

NOTE

Deletion of *Calliodis pallescens* (Reuter) from the United States Fauna
(Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Anthocoridae)

The genus *Asthenidea* was described by Reuter (1884) to include *Cardiastethus clarus* White and four new species described by him: *maculipennis*, *pallescens*, *punctatostriata*, and *temnostethoides*. Subsequently, the type species of the genus, *Asthenidea temnostethoides* Reuter, was designated by Kirkaldy (1906). Carayon (1972) synonymized *Asthenidea* Reuter 1884 with *Calliodis* Reuter (1871) and placed *Calliodis* into his new subtribe Calliodina. *Asthenidea pallescens* Reuter was described by him from Veracruz, Mexico. Champion (1990) examined the types from Mexico and added Guatemala and Nicaragua. Blatchley (1926) reported *Asthenidea pallescens* from Royal Palm Park, Florida, and included some habitat notes. Later, Blatchley (1928) described *Cardiastethus flaveolus* from Florida, based on the same series from Royal Palm Park, the type being a male, and included additional material from Paradise Keys (Florida). Blatchley indicated that W. E. China of the British Museum had stated that the Royal Palm Park specimens were not *Asthenidea pallescens* Reuter but an undescribed species, related to *Cardiastethus tropicalis* Champion, that had been reported from Guatemala, Panama, and Grenada.

Henry (1988) cited both *Calliodis pallescens* (Reuter) from Florida and Mexico and *Cardiastethus flaveolus* Blatchley from Florida. In light of the information given in Blatchley (1928), *Calliodis pallescens* should be deleted from the United States

fauna and the record of it from Royal Palm Park referred to *C. flaveolus*.

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