

ON TWO NEW RACES OF CICINDELINAE FROM KENYA
COLONY AND NOTES ON OTHERS.

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1. **Dromica (Myrmecoptera) Mauchi**, Bates; **albo-costata**, W. Horn
(nov. subsp.).

*Diffrer a Dr. Mauchi Bates statura majore, 5 elytrorum costis
(aut solummodo postice aut etiam plus minusve antice) flavo-
tinctis, stria marginali postica antice dilatata et cum costa adja-
cente flavo-tincta confluente. Long 19-23 mm. (sine labro
spinaque).*

1 ♂ ♀, Kitui, collected by R. Toker (Coryndon Museum and
my collection).

The new race shows the ribs of the elytra quite a little shortened behind as is generally the case in the southern form of this species ("forma prioritatis," *Mauchi*, Bates). The northern form (race *purpurascens*, Bates) has the ribs generally stronger and a little longer developed towards the apex. The yellow colouration of the ribs (especially the posterior part) and the enlarged anterior part of the posterior marginal stripes of the elytra are very remarkable: it corresponds to that which I have called "Dispersions-Komponente": that means, that everywhere on the elytra an "extraordinary" yellow coloration can appear, preferring those points which show from the standpoint of the sculpture, etc., any "specialisation." In our case this specialisation is given by the ribs, in other cases it can be given by any sutural fovoelae (e.g. in variations of Dr. (*Myrmecoptera*), *Schaumi*, etc.

2. **Cicindela brevicollis pseudo-distans**, W. Horn (nov. subsp.)

*Cic. brevicollis subsp. vivida, Boh., affinis, differt elytrorum
macula basali perparva; maculis 2 suturalibus anterioribus nullis,
signatura tota cetera magis tenui, stria marginali flava (iterum
magis tenui) semper post lunulam humeralem (posticem versus
minus oblique directam) interrupta: in subsp. vivida, Boh. hac
stria aut et ante et post lunulam medialem aut solummodo ante
lunulam apicalem interrupta. Long 10½-12 mm. (sine labro
spinaque).*

3 ♀ ♀ 1 ♂, Lake Magadi, collected in March, 1938, by van
Someren (two specimens in the Coryndon Museum, two others
in my collection).

This new race shows a strange mixture of an irregular reduction
of the pattern, as one part of it has become narrower (the

basal spot) or is even quite missing (the two anterior sutural spots), although the middle fascia shows always its full length. The small yellow marginal line is interrupted behind the humeral lunula. The coloration of the upperside is blackish or dirty dull aeneous. The orbital plates show the rough sculpture of subsp. *vivida*, Boh., and *neglecta*, Dej. The intercoxal parts of the pro- and mesosternum are without bristles.

By the pattern of the elytra this new race is slightly reminiscent of the Russian *Cicindela atrata distans*, Fisch.

3. *Cicindela alboguttata*, Klug.

1 ♂ ♀ of this species were collected at Northern Lake Baringo in Kenya Colony at an elevation of 2,500 feet in January, 1938, by D. McInnes. The upperside of the specimens is dark bluish. Until now this species was only known in Africa from Erytrea and Abyssinia extending to the "old" Italian Somaliland. In Asia it occurs in S.W. Arabia and at the borders of the Red Sea.

4. *Cicindela fastidiosa Jordaniana*, W. Horn.

1 ♀ of this race from Mutha and 1 ♂ from Maktau both collected by MacArthur (the ♀ in December, 1937, the ♂ in December, 1938) show the marginal spot near the middle of the length of the elytra very much enlarged (in the form of an irregular triangle, tapering towards the disc of the elytra). The ♀ agrees in the other characters with the ordinary form but in the ♂ the whole pattern of the elytra shows a yellow-orange colour and the spot between the discoidal one behind the middle of the length of the elytra (the "endpoint" of the non-existing middle fascia) and the anterior end of the apical marginal stripe is represented by a pretty long almost vertical line.

