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ILLUSTRATIONS
OF
BRITISH ENTOMOLOGY;

OR, A

Synopsis of Indigenous Insects:

CONTAINING

THEIR GENERIC AND SPECIFIC DISTINCTIONS;

WITH

AN ACCOUNT OF THEIR METAMORPHOSES, TIMES OF
APPEARANCE, LOCALITIES, FOOD, AND ECONOMY,
AS FAR AS PRACTICABLE.

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EMBELLISHED WITH COLOURED FIGURES OF THE RARER AND
MORE INTERESTING SPECIES.

SUPPLEMENT.

"In his tam parvis tamque ferè nullis quæ ratio ! quanta vis ! quam inextricabilis perfectio !" — *Plin.*

"Finis Creationis Telluris est gloria DEI, ex opera Naturæ, per Hominem solum." — *Linne.*

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ADDRESS.

A CYCLE of nineteen years has been completed, since the appearance of the first number of these Illustrations; within which period no less than 72 distinct works on Entomology, forming 112 volumes, have emanated from the British press (exclusive of reprints, and of works on Bees). Of these more than half (41) are arranged in conformity with the views developed in this work, or my Systematic Catalogue;—the remainder being chiefly devoted to the description of foreign Insects, to particular groups of Insects, or being elementary treatises on the subject.

From these facts, and from what is shewn in the note below,* and hereafter stated, it would appear that my labours have contributed materially towards the advancement of Entomology in this country.

That the exertions of Dr. Leach, and of Messrs. Kirby and Spence, however, greatly conduced towards instilling a taste for this department of Zoology, and its consequent progression, need scarcely be insisted upon in this place; but the foundations of a building are of little avail, unless the building itself be erected:—it has been my endeavour to attempt the stupendous enterprize, so far as relates to the indigenous species of insects; but, alas! vainly. Nevertheless, I have succeeded in partially rearing the temple, and my success may be rendered manifest by the following brief recapitulation of my labours.

Previously to 1818, the total number of species of insects described, or recorded, as British, was 3673; in that year about 500 additional species were introduced in Samouelle's Compendium, from my cabinets; and subsequently about 100 more, in the first two volumes of Curtis's Genera, chiefly from my manuscripts; making

* About 300 copies of the Illustrations, 412 of my Systematic Catalogue, and 1220 of my Nomenclature, have been disposed of within the period in question.

altogether less than 4500 antecedent to the appearance of my Systematic Catalogue, in July, 1829, in which 10,116 species are indicated as indigenous.

In the Illustrations I have described 7165 species, and characterized 1114 genera—a greater number than has hitherto been introduced into any single work on Entomology (the nearest approach to that number being Schönherr's Curculionidæ, in which 7141 species, and 631 genera, are detailed),—and about 5000 species, and at least 500 genera, remain to be described; a task I had hoped to have accomplished, but circumstances wholly beyond my control have totally frustrated that intention, and the work has now passed into other hands, and been brought to a conclusion; notwithstanding a very considerable portion of the manuscript has been long prepared.

The attempt to describe all the indigenous species of insects, has been scouted as a physical impossibility, which is true to a certain extent, as no human labours can be perfect; nevertheless, it is evident that an approach may be made towards the attainment of the object: how far I have effected the same may be illustrated by calling attention to the comparatively few species that have been discovered belonging to the portion of this work already published, notwithstanding the great increase in the number of practical collectors. I may also add, that in my Systematic Catalogue, after abating the unnamed species indicated therein, and the doubtful ones, the real number named is 8959, and in Mr. Curtis's Guide, 1st edition, which registers 10,420, after a similar process, there remains only 8966! A tolerable proof that I had made some approximation towards the actual number, inasmuch as the Guide took full two years to complete, *after* the appearance of my Catalogue.* In the 2nd edition of the Guide, 12,003 species are enumerated,

* Boisduval, in his *Species Général des Lépidoptères*, p. 140, in speaking of my Catalogue and Curtis's Guide, says—"L'ouvrage de M. Stephens étant postérieur de quelques mois à celui de M. Curtis," &c. In answer to which it is most essential for the interests of truth and of science to state, that the first 20 columns only of the Guide—(15 thereof made up from these Illustrations, as far as then completed)—were published on the 1st of June, 1829, (*not in March*, as it would appear by the date at the end of the Preface), *anterior* to the appearance of my Catalogue in July following; the Lepidopterous portion of the Guide not appearing till towards the end of 1830.

upwards of 2000 of which, amongst the Hymenoptera and Diptera, are not British.

Since the publication of the last number of this work in January 1837, I have been unwearied in my endeavours to obtain a complete census of our indigenous species, and have proceeded to a considerable extent in working up an amended edition of my Catalogue (or Nomenclature), by patiently re-examining the references to every species and synonym, attaching the actual date when possible to every reference, and re-arranging my collection on a novel plan, to correspond exactly with *every name*, both specific and synonymical: a proceeding which the possession of the largest collection of British Insects, and probably the most extensive Entomological Library (about 1500 volumes), have enabled me to perform with some prospect of success, especially now that my time is solely at my own disposal. This Nomenclature it was my full intention to print with the continuation of the Illustrations; whether, however, it may now ever see the light is problematical: it will not be my fault should it not, for no person has more sincere cause to regret the abrupt termination of this work than myself, having not only devoted the greater portion of a not very short life towards its prosecution, at a cost of nearly £10,000, in the formation of my Collection and Library, and in the expense of publication; but as a consequence of loss of time in defending my copyright in 1832-3, my prospects were for ever blighted, by the inconsiderate prejudices of an implacable and tyrannical individual: thus compelling me, in the decline of life, to embrace the first opportunity that presented itself, of relieving myself of the thralldom of office, and of retiring in comparative penury therefrom!

Contrasted therewith, I have now in conclusion the pleasure sincerely to return my thanks to my Subscribers generally, for their support, and more particularly to the following gentlemen, —amongst whose names will be found those of the persons most eminently distinguished for their respective attainments in the various branches of natural science, in this country,—for their recent exertions on my behalf.

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MANDIBULATA.

HYMENOPTERA.

FAMILY V. ICHNEUMONIDÆ, *Leach*.

Plate XXXIX. fig. 3.

Phytodietus segmentator.

PII. *Niger*, marginibus segmentorum albidis; pedibus rufis anticorum trochanteribus et coxis flavis, posticorum tursis et tibiurum apice nigris. (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ $3\frac{1}{4}$ lin. Exp. Alar. 7 lin.)

Phy. segmentator, *Gravenhorst*, ii. 944.—*Steph. Nomen*. 2 edit.

Black, with the margin of the abdominal segments whitish; legs red, slender, with the trochanters of the anterior and the coxæ yellow, the tarsi of the posterior, and the apex of the tibiæ black:—the male has the face yellow, and the posterior coxæ and trochanters varied with black and yellow: the female has the face marked with yellow, and the hinder coxæ red.

Apparently rare: taken in the vicinity of London.

Plate XXXIX. fig. 2.

Schizopyga analis. ♀

Sc. *Nigra*, abdomine rufo, margine segmentorum 1—3 anoque nigris; pedibus rufis, nigro maculatis; aculeo subexserto. (Long. Corp. $3-3\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Sch. analis, *Gravenhorst*, iii. 130.—*Steph. Nomen*. 2 edit.

Black: mouth and antennæ beneath pale testaceous: abdomen with the basal segment black, with its sides and back red, 2nd and 3rd segments red, the edges black, two following wholly red, the rest black: legs red, the tips of the four hinder thighs and tibiæ black: hinder tarsi black, the base of the joints testaceous: female with the ovipositor slightly exserted.

Taken at Darenth, in June.

MANDIBULATA—SUPPLEMENT, AUGUST, 1846.

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Plate XXXIX. fig. 1.

Rhyssa Persuasoria. ♂

RH. *Nigra albomaculata*, segmentis intermediis maculis duabus lateralibus albis; pedibus fulvis, posticis tibiis tarsisque fuscis:—mas. facie alba; fem. orbitis oculorum albis, aculeo corpore longiore. (Long. Corp. 6—15 lin.)

Ich. persuasorius, *Linné*.—Rh. persuoria, *Steph. Cat. No.* 4012.

Black, spotted with yellowish white: intermediate, and sometimes the basal segments of the abdomen with a yellowish-white spot on each side: legs fulvous, the hinder tibiæ and tarsi fuscous. *Male* with the face white; *female* with the orbits of the eyes white, the ovipositor longer than the body.

The figure represents the male of this rare species of the natural size: the crossed lines having been erroneously annexed thereto, in lieu of being attached to the figure of *Schizopyga analis*.

Taken at Weybridge; Coombe Wood; near Kimpton, Hants: and York: but rare.

Plate XXXVI. fig. 4.

Arotes albicinctus. ♀

AR. *Niger segmento primo albidomarginato, femoribus tibiisque anterioribus subtus testaceis*. Mas. facie flava, antennis subtus fulvis; fem. annulo antennarum albo. (Long. Corp. 6—7½ lin.)

Ar. albicinctus, *Gravenhorst, Ich.* iii. 448. — N. S. tarsalis, *Steph. Cat. No.* 4009.

Black: the basal segments of the abdomen edged with white; the anterior thighs and tibiæ testaceous beneath. *Male* with the edges of the 2 basal segments of the abdomen, and the tips of all the tarsi white, antennæ reddish beneath: *female* with the tips of the hinder tarsi, and a ring in the middle of the antennæ white.

Many years since, I once observed this fine, and apparently rare, insect, flying in plenty at Darenth Wood in June; I fortunately secured a pair. It is the only species of the genus.

Plate XL. fig. 4.

Enicospilus combustus.

Sp. 1. *Eni. merdarius*.—*Testaceus, oculis abdominisque apice fuscis.*
(Long. Corp. 6—10 lin.)

Op. merdarius, Gravenhorst, iii. 698.—Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.

Testaceous, with the eyes and the two or three terminal segments of the abdomen fuscous: ovipositor black.

Sp. 2. *Eni. ramidulus, Linné.—Steph. Cat. No. 4637.—Testaceus, abdominis apice nigro.* (Long. Corp. 6—10 lin.)

Testaceous, with the two last segments of the abdomen wholly black.

Sp. 3. *Eni. combustus, Plate XL. fig. 4.—Gravenhorst, iii. 701.—Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.—(Testaceus, thorace et abdominis apice nigris.*
(Long. Corp. 9 lin.)

Testaceous, with the thorax and the two last segments of the abdomen and a spot on the back of the first, black.

The above, which are all the species of this genus, are found, but rarely, in gardens within the metropolitan district.

BRACONIDÆ.

Plate XXXVII. fig. 2.

Microgaster tibialis.

Mi. Niger, tibiis testaceis; alis denigratis. Fem. aculco abdominis dimidio brevior. (Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

Mi. tibialis? Nees. I. A. i. 168.—Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.

Deep black; antennæ short robust; anterior femora at the apex, and the tibiæ testaceous, posterior brown; anterior tarsi testaceous with brown tips: wings deep smoky black, with the stigma darker: ovipositor half the length of the abdomen.

Found in meadows during the summer; widely dispersed.

Plate XXXVII. fig. 1.

Microgaster? basalis.

MI. *Niger, abdominis basi, pedibusque rufis; alis hyalinis, stigmatibus rufo.* (Long. Corp. 2 lin.)

Mi. ? *basalis, Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Black: the three basal segments of the abdomen, and the legs wholly red: wings hyaline, yellowish, with the stigma reddish.

Very rare: found near London, and in Devonshire.

Plate XXXVII. fig. 3♂. 4♀.

Helcon annulicornis.

HE. *Ater, nitidissimus; abdominis sublinearis primo segmento acute bicarinato; pedibus rufis, coxis trochanteribusque anterioribus tibiis tarsisque posticis nigris, his medio albis; femoribus posticis unidentatis.* Fem. *Annulo antennarum albo.* (Long. Corp. 5 lin.)

He. *annulicornis, Nees ab Essen. Hym. i. 231.—N. S. dentata.—Steph. Cat. No. 4010.*

Deep, shining, black: abdomen somewhat linear, its basal segment with 2 sharp ridges: legs red, the anterior coxæ and trochanters and hinder tibiæ and tarsi black, the middle of the latter white: hinder thighs with a single sharp tooth near the tip beneath. Female, with a white ring in the middle of the antennæ.

I possess a fine pair of these remarkable insects, taken I believe in South Wales; and in the collection of the Entomological Club are several examples, of both sexes, which, if I mistake not, were captured near Leonminster, by Mr. Newman.

CHALCIDIDÆ.

Plate XLIV. fig. 3.

Haltichella armata.

ΠΑ. *Nigra, pubescens femoribus posticis subtus subbidentatis, nigris; scutello elongato, bifurcato; pedibus anterioribus ferrugineis, femoribus tibiisque in medio fuscis.* (Long. Corp. 2—2½ lin.)

Ch. armata, *Panzer.*—*Steph. Cat. No.* 5318.

Black, pubescent: scutellum elongate, its apex bifurcate; hinder thighs black, somewhat bidentate beneath; anterior legs rust-coloured, thighs and tibiæ brown in the middle. Male, with the anterior legs without the brown colour.

Found in June, at Ripley, among hazels.

Plate XLIV. fig. 1.

Eucharis adscendens.

Eu. *Viridi-ænea, nitida; scutello integro.* (Long. Corp. 2½ lin.)

Cy. adscendens, *Fabricius Mant.* i. 251.—Eu. adscendens.—*Steph. Cat. No.* 5324.

Brassy-green, very glossy, punctured, glabrous; scutellum elevated, ovate, obtuse; legs pale testaceous, with the base of the femora and the claws fuscous. Male, with the scutellum acute, and the hinder femora dusky.

Found in South Wales, near Swansea, in June.

EURYTOMIDÆ.

Plate XLV. fig. 3.

Eurytoma Abrotani. ♂

Eu. *Nigra*, *antennis maris antrorsum sinuatis; tibiis anticis tarsisque omnibus testaceis: feminae, geniculis solis tarsisque pallidis, alis hyalinis.* (Long. Corp. 1—3 lin.)

Eu. *Abrotani*, *Illiger*.—*Steph. Cat. No.* 5326.

Black, punctured; slightly pubescent; wings hyaline: *male* with the anterior tibiæ, knees and tarsi testaceous; antennæ pilose and sinuated anteriorly: *female* with the knees and tarsi alone whitish.

Common in hedges about London.

SPALANGIIDÆ.

Plate XLV. fig. 1.

Crocephala cornigera. ♂

C. *Nigra*, *caput fulvum, oculis verticique nigris, antennis basi fulvis; collare lateribus anticis pedibusque fulvis.* (Long. Corp. 1½ lin.)

C. *cornigera*, *Westwood*.—*Steph. Cat. No.* 5351.

Black; head fulvous, with the eyes and crown black; base of the antennæ, sides and part of the collar, and legs also fulvous; thorax punctured; abdomen glossy; wings hyaline, anterior with a small black spot before the middle, and a large dusky one near the apex.

Taken at Ripley in July 1827.

TORYMIDÆ.

Plate XLV. fig. 2.

Megastigmus dorsalis. ♀

ME. *Viridis, flavo variegatus; abdominæ æneo, oviductu corpore brevior, alis subhyalinis, maculâ fuscâ.* (Long. Corp. $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Ich. dorsalis, *Fabricius*.—Coll. bipunctatis.—*Steph. Cat. No.* 5352.

Green, abdomen brassy; *male* with the head in part yellow; antennæ brown; the scape green, with the base and beneath yellow; legs more or less yellow, or pale straw; the apex of the tarsi brown; wings somewhat hyaline, with a large brown stigma: *female* with the head yellow, green between the eyes, abdomen yellow beneath, the disc brassy-brown.

Common on oaks near Hertford and Ripley, in the autumn.

Plate XLV. fig. 4.

Callinome varians.

CA. *Viridis; nitens: abdomine apice æneo, oviductâ corpore paullo longiore, pedibus flavis, femoribus supra viridibus aut æneis; alis subfuscis.* (Long. Corp. $1\frac{3}{4}-2\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

Ca. varians, *Walker*.—*Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Green, shining; eyes and ocelli red; thorax behind and beneath brassy-green; abdomen with the basal segment green, tinted with copper, the apex brassy; ovipositor rather longer than the body; legs yellow, the thighs above, and sometimes the posterior tibiæ clouded with green or dusky-brass.

Taken near London, in the autumn.

Plate XLIV. fig. 2.

Perilampus micans.

PE. *Viridi-æneus, subobscurus, scrobiculato-punctatis; thoracis dorso cupreo aurato; abdomine ater; fronte hypostomateque transversim striolatis.* (Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{2}$ —2 lin.)

Pe. micans, *Dahm. Act. Holm.* 1820. p. 73.

Dullish brassy-green, coarsely punctured: thorax above golden copper: abdomen deep black, glossy: front and hypostome transversely striated: thighs brassy-green, the extreme tip testaceous: tibiæ and tarsi pale testaceous. Male of a bluish tint. Hinder tibiæ (as in the figure) sometimes clouded with fuscous.

Extremely abundant in June, on new oak paling, about Camberwell, found in company with *Lyctus oblongus* and *Tillus unifaciatus*, which last is also at times to be found there in plenty, between the 10th and 21st June, in sunny weather.

Plate XLIV. fig. 4.

Cratomus megacephalus.

C. *Ater tibiis luteis, capite maximo retuso.* (Long. Corp. 1 lin.)

Cynips megacephala, Fabricius.—Cr. megacephalus, Steph. Cat. No. 5323.

Deep, obscure, bluish-black: abdomen glossy: legs black, tibiæ and tarsi yellow: head very large and broad, bidentate in front: wings clouded with fuscous. Four posterior tibiæ sometimes clouded with brown.

Found occasionally on new palings near London.

Sp. 2. Cc. *nigripes, Steph. MSS. ater, pedibus toto nigris, alis hyalinis.* Smaller, with the legs and tarsi wholly black: wings hyaline.

Taken in the garden at the Hermitage, South Lambeth.

ENCYRTIDÆ.

Plate XLVI. fig. 4.

Eucyrtus punctipes. ♀

EN. *Albo-canescens*; *antennis nigris, albo annulatis; capite thoraceque testaceis, hoc griseo squamoso; abdominis dorso medio tibiæ annulis nigris; alis hyalinis.* (Long. Corp. $\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

En. *punctipes*, Dahm.—*Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Whitish-ash: antennæ black, annulated with white: head and thorax testaceous, the latter rather densely clothed with griceous scales: middle of the abdomen above, and rings in the tibiæ, black: wings hyaline. Male with the antennæ pale fulvous.

Found on lime-trees near London, during the summer: also in Wales and the north of Ireland.

EULOPHIDÆ.

Plate XLVI. fig. 1.

Eulophus cinctipes. ♂

EU. *Viridis, thorace scutelloque purpureis, abdomine nigro, pedibus flavis posterioribus nigro cinctis.* (Long. Corp. 1 lin.)

Eu. *cinctipes*, Steph. *Nomen. 2d edit.*

Green, shining; collar and scutellum purple: abdomen linear, black: legs yellow, middle thighs with a black ring towards the base, and hinder pair with the apex black: middle and hinder tibiæ with their tips broadly black: antennæ pale fuscous.

Found in the spring, near London.

Plate XLVI. fig. 3.

Cirrospilus Walkeri.

CI. *Flavus*, macula thoracis, abdominisque apice viridi-æneis, tibiis intermediis apicibus nigris. (Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

Ci. *Walkeri*, Steph. *Nomen*. 2d edit.

Yellow; ocelli black; eyes fuscous; an irregular blotch on the thorax, and the metathorax and scutellum brassy-green; abdomen yellow, its tip greenish-black; sides of thorax yellow, with a greenish apex: legs yellow, the apex of the middle tibiæ and tips of the hinder tarsi, black.

Found in June, near London.

PROCTOTRUPIDÆ.

Plate XLVI. fig. 2.

Diapria conica. ♀

DI. *Antennis apicem versus incrassatis, clarâ subsexarticulata, nigrâ, scapo pedibusque pedis, tibiis pallidioribus; abdomine conico-acuminato.* Mas. *antennis corpore longioribus fuscis, scapo pedibusque rufis, flagelli articulis elongato-cylindricis verticillato pilosis, secundo basi extrorsum distincte emarginato; ano obtuso.* (Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{2}$ — $1\frac{3}{4}$ lin.)

Ich. conicus, Fabricius.—Di. conica, Steph. *Cat.* No. 5601.

Black: *Female* with the antennæ thickened towards the apex, the club black, and obscurely six-jointed, the base and the legs pitchy, the tibiæ paler; abdomen conic-acuminate. *Male* with the antennæ longer than the body, fuscous, the scape red, the joints elongate-cylindric, verticillate pilose, the second joint distinctly notched towards the base: anus obtuse.

Not uncommon in the vicinity of London in the summer.

GONATOPIDÆ.

Plate XLVII. fig. 2.

Anteon flavicorne.

An. *Nigrum nitidum, fronte albo-sericeâ ; ore albo ; antennis (femine) thorace brevioribus apice crassioribus et pedibus testaceis : metathorace leviter cancellato.* (Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{2}$ —2 lin.)

Dr. flavicornis, *Dalman.*—Go. flavicornis, *Steph. Catul. No. 5673.*

Black, and shining : forehead with a whitish pile ; mouth white, antennæ of the female rather shorter than the thorax, thickened at the apex, and, with all the legs, pale testaceous ; metathorax slightly cancellated.

Found near London, in woods and shady places, in July.

SCELIONIDÆ.

Plate XLVII. fig. 3.

Teleas Procris.

Te. *Ater, apterus, pedibus piceis, antennis mari filiformibus.* (Long. Corp. $\frac{2}{3}$ lin.)

Te. *Procris, Walker. Ent. M. iii. 366.—Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Black, punctured, slightly pubescent ; wingless ; legs pitchy, the knees, tips of the tibiæ and the tarsi reddish ; abdomen with the basal segment, and the greater portion of the 2nd deeply striated.

Common in grassy places about London.

LARRIDÆ.

Plate XLVII. fig. 4.

Miscophus bicolor.

Mr. *Niger*. Fem. *abdomine basi rufo*. (Long. Corp. 3 lin.)

Mi. *bicolor*, *Jurine*.—*Steph. Catal. No.* 4919.*

Black, finely punctured; mandibles reddish; abdomen with the basal segment entirely, and the base of the second red, remaining segments with their edges slightly pitchy. Male totally black.

Taken at Coombe Wood, and near Weybridge, in June and August.

Plate XLII. fig. 3.

Dinetus pictus.

Di. *Lævis, niger, thorace maculato, abdomine ferrugineo fasciis tribus flavis, ano nigricante*. Mas. *fronte flavâ, antennis cochleatim retortis*. (Long. Corp. 3—3½ lin.)

Cr. *pictus, Fabriciis*.—Di. *pictus, Steph. Catal. No.* 4920.

Smooth; black: thorax with an interrupted transverse band on the collar, the tegula, tubercles, and a streak across the scutellum yellow; abdomen with the three basal segments reddish, the 2nd and 3rd having an ovate yellow spot on each side near the margin, the three following segments black, with the edges of the 5th and 6th yellow; apex of the anterior femora and tibiæ outwardly yellow. Male with the head yellow in front; antennæ twisted: 4 anterior legs yellow.

Rare: taken in June near Windsor.

SPHEGIDÆ.

Plate XLI. fig. 1.

Aporus bicolor. ♀

Ap. *Ater*, *abdominis segmentis tribus saturate rubris.* (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ — $3\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Ap. bicolor, *Spin. Ins. Lig.* ii. 34.—*Steph. Catal.* No. 4862.

Deep opaque black; the 3 anterior segments of the abdomen dull deep red, or rust-coloured. Male with the anterior portion of the face, excepting the clypeus, metathorax, coxæ and trochanters clothed with a dense silvery pubescence; with the margin of the first, and base of the second abdominal segments deep pitchy-red.

Rare: found in Dorsetshire, and in South Wales, near Swansea, in June; and at Weybridge, in August.

Plate XLI. fig. 2.

Pompilus notatus.

Po. *Niger*; *antennis thorace paullo longioribus, abdominis segmento secundo supra fasciâ rubrâ sæpe obsoletâ, pedibus partim nigris, partim rubris.* (Long. Corp. $3\frac{3}{4}$ lin.)

Po. notatus, *Rossi.*—Po. formosus.—*Steph. Catal.* No. 4884.

Black: antennæ slender, rather longer than the thorax; mandibles reddish at the tip; abdomen with a broad red band at the base of the 2nd segment, sometimes obscure; anterior femora within, with their tibiæ and tarsi, the intermediate femora at the tip and their tibiæ, and also the hinder femora dull-red; wings hyaline, slightly clouded with brown at the tip.

Very rare; taken in June near Ripley.

Plate XLII. fig. 1.

Dolichurus corniculus.†Do. *Ater, nitidus, immaculatus.* (Long. Corp. 3—4½ lin.)Po. corniculus, *Spinola.*—Do. ater, *Steph. Catal. No.* 4894.

Deep glossy black, immaculate; the extreme margin of the abdominal segments reddish-pitch.

Very rare, at least in the east of England; found by Dr. Leach near Ashburton, Devon.

Plate XLI. fig. 3.

Sphex flavipennis. ♀

SP. *Niger, fronte aurea, abdomine rufo, petiolo apiceque atris, tarsis ferrugineis.* (Long. Corp. 7½ lin.)

Sp. flavipennis, *Fabricius.*—*Steph. Catal. No.* 4896.

Black, pubescent: forehead with a golden pubescence; with the apex of the basal segments, and the whole of the 2nd and 3rd segments red, margin of the rest pitchy; tarsi rust-coloured.

Taken, I believe, in Norfolk; apparently very rare.

Plate XLI. fig. 4.

Miscus campestris. ♂

MI. *Niger*, *metathorax in medio depresso et a latere oblique striato, abdominis segmento secundo et tertio rufo*. (Long. Corp. 7—9 lin.)

MI. *campestris*, *Van de Linden Hym.* i. 92.—*Steph. Nomen.* 2d edit.

Black, pubescent: metathorax with a faint longitudinal depression, with slanting lateral striæ: abdomen with the apex and the band, the whole of the second and the base of the third, segments red. In the male there is a black patch on the back of the second segment.

Found in Dorsetshire, and in the New Forest: and in the greatest profusion on the heaths near Weybridge, Surrey, in June and July.

FORMICIDÆ.

Plate XLII. fig. 2.

Ponera contracta.

+Po. *Elongata*, *subcylindrica, fusco-brunnea; antennis pedibusque lutescente brunneis*. (Long. Corp. $1\frac{3}{4}$ —2 lin.)

Po. *contracta*, *Latreille*.—*Steph. Nomen.* 2d edit.

Elongate, nearly cylindric, deep brown glabrous and shining: antennæ short, reddish-brown; mandibles pitchy-red: abdomen with the second segment separated by a stricture from the first, its margin as also that of the others pitchy-red: legs brownish-yellow or ochreous. Females with very indistinct eyes; neuter without eyes, and wingless.

Found in the neighbourhood of Chelsea and Pimlico, in June. In the collections of Messrs. Westwood and Ingpen.

APIDÆ.

Plate XLIII. fig. 1.

Nomada Kirbyella.

No. *Nigra*, *apicibus antennarum, tibiis, tarsisque rufis; abdomini segmento 2o, 3o-que maculâ laterali albida, 4^o—6^o fasciis abbreviatis transversis ochreis.* (Long. Corp. $6\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

No. *Kirbiella*, *Steph. Catal. No. 5070.*

Head and clypeus, wholly black; the latter with a dense silvery pubescence: maxillæ yellow: antennæ red, scape black, the basal joint with a short black streak behind: thorax black, tubercles and tegulæ red: trochanters, coxæ, and femora black, the extreme tip of the latter, tibiæ, and tarsi red: abdomen tawny red, the basal segment half black, 2nd with a round cream-coloured spot on each side, 3rd with a smaller one, 3 following with short, transverse, ochreous bands; beneath wholly red.

Taken by myself, near London.

Plate XLIII. fig. 2.

Osmia xanthomelana.

Os. *aterrima, villosa, thorace, abdominisque basi, lanuginoso fulvescentibus.* (Long. Corp. $4\frac{1}{2}$ — $6\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

Ap. *xanthomelana*, *Kirby.—Steph. Catal. No. 5058.*

Black; deeply punctured, and pubescent: *female* with the head clothed with black hair, the thorax above with reddish-brown, and beneath with black; legs also clothed with black and tarsi beneath with dark brown: abdomen with the 2 basal segments clothed with reddish brown, the rest thinly clothed with black, inside the under surface densely so. *Male* with the face clothed with white hairs, inclining to ochreous towards the crown; thorax above with fulvous and beneath with hoary, as well as the legs: abdomen above also clothed with fulvous, with the 6th segment notched, the 7th incurved and bidentate.

Taken at Birch and Darenth woods; also near Liverpool and Bristol, and near Ryde in the Isle of Wight, in May and June.

Plate XLIII. fig. 3.

Bombus cognatus.

Bo. *Hirsuto-flavescens*, *abdominis basi nigricante, pedibus piccis.* (Long. Corp. 7—8 lin.)

Bo. *cognatus*, *Steph. Catal. No. 5136.*

Black: head sparingly clothed with long whitish hairs in front: thorax densely covered with bright ochreous yellow hairs: abdomen clothed with long dusky hairs on the 2nd segment, and with pale ochreous ones on the rest, legs pitchy, clothed on the femora with whitish, and on the tibiae and tarsi, with pale ochreous hairs.

Closely allied to Bo. *Muscorum*, of which the examples I possess may be immature specimens.

Taken on Leigh Down, near Bristol.

ANDRENIDÆ.

Plate XLIII. fig. 4.

Andrena bucephala.

An. *Niger*, *glabriuscula, tibiis tarsisque rufescentibus; capite magno.* (Long. Corp. 5 lin.)

An. *bucephala*.—*Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Black: head very large and broad, sparingly clothed with longish ochreous hair in front: thorax with a few scattered hairs on the sides and behind: abdomen shining, glabrous, the margins of the segments pitchy, and the anal one tawny: femora black; tibiae tawny, the anterior pair with the front dusky; tarsi tawny; wings iridescent; stigma tawny.

This may be only a very highly developed male of the *Andrena longipes* of Shuckard; but I have seen no connecting link, in regard to the magnitude of the head, which in the present insect is enormous. Found in June, near Bath.

CYNIPIDÆ.

Plate XLVII. fig. 1.

Anachuris Eucharoides.

AN. *Ater*, aut *æneo-ater*; *petiolo abdominis dimidio longiore*; *pedibus flavis*; *alis albo-limpidis*. (Long. Corp. 1—1½ lin.)

AN. *Eucharoides*, *Dalman*.—*Steph. Nomen*. 2d edit.

Black or brassy black: legs yellow; coxæ and trochanters black; tarsi dusky at the tip: wings limpid, scales and nervures rust-coloured, the longitudinal nerve yellow at the base, the outer transverse nerve stout and pitchy: petiole above half the length of the body.

Found near London; in Windsor Forest, and in the Isle of Wight, in June and September.

STREPSIPTERA.

STYLOPIDÆ.

Plate XLVII. fig. 4.

Stylops Melittæ.

ST. *Aterrima*; *alis subrotundatis, lacteis, costa nigricante*; *pedibus piceis, tarsis anterioribus rufescentibus*. (Long. Corp. 1½ lin.)

ST. *Melittæ*, *Kirby M. A.*—*Steph. Catal.* No. 5789.

Intense black; wings somewhat rounded on the hinder margins; milk white, stained with dusky towards the costa, which is deep black: legs pitchy, with the 4 anterior tarsi reddish: abdomen pale on its edges.

Found, very rarely, near London; and in Suffolk; in the spring.

The insects included in this genus are all of the utmost rarity near London; but under favourable circumstances, and in some localities, numerous examples have been observed and captured.—It would appear from the diversity in the form of the wings and other minor characters, that there were several distinct species: I have, however, been unsuccessful in obtaining more than two, viz. *Melittæ* and *Dalii*.

The following are the indigenous species recorded, viz. :—

- Sp. 1. *Melittæ Kirby*.—Barham: Clapham.
2. *Kirbyi Leach*.—Devonshire.
3. *Haworthi Stephens*.—Chelsea.
4. *Spencei Pickering*.—Hammersmith.
5. *Dalii Curtis*.—Epping and Dorset.

The *St. tenuicornis Kirby* is the type of a distinct genus, called *ELENCHUS* by *Curtis*, and synonymous with his *El. Walkeri*, of which I once brushed a specimen from off some high grass near Hertford in July.

One other species, viz. *Haliotophagus Curtisii*, closes the account of the ascertained British species of this singular order of insects.

HAUSTELLATA.

D I P T E R A.

CULICIDÆ.

Plate XLIII. fig. 1.

Culex concinnus.

Cu. Fusco-brunneus, thorace fusco vittato, abdomine angulis 5-que albis, femoribus basi subtus albido. (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Cu. concinnus, Steph. Catal. No. 7650.

Deep fuscous-brown: thorax with a broad longitudinal fuscous streak; abdomen with 5 white bands; and with triangular spots of the same on each side beneath; pleuræ also dotted with white; legs fuscous, with the base of the femora beneath whitish: wings pale fuscous, iridescent, spotless; halteres lurid-ochreous.

Found in July, in Scotland.

TIPULIDÆ.

Plate XLII. fig. 2.

Chironomus viridulus. ♂

Ch. Viridis, thorace vittis obscuris; alis hyalinis puncto nigro. (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Tip. viridula, Fabricius—Ch. viridulus, Steph. Cat. No. 7686.

Bright green: thorax with obscure brownish streaks: legs very pale yellowish-green, with the tips of the femora, tibiæ, and joints of the tarsi black; wings hyaline, with a faint black dot.

A very pretty and abundant species of this numerous genus, which contains above 100 indigenous species.

Plate XLII. fig. 1.

Corethra plumicornis.

Co. *Ochraceo-fusca*, *thorace vittâ laterali pedibusque albidis.* (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ — $3\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

Ch. *plumicornis*, *Fabricius*.—*Steph. Catal. No. 7655.*

Ochreous-brown; pilose, thorax darker on the back, the sides each with a broad white streak; abdomen ochreous-brown, the edges of the segments pale; legs ochreous-white; wings hyaline; halteres white; antennæ brown, with ochreous-brown hairs.

Common about Ripley, in June and July, in marshy places; found also in other parts within the metropolitan district.

Plate XLII. fig. 3.

Ceratopogon palustris. ♂

Ce. *Ater*, *halteribus pedibusque piceis.* (Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

Ce. *palustris*, *Latreille*.—*Steph. Catal. No. 7787.*

Deep black; thorax glossy; abdomen opaque; legs and halteres brown; wings greenish, with the nervures obscure.

Abundant in marshy places, throughout the metropolitan district, during the summer.

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Plate XLII. fig. 4.

Diomyza pulchra?

DL. *Atra*, *scutello concolore*; *abdomine fasciis interruptis aurcis*.
(Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{4}$ lin.)

Las. *pulehra*, *Meigen Dip.* vii. p. 267 !—*Di. pulchra?* *Steph. Nomen.*
2d edit.

Black; thorax opaque, and, with the scutellum, obscure and concolorous; abdomen with a broad golden or silvery band at the base, and the rest of the segments with an interrupted narrow marginal band of the same; thighs yellow; tibiæ and tarsi black; wings hyaline, anterior edges dusky.

Not common; found in the windows, occasionally, in the summer, at the Hermitage, South Lambeth.

Plate XLIII. fig. 2.

Eriopteryx? Stigma. ♂

ER. ? *Cinerea*; *pedibus flavicantibus*; *alis obscuris stigmatæ fuscâ*;
antennis nodosis, verticillato pilosis. (Long. Corp. $1\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

ER. ? *Stigma*, *Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Dull ash-coloured, obscure: legs yellowish, tibiæ and tarsi dusky; wings brownish, with a distinct darker stigma; antennæ densely-black, the joints very distinct and swollen, and furnished with whirls of hair.

Not very common; found, in the spring, near London; at Ripley, &c.

Plate XLIII. fig. 3.

Limnobia xanthoptera.

Li. *Ferruginæa*; thorace glabro, nitido, lineis duabus longitudinalibus atris; abdomine maculis dorsalibus fuscis; alis flavicantibus, lineâ transversali undulatâ atrigâque pallide fuscis. (Long. Corp. ♂ 5; ♀ 7 lin.)

Li. xanthoptera, *Meigen*.—*Steph. Cat. No.* 7930.

Ferruginous; head inclined, the nose and palpi dusky; thorax glabrous, shining, with two, sometimes interrupted, deep black lines, and occasionally with one or two spots of the same behind; abdomen with a trigonate brown spot on the back of each segment; tips of the thighs black; wings bright yellow, with a waved brown stripe over the transverse nervures, and one or two spots of the same hue on the margin:—or sometimes (as in the figure), the waved streak is shortened, and forms a sort of stigmal spot only.

Rather uncommon; found at Hastings, in Devonshire, and at Harrietsham, in Kent, in June.

Plate XLIII. fig. 4.

Symplecta? marginata.

Sy? *Cinereo-fusca*, abdominis incisuris pallidioribus, alis fumosis, nervis saturatoribus; pedibus pilosis. (Long. Corp. 4 lin.)

Sy.? *marginata*, *Steph. Nomen.* 2d edit.

Dark ashy-brown; with the edges of the abdominal segments paler; legs pale brown, densely clothed with long hairs, especially the femora and tibiæ; wings dark-brown, with the nervures darker, the transverse ones edged with a deeper shade.

Not common; found occasionally in windows, in London, especially towards Burton Crescent, where I have repeatedly taken specimens.

Plate XLIV. fig. 1.

Bolitophila cinerea.

Bo. *fusco-cinerea*; *alis immaculatis*; *pedibus flavicantibus.* (Long. Corp. $2\frac{3}{4}$ lin.)

Bo. *cinerea*, *Meigen*.—*Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Griseous-brown; palpi, halteres and legs pale reddish; wings slightly obscured, stigma indistinct.

Rare; taken at Camberwell, in July.

Plate XLIV. fig. 3.

Macrocera phalerata.

MA. *Cerea, nigro maculata, alis fasciâ abbreviatâ apicque fuscis.* (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Ma. *phalerata*, *Meigen?*—*Steph. Cat. No. 8021.*

Ochreous; antennæ brown, yellowish at the base; thorax with 3 faint black stripes; abdomen with a row of black dots on each side; wings with a cloud at the base, a short broad band in the middle, and the apex brown.

Taken occasionally in woods, at Dulwich, in June and July; also at Coombe Wood.

Plate XLIV. fig. 2.

Mycetophila? Zonata.

MY. ? *Flavescens*, abdominis dorso maculis quadratis magnis fuscis ; antennis crassis, ochraceis, apicibus fuscis. (Long. Corp. 2 lin.)

N G. zonatus, Steph. Catal. No. 8037.

Ochreous-yellow : eyes black : thorax glabrous, and very glossy : bright ochraceous, with a faint darker line : abdomen with a large quadrate patch occupying nearly the entire surface of each segment above, and leaving a narrow belt-like space at their base : legs pale ochraceous, the tarsi rather darker.

Found at Dover, Coombe Wood, and Ripley, in June: not common.

Plate XLIV. fig. 4.

Mycetophila ornata.

MY. *Fulva*, antennis fuscis, basi lutea, pedibus flavis, alis lutescentibus maculâ magnâ mediâ, aliisque minoribus antapicali fuscis. (Long. Corp. 3 lin.)

MY. ornata, Steph. Catal. No. 8051.

Bright fulvous : eyes black : antennæ brown, their base luteous : abdomen with the margins of the segments ochreous : legs pale yellow ; wings also yellowish, with a large blackish blotch in the middle, and 3 or 4 smaller ones placed irregularly near the apex.

Taken in old gardens near London, but very rarely.

ASILIDÆ.

Plate XLV. fig. 1.

Dasygogon Diadema. ♂

DA. *Niger*; *abdomine punctis lateralibus obscure albidis*: Mas. *alis fuliginosis, pedibus nigris*: Fem. *abdomine fuscâ testaceâ, pedibus rufo-ferrugineis, alis sub-hyalinis*. (Long. Corp. 10—11 lin.)

Da. *Diadema*, *Fabricius*—*Steph. Catal. No.* 8158.

Black, with a bluish tint: face white: 2d joint of the antennæ and base of the 3d ochreous: abdomen with faint whitish spots on each side from the 2d to the 5th segments: halteres yellowish; wings brown, with violet reflections; legs black. Female (of which sex I have not seen a British example) with the 4th and 5th segments of the abdomen, and the legs testaceous; wings slightly tinted with brown.

Found, but very rarely, in June, near Swansea, in Glamorganshire.

EMPIDÆ.

Plate XLV. fig. 3.

Hemerodromia monostigma.

HE. *Albida*, *abdomine vittâ dorsali sinuatâ nigrâ, alis hyalinis; puncto marginali nigro*. (Long. Corp. 2 lin.)

He. *monostigma*, *Hoffmansegg*.—*Steph. Catal. No.* 8261.

Whitish, tinged with ochreous: front griseous: thorax dusky above; abdomen with an irregular dusky band down the back; legs pale yellow, with the terminal joint of the tarsi dusky: wings hyaline with a black marginal dot or stigma.

Not uncommon in the vicinity of London, in woody places, in May.

DOLICHOPIDÆ.

Plate XLV. fig. 4.

Psilopus platypterus.

Ps. *viridi-æneus*, capite albo, pedibus pallidis. Mas. alis amplis; tarsi intermediis apice atro alboque. (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Dol. platypterus, *Fabricius*.—Ps. platypterus.—*Steph. Catal. No. 8327.*

Brassy-green, with a griseous pile: face and front white; antennæ ochreous, the 3rd joint obscure; abdomen, with long scattered hairs; legs pale yellow, intermediate tarsi of the male with the 3rd and 4th joints white, the 5th black; hinder tibiæ sometimes with a dusky ring: wings very broad in the male.

Abundant in marshy places near London, during the summer.

RHAGIONIDÆ.

Plate XLV. fig. 2.

Atherix marginata.

At. *Atra*; abdomine fasciis albis; alis fusco fasciatis; pedibus nigris. (Long. Corp. 4 lin.)

Bib. marginata, *Fabricius*.—At. marginata, *Steph. Catal. No. 8389.*

Deep black; thorax clothed with a whitish pile: segments of the abdomen narrowly edged with white; legs black: wings brown with white spots.

Very rare near London; but not uncommon in the vicinity of rivers in the west of England, especially near Ashburton, in June.

ANTHRACIDÆ.

Plate XLVI. fig. 4.

Anthrax Pandora.

An. *Atra*, *pubescens*, *alis fusco-nigris maculis fenestratis*; *apice marginæ posticæ profundè sinuato-hyalinis*. (Long. Corp. $3\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Ant. Pandora, *Fabricius*?—*Steph. Catal. No.* 8438.

Deep black, clothed with tawny metallic hairs, which become blackish on the sides and under part of the thorax: wings blackish, with the apex and hinder portion hyaline, the transparent portion deeply waved: the darkened part with several irregular hyaline spots. On the abdomen are some faint traces of interrupted silvery bands.

Taken near Dover, in July.

STRATYOMIDÆ.

Plate XLVI. fig. 1.

Clitellaria Ephippium.

CL. *Nigra*; *thorace sanguineo spinâ laterali*. (Long. Corp. 4-5 lin.)

St. Ephippium, *Fabricius*.—*Cli. Ephippium*, *Steph. Catal. No.* 8475.

Deep black: front with two spots of white hairs: thorax blood-red, clothed with a dense pile; its sides armed with a strong spine; scutellum with two stout, sharp recurved spines: wings brown-black.

Very rare; taken in June in Coombe wood, whence I possess a fine pair.

XYLOPHAGIDÆ.

Plate XLVI. fig. 2.

Actina tibialis.

Ac. *Thorace æneo-viridi; abdomine nigro; spinis scutelli pedibusque flavis; tibiis posticis clavatis, fuscis.* (Long. Corp. $2\frac{1}{2}$ lin.)

Be. *tibialis, Meigen.*—*Steph. Catal. No. 8488.*

Metallic green; face with whitish hairs; a small white dot at the base of the antennæ; spines on the scutellum yellow; abdomen black, of the female yellow beneath; legs yellow; hinder tibiæ and tarsi thickened and brown: wings brown, stigma black.

Not very common, in hedges, within the metropolitan district.

Plate XLVI. fig. 3.

Subula maculata.?

Su. *Ater, thorace flavo maculato, abdominis segmentis margine flavis.* (Long. Corp. 4 lin.)

Xyl. *maculatus, Fabricii Ant. 65?—Steph. Nomen. 2d edit.*

Black; palpi and antennæ beneath tawny-yellow; thorax with its tubercles, a slender interrupted transverse line, a larger spot on each side near the insertion of the wings and the lateral margin yellow; scutellum yellow: abdomen with a large yellow spot on the sides of the second segment, and the margins of the rest also yellow; legs yellow, the tips of the hinder thighs and tibiæ, and of all the tarsi, black.

Taken in June in the New Forest, but seemingly very rare.

SYRPHIDÆ.

Plate XLVII. fig. 1.

Syrphus Lucorum. ♂

SY. *Thorace nigricante, ferrugineo hirsuto; abdomine nigro, segmento 1^{mo}. albido* ♀; *alīs fasciā demidiatā fuscā*: Mas. *segmento 1^{mo}. utrinque maculā albidā*. (Long. Corp. $4\frac{1}{2}$ -5 lin.)

Musca Lucorum, Linné.—Sy. *maculipennis*, Steph. Catal. No. 8612.

Black: face white, with a black belt: thorax with a metallic hue, and clothed with tawny hairs: scutellum reddish: abdomen of a steel-black, the basal segment of the male with a fulvous or whitish patch on each side, of the female wholly whitish, or ochreous: knees and base of the tibiæ ochreous: wings hyaline, with a large dusky spot in the middle of the costa.

Not uncommon in woods, especially in Coombe and Darenth woods, in June.

Plate XLVII. fig. 3.

Eristalis fumipennis.

ER. *Niger; thorace rufo hirsuto, scutello rufo, abdomine atro, antice maculis duabus ferrugineis, pedibus anterioribus tarsisque omnibus fulvis, posticis nigris, tibiis basi rufo: alīs infuscatīs*. (Long. Corp. 6 lin.)

Er. *fumipennis*, Steph. Catal. No. 8650.

Black: thorax clothed with a red pubescence: scutellum red; abdomen black, the basal segments with a large ovate rusty spot on each side, the remaining segments slightly edged with ochreous: 4 anterior legs and all the tarsi fulvous; posterior legs black, with the tibiæ red at the base; antennæ red.

I possess one specimen, but I am not aware of its locality.

Plate XLVII. fig. 2.

Helophilus Frutetorum.

HE. *Thorace flavo, vittis tribus atris; abdomine atro, fasciis interruptis flavis; antennis rufis.* (Long. Corp. $4\frac{1}{2}$ —5 lin.)

Syr. Frutetorum, *Fabricius*.—He. Frutetorum, *Steph. Catal. No.* 8664.

Head, front and antennæ tawny yellow; thorax yellow with three black streaks; scutellum brown; abdomen black, the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th segments each with an interrupted yellow streak, and a spot of the same on the dorsal edge of each, 5th segment yellow: anterior legs yellow, the base of the thighs black; hinder thighs black, with the apex yellow; tibiæ tawny, with a faint ring and the tip black.

Found in plenty in Battersea Fields in June.

Plate XLVII. fig. 4.

Spilomyia femorata.

SP. *Nigra, villosa, pedibus rufis, femoribus apice fuscis.* (Long. Corp. 6 lin.)

MU. femorata, *Linné*.—Sp. femorata, *Steph. Catal. No.* 8674.

Black: face with whitish down: antennæ brown; thorax with a greenish tinge, and clothed with rusty hairs; abdomen clothed with tawny hairs; legs red, the tips of the femora brown: hinder thighs robust: wings clouded with brown.

Rare, or at least local, found in June and July, in the New Forest.

CONOPIDÆ.

Plate XLVIII. fig. 1.

Zodion cinereum.

Zo. cinereum, facie flavâ, antennis nigris apice rufis. (Long. Corp. 3 lin.)

Myo. cinerea, Fabricius.—*Zo. cinereum, Steph. Catal. No. 8704.*

Ash-coloured: face pale yellow; forehead and antennæ at the apex dull red; thorax with dusky hairs; abdomen with a few dusky spots, its apex black; legs brownish-ash; wings slightly yellowish.

Not common, taken in June, at Darenth wood.

Plate XLVIII. fig. 3.

Myopa testacea.

My. Abdomine testaceo cinereo maculato; fronte fuscâ; alis fuscâis, medio puncto nigro. (Long. Corp. 3—3½ lin.)

Co. testaceus, Linné.—*My. testaceus, Steph. Catal. No. 8710.*

Testaceous: face with a brown spot on each side, towards the eyes, beneath the antennæ; abdomen testaceous, spotted with ash-colour; legs testaceous, ringed with brown; wings brownish, with a black spot in the first hinder cell.

Found in June, at Richmond.

ÆSTRIDÆ.

Plate XLVIII. fig. 4.

Gasterophilus salutiferus. ♀

GA. *Ater, thorace fulvescente, abdomine atro basi albo (postice in mare rufo), femoribus atris, barbatis; alis immaculatis, costâ flavescente.*
(Long. Corp. 5 lin.)

Æs. *salutiferus, Clark.*—Ga. *salutiferus, Steph. Catal. No. 8727.*

Black: head clothed with bright tawny hairs; thorax stout, clothed with pale orange pubescence, with a blackish spot at the base of the wings, most evident in the male: abdomen black, thickly clothed with pale yellow pubescence, on the basal segment, with black on the 2nd, and with pale orange on the remainder in the *male*, but with ash-coloured in the female; legs black, thighs covered with long black hairs; wings not spotted, but with the base and outer margin yellowish-brown.

Taken at Coombe wood, in July.

MUSCIDÆ.

Plate XLVIII. fig. 2.

Gonia auriceps.

Go. *thorace nigricante; abdomine rufo, vittæ dorsali, anoque nigris; maculis albis; capite fulvo.* (Long. Corp. 4 lin.)

Gon. *auriceps, Meigen.*—*Steph. Catal. No. 8737.*

Head tawny-red, with a golden pile; antennæ deep brown, the second joint yellow; palpi testaceous; thorax dusky, with 4 black stripes, the 2 intermediate shortest; abdomen red, its tip and a dorsal streak black, its sides with irregular white blotches; scales white; legs black.

Not common; taken at Coombe and Darenth wood, in the early part of the summer.

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