig. 9. Malaisemyia ornatissima gen. et sp. n.; male hypopygium. (Symbols: a, aedeagus; b, basistyle; d, dististyle; g, gonapophysis; i, interbase; t, tergite.)

Ula (Ula) fulva is quite distinct from the other species now known from southern and southeastern Asia. It is closest to U. (U.) comes ALEXANDER, of southwestern China, being readily told by the general fulvous coloration and the strongly fulvous tinted wings, with the dark pattern much less distinct and contrasted than in comes.

Ula (Ula) bidens sp. n.

Size relatively small (wing, male, 6 mm or less); antennae of male elongate, about one-half the length of body; body almost uniformly dark brown, the bases of the more proximal abdomi-

nal sternites pale; legs brown; wings tinged with brown; stigma and a cloud over the anterior cord darker; r—m close to the fork of Rs; cell 1st M_2 relatively small, shorter than vein M_4 beyond it; male hypopygium with the gonapophysis bispinous at tip.

Male. Length about 5.5 mm; wing 5.8—6 mm; antenna about 2.7—2.8 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi brown, the former with unusually long setae. Antennae 17-segmented, dark brown throughout, elongate, approximately one-half the length of body; flagellar segments cylindrical, with an abundant erect pale pubescence and sparse verticils that are shorter than the segments; terminal segment longer than the penultimate. Head dark brown.

Thorax almost uniformly dark brown, apparently darker medially above; humeral region of praescutum obscure yellow. Halteres with stem dirty white, knob infuscated. Legs with the coxae brownish yellow, relatively long; trochanters obscure yellow; remainder of legs brown, the femoral bases narrowly obscure yellow, the outer tarsal segments darker. Wings (Fig. 2) tinged with brown; a restricted but conspicuous darker cloud over the anterior cord; stigma brown; veins brown, slightly darker in the more patterned areas. Macrotrichia of cells abundant, lacking only in the extreme basal cells. Venation: Sc_1 ending at or beyond midlength of R_{2+3+4} , Sc_2 a distance before the origin of Rs about equal to one-half the length of the latter; r—m at or close to fork of Rs; cell 1st M_2 relatively small, about two-thirds as long as vein M_4 beyond it; m—cu approximately one-half its length beyond the fork of M.

Abdominal tergites dark brown; basal sternites paler brown, the basal rings whitened; outer segments, including hypopygium, black. Male hypopygium (Fig. 8) with the dististyle, d, relatively long, with long slender blackened spinous setae. Gonapophyses, g, conspicuously bifid at tips, the spines subequal in size, slender and acute.

Holotype, alcoholic 3, Kambaiti, altitude 2 000 meters, May 16, 1934 (Malaise). Paratopotypes, 2 alcoholic 33, altitude 7 000 feet, April 30, 1934 (Malaise).

Ula (Ula) bidens is readily told from all other regional species by the structure of the male hypopygium, especially the bidentate gonapophyses. I am interpreting these structures as being gonapophyses but it is at least possible that they represent interbases but in the present case appear to be united with the phallosomic mass. What may represent true gonapophyses are figured as inwardly directed spines at near midlength of the phallosomic mass.

Subgenus Metaula subgen. n.

Characters as in Ula Macquart but with a supernumerary crossvein in cell R_3 , lying about one-half its length before the level of R_2 and before midlength of the cell. (Fig. 3.)

Type of subgenus. — *Ula (Metaula) splendissima* sp. n.; Oriental: Indo-Himalayan.

Ula (Metaula) splendissima sp. n.

General coloration dark brown; antennae relatively long, basal segments pale, outer segments brownish black; bases of knobs of halteres darkened; wings whitish subhyaline, heavily patterned with dark brown; a supernumerary crossvein in cell R_3 .

Female. Length about 7 mm; wing 8.5 mm; antenna about 2.6 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum dark brown; palpi relatively long, brownish black, the terminal segment paler, nearly twice the length of the penultimate. Antennae (female) relatively long, presumably still more elongate in male, 17-segmented; basal five segments yellow, the outer ones passing into brownish black; segments generally subcylindrical, a little dilated at near midlength; longest verticils unilaterally distributed, with a pair on each segment, placed close together before midlength of outer face; verticils of outer segments somewhat shorter and weaker. Head brownish black; anterior vertex relatively wide; eyes pubescent.

Thorax almost uniformly dark brown, the humeral region of praescutum appearing slightly paler. Halteres pale, the bases of knobs infuscated, the apices restrictedly pale. Legs with the coxae brownish yellow, relatively long; a linear series of long setae on cephalic face of coxae, most conspicuous on fore pair, totalling six or seven bristles; trochanters brown; remainder of legs broken. Wings (Fig. 3) whitish subhyaline, the prearcular and costal fields a trifle more yellowish; membrane heavily patterned with dark brown, as follows: Over h and anterior arculus; Sc_2 , extending from C to M; origin of Rs, slightly narrower than last but co-extensive; a nearly continuous band along cord, from tip of Sc_1 to the posterior margin, narrowly interrupted on R_{2+3+4} and again on the distal section of Cu_1 ; a conspicuous area from the tip of R_{1+2} , across R_2 and the supernumerary crossvein in cell R_3 to more than one-half the distance across cell R_4 ; outer end of cell 1st M_2 ; marginal spots at ends of all longitudinal veins excepting R_5 , from M_{1+2} to 2nd A becoming progressively larger; additional brown spots at beyond midlength of distal section of M_{1+2} at outer end of cell 1st A about mid-distance between the veins and the narrow axillary border in cell 2nd A; two conspicuous marks at and before midlength of vein Cu, the outer one larger, extending from vein M almost to 1st A; stigma pale with either end darkened, as described; veins brown, not or scarcely darker in the patterned areas. Macrotrichia of cells abundant in outer cells but more sparse and scattered on the disk and especially near the wing base. Venation: Sc_1 ending beyond the fork of R_{2+3+4} ; R_{1+2} a little more than one-half R_2 ; basal section of R_5 very short, r—m correspondingly long and strongly arcuated; cell 1st M_2 small, much shorter than any of the veins issuing from it; m—cu about two-thirds its length beyond the fork of M.

Abdomen dark brown, the caudal borders of the intermediate segments narrowly pale. Ovipositor with the cerci strongly flattened, the distal third narrowed and strongly upcurved to the acute tips.

Holotype, alcoholic \mathcal{Q} , Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, April 30, 1934 (Malaise).

 $Ula\ (Metaula)\ splendissima$ is readily told from all other members of the genus by the subgeneric character of a supernumerary crossvein in cell R_3 and by the unusually heavily patterned wings.

Malaisemyia gen. n.

Rostrum very short; labial palpi large and flap-like. Eyes hairy, with fine ommatidia. Wings (Fig. 4) subfalcate in outline, the posterior margin strongly inshirred at ends of certain of the veins, especially 1st A. Venation: R_{2+3} , R_4 and R_5 all arising directly from the end of Rs or with a very short element R_{2+3+4} ; vein 2nd A unusually short, strongly curved into the Anal border, ending about its own length before the level of the origin of Rs; supernumerary crossveins in cells R_3 , M and 1st A, the last unique in that it connects posteriorly with the border of the wing rather than with any vein, as is the case in all other Tipulidae; distance on margin between end of vein 2nd A and this crossvein nearly as long as the latter; veins M_2 and M_3 approximated to nearly contiguous at wing border. Male hypopygium (Fig. 9) with the dististyle, d, incompletely separated from the basistyle, b; ninth tergite, 9t, without lateral armature.

Genotype. — *Malaisemyia ornatissima* sp. n.; Oriental: Indo-Himalayan.

I take great pleasure in naming this new genus for Dr. René Malaise, distinguished student of the Tenthredinoidea. This conspicuous fly seems to be well distinguished by the venation, especially the number and position of the supernumerary cross-

veins and the course of vein 2nd A. The approximation at margin of veins M_2 and M_3 , as above mentioned, is better shown on one particular wing where cell 2nd M_2 is virtually closed. The nearest related genus seems to be Heterangaeus Alexander, with several species and subspecies in Japan and Korea, having the supernumerary crossveins in cells R_3 , R_4 , M_1 and M, and with vein 2nd A of normal length and course. The type of male hypopygium is quite distinct in the two groups.

Malaisemyia ornatissima sp. n.

Size large (wing, male, over 16 mm); general coloration brown; wings heavily patterned with pale brown, the bands narrowly bordered by darker brown; supernumerary crossveins in cells R_3 , M and 1st A, the last connecting posteriorly with the margin of wing rather than with a vein; vein 2nd A short and curved, the cell broad; male hypopygium without tergal armature; interbase a small flattened blade.

Male. Length about 20-21 mm; wing 16-16.5 mm.

Described from alcoholic specimens. Rostrum pale brown; palpi brown. Antennae with scape and pedicel obscure yellow; flagellum broken; pedicel relatively long. Head yellow; vertical tubercle distinct; eyes densely hairy.

Thorax almost uniformly dark brown, the praescutum presumably striped and possibly pruinose in fresh specimens; posterior sclerites of notum apparently paler; vestiture of notum very small and sparse. Halteres relatively long, yellow. Legs with the coxae elongate, concolorous with the pleura; trochanters brownish yellow; a fragment of leg detached in vial seems to belong here, femora and tibiae obscure yellow, the tips narrowly and weakly darkened; tarsi broken. Wings (Fig. 4) whitish subhyaline, heavily and very handsomely patterned with brown, somewhat as in various species of Tanyderus or Epiphragma; veins chiefly with broad pale brown seams that are narrowly margined with darker, forming a complete oblique crossband at cord and a more basal, nearly complete band extending from above the origin of Rs, across the basal supernumeraries to the wing margin, broken by the costal cell and very narrowly along the posterior border of cell R; extensive prearcular and postarcular darkenings, interconnected along vein Cu with the crossbands; further extensions of this pattern reach the margin along vein R_3 , being more extensive in the outer radial cells before narrowing at border; a similar pattern surrounds cell 1st M_2 , reaching the margin along vein M_2 , at border expanded to include the tip of vein M_3 ; small isolated darkenings at ends of veins M_1 and M_4 and as more extensive borders back from the margin at ends of veins 1st A and 2nd A, the former connected along border with the crossband at cord; the area at 2nd A includes nearly the distal third of vein; cell C uniformly brownish yellow excepting a cloud at h; cell Sc light yellow, interrupted above arculus, at Sc_2 , at mid-distance between the two latter and as a connecting link between the two crossbands; veins yellow, not or scarcely darkened in the patterned areas. Venation as described under the generic diagnosis.

Abdomen elongate; tergites brown, more or less variegated with paler, the caudal and lateral borders narrowly more darkened; outer segments, including hypopygium, more uniformly darkened; basal sternites yellow, weakly darkened medially; abdominal segments provided with relatively short but abundant vellow setae. Male hypopygium (Fig. 9) of simple structure. Ninth tergite, 9t, large but its central extended portion relatively small; caudal margin nearly truncate, with three poorly developed lobules; no lateral tergal arms; vestiture of tergite very small and delicate, inconspicuous. Basistyle, b, relatively large, on dorsal surface near apex with a stout fingerlike lobe that bears relatively few scattered setae. Interbase, i, an unusually small simple flattened blade, more or less cultrate in outline. What may be either a dististyle, d, or a ventro-apical lobe of the basistyle appears as a broad flattened lobe that bears about three strong black spines along the outer lateral margin and with a further ventral sublateral lobule or shoulder that bears two or three smaller blackened points and additional short dense spinous setae. Aedeagus very small.

Holotype, alcoholic 3, Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, June 4, 1934 (MALAISE). Paratopotypes, 33, June 4—15, 1934.

This exceptional fly requires no comparison with other members of the tribe Pediciini.

Genus Pedicia Latreille.

Pedicia (Tricyphona) perrecessa sp. n.

General coloration brownish yellow; halteres yellow; wings light yellow, conspicuously patterned with solid brown areas, including a complete crossband at cord; Sc_2 unusually retracted, lying only a short distance beyond the level of the arculus; R_{2+3+4} present, longer than r—m; cell 1st M_2 long.

Female. Length about 16 mm; wing 13 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi black. Antennae with the scape and pedicel light brown; flagellum broken. Head brownish black; eyes with setae between the ommatidia.

Pronotum dark brown, somewhat paler behind. Mesonotum only moderately gibbous; general coloration obscure yellow, patterned with slightly darker, evident as three brownish gray praescutal stripes and weakly darkened scutal lobes. Pleura patterned with brown, especially on the very oblique lower sternopleurite. Halteres yellow. Legs with the coxae obscure yellow, the fore and middle pairs somewhat more distinctly infuscated on basal portion; trochanters brownish yellow; remainder of legs broken. Wings (Fig. 5) with the ground light yellow, the prearcular and costal fields more saturated yellow; a heavy and conspicuous solid brown pattern, distributed as follows: A postarcular area in both cells R and M, extending cephalad over Sc_2 to the margin in cell C, at this point rather expanded; the portion in cell M crosses cell Cu_1 and occupies nearly the central third of cell Cu; a major area at origin of Rs, extending from C to vein M, thence distad to unite with the marking at cord; a narrow but complete band at cord, forming a shallow V due to the obliquity of the anterior cord; two extensive dark areas in outer portion, one at R_{1+2} and R_2 , ending posteriorly at vein R_4 , the other beginning at vein R_5 and extending slightly obliquely to the wing margin, crossing the fork of M_{1+2} , m and distal section of vein M_3 ; except for cell R_4 these two latter areas form a complete crossband; a major triangular marginal area at end of vein 2nd A; axillary border conspicuously darkened, including more than one-half the length of the cell; veins yellow, darker in the patterned portions. Venation: Sc_1 ending some distance beyond the fork of R_{2+3+4} , Sc_2 unusually retracted toward the wing base, lying shortly distad of arculus, as above described; Rs square at origin; R_{1+2} shorter than R_2 , the latter transverse; R_{2+3+4} gently arcuated, longer than r-m, the latter shortly before the fork of Rs; cell 1st M_2 long, the second section of vein M_{1+2} about one-half longer than vein M_1 ; cell M_4 narrow, especially at base.

Abdomen elongate, reddish brown, the outer segments more conspicuously darkened; lateral tergal borders narrowly brownish gray. Ovipositor with cerci long and nearly straight, hornyellow.

Holotype, alcoholic \mathcal{Q} , Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, May 15, 1934 (MALAISE).

Despite its very fragmentary condition I have no hesitation in defining this fly as new since it is one of the most distinct members of the subgenus so far discovered. The unusual recession of Sc_2 toward the wing base is noteworthy. Among the described regional species, the fly is closest, perhaps, to Pedicia (Tricyphona) flavipennis (Brunetti), from the eastern Himalayas at Darjiling. Brunetti does not mention the position of

 Sc_2 in this species nor is it shown in his figure but presumably lies in the darkened area before the origin of Rs or at near middistance between arculus and the origin of Rs.

Subgenus Eucyphona subgen. n.

Characters as in Tricyphona Zetterstedt but with supernumerary crossveins in cells R_1 and M, the latter lying unusually far basad, before midlength of vein M; vein R_1 and the supernumerary crossvein in cell R_1 unusually approximated, one at either end of the stigma.

Type of subgenus. — *Pedicia* (*Eucyphona*) *epione* sp. n.; Oriental: Indo-Himalayan.

The present fly represents still another subgeneric group in the Pedicia complex that is based essentially on the presence and distribution of the supernumerary crossveins. The crossvein in cell M is as found in Nasiternella but the added one in cell R_1 is entirely unique in Pedicia though characteristic of certain subgenera in the allied genus Dicranota Zetterstedt. It may be questioned as to whether it is advisable to erect new subgeneric groups based on the presence of supernumerary crossveins but since many of our best known subgenera elsewhere in the family are founded on these characters it seems consistent to proceed as in the present case. Among such familiar groups based on comparable characters may be mentioned Discobola Osten Sacken, Idioptera Macquart, Elwophila Rondani, Symplecta Meigen, and many others.

Pedicia (Eucyphona) epione sp. n.

General coloration obscure yellow, the praescutum with three conspicuous dark brown stripes; wings subhyaline, chiefly covered by pale gray and brownish gray clouds; stigma oval, narrowly bordered by pale brown; outer cells of wings pale, preceded by extensive brownish gray clouds; supernumerary crossvein in cell R_1 at proximal end of stigma; supernumerary in cell M unusually far basad; cell R_4 petiolate; cell 1st M_2 closed.

Female. Length about 7.5 mm; wing 6.9 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi black. Antennae 15-segmented; scape dark brown, pedicel brownish black, flagellum brown; basal flagellar segments subcylindrical, the outer ones more oval. Head black; eyes with dense setae between the ommatidia.

Pronotum brown, dark brown medially above. Mesonotal praescutum obscure yellow with three conspicuous dark brown stripes, the median one slightly darker; scutal lobes conspicuously

darkened; scutellum darkened medially, the parascutella paler; mediotergite medium brown. Pleura chiefly darkened, especially the ventral sternopleurite. Halteres weakly darkened. with the coxae and trochanters obscure yellow; remainder of legs broken. Wings (Fig. 6) with the restricted ground color subhyaline, chiefly covered by pale gray and brownish gray clouds; stigma oval, yellow, narrowly ringed with pale brown; markings at and beyond cord slightly darker than the basal pattern; a distinct subapical cloud from cells R_3 to M_3 , inclusive, the apices of the cells pale; in basal cells of wing the clouds very extensive, not or scarcely broken in cells Cu, 1st A or 2nd A; in cells R and M with large incursions of the ground, the darker color being confined to the vicinity of the veins; veins yellow, brown in the clouded portions. Venation: Sc_1 ending opposite the supernumerary crossvein in cell R_1 ; R_2 longer than R_{1+2} ; petiole of cell R_4 slightly longer than r-m; cell M_1 about equal to its petiole; cell 1st M_2 strongly widened outwardly; m-cu shortly beyond the fork of M.

Abdomen uniformly dark brown. Ovipositor with the cerci long, darkened on more than the proximal half, the tips yellow. *Holotype*, alcoholic \mathcal{Q} , Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, June 11,

1934 (MALAISE).

The present fly is readily told from all generally similar members of the genus by the subgeneric characters above defined and by the characteristic wing pattern.

Pedicia (Nasiternella) ignara sp. n.

General coloration dark brown; antennae 15-segmented, brown throughout; knobs of halteres weakly darkened; wings yellowish subhyaline, conspicuously patterned with brown; a supernumerary crossvein in cell M.

Female. Length about 9 mm; wing 8.5 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi dark brown. Antennae 15-segmented, dark brown throughout; pedicel relatively long; basal flagellar segment subcylindrical, nearly as long as the succeeding two taken together; following segments oval, gradually decreasing in size. Head dark brown.

Thorax in alcohol almost uniformly dark brown, presumably more or less pruinose in fresh specimens; praescutum with the usual stripes apparently confluent or virtually so. Halteres with the stem pale, knob weakly darkened. Legs with the coxae and trochanters dark; remainder of legs broken. Wings (Fig. 7) with a yellowish subhyaline ground, variegated by brown spots, as follows: Sc_2 ; origin of Rs; the extensive stigmal area; cord and outer end of cell 1st M_2 ; forks of R_{4+5} and M_{1+2} ; supernumerary

crossvein in cell M; distinct seams along veins Cu and 2nd A; veins yellow, darker in the patterned areas. Venation: r-m at fork of Rs; R_{1+2} relatively long, exceeding twice the length of R_2 ; R_{4+5} more than one-half Rs; r-m long, arcuated; cell 1st M_2 closed, narrowed at basal end; petiole of cell M_1 subequal in length to the cell; m-cu just beyond the fork of M; supernumerary crossvein in cell M about opposite the origin of Rs.

Abdomen brown, darker in the pleural region and on the second sternite. Ovipositor with cerci strongly upcurved, yellowish horn-color.

Holotype, alcoholic \mathcal{Q} , Kambaiti, altitude 6 800 feet, April 10, 1934 (Malaise).

The reference of the present fly to the subgenus Nasiternella Wahlgren is based solely on the presence of the supernumerary crossvein in cell M. In other regards the fly much resembles a Tricyphona and the discovery of the male sex may be necessary before a final assignment to subgenus can be made. The only other Nasiternella in the Asiatic fauna is Pedicia (Nasiternella) variinervis hokkaidensis Alexander, of Korea and northern Japan, a very different fly.

Genus Dicranota Zetterstedt.

Dicranota (Rhaphidolabis) princeps sp. n.

Size large (wing, male, over 7 mm); general coloration dark brown; halteres infuscated; femora obscure yellow basally, passing into black; wings grayish subhyaline, stigma darker, prearcular field more yellowed; male hypopygium with the tergite very large, deeply emarginate medially, the obliquely truncated lobes with abundant elongate setae; lateral tergal arms long and slender; basistyle with a broad lobe on mesal face that bears abundant long setae.

Male. Length about 7.5—8 mm; wing 7.5—8.5 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum black; palpi broken. Antennae with scape black; remainder broken. Head black, evidently pruinose in dry material; anterior vertex relatively wide, the vertical tubercle poorly developed.

Thorax apparently uniformly dark brown to brownish black, in dry specimens presumably more or less pruinose and possibly with praescutal stripes; mesonotum relatively gibbous. Halteres infuscated, relatively long and slender. Legs with the coxae concolorous with the thorax; trochanters brownish yellow; a single (hind) leg remains; femora obscure yellow basally, passing into black at near midlength; tibiae brown, the tips more blackened; tarsi black. Wings (Fig. 10) grayish subhyaline, the pre-

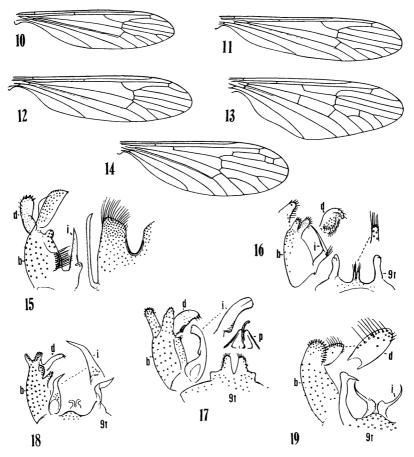


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arcular field more yellowed; stigma oval, brown; veins dark brown. Venation: Se long, Se_1 ending just beyond one-third the length of R_{2+3} , Se_2 a distance before the origin of Rs that is a little greater than the length of the latter; R_{2+3+4} present, sub-

equal to r—m; vein R_2 bent slightly basad, subequal to R_{1+2} ; cell M_2 closed in one wing of the type, normally open by the atrophy of m; cell 2nd A relatively wide.

Abdomen brownish black, the sternites somewhat paler; hypopygium black. Male hypopygium (Fig. 15) with the tergite, 9t, of unusual size (only the left half shown in figure), consisting of a subrectangular plate with the caudal margin very deeply notched, the bottom of the notch with a thickened margin; each lobe thus formed obliquely truncated at apex and provided with abundant elongate setae, those toward the outer angle longest; lateral tergal appearing as unusually long, nearly straight slender rods, a trifle expanded towards the outer ends, the rods a little longer than the length of the tergite; along outer margin for almost the whole length with microscopic spinous points. Basistyle, b, with a conspicuous lobe on mesal face. bearing a brush of long conspicuous setae, at mesal-apical portion with a small rounded lobe provided with a few strong setae; what seems to represent an apical lobe of the basistyle rather than a dististyle appears as a broad flattened cultrate blade, the outer margin with a high nearly glabrous flange; interbase, i, broadly attached to the basistyle, dilated and expanded into an obtuse knob at near midlength, this further produced into a slender fingerlike lobule, the blade thence narrowed to an acute point. Dististyle, d, a little shorter than the blade of the basistyle, more clavate, at apex with five or six strong black spines.

Holotype, alcoholic 3, Kambaiti, altitude 5 850 feet, June 11, 1934 (MALAISE). Paratopotype, 3, altitude 7 000 feet, April 30, 1934.

This large species of *Dicranota* is readily told from all other regional members of the genus by the size and by the structure of the male hypopygium, especially the very unusual ninth tergite.

Dicranota (Rhaphidolabis) setulifera sp. n.

General coloration dark brown; antennae short; legs uniformly darkened; wings with a strong brownish tinge, the stigma a little darker; Sc unusually short, Sc_1 ending before midlength of Rs; R_{2+3+4} present; male hypopygium with the median region of tergite produced into two slender lobes that are tipped with long setae; interbase at near proximal third bearing a group of about five long setae.

Male. Length about 5 mm; wing 5.5 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi brownish black. Antennae short, dark brown, if bent backward extending to shortly beyond base of pronotum; flagellar segments oval. Head brown.

Thorax almost uniformly dark brown, the humeral portion of the praescutum restrictedly brightened; mesonotum unusually narrow, the praescutum gibbous. Halteres pale, knobs weakly infuscated. Legs with the coxae infuscated; trochanters obscure yellow; remainder of legs brownish black; tibial spurs small but evident; claws slender, simple. Wings (Fig. 11) with a strong brownish tinge, the oval stigma slightly darker brown; basal portions of costal field similarly a little darkened; veins pale brown. Venation: Sc unusually short, Sc_1 ending about opposite two-fifths to midlength of Rs, Sc_2 at near two-fifths the distance between arculus and the origin of Rs; R_{2+3+4} long and conspicuous, exceeding m-cu in length; R_{1+2} and R_2 subequal; cell M_1 present; m-cu nearly its own length beyond the fork of M.

Abdominal tergites and hypopygium dark brown, the sternites obscure yellow, with numerous small dark setigerous punctures. Male hypopygium (Fig. 16) with the tergite, 9t, very narrow on its central portion, the caudal border being deeply emarginate, with two submedian slender lobes at the base of the notch; each of these lobes is tipped with about five long setae that are nearly equal in length to the lobes, with further scattered setae on surface of lobe and on main body of the tergite; lateral tergal arms produced far caudad, appearing as pale flattened blades, relatively wide, the tip narrowed and bent more or less at a right angle. Basistyle, b, with two apical lobes, with what appears to represent a single dististyle in their notch; upper lobe of basistyle broad-based, set with strong spinous setae at apex and down the mesal face, the more proximal ones passing into long hairs; lower lobe a little longer and more constricted at base, provided with somewhat similar strong spinous setae. base, i, of unusual conformation, broad on its basal third, the distal portion narrowed into a long slender spine; at point of narrowing on mesal face with a close group of about five long pale setae, the longest about two-thirds the enlarged base. What is considered as being a dististyle, d, is broadly dilated, bearing a setiferous cushion on the basal part of the mesal face, the apex a curved more sclerotized blade, the margin with a few conspicuous pale setae. In the unique type it cannot be certain that a rounded setiferous lobe above described as being on the dististyle is actually not on the lower lobe of the basistyle. Gonapophyses and aedeagus forming a compact phallosomic mass, the latter darkened, obtusely rounded at tip, the apophyses small and inconspicuous.

Holotype, alcoholic 3, Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, April 30, 1934 (MALAISE).

The present fly is very different from all other regional species of the subgenus in the short Sc and the very distinctive

structure of the male hypopygium, especially the tergite and interbase. It may be observed that in *Dicranota (Plectromyia) incompleta* (BRUNETTI), of the eastern Himalayas, *Sc* is even shorter than in the present fly, ending at or before the origin of *Rs*.

Dicranota (Plectromyia) serrulifera sp. n.

General coloration dark brown; antennae short, 15-segmented; wings with a weak brownish tinge, the oval stigma darker brown; $R_{2^+3^+4}$ distinct; cell M_1 present or absent; male hypopygium with the tergite produced into two slender submedian lobes, each with a lateral shoulder; no lateral tergal arms; interbase a flattened yellow blade, the outer margin of the distal half produced into a flange whose edge is microscopically serrulate.

Male. Length about 6.5—7 mm; wing 6.5—7.8 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi brownish black. Antennae 15-segmented, brownish black throughout, relatively short; first flagellar segment longer than the pedicel, the succeeding segments oval, gradually decreasing in size outwardly. Head black, pruinose; vertical tubercle developed.

Thorax chiefly dark brown, the dorsum apparently patterned with darker brown, the praescutum without clearly differentiated stripes. Halteres with the stem pale, knob weakly darkened. Legs with the coxae dark brown, trochanters a little paler; remainder of legs brownish black, elongate. Wings (Fig. 12) with a weak brownish tinge, the oval stigma darker brown; veins dark brown. Venation: Se relatively long, Se_1 ending about opposite two-fifths to nearly midlength of R_{2+4} ; Se_2 far before the origin of Rs, the distance greater than that portion of vein Se_1 beyond the origin of Rs; R_{2+2+4} distinct, longer than the basal section of R_5 ; vein R_2 oblique, usually a little longer than R_{1+2} ; cell M_1 usually lacking (as in Plectromyia), in cases preserved (as in Rhaphidolabis) but small; m—eu beyond the fork of M.

Abdomen brown, the lateral margins and posterior borders of the segments narrowly dark brown; hypopygium and preceding segment uniformly brownish black. Male hypopygium (Fig. 17) with the tergite, 9t, produced into two relatively slender submedian lobes that are separated by a deep and narrow notch, each lobe provided with a conspicuous lateral shoulder; no lateral tergal armature. Basistyle, b, with two apical lobes, the longer outer one more cylindrical, at apex with numerous spinous setae of moderate size; inner lobe narrowed at tip, provided with numerous elongate setae; mesal face of style before apex with a slightly indicated papilla that bears three or four long setae. Interbase, i, a conspicuous flattened yellow blade from an enlarged base, the outer half with a lateral expansion or flange

that is microscopically serrulate along the outer margin, the more proximal teeth less acute than the distal ones. Dististyle, d, a broadly flattened blade, about equal in length to the longest apical lobe of the basistyle, the tip obtuse; lower or ventral margin with several spinous setae. Phallosome, p, a small compact mass, the gonapophyses narrowed to obtuse tips, the short aedeagus projecting slightly beyond their tips.

Holotype, alcoholic 3, Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, April 30, 1934 (MALAISE). Paratopotypes, several 33, with the type.

The most similar species is Dicranota (Rhaphidolabis) praccisa Alexander, of southwestern China, which has the tergite, interbase and dististyle of approximately the same type as in the present fly but differing in every detail of structure. The presence or absence of cell M_1 in a series of specimens of what is surely a single species emphasizes the weakness of the subgenus Plectromyia. I am referring the present species to this latter subgenus since it appears that cell M_1 is normally lacking and, if present, is small and weak. A comparable case is known in various other species of Dicranota, including the genotype, guerini Zetterstedt.

Subgenus Amalopinodes subgen. n.

Characters as in the subgenus Eudicranota Alexander; a supernumerary crossvein in cell M about opposite the level of origin of Rs (Fig. 13).

Type of subgenus. — Dicranota (Amalopinodes) phantasma sp. n.; Oriental: Indo-Himalayan.

The rather numerous subgeneric groups now proposed in the genus *Dicranota* are all based on relatively weak and partly unstable characters. On such a basis they must necessarily function chiefly as groups of convenience in distributing the heterogeneous mass of forms now known. The subgenera may be separated by the following key.

Key to the Subgenera of Dicranota.

I. Wings with supernumerary crossveins in certain of the cells.	2
No supernumerary crossveins in any cells of wing.	9
Cell \hat{M} with a supernumerary crossvein.	3
No crossvein in cell M .	4
3. No other crossveins in the wing cells. Analopinodes subgen. n.	
Additional supernumeraries in cells R_1 , R_3 and R_4 . Polyangaeus 1	Doane
4. A supernumerary crossvein in cell R_4 . Amalopina Brunetti	
No supernumerary crossvein in cell R_4 .	5
A supernumerary crossvein in cell R_1 ; no other crossveins present	t. 6
No supernumerary crossvein in cell R_3 ; at least one such vein in cell	R_2 . 8
6. Cell 1st M ₂ closed. Eudicranota Alexander	
Cell 1st M_2 open.	7
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7. Cell M_1 lacking. Cell M_1 present. 8. One supernumerary cro. Two supernumerary cro. 9. Cell $1st M_2$ closed. Cell M_2 open by the a. 10. Cell M_1 lacking. Cell M_1 present.	ssveins in cell $ {R_3}$.	Dicranota Dicranote Euamalop Rhaphido	nota ALEXANDER ZETTERSTEDT lla ALEXANDER ina subgen. n. labina ALEXANDER ia OSTEN SACKEN labis OSTEN SACKEN
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Paradicranota Alexander rivularis Osten Sacken Plectromyia OSTEN SACKEN modesta (OSTEN SACKEN)

Eudicranota Alexander

notabilis ALEXANDER

Polyangaeus Doane Rhaphidolabina Alexander flaveola (Osten Sacken)

maculata (DOANE)

Rhaphidolabis Osten Sacken tenuipes (Osten Sacken)

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On the basis of such a distribution, Dicranotella includes also delectata Alexander and nebulipennis Alexander; Eudicranota, besides the subgenotype, dicranotoides Alexander: Rhaphidolabina also tumicostata Alexander. spectralis (Brunetti) and simplex Alexander. Other species, as gibbera Alexander, hyalipennis Alexander, and megaplagiata Alexander, would run to Rhaphidolabis and may be placed there until more is known of the species of Eastern Asia.

Dicranota (Amalopinodes) phantasma sp. n.

General coloration pale yellow, the praescutum and postnotum patterned with brown; legs pale, the tips of the femora and tibiae narrowly but very conspicuously blackened; wings (male) broad, whitish subhyaline, with restricted brown clouds over certain of the veins, including the cord and outer end of cell 1st M_2 ; cell R_3 sessile or very short-petiolate by a reduced element R_{2+3+4} ; cell 1st M_2 closed, cell M_1 long-petiolate; a supernumerary crossvein in cell M; male hypopygium with the lateral tergal arms appearing as strong pale blades, at apex produced mesad into an acute pale spinous point; interbasal rods unusually approximated on their basal portions.

Male. Length about 7-7.5 mm; wing 8-8.5 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi pale yellow. Antennae short, pale yellow, the scape and pedicel a trifle darker. Head yellow.

Thoracic notum with the ground color yellow, patterned with pale brown, including a major area on the side of praescutum before the suture and even larger markings on both the mediotergite and pleurotergite, most intense at the suture between these two subsclerites, the central part of the mediotergite again pale. Pleura yellow. Halteres white. Legs white, the tips of the femora and tibiae narrowly but conspicuously blackened, involving less than one-fifteenth of the length; tarsi white, the tips of the individual segments even more narrowly infuscated. Wings (Fig. 13) whitish subhyaline, with restricted brown clouds, as follows: Sc_2 , origin of Rs and the supernumerary crossvein in cell M; cord and outer end of cell 1st M_2 and over R_2 , the dark color indicated especially by the veins which elsewhere are very pale and difficult to see. Wings very broad, widest opposite the end of vein 2nd A. Venation: R_{2+3+4} variable, in cases barely evident as a tiny element that is subequal to the basal section of vein R_5 , in other cases and even on the opposite wings of a single specimen with vein R_4 definitely on the lower fork, forming a short R_{4+5} (as figured); thus veins R_{2+3} , R_4 and R_5 all appear to arise at or close to the end of Rs; cell M_1 long-petiolate; cell 1st M_2 closed; m—cu nearly in transverse alignment with the remainder of cord.

Abdominal sternites whitened, the tergites weakly patterned with pale brown; segments eight and nine conspicuously dark brown, the styli yellow. Male hypopygium (Fig. 19) with the tergite, 9t, relatively large, the central portion produced into a low subtriangular lobe that is provided with coarse setae; lateral tergal arms appearing as strong flattened pale blades that are directed caudad, near apex produced mesad into an acute pale spinous point. Basistyle, b, terminating in a single semioval lobe that is provided with numerous long-cylindrical blackened pegs with truncated tips. Dististyle, d, flattened, more or less mitten-shaped, the obtuse apex glabrous and feebly sclerotized; back from this smooth edge with a series of about 10 to 12 long strong setae. What presumably represent interbases, i, appear as powerful arms, at near one-third the length narrowed into divergent slender horns, on outer margin near point of narrowing with a lobe or flange of pale membrane. These supposed interbases are almost contiguous with one another at the midline but their enlarged bases are directed cephalad and laterad and appear to connect with the base of the dorsomesal face of the basistyle immediately beneath the tergal arm.

Holotype, alcoholie 3, Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, June 4, 1934 (Malaise). Paratopotypes, 33.

The present fly is readily told from all allied species by the subgeneric character of a supernumerary crossvein in cell M of the wings. Superficially it is most similar to Dicranota (Rha-phidolabina) spectralis (BRUNETTI), of the eastern Himalayas (Darjiling to Assam).

Subgenus Euamalopina subgen. n.

Wings (Fig. 14) with two supernumerary crossveins in cell R_3 , both lying distad of the level of vein R_2 ; Rs unusually long, exceeding R alone; Sc_2 lying far basad, shortly beyond midlength of the distance between arculus and origin of Rs. Male hypopygium (Fig. 18) with the lateral tergal arms and the interbases both well-developed, the latter with setae near base; basistyle with four apical and subapical lobes, all but the most basal one set with blackened pegs.

Type of subgenus. — Dicranota (Euamalopina) perelegantula sp. n.; Oriental: Indo-Himalayan.

The position of this new group among the other subgenera in *Dicranota* is indicated in the key given under the preceding species.

Dicranota (Euamalopina) perelegantula sp. n.

General coloration brownish yellow; wings whitish hyaline, extensively patterned with brown; Rs very long; two supernumerary crossveins in cell R_3 ; male hypopygium with the basistyle terminating in three lobes that are set with blackened spinous pegs; interbase with setae at proximal end; tergal arms long and conspicuous.

Male. Length about 5.5 mm; wing 5.5 mm.

Described from alcoholic material. Rostrum and palpi obscure brownish yellow. Antennae short, if bent backward extending about to the posterior end of head; scape black, remainder of organ obscure brownish yellow; pedicel large; basal flagellar segments short-oval, the outer ones rapidly decreasing in size to the outermost. Head brownish black; eyes with coarse ommatidia, provided with coarse setae; eyes broadly contiguous beneath; anterior vertex wide, at least four times the diameter of scape.

Thorax brownish yellow, apparently patterned on the dorsum but the color not readily apparent in the alcoholic type, the central portion of the scutellum and mediotergite more evidently darkened. Halteres pale. Legs with the coxae and trochanters yellow; remainder of legs broken. Wings (Fig. 14) whitish hyaline, extensively and handsomely patterned with brown, as follows: The major area is a very irregular one at the level of the cord, extending from the costal border to beyond m-cu, widest at costa, fork of Rs and over m-cu; distad of cord several spots and clouds over the transverse veins and forks, the largest area at end of vein R_5 ; basad of cord with a major area over the origin of Rs and in alignment with this on vein 1st A; smaller spots at Sc_5 and at end of vein 2nd A; veins pale yellow, brown in the patterned areas. Venation: Rs unusually long, square and spurred at origin; R_{1+2} about one-half R_2 ; R_{2+3+4} long, more than one-half longer than r-m; R_{2+3} angulated and spurred near origin; cell M_2 open by the atrophy of m; m-cu gently arcuated, about one-half its length beyond the fork of M.

Abdomen yellow, patterned with brown; caudal and lateral borders of tergites darkened, of the sternites less evidently so. Male hypopygium (Fig. 18) with the tergite, 9t, extensive, the median region produced caudad into a low obtuse lobe that is provided with several elongate setae; lateral tergal arms long and conspicuous, produced into flattened twisted blades, their tips narrowed to acute points. Basistyle, b, with an unusual development of apical and subapical lobes, the apical two set with blackened pegs, the outer one conspicuously bilobed, the more basal lobe semioval; subapical lobe longer and more slender, with several coarse spinous setae but without blackened pegs. Interbase, i, a powerful horn, expanded at base and here with about seven setae from conspicuous whitened punctures; at near two-thirds its length the interbase bends at an angle and narrows to an acute point. Dististyle, d, single. Phallosome small and inconspicuous. The interpretation of various outer appendages of the basistyle as being lobes of the latter or as a dististyle is more or less arbitrary, since in several of the smaller Pedicine crane-flies it is almost impossible to determine which are lobes and which are true styli. In the present fly, what is considered as being a dististyle certainly is connected with the outer bilobed structure above described as being part of the basistyle. In this case, all of the various appendages of the basistyle might be held to be merely lobes of the latter.

Holotype, alcoholic 3, Kambaiti, altitude 7 000 feet, June 16, 1934 (MALAISE).

The present fly is readily told from all other regional members of the genus by the subgeneric characters.

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