XVIII.—*Two new Species of Lycænidae from Madagascar.*
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Lycænesthes mabillei, sp. n.

♂. Upperside: Both wings uniform lilac-blue with very fine dark margins, fringes whitish.

Underside: Both wings pale brownish grey as in *L. smithii*, Mab., but with the white markings more diffused; hind wing with minute crimson spot between veins 2 and 3, this spot edged with black and blue scaling; a similar but still smaller spot at anal angle.

Marsantsetia, N.E. Madagascar, 1 ♂.

The only species in the genus with which this can be confused is *L. smithii*, Mab., from which it may easily be distinguished by the wings above wanting the cupreous tint, and by the absence of the subbasal conspicuous blue-black spot of the hind wings below.

Azanus rubropuncta, sp. n.

♂. Upperside: Both wings dark lilac-blue with slight cupreous tint; narrow marginal dark border.

Underside: Fore wing pale grey; a whitish-edged dark grey spot at end of cell; two whitish bars beyond cell; submarginal area traversed by irregular whitish lines enclosing grey spots slightly darker than ground-colour. Hind wing pale grey clouded with whitish on discal area; a subbasal black spot, beyond this a row of four black spots; a black spot on costa beyond middle and another on inner margin; between these last two spots a series of dark grey markings crosses the wings beyond cell; a submarginal irregular dark grey line; three marginal dark grey spots between veins 4 and 7; a conspicuous marginal blue-centred black spot between veins 2 and 3, this spot inwardly edged with crimson; a small blue-centred black spot at anal angle.

Marsantsetia, N.E. Madagascar. A series of males.

May be easily separated from any other species in the genus by the crimson-edged black spot of underside of hind wing. The types of these two new species are in the collection of Madame Gaston Fournier.

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