

CLAVICORNIA.

Choleva nigricans, *Spence*. Queen's Cottage Grounds (21, xii., 07).
G. N.

Choleva grandicollis, *Er.* Queen's Cottage Grounds (21, xii., 07).
G. N.

LAMELLICORNIA.

Oxyomus porcatus, *F.*, on window in Palm House (23, iii., 96).
H. J. D.

SERRICORNIA.

Ptilodactyla santivincensis, *Champ*, ♂♂ and ♀♀. Propagating
Pits (3, xii., 07); 4, i., 08, &c.) The ♂♂ have beautifully
flabellated antennae.

Rhragonycha pallida, *F.* (12, iv., 06). G. N.

Malachins bipustulatus, *L.* (12, iv., 06). G. N.

Necrobia rufipes, *De G.*, in parcel of specimens from Uganda
(21, i., 08).

PHYTOPHAGA.

Plectroscelis concinna, *Marsh* (12, iv., 06). G. N.

HETEROMERA.

Meloë prascarabaeus *L.* The common "Oil beetle." In
grounds (29, iv., 89). H. J. D. The "Oil beetles" in their early
stages are parasitic on bees of the genus *Anthophora*.

RHYNCHOPHORA.

Phyllobius pyri, *L.* (12, iv., 06). G. N.

Phyllobius maculicornis, *Germ.* (12, iv., 06). G. N.

Phyllobius vividiaeris, *Saich.* (12, iv., 06). G. N.

"Scolytid" sp? Propagating Pits (3 & 4, xii., 07). Five
specimens were taken of this small Scolytid beetle which I have
been unable to name or get named at the Natural History Museum.
H. J. D.

HYMENOPTERA.

FORMICIDAE (Ants).

H. St. J. Donisthorpe.

The following is a list of the ants taken by, or obtained for, me
in the hot-houses at Kew since December 3rd last. I am indebted
to the kindness of Professor Forel for the names of most of the
species. In his last letter he writes "you have a large Fauna in
the houses at Kew." They are all my own captures except where
it is otherwise stated. Those marked with * are new to the Kew
published list (Bulletin, Additional Series V., 1906, p. 27).

Prenolepis longicornis, *Latr.* A cosmopolitan species. ♀♀ and ♂♂ Propagating Pits, and No. 18. J. H. Dines found a nest in a flower-pot in the Propagating Pits containing 13 ♀♀.

**Prenolepis caeciliae*, *Forel.* Species from Costa Rica. Abundant in Fern and Palm Houses.

Prenolepis vividula, *Nyl.* Central American species. Occurs in No. 18 and Palm House (23. III. 96). The late Mr. Haliday took it in hot-houses in Ireland.

**Prenolepis flavipes*, *Smith.* Japanese species. ♂♂, ♀♀, and ♂♂ amongst lily bulbs from Tokio. Jan., W. B. Little.

**Plagiolepis alluardi*, *Em.* Species from Seychelles Isles. Abundant in Palm House. Occurs in the Botanic Gardens in Edinburgh and Dublin.

Technomyrmex albipes, *Smith.* Cosmopolitan species. Abundant in Propagating Pits, Fern and Palm Houses, &c. Winged ♂♂, and very interesting ergatoid (wingless) ♂♂ not uncommon in Palm House.

**Ponera coarctata*, *Latr.* Winged ♀. Palm House.

**Ponera coarctata*, sub. sp. *boerorum* *Forel.* South African species. ♂♂. Fern House.

**Tetramorium simillimum*, *Smith.* Cosmopolitan species. ♀♀ and ♂♂. Palm House.

**Wasmannia auro-punctata*, *Roger.* West Indian species. Abundant in Propagating Pits and No. 18. ♂♂, ♀♀ and ♂♂; nests in and under flower-pots, and in the leaf-sheaves of *Piper obliquum*, var. *eximium*. It is stated to cultivate fungi.

**Pheidole anastasii*, *Em.* var. *cellarum*, *Forel.* Central American species. ♂♂, both the small form, and the large form with very big heads, called "soldiers," in numbers. Orchid House, C. P. Raffill. This new variety is very abundant in the hot-houses at Zurich.

Triglyphothrix striatidens, *Em.* Widespread. ♂♂ scarce in Fern House and common in Palm House.

**Strumigenys rogeri*, *Em.* West Indian species. ♂♂ scarce in Propagating Pits.

HEMIPTERA-HOMOPTERA.

APHIDAE.

R. Newstead.

The only representative of this family sent to me since the publication of the first paper on the Kew Fauna is an interesting species apparently new to the British Isles, and although it was, in the first instance, thought to be new to science, I have come to the conclusion that it is the insect described by Passerini as *Rhizobius menthae*. Buckton¹ says that he has not been able to identify this and an allied species in England, so that the record is of much interest.

The examples have been forwarded to the British Museum of Natural History so that they may be available for future study.

¹ Monograph of British Aphides, vol. iv., p. 93.