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Over the years extensive collections of crane-flies from all parts of the world have been studied and descriptions and illustrations of many new and insufficiently known species have been prepared. I have assembled a series of reports on such forms and in the present paper am discussing various species taken in southern Asia, from Nepal and parts of northern and eastern India, virtually all having been collected in the Himalayas, particularly in Sikkim, and in the more southern ranges of Manipur in Assam, by Dr. Fernand Schmid. A few further species from Nepal that were received from Dr. Edward I. Coher are included. I express my sincere thanks to Drs. Coher and Schmid for their interest in collecting these flies from this particularly important part of Asia. Attention is called to the description of Cylindrotoma subapterogyne, a new species having nearly wingless females, representing the first known case of subapterism in the subfamily Cylindrotominae. The types of the various novelties are preserved in my personal collection of these flies.

The extensive series of Tipulidae from southern Asia collected by Dr. Schmid in recent years has been discussed by me in a long series of papers that have appeared in the Philippine Journal of Science, Transactions and Proceedings of the Royal Entomological Society of London, Annals and Magazine of Natural History, Journal of the New York Entomological Society, Bulletin of the Brooklyn Entomological Society, and Entomological News.

#### Cylindrotominae

#### Cylindrotoma subapterogyne sp.n.

Female subapterous (male sex unknown); general coloration of body black, orbits of head broadly obscure yellow; legs brownish black; wings

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Contribution from the Entomological Laboratory, University of Massachusetts.

subequal in length to the halteres, the venation greatly distorted; abdomen brownish black, tergites with a central yellow stripe, less evident on the sternites.

Female.—Length about 10-11 mm.; wing 1.6-1.7 mm.; antenna about 1.9-2 mm.

Rostrum dull black, at apex with long black setae; palpi black. Antennae black throughout; flagellar segments cylindrical, much longer than the verticils. Head dull black, broadly obscure yellow behind the antennal fossae and on the orbits; anterior vertex very broad, the eyes correspondingly small; vertex about three times the diameter of the eye as seen from above or more than four times the diameter of the scape.

Pronotal scutum dull black, scutellum darkened medially, sides obscure yellow. Mesonotum almost entirely dull black, pleurotergite slightly paler. Pleura with propleura, anepisternum and dorsal pteropleurite dull black; sternopleurite, meron and metapleura paler brown; dorsopleural membrane extensively light yellow. The paratype has the postnotum and pleura more yellowed. Halteres with stem light brown, base conspicuously light yellow, knob dark brown. Legs with fore coxae dull black, remaining coxae brown, pollinose; trochanters obscure yellow; femora brownish black, bases obscure yellow; tibiae dark brown, tips narrowly more darkened; tarsi black. Wings greatly atrophied, brachypterous, subequal in length to the halteres, in the paratype slightly broader and with the apex more obtuse; dusky, base and costal border more yellowed; outer half of wing with marginal trichia black, long and conspicuous. Venation very distorted, unrecognizable as belonging to this genus, more deformed in the type.

Abdomen brownish black, tergites with a broad yellow central stripe, extending from base of second segment to the seventh, sternites with a less evident obscure yellow line; basal plate of cerci polished black. Ovipositor with cerci brown, long and slender; hypovalvae projecting slightly beyond, horn-yellow to brownish black, their tips squarely truncate.

Holotype.— $\circ$ , Yedang, Sikkim, 10,600 feet, in Rhododendron association, May 25, 1959 (Schmid). Paratype,  $\circ$ , Lachen, Sikkim, 8930 feet, May 23, 1959 (Schmid).

The possibility exists that this fly is the female sex of Cylindrotoma seticornis sp.n., described later, but the general coloration of the two is so different that it seems certain that two distinct species are involved. The reduction of the wings falls between categories 4 and 5 in Bezzi's scale of wing atrophy in the Diptera.<sup>2</sup> Other regional members of the genus include the distinct Cylindrotoma nigritarsis Alexander, 1956, of Nepal, and C. pallidipes Alexander, 1953, of northeastern Burma.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Bezzi, Mario. 1916. Riduzione e scomparsa delle ali negli insetti Ditteri. Rivista Scienze Naturali, *Natura*, 7: 85–182, 11 figs. with subfigs.

#### Cylindrotoma seticornis sp.n.

Size large (wing of male about 10 mm.); antennae of male elongate, more than one-half the wing, flagellar segments elongate-cylindrical, with abundant erect black setae distributed over the whole length; head dark brown; thorax yellow, praescutum with three slightly more fulvous stripes; legs with coxae and trochanters yellow, remainder of legs black, femoral bases narrowly obscure yellow; wings brownish yellow, restrictedly patterned with brown, cell 1st  $M_2$  large; male hypopygium with tergal lobes narrow, aedeagus with the three filaments very unequal, the central one long, the small laterals less than one-third this length.

Male.—Length about 9–9.5 mm.; wing 10–10.5 mm.; antenna about 5.5–6 mm.

Rostrum light brown; palpi black. Antennae of male elongate, exceeding one-half the wing; scape and pedicel testaceous yellow, flagellum black; flagellar segments elongate-cylindrical, with long dense black setae over the entire length, the sparse verticils about one-half longer. Head dark brown, smooth.

Pronotum yellow, weakly darkened medially. Mesonotum yellow, the praescutum with three slightly more fulvous stripes, centers of scutal lobes similarly colored; in one paratype the central praescutal stripe and a small area on each scutal lobe is medium brown. Pleura uniformly yellow. Halteres with stem brown, base narrowly yellow, knob darker brown. Legs with all coxae and trochanters yellow; remainder of legs black, femoral bases narrowly obscure yellow. Wings (fig. 1) brownish yellow, prearcular and costal fields somewhat more saturated; stigma dark brown; a narrow darkened seam over cord; veins brown, those of the basal third more yellowed. Longitudinal veins beyond cord chiefly with long trichia. Venation: Cell 1st  $M_2$  large; petiole of cell  $M_1$  short, subequal to or shorter than m; m-cu at or slightly before the fork of M.

Abdomen light brown, the fifth and succeeding segments, including the hypopygium, black. Male hypopygium (fig. 5) with the tergite, t, large, posterior margin broadly emarginate, the lobes narrow, especially in the holotype; central region of tergite membranous. Dististyle, d, an elongate nearly straight rod, the base setiferous, some of the setae very long. Phallosome with the gonapophyses, g, appearing as flattened yellow blades, apex and lower margin with microscopic teeth, the more proximal ones recurved; in a paratype these teeth are fewer, with only two present at apex; aedeagus, a, consisting of a long curved central filament, with two much smaller and more slender filaments arising at near one-fourth the length, these lateral filaments equal to one another and less than one-third the length of the major central one.

Holotype.— &, Yedang, Sikkim, 10,600 feet, in Rhododendron association, May 25, 1959 (Schmid). Paratopotypes, 3 & &, 9680 feet, June 10, 1959 (Schmid).

Cylindrotoma seticornis is readily told by the almost uniformly yellow thorax, the elongate antennae that are provided with abundant erect setae, and the structure of the aedeagus. As mentioned under the preceding species, the possibility of this fly being the male of C. subapterogyne sp.n., is not excluded.

#### Phalacrocera manipurensis sp.n.

Thoracic dorsum polished brownish yellow, pleura light yellow; antennae short, scape yellow, flagellum black; wings with a long basal petiole, infuscated,  $R_s$  long,  $R_{1+2}$  atrophied; male hypopygium with tergite large, posterior border emarginate, dististyle small.

Male.—Length about 9.5–10 mm.; wing 10–10.2 mm.; antenna about 1.5–1.6 mm.

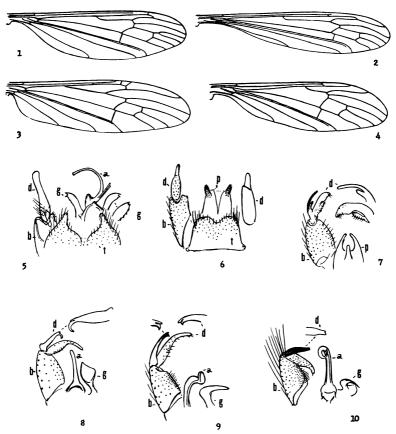
Rostrum pale yellow, palpi black. Antennae short; scape yellow, pedical brownish yellow, flagellum black; flagellar segments suboval, the outer ones elongate, with long verticils that exceed the segments in length. Head above polished brown, more yellowed in front and beneath; vestiture virtually lacking.

Thoracic dorsum almost uniformly brownish yellow, polished, glabrous, the praescutal stripes vaguely differentiated. Pleura light yellow. Halteres elongate, black. Legs with coxae and trochanters pale yellow; femora obscure yellow basally, tips brownish black; tibiae and tarsi black; claws small, simple. Wings (fig. 2) with a long basal petiole, strongly infuscated, stigma very small, scarcely differentiated; veins brown. Macrotrichia on outer radial veins, distal section of  $M_{1+2}$  and  $M_3$ . Venation:  $Rs \log_1 R_{1+2}$  atrophied; cell 1st  $M_2$  elongate, subequal to distal section of  $M_{1+2}$ ; m-cu its own length or less beyond the fork of M; cell 2nd A relatively narrow.

Abdomen elongate, tergites in type brown, in the paratype more brownish yellow medially, the lateral borders dark brown; outer segments, including hypopygium, black; sternites obscure yellow. Male hypopygium (fig. 6) with the tergite, t, large, posterior border with a U-shaped emargination, lobes broadly obtuse; numerous setae on lobes and on central area of disk. Dististyle, d, small, subglabrous, outer fifth more narrowed, tip obtuse.

Holotype.—&, Sirhoi Kashong, Manipur, Assam, 6000 feet, June 8, 1960 (Schmid). Paratype, & Hkayam Boum, Manipur, 8500 feet, June 22, 1960 (Schmid).

This is the first Indian species of the genus to be described. It differs from other Asiatic species, as *Phalacrocera angustaxillaris* Alexander, of northeastern Burma, in venation, including the less developed wing petiole, and with  $R_{2+3}$  much shorter, about one-third  $R_{3}$  and much shorter than  $R_{3}$ .



Text-figs. 1-10. Fig. 1, Cylindrotoma seticornis sp.n., venation; Fig. 2, Phalacrocera manipurensis sp.n., venation; Fig. 3, Protohelius khasicus sp.n., venation; Fig. 4, Helius (Helius) tanyrhinus sp.n., venation; Fig. 5, Cylindrotoma seticornis sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 6, Phalacrocera manipurensis sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 7, Protohelius khasicus sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 8, Helius (Helius) unicolor (Brunetti), male hypopygium; Fig. 9, Helius (Helius) perflavens sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 10, Helius (Helius) tanyrhinus sp.n., male hypopygium.

Symbols: a, aedeagus; b, basistyle; d, dististyle; g, gonapophysis; p, phallosome.

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#### Protohelius khasicus sp.n.

General coloration of thorax dark fulvous, unpatterned; femora and tibiae yellow, the tips narrowly dark brown; wings subhyaline, stigma short-oval, pale brown.

Male.—Length about 6.5-6.7 mm.; wing 7-7.5 mm.; antenna about 1.7-1.8 mm.

Rostrum fulvous, palpi black, elongate. Antennae relatively long; scape and pedicel orange, flagellum light brown, outer segments passing into black; flagellar segments cylindrical, subequal to or slightly exceeding the longest verticils; terminal segment about two-thirds the penultimate. Head obscure fulvous; anterior vertex narrow, less than one-half the diameter of the scape.

Cervical region infuscated; pronotum fulvous. Mesothorax almost uniformly dark fulvous, without darker pattern as in nilgiricus. Halteres with stem dusky, narrowly yellowed at base, knob dark brown. Legs with coxae and trochanters fulvous; femora and tibiae yellow, tips rather narrowly dark brown, tarsi black; claw with a long basal spine. Wings (fig. 3) subhyaline, a trifle more yellowed at base; stigma short-oval, pale brown. Longitudinal veins beyond general level of cord with macrotrichia, lacking on Sc and basal veins, sparse and scattered on R. Venation: Sc about opposite one-third to two-thirds  $R_{2+3}$ ; m-cu close to fork of M.

Abdomen yellowish brown to light brown, hypopygium light brown to orange-yellow. Male hypopygium (fig. 7) with the lateral arm of outer dististyle, d, very small; outer blade of inner style cultriform.

Holotype.— &, Shilliang Myntang, United Khasi and Jaintia Hills, Assam, 3500 feet, April 21, 1960 (Schmid). Paratopotypes, 4 & &; paratype, 1 &, Thangrain, United Khasi and Jaintia Hills, 3000 feet, April 22, 1960 (Schmid).

The only other regional species is *Protohelius nilgiricus* Alexander, of South India, readily told by the conspicuous blackened pattern of the mesonotum. The long basal spine of the claw is found in both species. The relationship of *Protohelius* Alexander to the Baltic Amber *Electrolabis* Alexander appears evident.

#### Helius (Helius) unicolor (Brunetti)

Rhamphidia unicolor Brunetti, Fauna British India, Diptera Nematocera, p. 419, 1912.

Brunetti's type was from Darjeeling, taken August 8, 1909, by Paiva. A metatype male was received in an exchange of specimens with Brunetti and notes on the hypopygial structure are supplied. The specimen was from Kalimpong, Darjeeling District, 600–4500 feet, April 24–May 10, 1915, taken by F. H. Gravely.

Male hypopygium (fig. 8) with the basistyle, b, simple, setae relatively sparse, including especially the smaller ones of the mesal face. Outer dististyle, d, pale throughout, with a small knob or swelling on outer margin at base, apical fourth narrowed and curved, the small outer spine at base of the narrowed portion; inner style longer, narrowed on nearly the outer half. Gonapophysis, g, distinctive, appearing as a pale scoop, the stem short and stout. Aedeagus, a, almost straight, apex simple, rounded.

The chief differences from *Helius* (*Helius*) perflavens sp.n. lie in the structure of the outer dististyle, gonapophysis and aedeagus.

# Helius (Helius) perflavens sp.n.

General coloration of entire body pale yellow; antennal flagellum brown, basal segments very short and crowded, the outer ones unusually long; male hypopygium with outer dististyle blackened, shallowly bidentate at tip; gonapophysis terminating in a long point; aedeagus moderately long, curved, apex bilobed.

Male.—Length, including rostrum, about 7.5–8 mm.; wing 6.2–7 mm.; rostrum about 0.7–0.8 mm.

Female.—Length, including rostrum, about 8 mm.; wing 7.5 mm.; rostrum about 0.7 mm.

Rostrum pale yellow throughout, shorter than the antennae; palpi brownish yellow. Antennae with scape and pedicel yellow, flagellum brown; proximal five or six flagellar segments very short and crowded, becoming longer at midlength of organ, the outer four or five progressively lengthened, the terminal segment very long and slender, exceeding the preceding two combined. Head yellow; anterior vertex relatively narrow, subequal to the diameter of the scape.

Cervical region and thorax very pale yellow, the median region of praescutum somewhat more saturated yellow. Halteres pale yellow. Legs with coxae and trochanters very pale; remainder of legs more obscure yellow, appearing still darker because of the short and very abundant vestiture; tarsi not darker than remainder. Wings uniformly very pale yellow, the veins deeper yellow, inconspicuous against the ground. Veins of nearly the outer half of wing with abundant trichia; costal fringe short. Venation: Anterior branch of  $R_s$  arcuated at origin, thence extended parallel to  $R_1$ , posterior branch deflected strongly caudad, ending just behind the wing tip, cell  $R_s$  at margin very extensive; basal section of  $R_{4+5}$  more than one-half r-m; cell  $lst M_2$  rectangular, slightly more than one-half longer than broad; m-cu at or close to fork of M.

Abdomen brownish yellow, the tergites not or scarcely darker than the sternites, eighth sternite more or less darkened, hypopygium yellow. Male hypopygium (fig. 9) with the basistyle, b, lacking a lobe on mesal face but with a concentration of stiff setae. Dististyles, d, terminal; outer style about two-thirds as long as the inner and more slender, gently curved, narrowly blackened at the shallowly bidentate tip; axial spine stouter, decurved, outer spine jutting beyond, tip obtuse. Gonapophysis, g, with apical point elongate. Aedeagus, a, moderately long, apex bilobed.

Holotype.— &, Simbhanjang Pass, Kathmandu Road, Nepal, mile 63.5, June 24, 1957 (Coher). Allotopotype, Q. Paratopotypes, 4 & &.

The most similar regional species is *Helius* (*Helius*) unicolor (Brunetti) which has been discussed earlier in this report.

#### Helius (Helius) sigillatus sp.n.

General coloration of mesonotal praescutum obscure yellow, with three medium brown stripes; posterior sclerites of notum darker, scutellum dark brown with a central yellow spot; femora with a broad dark brown subterminal ring, the actual tip very narrowly yellow; wings whitish, with a conspicuous brown pattern that includes large areas at origin of Rs, along the cord and elsewhere, wing tip broadly paler brown.

Female.—Length, including rostrum, about 8 mm.; wing 8.5 mm.; rostrum about 0.6 mm.

Rostrum relatively short, dull black, palpi black. Antennae black throughout; flagellar segments cylindrical to subcylindrical, gradually decreasing in length outwardly, subequal in length to their verticils. Head dark gray, posterior vertex and occiput darker.

Cervical region brown; pronotal scutum variegated brown and obscure yellow, scutellum and pretergites yellow. Mesonotal praescutum with the restricted ground obscure yellow, with three medium brown stripes, the central one divided on about the posterior fourth, not reaching the suture behind; lateral stripes widely separated, the ground interspaces very broad, humeral and lateral regions light yellow; scutum with lobes dark brown, central region restrictedly paler; scutellum dark brown with a very narrow and inconspicuous central yellow spot; mediotergite dark brown, pleurotergite brownish yellow. Mesepisternum weakly infuscated, the posterior pleurites more vellowed, especially the meron and metapleura. Halteres with stem dirty white, knob infuscated. Legs with fore coxae weakly darkened, middle and hind coxae and all trochanters yellow; femora brownish yellow basally, darkening toward tips, with a broad dark brown subterminal ring, the actual tip very narrowly yellow; tibiae and tarsi dark brown. Wings with the ground whitish, the prearcular and costal fields more yellowed; a conspicuous brown pattern, including the stigma, a large area at origin of Rs, cord, outer end of cell 1st M2 and a small arcular area; slight'y paler brown markings include the broad wing tip, from cell  $R_2$  into cell  $M_4$ , with further darkenings in ends of cells Cu and  $Ist\ A$ ; veins brown, paler in the yellowed portions. Veins of more than outer half of wing with numerous macrotrichia. Venation: Rs in direct alignment with  $R_{4+3}$ , r-m conspicuous, just before the fork; cell  $Ist\ M_2$  subrectangular, with m-cu at near two-fifths the length; m oblique, a little longer than the basal section of  $M_3$ .

Abdominal tergites dark reddish brown, sternites yellow, sixth and seventh segments more blackened, to form a narrow ring. Ovipositor with the genital segment fulvous yellow; cerci slender, especially on the upcurved outer ends.

Holotype.—  $\circ$ , Simbhanjang Pass, Mahabharat Range, 8190 feet, June 24, 1957 (Coher).

Although it is closely related to *Helius* (*Helius*) euryphallus Alexander, I regard the two flies as being distinct. The chief colorational differences include the leg and wing patterns, the present fly being more conspicuously marked in all regards.

#### Helius (Helius) tanyrhinus sp.n.

General coloration of entire body brownish black; rostrum very long and slender, approximately one-half as long as remainder of body; halteres yellow; legs black, femoral bases obscure yellow; wings brownish yellow, cord and outer ends of cell  $1st\ M_2$  conspicuously seamed with brown, some other veins less evidently darkened; cell  $1st\ M_2$  large; male hypopygium with apex of outer dististyle shallowly emarginate.

Male.—Length, excluding rostrum, about 7.5 mm.; wing 9 mm.; rostrum alone about 4 mm.

Rostrum black, exceedingly long and slender, about one-third longer than the combined head and thorax; maxillary palpi black, labial palpi about one-third as long, pale. Antennae black; basal flagellar segments crowded, subglobular, outer segments passing through oval to elongate, with long verticils. Head black; anterior vertex slightly wider than the diameter of the scape.

Thorax almost uniformly brownish black, subnitidous, median area of suture and the restricted humeri obscure yellow, scutellum and postnotum vaguely more pruinose; setae of praescutum and scutum very sparse but long and erect. Halteres yellow. Legs with coxae dark brown; trochanters obscure yellow; remainder of legs brownish black, femoral bases obscure yellow, narrowest on fore legs; claws long, simple. Wings (fig. 4) brownish yellow, prearcular and costal fields clear light yellow; stigma and conspicuous seams over cord and outer ends of cell 1st  $M_2$  brown; narrow and less evident darkenings over both sections of  $Cu_1$ , outer half of M and 2nd A, and on the outer medial veins. Longitudinal veins beyond cord with abundant macrotrichia, before cord including  $R_8$  and outer end of  $Cu_1$ , lacking on M and the Anals. Venation:  $Sc_2$  ending shortly before fork of  $R_8$ ,

branches of the latter gently divergent,  $R_{4+5}$  deflected strongly toward wing tip, cell  $R_3$  very extensive at margin, nearly two and one-half times  $R_2$ ; cell 1st  $M_2$  large, subrectangular, nearly as long as vein  $M_4$ ; m-cu shortly beyond fork of M.

Basal abdominal tergites brown, sternites brownish yellow, outer segments, including hypopygium, brownish black. Male hypopygium (fig. 10) with the basistyle, b, lacking lobes; setae of outer face of style very long, the longest about two-thirds the style; setae of mesal face shorter but abundant. Outer dististyle, d, a nearly straight black rod, gradually narrowed to the very shallowly notched apex; inner style nearly twice as long and stouter. Gonapophysis, g, extended apically into a long gently curved spine. Aedeagus, a, terminating in a short simply curved pale filament.

Holotype.— &, Karponang, Sikkim, 9900 feet, August 23, 1959 (Schmid).

The only other described *Helius* having the rostrum proportionately as long and slender as in the present fly is *Helius* (*Helius*) dolichorhynchus Edwards, of Mount Kinabalu, North Borneo, entirely distinct in coloration of the body, halteres and wings, and in the structure of the male hypopygium.

#### ERIOPTERINI

#### Genus DASYMALLOMYIA Brunetti

Dasymallomyia Brunetti, Rec. Indian Mus. 6: 304, 1911.
 Dasymallomyia Brunetti, Fauna British India, Diptera Nematocera, pp. 494–495, 1912.

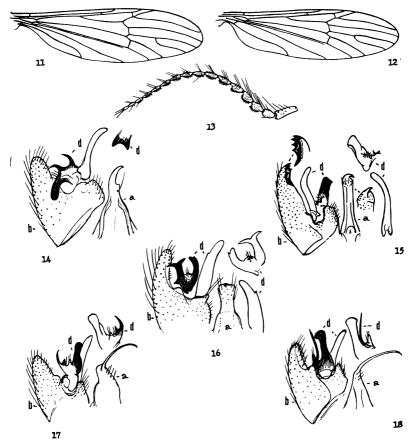
A single member of the genus had been known from India to which are added four further species. A key to the known Asiatic representatives is provided. *Dasymallomyia* is eminently characteristic of the Himalayan mountain system and its various extensions, including Formosa in the extreme east. No species is known from South India or Ceylon. Most species occur at moderate altitudes but *Dasymallomyia persignata* has been taken at 9000 feet in western China.

The affinities of the genus appear to lie with *Gnophomyia* Osten Sacken, *Teucholabis* Osten Sacken, *Gymnastes* Brunetti, and especially with *Neognophomyia* Alexander, of Tropical America, where it is represented by numerous species. Although *Dasymallomyia* is similar in general appearance to this last, especially in venation, the fundamental structure of the male hypopygium is quite different and two distinct generic groups are involved.

All species are of small to medium size, yellow or fulvous in color, the mesonotal praescutum and scutum being patterned with polished black, the other darkened areas on the thorax more pruinose. The legs are provided with long outspreading setae that give to the group a characteristic appearance and has suggested the generic name. All species have a narrow darkened subterminal ring on the femora. The antenna, venation and general structure of the male hypopygium has been discussed under Dasymallomyia signata, the genotype.

# KEY TO THE SPECIES OF DASYMALLOMYIA

1.	Wings with cell 1st $M_2$ closed
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	Wing veins, excepting $C$ and $Sc$ , black, very conspicuous against the ground; wings unpatterned; vein $R_4$ virtually straight. (Afghanistan) $klapperichi$ Alexander
3.	Wings pale yellow, patterned with pale brown, including a broken crossband at level of origin of Rs, additional to a seam at cord. (Western China: Szechwan) persignata Alexander Wings unpatterned, except for a narrow darkened seam at cord when
	this is present 4
4.	Male hypopygium with the aedeagus terminating in an elongate filament that is subequal in length to the enlarged base of the organ (figs. 17, 18)
	much less than the base (figs. 14–16)
5.	Outer dististyle of hypopygium bearing a stout spine with a broad triangular tooth at its base; aedeagus slightly expanded at base of terminal filament (fig. 17). (Assam: Manipur) mecophallus sp.n. Outer dististyle with a simple elongate slender spine; filament of aedeagus merging gradually with the enlarged base (fig. 18). (Sikkim)  tanuphallus sp.n.
6.	Mesal face of apex of basistyle a blackened flange that bears several spinous points (fig. 15). (Sikkim)
7.	Outer dististyle with lateral arm a powerful blackened rod that forks into two divaricate spines; aedeagus stout, apex virtually truncate, with a microscopic terminal point (fig. 16). (Assam: Manipur)  ditenostyla sp.n.



Text-figs. 11-18. Fig. 11, Dasymallomyia signata Brunetti, venation; Fig. 12, Dasymallomyia ditenostyla sp.n., venation; Fig. 13, Dasymallomyia signata Brunetti, antenna of male; Fig. 14, Dasymallomyia signata Brunetti, male hypopygium; Fig. 15, Dasymallomyia compacta sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 16, Dasymallomyia ditenostyla sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 17, Dasymallomyia mecophallus sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 18, Dasymallomyia tanyphallus sp.n., male hypopygium.

Symbols: a, aedeagus; b, basistyle; d, dististyle.

# Dasymallomyia clausa Alexander

Dasymallomyia clausa Alexander, Lingnan Science Jour. 19: 115-116, fig. 7 (ven.), 1940.

Types.—♀♀, Tien-mu-shan, Chekiang, China, May 16-June 16, 1937 (E. Suenson).

#### Dasymallomyia klapperichi Alexander

Dasymallomyia klapperichi Alexander, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (12) 7: 903-904, 1954.

Types.—♀♀, Kutian, Nuristan, Afghanistan, 1500 meters, May 22, 1953 (Johann Klapperich).

#### Dasymallomyia persignata Alexander

Dasymallomyia persignata Alexander, Philippine Jour. Sci. 49: 396-398, pl. 1, fig. 17 (ven.), pl. 3, fig. 45 ( hypo.), 1932.

*Types.*— \$, \$, Mount Omei, Szechwan, China, 7000–9000 feet, July 20–27, 1931 (G. M. Franck).

#### Dasymallomyia signata Brunetti

Dasymallomyia signata Brunetti, Rec. Indian Mus. 6: 304, 1911.

Dasymallomyia signata Brunetti, Fauna British India, Diptera Nematocera, pp. 494-496, pl. 10, fig. 4 (ven.), 1912.

Dasymallomyia signata Edwards, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (8) 18: 249, 1916.

The type, a  $\circ$ , was taken at Kurseong, in the eastern Himalayas, September 7, 1909, by D. F. Lynch. Edwards (1916) recorded it from Formosa, based on a  $\circ$  taken at Horisha, May 10, 1913, by M. Maki.

An examination of numerous specimens from all parts of the known range confirms the belief that a single species is involved. The type has not been examined but specimens from near the type locality agree sufficiently well with the description. Brunetti describes the median praescutal stripe as reaching the mesonotal suture behind but no specimen examined shows this and it seems doubtful that this character actually is true. The coloration of the male abdomen ranges from almost clear yellow, with narrow darkened lateral borders on both the tergites and sternites, to specimens with the dark color increased, in cases with only the posterior margins of the segments yellowed.

Antennae (fig. 13) with the more proximal flagellar segments strongly produced beneath, the outer ones passing into elongate-oval, all but the last two or three with glabrous apical necks, all segments with long conspicuous verticils, lacking on lower face of the more proximal segments which are provided with a dense short erect yellow pubescence. Venation (fig. 11) with Sc long, Sc1 ending a short distance before fork of Rs, Sc2 removed from its tip;  $R_2$  at or shortly before the radial fork; cell  $M_2$  open by atrophy of basal section of  $M_3$ ; m-cu nearly its own length beyond fork of M. Longitudinal veins beyond the general level of arculus with conspicuous macrotrichia. Male hypopygium (fig. 14) with the tergite, t, a small semicircular plate. Basistyle, b, provided with long yellow setae, narrowed outwardly, apex obtuse, without armature. Outer dististyle, d, with the major arm slightly expanded distally, apex slightly notched, in certain specimens with the end of style apparently obtusely rounded; margin of style with two strong spines; inner dististyle a simple pale yellow blade, apex obtuse. Apex of aedeagus, a, a stout point, scarcely one-fourth as long as remainder of organ.

Additional records.—India—Kumaon (western Himalaya)—Tarag Tal, Almora, 3900 feet, October 5, 1958 (Schmid); Chhana, Almora, 3500 feet, September 22, 1958; Loharket, Almora, September 19, 1958 (Schmid). West Bengal (eastern Himalaya)—Git Dabling, 4900 feet, September 13, 1959 (Schmid). Sikkim—Kambur, 3280 feet, August 16, 1959; Nampung, 3280 feet, May 8, 1959; Singhik, 3700 feet, August 7, 1959; Teng, 4600 feet, August 1, 1959 (Schmid). Western China—Szechwan—Kwanhsien, 3000 feet, July 27, 1930 (G. M. Franck); Mount Omei, 4500 feet, August 2, 1929 (Franck). Formosa—Funkiko, April 25, 1917 (Shiraki); Taito, February 25, 1919 (Shiraki); Arisan, 7300 feet, July 7, 1929 (S. Issiki).

#### Dasymallomyia compacta sp.n.

Male.—Length about 6.5 mm.; wing 6-6.1 mm.; antenna about 1.9 mm. General coloration much as in signata Brunetti. Lateral praescutal stripes more polished than the slightly narrower median vitta that does not reach the suture; mediotergite blackened, the cephalic third more pruinose. Pleura yellow, conspicuously patterned with grayish brown, including the anepisternum, ventral half of sternopleurite and anterior border of meron. Halteres uniformly light yellow. Darkened femoral ring narrow and ill-defined, pale brown. Abdominal tergites dark brown, incisures of outer segments narrowly yellowed; hypopygium brownish yellow. Male hypopygium (fig. 15) with the tergite semicircular in outline, darkened, with a few long delicate setae. Basistyle, b, narrowed into a slender outer lobe, the mesal margin blackened and sclerotized, conspicuously toothed, ar-

ranged in two groups, the cephalic spine largest. Outer dististyle, d, black-ened, unusually small and compact, appearing as an elongate rectangular mass, the posterior lobes and spines very reduced, the latter including two tiny points; inner style slightly arcuated, pale. Aedeagus, a, straight, the short darkened tip with a small erect to recurved apical point.

Holotype.—&, Dikchu, Sikkim, 2300 feet, May 9, 1959 (Schmid). Paratopotype, &, pinned with type.

#### Dasymallomyia ditenostyla sp.n.

Size large (wing of female 8 mm.); general coloration of thorax yellow, praescutum with three polished black stripes, the central one more pruinose, not reaching the suture behind; pleura light yellow, variegated by light brown; wings light yellow, veins comprising the cord slightly more darkened; abdomen yellow, segments variegated by narrow brown longitudinal lines; male hypopygium with the outer dististyle conspicuously bifid, outer arm forking at apex into two divaricate spines; aedeagus short, stout, apex virtually truncate.

Male.—Length about 6.5 mm.; wing 6.6 mm.; antenna about 2 mm. Female.—Length about 8 mm.; wing 8 mm.

Rostrum light brown; palpi dark brown. Antennae with scape and pedicel light yellow; basal flagellar segments blackened, the incisures yellowed, outer segments more uniformly dark brown; segments much shorter than the verticils. Head brownish gray.

Prothorax light yellow, with a darkened spot at center of scutellum. Mesonotal praescutum with three polished black stripes, the median one slightly more pruinose on central part, not reaching the suture, lateral stripes more oval, polished black, remainder yellow; pseudosutural foveae black; scutum yellow, each lobe with two polished black areas, larger and confluent in female; scutellum light yellow, darkened at base; mediotergite light brown, anterolateral portions yellow. Pleura light yellow, variegated by light brown on dorsal anepisternum and pteropleurite and again on ventral sternopleurite. Halteres yellow, knobs clear light yellow. Legs with coxae and trochanters fulvous yellow; femora yellow, with a narrow dark brown subterminal ring placed at near three times its length from tip; tibiae yellow, apices weakly darkened; tarsi brownish yellow, outer segments dark brown; legs conspicuously hairy; claws long and slender. Wings (fig. 12) light yellow, prearcular and costal regions clearer yellow, including the veins; remaining veins brown, those of cord more blackened, not so scarcely involving the membrane. Venation: R2 at or slightly before the radial fork; cell 2nd M<sub>2</sub> varying from equal to its petiole to about one-half longer; m-cu about one-half its length beyond fork of M.

Abdomen yellow, segments variegated by narrow brown longitudinal lines; hypopygium deep yellow. The allotype female has the abdomen blackened, the extreme posterior borders of segments and the lateral membrane yellowed. Male hypopygium (fig. 16) with apex of basistyle, b, narrowly obtuse. Dististyles, d, subterminal, the blackened outer style large,

conspicuously bifid into two slender arms, the outer one forking at tip into two divaricate spines, inner arm curved, its apex vaguely and unequally notched, at base slightly tumid, with a few strong setae; inner style a flattened yellow blade. Aedeagus, a, with base stout, the apical half subequal in length, virtually truncate at tip, with a very small darkened apical tubercle.

Holotype.— \$, Chingsao, Manipur, Assam, 5400 feet, June 14, 1960 (Schmid). Allotopotype, \$\varphi\$, pinned with type.

Readily told from other known species by the distinctive male hypopygium, especially the outer dististyle and the short aedeagus with apex truncate.

#### Dasymallomyia mecophallus sp.n.

Male.—Length about 5.6 mm.; wing 5.8 mm.; antenna about 1.6 mm.

General coloration much as in *signata* Brunetti. Median praescutal stripe polished black, only slightly less than the brilliantly blackened lateral areas, not reaching the suture; mediotergite, anepisternum and ventral sternopleurite conspicuously patterned with brown, sparsely pruinose. Legs with darkened femoral ring narrow, clearly defined, less than one-third the yellow apex; blackened tips of tibiae subequal in extent to the femoral rings. Abdominal tergites dark brown, posterior borders and incisures more yellowed; sternites yellow, lateral borders weakly infuscated; hypopygium with basistyle light brown. Male hypopygium (fig. 17) with apical lobe of basistyle, b, relatively narrow, tip obtuse, unarmed; vestiture of basistyle long, yellow. Outer dististyle, d, blackened, apex of the clongate beak obtuse, outer basal region produced into a stout black spine with a broader triangular tooth at its base; on outer margin between the lobes with a small elongate tubercle that bears three or four strong setae, with two separate bristles, one longer; inner dististyle an elongate pale blade. Aedeagus, a. distinctive; basal part dilated, outer half extended into an elongate slender decurved filament, the tip gently bent, the whole suggesting the head and beak of a curlew (Numenius); lower margin near base of the extended part with four long pale setae.

Holotype.— &, Pushing, Manipur, Assam, 6000 feet, July 18, 1960 (Schmid).

The only other member of the genus having the apex of the aedeagus greatly produced is *Dasymallomyia tanyphallus* sp.n., which differs in all details of structure of the outer dististyle and aedeagus, as described.

#### Dasymallomyia tanyphallus sp.n.

Male.—Length about 6 mm.; wing 6 mm.

General coloration much as in signata Brunetti. Median praescutal stripe

brownish black, more obscure behind, not reaching the suture; scutal blackenings polished laterally, mesal half paler and more pruinose. Pleura conspicuously patterned with black on an episternum and ventral sternopleurite. Darkened femoral ring about one-third as extensive as the yellow tip; tips of tibiae narrowly brownish black. Abdomen chiefly dark brown, segments with posterior borders and the incisures vaguely more yellowed. Male hypopygium (fig. 18) with apical lobe of basistyle, b, narrow, as in mecophallus; setae yellow, with abundant dense yellow setulae at apex and on inner face of lobe. Outer dististyle, d, blackened, the elongate beak slightly dilated at outer end, apex broadly obtuse; an appressed elongate black spine and a strong fingerlike lobe tipped with two or three setae; inner style relatively broad. Aedeagus, a, much as in mecophallus, especially in the elongate terminal point which is subequal in length to the base, without a conspicuous expansion at base of the rostrum.

Holotype.— &, Nanga, Sikkim, 5000 feet, August 3, 1959 (Schmid).

Dasymallomyia tanyphallus differs from D. mecophallus sp.n., especially in the hypopygial characters, including particularly the outer dististyle and aedeagus, as described and figured.

#### Genus RHABDOMASTIX Skuse

Rhabdomastix Skuse, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales (2) 4: 828-829, pl. 22, fig. 15 (ven.), 1890 (preprint date September 25, 1889).
Rhabdomastix Alexander, Rev. de Entomologia 18: 318-322, 1947.
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The genus was proposed for a single species, Rhabdomastix osten-sackeni Skuse, from southeastern Australia. It now is known from all major biotic regions, as well as from New Zealand. In the typical subgenus, centering in South and Central America, there are about 15 New World species, one in the southwestern United States in Arizona. In the Old World the typical subgenus reaches its maximum number of species in southern Asia, including India, where four species occur and are discussed herewith. The second subgenus, Sacandaga, proposed for a single species, Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) flava (Alexander) from eastern North America, now is known from many species occurring throughout the Holarctic and Oriental regions, with rather numerous species in New Zealand and fewer in South Africa. In most species of this latter subgenus the antennae are short and inconspicuous but in a few the organ is longer, but always much less

developed than in the males of the typical subgenus. In the latter the antennae are greatly lengthened in the males, in this respect being approached only by a few other crane-fly genera, including Megistocera Wiedemann and Hexatoma Latreille. No Indian species of Rhabdomastix were known to Brunetti.

# KEY TO THE INDIAN SPECIES OF RHABDOMASTIX

	TEL TO THE HOME OF HUMBONS IN
	Antennae of male greatly lengthened, approximately three times the wing. (Subgenus $Rhabdomastix$ )
2.	Vein $R_2$ of wing preserved. (Ceylon) schmidiana Alexander Vein $R_2$ lacking (figs. 20–22) 3
3.	Wings patterned with brown, additional to the stigmal darkening, most evident in the outer radial field. (South India) nilgirica Alexander Wings unpatterned except for the oval brown stigma
4.	Wings subhyaline; legs brownish yellow. (Western Himalayas: Kumaon)
5.	Manipur)
6.	Cell 1st M <sub>2</sub> closed (figs. 21, 22); Rs long, four or more times m-cu 6 Body, halteres and legs black; antennae of male moderately long, exceeding one-third the wing-length; wing (fig. 21). (Assam: Mani- pur)
7.	Body either yellowed or gray, not black; antennae short
8.	Wings with vein $R_4$ long and nearly straight, exceeding vein $R_{2+3+4}$ ; cell $R_4$ at margin less extensive than cell $R_3$ ; wing (fig. 22) 9 Wings with vein $R_4$ shorter than $R_{2+3+4}$ , gently curved; cell $R_4$ at mar-
9.	gin more extensive than cell $R_3$
	legs brownish yellow; wings brownish yellow, $Sc$ long, $Sc_1$ ending beyond two-thirds $Rs$ , $Sc_2$ present; distance on costa between veins $R_{1+2}$ and $R_3$ less than the length of the latter; cell $1st$ $M_2$ long, about twice its width; male hypopygium with interbase blackened, apical blade narrow. (Pakistan)
	black; wings more darkened (fig. 22); $Sc$ shown surpes, legs bowned opposite midlength of $Rs$ , $Sc_2$ apparently lacking; distance on costa between veins $R_{1+2}$ and $R_3$ greater than the length of the latter; cell $1st \ M_2$ short, its length less than twice the width; male hypopygium (fig. 25) with interbase blackened, the apical blade narrow. (Sikkim) $strictivena$ sp.n.

10. Wings narrow; Cell R<sub>4</sub> at margin less than twice cell R<sub>3</sub>; male hypopygium with outer dististyle relatively short and stout, the length about five times the diameter. (Kashmir) ..... emodicola Alexander Wings broader; cell R<sub>4</sub> at margin about twice cell R<sub>5</sub>; male hypopygium with outer dististyle slender, the length about seven times the diameter. (Western Himalayas: Kumaon) ..... teriensis Alexander

#### Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) himalayensis Alexander

Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) himalayensis Alexander, Jour. N. Y. Ent. Soc. 68: 142-143, 1960.

Type.—Pauri Garwhal, Kumaon, India.

# Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) nilgirica Alexander

Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) nilgirica Alexander, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (12) 1: 660-662, 1948.

Type.—Nilgiri Hills, South India.

#### Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) schmidiana Alexander

Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) schmidiana Alexander, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (13) 1: 228-229, 1958.

Types.—Various stations in Ceylon.

#### Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) almorae Alexander

Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) almorae Alexander, Jour. N. Y. Ent. Soc. 68: 143–144, 1960.

Type.—Almora, Kumaon, India.

#### Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) emodicola Alexander

Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) emodicola Alexander, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (12) 10: 291-292, 1957.

Type.—Kashmir.

# Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) shardiana Alexander

Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) shardiana Alexander, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (12) 10: 292–293, 1957.

Type.—Pakistan.

#### Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) teriensis Alexander

Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) teriensis Alexander, Ent. News 73: 122–123, 1962.

Type.—Teri, Kumaon, India.

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#### Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) trochanterata Edwards

Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) trochanterata Edwards, Jour. Fed. Malay States Mus. 14: 116, 1928.

Type.—Pahang.

Extra-limital, the first member of the typical subgenus to be recorded from Asia.

#### Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) manipurensis sp.n.

Size relatively large (wing of male 8.5 mm.); general coloration of thorax dark brown; antennae of male very long, about three times the wing; legs dark brown; wings strongly tinged with brown, stigma darker; a few macrotrichia near outer end of vein  $R_5$ .

Male.—Length about 8 mm.; wing 8.5 mm.; antenna about 28 mm.

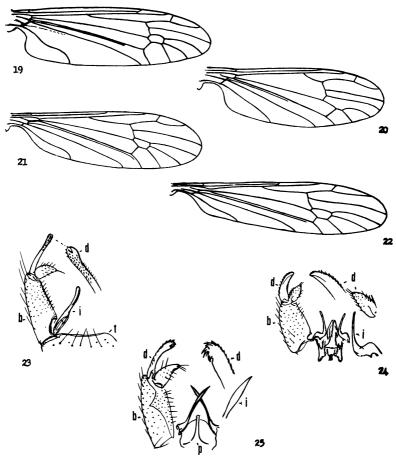
Face light brown, protuberant, mouthparts and palpi very small, black. Antennae of male very long, about three times the wing; scape tumid, dark chestnut brown, pedicel black, flagellum dark brown; flagellar segments very long, first and second subequal, succeeding segments progressively lengthened, terminal segment shorter, subequal to the first; flagellar segments unusually glabrous, verticils of proximal segments erect, those of outer segments smaller. Head transverse, anterior vertex very broad, exceeding the transverse diameter of the eye as seen from above; genae with long black setae.

Pronotum brownish gray, sides of scutellum restrictedly pale yellow. Mesonotum almost uniformly dark brown, very sparsely pruinose; pseudo-sutural foveae black. Pleura dark brown anteriorly, the posterior sclerites brighter brown. Halteres pale brown, knob dark brown. Legs with coxae and trochanters light brown; remainder of legs dark brown. Wings (fig. 19) strongly tinged with brown, the oval stigma darker brown; veins brown. Veins virtually glabrous, with about six trichia on outer fourth of vein  $R_5$ , lacking on Sc and  $R_5$ ; costal fringe relatively short but dense. Venation:  $Sc_1$  ending before fork of Rs,  $Sc_2$  near its tip; vein  $R_3$  erect, distance on costa between veins  $R_{1+2}$  and  $R_3$  about three-fourths the latter; second section of vein  $M_{1+2}$  strongly arched;  $Cu_1$  strongly shirred at m-cu, as common in the Tipulinae but not in the Limoniinae; cell 2nd A very broad.

Abdomen brown, outer segments and hypopygium darker brown.

Holotype.— &, Langkhe, Manipur, Assam, 5000 feet, July 20, 1960 (Schmid).

Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) manipurensis is most similar to R. (R.) himalayensis Alexander, of the western Himalayas, differing especially in the coloration of the legs and wings, as indicated in the key.



Text-figs 19-25. Fig. 19, Rhabdomastix (Rhabdomastix) manipurensis sp.n., venation; Fig. 20, Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) arnaudi sp.n., venation; Fig. 21, Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) nigropumila sp.n., venation; Fig. 22, Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) strictivena sp.n., venation; Fig. 23, Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) arnaudi sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 24, Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) nigropumila sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 25, Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) strictivena sp.n., male hypopygium.

Symbols: b, basistyle; d, dististyle; i, interbase; p, phallosome; t, tergite.

#### Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) arnaudi sp.n.

General coloration dull black, variegated with yellow; head above yellow; antennae moderately long, segments with conspicuous long erect setae; halteres and legs brown, tarsi paling to obscure yellow; wings weakly infuscated, base narrowly yellowed, cell  $M_2$  open by atrophy of m; male hypopygium with outer dististyle slender, very slightly expanded at outer end,

surface of outer two-thirds with appressed spicules; interbase only moderately dilated.

Male.—Length about 4.8–5 mm.; wing 5–5.2 mm.; antenna about 2–2.1 mm.

Rostrum obscure yellow; palpi black. Antennae unusually long for a member of the subgenus, exceeding one-third the body or wing; scape yellow, pedicel brownish yellow, flagellum black; flagellar segments elongate, more narrowed at either end; verticils single on dorsal surface, only a little longer than the numerous erect pale setae distributed over the entire segment; terminal segment small. Head light yellow, posterior vertex weakly infuscated; anterior vertex broad, nearly four times the diameter of the scape.

Pronotum light yellow. Mesonotal praescutum and scutum blackened, sparsely pruinose to appear subopaque; humeral region, suture and narrow midregion of scutum yellowed; scutellum and postnotum similarly blackened, parascutella yellow; thorax virtually glabrous, praescutal interspaces with very small sparse yellow setae. Pleura dull black, dorsopleural region, wing root and base of halteres yellow; ventral pteropleurite, meron and metapleura in cases paler brown. Halteres infuscated, base of stem yellowed. Legs with coxae weakly darkened; trochanters yellow; femora and tibiae brown, tarsi paling to obscure yellow, terminal segment darkened. Wings (fig. 20) weakly infuscated, base narrowly yellowed; veins brown, yellowed in the brightened parts. Macrotrichia on veins  $R_4$  and outer ends of  $R_5$ ,  $M_{1+2}$ ,  $M_8$  and  $M_4$ ; Sc, M, Cu and Anals glabrous, R nearly so. Venation:  $Sc_1$  ending opposite fork of Rs, the latter unusually short, about two to two and one-half times the basal section of  $R_5$ ; vein  $R_8$  erect; cell  $M_2$ open by atrophy of m; m-cu at from one-half to two-thirds  $M_{3+4}$ ; vein 2nd A nearly straight beyond base.

Abdomen dull black; hypopygium with tergite black, basistyle obscure yellow. Male hypopygium (fig. 23) with the outer dististyle, d, slender, very slightly expanded at outer end, surface of outer two-thirds with inconspicuous appressed spicules, more conspicuous near apex, with a major appressed spine; inner style relatively stout. Interbase, i, moderately dilated and longitudinally folded on outer half.

Holotype.—&, Thanlon, Manipur, Assam, 2500 feet, September 2, 1960 (Schmid). Paratopotype, &; paratype, &, Khaorang, Manipur, 3750 feet, August 28, 1960 (Schmid).

I take pleasure in naming this species for Dr. Paul H. Arnaud, distinguished student of the higher Diptera, to whom I am indebted for many favors in the past. The only other species of the genus having cell  $M_2$  of the wings open is Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) feuerborni Alexander, of central Java, quite distinct in the venation and in the coloration of the body and appendages.

Both species have Rs unusually short as compared with the normal condition in the subgenus.

# Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) nigropumila sp.n.

Size small (wing less than 4 mm.); general coloration of the entire body and appendages black, anterior mesonotum more polished; antennae of male relatively long, nearly one-half the wing; wings strongly blackened, cell  $1st\ M_2$  narrow; male hypopygium with the outer dististyle stout, distal three-fourths of outer margin with strong teeth, the outer ones much smaller; interbase a slender rod, narrowed to the subacute apex.

Male.—Length about 4-4.3 mm.; wing 3.5-4.2 mm.; antenna about 1.4-1.6 mm.

Female.—Length about 4.5 mm.; wing 3.8 mm.

Rostrum and palpi black, reduced in size. Antennae black throughout, unusually long for a member of this subgenus; in male, flagellar segments long-oval, exceeding the verticils, terminal segment very small, short-oval; in female, flagellar segments of antennae a little shorter, the verticils more conspicuous. Head dull black; anterior vertex broad.

Thorax black, praescutum and scutum polished, the remainder somewhat more opaque. Halteres black. Legs black, femoral bases slightly paler. Wings (fig. 21) strongly blackened; a whitened streak in cell R adjoining vein M; veins pale brown. Veins chiefly glabrous; a series of about 18 trichia over the whole length of distal section of vein  $R_5$  and about eight on distal section of  $M_{1+2}$ . Venation: Sc relatively short,  $Sc_1$  ending just beyond one-third the length of  $R_5$ ,  $Sc_2$  not clearly evident;  $R_5$  relatively long, exceeding  $R_{2+3+4}$ ; vein  $R_3$  oblique to suberect; distance on costa between  $R_{1+2}$  and  $R_3$  from about one and one-half to nearly twice the latter; cell 1st  $M_2$  narrow; m-cu at from one-half to two-thirds  $M_{3+4}$ ; cell 2nd A narrow.

Abdomen black. Ovipositor with cerci very long and slender, straight, the outer two-thirds whitened. Male hypopygium (fig. 24) with the dististyles, d, terminal, outer style broad, its outer margin with a more or less double row of coarse teeth extended back to the basal fourth of style, the teeth small and inconspicuous near apex; inner style long-oval, with numerous setae, including two stouter bristles at base and apex. Interbase, i, a slender rod, narrowed very gradually to the subacute tip.

Holotype.—&, Singkap, Manipur, Assam, 3800 feet, August 17, 1960 (Schmid). Allotopotype, &, pinned with type. Paratype, &, Uttare, Sikkim, 6950 feet, April 5, 1959 (Schmid).

Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) nigropumila is quite distinct from all other regional species in the black color of the body and appendages, in the comparatively long antennae of the male, and in the structure of the male hypopygium. In its size and general appearance it more suggests R. (S.) atrata Alexander, of Japan, from which it differs evidently in the structure of the antennae and male hypopygium.

#### Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) strictivena sp.n.

General coloration of head and thorax gray, the praescutum with intermediate brown stripes; antennae short, black throughout; halteres whitened; femora and tibiae brownish yellow; wings faintly brownish gray, stigma scarcely darker than the ground; vein  $R_4$  long and nearly straight, subequal to or longer than  $R_{2+3+4}$ ; male hypopygium with outer third of interbase dilated into a narrow paddle, the tip acute.

Male.—Length about 3.8-4 mm.; wing 4.4-4.6 mm.; antenna about 1-1.1 mm.

Female.—Length about 5 mm.; wing 4 mm.

Rostrum dark brown; palpi black. Antennae black, scape more pruinose; flagellar segments subcylindrical, shorter than the longest verticils. Head gray, center of posterior vertex slightly darker.

Thorax gray, clearer gray on posterior sclerites; praescutum with vague indications of intermediate stripes; tuberculate pits and pseudosutural foveae black. Pleura light gray, dorsopleural region darkened. Halteres whitened, base of stem a trifle darker. Legs with fore coxae gray, remaining coxae brownish yellow, sparsely pruinose; trochanters brownish yellow; femora and tibiae brownish yellow to light brown; outer tarsal segments brownish black. Wings (fig. 22) faintly brownish gray, extreme base vaguely more yellowed; stigma oval, very pale brown, scarcely darker than the ground; veins light brown. Macrotrichia on outer section of vein  $R_5$ and on outer ends of  $R_4$  and all outer medial veins. Venation:  $Sc_1$  ending shortly beyond midlength of  $R_8$ ,  $S_{c_2}$  preserved in holotype, at extreme tip of  $Sc_1$ ; distance on costa between veins  $R_{1+2}$  and  $R_3$  long, in holotype about twice the length of the latter, in the allotype subequal to the vein; vein R<sub>4</sub> long and straight, subequal to or longer than  $R_{2+3+4}$  or nearly as long as  $R_8$ ; r-m long and very oblique; m variable in length, in the holotype shorter than basal section of  $M_3$ ; m-cu at near midlength of  $M_{3+4}$ .

Abdomen, including hypopygium, dark brown. Male hypopygium (fig. 25) with apical spine of outer dististyle, d, very small; inner style strongly narrowed on outer fourth. Interbase, i, dilated on outer third into a narrow paddle, the tip acute.

Holotype.—&, Kechoiperi, Sikkim, 5900 feet, April 9, 1959 (Schmid). Allotype, Q, Sandeng, Sikkim, 3600 feet, March 30, 1959 (Schmid).

Rhabdomastix (Sacandaga) strictivena is distinguished from other regional small, gray species, such as R. (S.) almorae Alexander and R. (S.) emodicola by the venation, particularly the long, nearly straight vein  $R_4$ .

# Cheilotrichia (Cheilotrichia) schmidiana sp.n.

General coloration white, fore femora dark brown, tibiae white, apices dark brown; remaining femora white with a narrow brown subterminal ring, tibiae white, tips darkened, mid-tibia narrowly darkened at base; wings whitened, with abundant pale brown spots, including a marginal series; abdomen fulvous yellow, the lateral margins of both tergites and sternites with darkened spots; male hypopygium with inner dististyle a slender rod, the tip acute.

Male.—Length about 3 mm.; wing 3.7 mm.

Female.—Length about 3.5 mm.; wing 3.8 mm.

Rostrum pale, palpi infuscated. Antennae with scape and pedicel brownish black, basal flagellar segments white, outer segments darkening to pale brown; flagellar segments elongate. Head white.

Pronotum and pretergites white. Mesonotum whitened, praescutal stripes barely indicated as darker lines; postnotum darkened. Pleura yellowish white, with a brown longitudinal stripe from and including the fore coxae, passing above the halteres, interrupted posteriorly by the pale pleurotergite. Halteres white. Legs with fore coxae and trochanters darkened, middle and hind pairs whitened; fore femora dark brown, tibia white, the outer twofifths to one-third dark brown, proximal three tarsal segments white, remainder dark brown; middle femora white, with a narrow brown subterminal ring, the subequal tip yellowed, tibia narrowly darkened at base and apex, the central half, including the vestiture, snowy white; tarsi white, terminal segment and apex of fourth darkened; posterior femora white, the tip narrowly dark brown, tibia similar, the apical fifth or sixth dark brown. Wings (fig. 26) whitened, with an extensive but inconspicuous very pale brown spotted pattern, including clouds at arculus, origin of Rs, fork of Sc,  $R_2$ , fork of  $R_{3+4}$ , cord, m, fork of  $M_{3+4}$ , and circular marginal spots at ends of longitudinal veins, lacking on  $R_5$ , those nearer the wing tip smaller; very small brownish black spots at h and posterior arculus; veins hyaline, a little darker in the clouded parts. Trichia of veins conspicuous, those in the darkened areas longer, including the very long marginal fringe. Venation: Sc1 ending shortly before fork of Rs, Sc2 near tip; Rs angulated and more or less spurred at origin; cell 1st  $M_2$  elongate, basal section of  $M_3$  longitudinal, about three times the transverse m; m-cu erect, before fork of M; vein 2nd A straight.

Abdomen fulvous yellow, posterior border of segments narrowly whitened; pale brown areas on lateral margins of both tergites and sternites, the former larger. Male hypopygium (fig. 30) with outer dististyle, d, unequally forked, the outer arm longer, gently curved, apex of inner arm dilated into an oval blade; inner style a long slender rod, tip acute. Phallosome, p, with arms of aedeagus elongate, divergent.

Holotype.— &, Langdang, Manipur, Assam, 5300 feet, June 5, 1960 (Schmid). Allotopotype, ♀.

I am pleased to dedicate this attractive fly to the collector, who

has added so materially to our knowledge of the Indian Tipulidae. The only close relative is *Cheilotrichia* (*Cheilotrichia*) monosticta (Alexander), likewise from Assam. This is most readily told by the virtually unpatterned wings. It should be noted that monosticta has the crossvein m present, as in schmidiana, and is best placed in typical *Cheilotrichia* rather than in the subgenus *Empeda* Osten Sacken, where it originally was referred.

# Cheilotrichia (Empeda) dimelania sp.n.

Head and thorax plumbeous gray; antennae and legs black, halteres pale yellow; wings fulvous, stigma elongate, pale brown, veins yellow; Sc long, veins  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  elongate, parallel at origin; male hypopygium with outer dististyle unequally bifid, blackened; phallosome with two blackened rods, their tips acute.

Male.—Length about 4 mm.; wing 4.3 mm.

Rostrum and palpi black. Antennae black. Head dark gray.

Pronotum brownish gray, pretergites brownish yellow. Mesonotum brownish gray; pseudosutural foveae reddish brown, inconspicuous; lateral praescutal borders narrowly infuscated. Pleura black, pruinose to appear dark plumbeous gray; dorsopleural membrane brown. Halteres pale yellow. Legs with coxae and trochanters brown; remainder of legs brownish black to black; elongate scales only poorly differentiated from the longest setae. Wings (fig. 27) fulvous; stigma elongate, pale brown; veins yellow, trichia darker. Venation: Sc long,  $Sc_1$  ending about opposite three-fourths the long Rs;  $R_2$  about two-thirds  $R_{2+3+4}$ ; veins  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  elongate, parallel to one another at origin,  $R_4$  deflected strongly toward wing tip, at margin cell  $R_3$  subequal in extent to cell  $R_2$ .

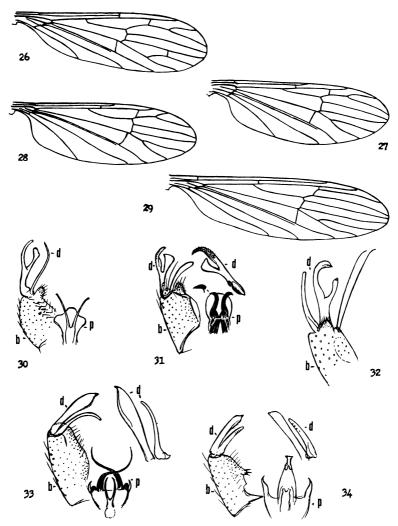
Abdomen dark brown, hypopygium brownish black. Male hypopygium (fig. 31) with the outer dististyle, d, blackened, unequally bifid; outer arm gently curved, the outer face microscopically scabrous, the shorter inner arm dilated; inner style a dusky paddle. Phallosome, p, a relatively narrow plate; gonapophyses distinctive, appearing as two blackened rods, the curved tips acute.

Holotype.— &, Yedang, Sikkim, 10,600 feet, in Rhododendron association, June 9, 1959 (Schmid).

Cheilotrichia (Empeda) dimelania is readily told from other regional species with vein Sc elongate by the fulvous wings and the structure of the male hypopygium, particularly the two blackened phallosomic rods.

#### Cheilotrichia (Empeda) vasanta sp.n.

Size medium (wing of male 4 mm.); general coloration of thorax clear blue gray, praescutum and scutal lobes with inconspicuous brown markings;



Text-figs. 26-34. Fig. 26, Cheilotrichia (Cheilotrichia) schmidiana sp.n., venation; Fig. 27, Cheilotrichia (Empeda) dimelania sp.n., venation; Fig. 28, Cheilotrichia (Empeda) vasanta sp.n., venation; Fig. 29, Erioptera (Psiloconopa) preclara sp.n., venation; Fig. 30, Cheilotrichia (Cheilotrichia) schmidiana sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 31, Cheilotrichia (Empeda) dimelania sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 32, Cheilotrichia (Empeda) vasanta sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 33, Erioptera (Psiloconopa) preclara sp.n., male hypopygium; Fig. 34, Erioptera (Psiloconopa) preclaroides sp.n., male hypopygium.

Symbols: b, basistyle; d, dististyle; p, phallosome.

antennae black; halteres yellow; legs brownish yellow but appearing darker because of the vestiture; wings brownish gray, prearcular and costal fields more yellowed, stigma and a narrow seam at cord more darkened; Sc long, vein  $R_2$  oblique; male hypopygium with dististyles pale; outer style unequally bifid, inner style a long simple pale blade.

Male.-Length about 4.5 mm.; wing 4 mm.

Rostrum and palpi black, mouthparts paler. Antennae black, outer flagellar segments elongate-cylindrical. Head gray.

Pronotum gray, pretergites light yellow. Mesonotum clear blue gray, praescutum with an inconspicuous brown central stripe, centers of scutal lobes vaguely infuscated. Pleura similarly blue gray, dorsopleural membrane variegated gray and yellow. Halteres yellow, the knobs clearer light yellow. Legs with coxae and trochanters yellow, fore coxae slightly more grayish; femora and tibiae brownish yellow but appearing darker because of the vestiture; tarsi dark brown; scales of legs very long and narrow, trilineate. Wings (fig. 28) brownish gray, prearcular and costal fields more yellowed; stigma and a narrow seam along cord darker brown, the latter best indicated by the darkened veins which elsewhere are yellow. Venation: Sc long,  $Sc_1$  ending about opposite three-fifths Rs;  $R_2$  oblique, about one-half longer than  $R_{2+3+1}$ ; vein  $R_3$  oblique, distance on costa between veins  $R_{1+2}$  and  $R_3$  nearly as long as the latter; cell  $M_3$  deep.

Abdomen dark brown, hypopygium more yellowed, relatively small, with delicate setulae. Male hypopygium (fig. 32) with terminal setae of basistyle, b, very long, exceeding the dististyles, their outer ends curved. Outer dististyle, d, pale, basal half broad, forking into two unequal arms, the longer one broad at base, apex weakly dilated, the shorter arm about two-thirds as long; inner style long, appearing as a very slender simple pale blade, narrowed very gradually to the obtuse tip.

Holotype.—&, Rapham, Sikkim, 5250 feet, April 2, 1959 (Schmid).

Cheilotrichia (Empeda) vasanta is readily told from the hitherto described regional species of the subgenus by the coloration of the body and wings, the long Sc, and the hypopygial structure.

# Erioptera (Psiloconopa) preclara sp.n.

Size medium (wing to 6 mm.); general coloration of thorax yellowish brown, praescutum bordered laterally by dark brown; pleura yellow, with a broad dark brown longitudinal stripe; halteres yellow; legs yellowed, outer tarsal segments brownish black; wings yellowed, apex and posterior margin more darkened; a conspicuous dark brown pattern, including areas at origin of Rs,  $Sc_2$  and a broad crossband, including the stigma and cord, ending behind at Cu; male hypopygium without a tubercle on mesal face of basistyle; gonapophysis a slender blade.

Male.—Length about 4-5 mm.; wing 4.5-6 mm.; antenna about 0.6-0.8 mm.

Female.—Length about 5 mm.; wing 6 mm.

Rostrum and palpi black. Antennae with scape and pedicel brownish black, flagellum paler brown; basal flagellar segments short, outer ones more elongate, with long verticils that much exceed the segments. Head yellowed above, in cases darker.

Pronotum and pretergites light yellow. Mesonotal praescutum light yellowish brown, bordered laterally by darker brown; posterior sclerites of notum slightly darker brown, anterolateral parts of mediotergite and dorsal pleurotergite more yellowed. Pleura yellow, with a broad conspicuous dark brown longitudinal stripe extending from cervical region to base of abdomen. Halteres light yellow, especially the knobs. Legs with fore and hind coxae slightly darker, middle pair clearer yellow; trochanters obscure yellow; remainder of legs yellowed, outer tarsal segments brownish black; vestiture of legs including long slender setoid scales additional to the more sparse longer setae. Wings (fig. 29) with center of disk yellowed, the margins, including the wing tip, more brownish yellow; a conspicuous dark brown pattern that includes a spot at origin of Rs and a broad band virtually crossing the wing at cord, including the long-extended stigmal region, reaching the posterior border as a much paler seam along vein Cu; smaller isolated brown spots at  $Sc_2$  and outer medial fork; veins brownish yellow to yellow, darker in the heavily patterned areas; trichia of veins long, chiefly yellowed, some darker, especially in the heavily patterned areas. Venation: Sc long,  $Sc_1$  ending beyond level of  $R_2$ ;  $R_{2+3+4}$  in direct longitudinal alignment with Rs,  $R_{2+3}$  oblique to subserve at origin,  $R_2$  short; cell  $M_2$  open by atrophy of m; m-cu close to fork of M; vein 2nd A long but only gently sinuous, ending far before m-cu.

Abdomen dark brown, hypopygium more castaneous. Male hypopygium (fig. 33) with basistyle, b, lacking a lobule on mesal face. Both dististyles, d, virtually terminal, outer style blackened, outwardly expanded, plaited longitudinally, terminating in a small blackened point; outer two-thirds and lower margin with very abundant delicate dark setulae; inner style about two-thirds as long, appearing as a narrow blade. Phallosome, p, including the deeply forked aedeagus and much longer gonapophyses that appear as slender blades, decussate at midline, very gradually narrowed into acute points; lateral angles of base of phallosome produced into long gently curved pale horns.

Holotype.—&, Zomphuk, Sikkim, 6500 feet, October 1, 1959 (Schmid). Allotopotype, &, pinned with type. Paratopotypes, 2 & &, with the types. Paratypes, 1 &, Ramtang, Sikkim, 5780 feet, October 13, 1959 (Schmid); 1 &, Yoksam, Sikkim, 5600 feet, September 30, 1959 (Schmid).

Erioptera (Psiloconopa) preclara may be confused only with E. (P.) preclaroides sp.n., which, while very similar in its general appearance, including the striking wing pattern, differs signifi-

cantly in the structure of the male hypopygium, particularly the basistyle, dististyle and phallosome.

# Erioptera (Psiloconopa) preclaroides sp.n.

Male.—Length about 4.5 mm.; wing 5 mm.

Mesonotal praescutum more uniformly yellowed, lateral borders not darkened; scutellum and mediotergite dark brown, the latter with a small yellow area at anterolateral angle. Pleura almost uniformly dark brown, more brownish black dorsally. Macrotrichia of wing veins blackened. Male hypopygium (fig. 34) much as in preclara but with the details distinct. Basistyle, b, with a conspicuous setiferous lobe on mesal face at near midlength directed strongly cephalad. Dististyles, d, terminal; outer style more slender, inner style broader and proportionately shorter. Median area of phallosome, p, produced caudad into a large organ that narrows outwardly, apex truncated, produced into small lateral points, this central structure nearly as long as the outer dististyle; neither the long arms of the aedeagus nor the decussate gonapophyses found in preclara are evident and presumably have been broken in the unique type slide; lateral horns of phallosome longer and more pointed, surface with microscopic setulae.

Holotype.— &, Labha, West Bengal, India, 5000 feet, September 11, 1959 (Schmid).

This species is very similar to *Erioptera* (*Psiloconopa*) preclara sp.n., differing especially in the details of structure of the male hypopygium.