DIPODOMYS ORDII.—WOODHOUSE.

ORD'S POUCHED MOUSE.

CHARACTERS.

Light reddish brown above, beneath white ; tail short, and penicillate at the end.

SYNONYME.

DIPODOMYS ORDII.—Woodhouse, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci., Phila., 1853, p. 235.

DESCRIPTION.

A little smaller than *D. Philipsii*, Gray ; head and tail shorter, nose long and pointed, extending some distance beyond the incisors ; ears somewhat round, the anterior portion almost naked, posteriorly covered with short fine hair.

COLOUR.

Dark reddish brown above ; sides light reddish brown ; fur ash colour at base ; side of the nose, half of the cheek, spot behind the ear, band across the thigh and beneath, pure white ; a black spot at the base of the long whiskers ; a superciliary ridge of white on either side ; the penicillated portion of the tail is formed of long white hairs, with bright brown tips.

DIMENSIONS.

	Inches.
Total length from tip of nose to root of tail, - - -	5
" " of vertebræ of tail, - - -	$4\frac{3}{10}$
" " of tail, including hair at tip, - - -	$5\frac{5}{10}$
" " of os calcis, including middle toe and nail, -	$1\frac{5}{10}$
" " of ear, - - -	.45

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION.

Western Texas.

GENERAL REMARKS.

This animal I procured at El Paso on the Rio Grande, on my way to Santa Fé, whilst attached to the party under the command of Captain L. SITGREAVES, United States Army. I have named it in honour of Mr. ORD, President of this Society. (WOODHOUSE.)

Audubon, John James and Bachman, John. 1854. "Dipodomys ordii, Ord's Pouched Mouse." *The quadrupeds of North America* 3, 317–318.

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