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THE BEETLE FAMILIES
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For the past several years I have issued in mimeographed form lists of the beetle families of the world compiled from all of the literature available to me. These lists have been meant to serve only as a means of showing a logical arrangement of the families for collections, catalogues, and general papers, and not necessarily to show the ascending development or phylogenetic relationship of the families. However, every attempt has been made to make these lists as natural as is possible for any linear arrangement. These family schemes have undergone many revisions. I have never thought they warranted publication, inasmuch as they are undocumented and reflect ideas which should be explained, or which need further study. However, I have had numerous requests for a list of beetle families. This seems to indicate that it is useful to others as well as myself. Further, there is also a need for a list of family synonyms. Therefore, I have brought my list up-to-date and present it below. Along with this is an index in which is included all of the names which are synonyms of these families. Thus if I have used a name in the main list which is not familiar, the more familiar name will be found in the index and the number after it refers back to the main list.

THE ORDER COLEOPTERA

(Families in parentheses are not North American)

Suborder ARCHOSTEMATA

1. Cupesidae
2. Micromalthidae

Suborder ADEPHAGA

3. Rhysodidae
4. Cicindelidae
5. Carabidae
6. Omophronidae
7. (Paussidae)
8. Amphizoidae
9. Haliplidae
10. (Hygrobidae)
11. Dytiscidae
12. Gyrinidae

Suborder HAPLOGASTRASuperfamily Hydrophiloidea

13. Hydrophilidae
14. Limnebiidae

Superfamily Staphylinoidea

15. Staphylinidae
16. Pselaphidae
17. Silphidae
18. Leptodiridae
19. Leptinidae
20. Platypsyllidae
21. Clambidae
22. Leiocidae
23. Sphaeriidae
24. (Phaenoccephalidae)
25. Ptiliidae
26. Limulodidae
27. Scymaenidae
28. Scaphidiidae
29. (Catapochrotidae)
30. Brathinidae

Superfamily Histeroidea

31. Histeridae
32. (Synteliidae)
33. Sphaeritidae

Superfamily Scarabaeoidea

34. Lucanidae
35. Passalidae
36. Scarabaeidae

Suborder POLYPHAGASuperfamily Lymexylonoidea

37. Lymexylonidae
38. Telegeusidae

Superfamily Lampyroidea

39. (Karumiidae)
40. Brachypsectridae
41. (Drilidae)
42. Phengodidae
43. Cantharidae
44. Lycidae
45. Lampyridae

Superfamily Meloidea

46. Meloidae
47. Mordellidae
48. Rhipiphoridae
49. Stylopidae

Superfamily Tenebrionoidea

50. (Pterogeniidae)
51. (Nilionidae)
52. Tenebrionidae
53. Lagriidae
54. Alleculidae
55. Monommidae
56. Othniidae
57. Salpingidae
58. (Tretothoracidae)
59. Pyrochroidae
60. (Trictenotomidae)
61. Melandryidae
62. Cephaloidae
63. Oedemeridae
64. Pedilidae
65. Anthicidae
66. Euglenidae
67. (Petriidae)
68. (Cossyphodidae)

Superfamily Cucujoidea

- 69. Nitidulidae
- 70. Rhizophagidae
- 71. (Protocucujidae)
- 72. Sphnidae
- 73. Hypocopridae
- 74. Cucujidae
- 75. (Helotidae)
- 76. (Phycosecidae)
- 77. (Propalticidae)
- 78. Cryptophagidae
- 79. Biphyllidae
- 80. Byturidae
- 81. Languriidae
- 82. Phalacridae
- 83. Cisidae
- 84. Orthoperidae
- 85. (Discolomidae)
- 86. Lathridiidae
- 87. Colydiidae
- 88. Mycetophagidae
- 89. (Jacobsoniidae)

Superfamily Dascilloidea

- 90. Dascillidae
- 91. Helodidae
- 92. Eucinetidae

Superfamily Byrrhoidea

- 93. Byrrhidae

Superfamily Dryopoidea

- 94. Psephenidae
- 95. Ptilodactylidae
- 96. Chelonariidae
- 97. Heteroceridae
- 98. Limnichidae
- 99. Dryopidae
- 100. Elmidae
- 101. Georyssidae
- 102. (Cyathoceridae)

Superfamily Elateroidea

- 103. Rhipiceridae
- 104. Cebrionidae
- 105. Elateridae
- 106. Throscidae
- 107. Cerophytidae
- 108. Perothopidae
- 109. Eucnemidae

Superfamily Buprestoidea

- 110. Buprestidae

Superfamily Cleroidea

- 111. Ostomidae
- 112. Cleridae
- 113. Melyridae

Superfamily Dermestoidea

- 114. Derodontidae
- 115. Nosodendridae
- 116. Dermestidae
- 117. Thorictidae

Superfamily Bostrichoidea

- 118. Anobiidae
- 119. Ptinidae
- 120. Bostrichidae
- 121. Lyctidae

Superfamily Coccinelloidea

- 122. Endomychidae
- 123. Mycetaeidae
- 124. Coccinellidae
- 125. Erotylidae

Superfamily Curculionoidea

- 126. Cerambycidae
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- 129. Anthribidae
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