A generic Synopsis of the hymenopterous Family PROCTOTRUPIDÆ.

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This large family has been but little studied in this country, although considerable material for study is to be found in the various collections. I have been able to pay but little attention to the group, and this synopsis is nearly a literal translation of that which appears in Part II of Dr. Foerster's "Hymenopterologische Studien," Aachen, 1856. I have inserted, however, several of his more recently erected genera taken from his "Kleine Monographien," and also one or two others which have been described since. sion into subfamilies which immediately follows is faulty in the absence of the subfamily Bethylln.e, a generic synopsis of which is included later. My excuse for this omission is ignorance of the general characters of this subfamily, which, together with the Emboleminæ, is omitted by Foerster from his subfamily synopsis. have been unable to find a copy of Haliday's "Hymenopterorum Synopsis" in America in which the characters of this subfamily are presumably given, and while this synopsis is being printed Prof. Riley is kindly searching for this paper in English libraries. advised, however, not to defer publication on this account. I have prefixed an asterisk to those genera, species of which have been published as found in America north of Mexico, and a dagger to those which I have myself recognized in collections (mainly in Prof. C. V. Riley's, now the property of the National Museum by donation), but which have not yet been published as American. the one hundred and thirteen genera mentioned in the synopsis, but twenty-nine have thus far been found in this country.

Family PROCTOTRUPIDÆ.

Hind wings with a distinct lobe near base, or, where the wings of the Q are wanting, the fore feet are fitted for grasping.

Antennæ with same number of joints & and QSubfamily Dryininæ. & antennæ 10- Q 13-jointed......Subfamily Emboleminæ. Hind wings not lobed. The front tibiæ with two spurs......Subfamily Ceraphroninæ. Front tibig with one spur. Mandibles not toothedSubfamily Proctotruping. Mandibles toothed Abdomen acutely margined on the sides; antenna arise near the border of the mouth. Wings with a marginal vein and occasionally also with a stigmal; the unwinged genera without ocelli Subfamily Scelioning. Wings without marginal and stigmal veins; all genera with ocelli. Subfamily Platygasterinæ. Abdomen not acutely margined; antennæ arise far above the border of the mouth Hind wings without a trace of a median vein. Hind wings very small, almost linear Subfamily Mymarine. Hind wings broader, not linear Subfamily Diaprine. Hind wings with a median vein. Fore wings with or without a regular basal vein (grundader); flagellum without a ring-joint Subfamily Belytine. Fore wings with an abruptly broken basal vein, from one end of which arises a cubital vein distinguished by its irregular course; both together these form an irregular discoidal cell: flagellum with one ring-joint.....Subfamily Helorine. Subfamily DRYININÆ. Vertex deeply impressed. With wings Genus Dryinus Latreille. Without wings Genus Gonatopus Ljungh. Vertex convex, not impressed. Occiput deeply concave; vertex and neck separated by a sharp angle. Genus Labeo Haliday. Occiput delicately concave; vertex and neck not so markedly separated. Fore tarsi with scissor-like or pincer-like claws, Q; pronotum visible above, but not longer than mesonotum, 3. Fourth tarsal joint of the fore tarsi much longer than third, Q; pronotum as long as, or nearly as long as mesonotum, \$ 9. † Genus Chelogynus Haliday. Fourth tarsal joint as long as, or scarcely longer than third, Q; pronotum

a furrow; wings short, spoon-shaped.

Genus Mystrophorus Foerster.

Pronotum above not, or very slightly visible; mesonotum very strongly developed; mesoscutum with distinct furrows; wings fully de-

Pronotum much longer than mesonotum; mesonotum without a trace of

longer than mesonotum, \$.

much shorter than mesonotum, \S \S Genus **Anteon** Jurine. Fore tarsi not seissor- or pincer-like, \S ; pronotum above not visible, or

veloped, & QGenus Aphelopus Dalman.

Subfamily Emboleminæ.

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Eyes arched, occlli large; scape shorter than first funicle joint. Genus Embolemus Westwood.
Eyes flat, ocelli very small; scape much longer than first funicle joint; wings rudimentary
Subfamily Betuylinæ.
Head without occili
Fore wings with a complete radial cell
Basal vein with a backwards directed branch.
Antennæ 12-jointed, 8 Q Genus Perisemus Foerster.
Antennæ 13-jointed Genus Goniozus Foerster. Basal vein without a branch.
Parapsidal furrows plain; abdominal segments of almost equal length. * Genus Epyris Westwood.
Parapsidal furrows wanting; abdominal segments of unequal length. Genus Isobrachium Foerster.
Fore wings without a radial cell.
Fore wings with a marginal and a stigmal vein.
* Genus Bethylus Latreille. Fore wings without marginal and stigmal veins.
Antennæ 13-jointed
Antennæ 12-jointedGenus Holopedina Foerster.
Subfamily Ceraphroninæ.
Head flat, perfectly horizontal; vertex with a median furrow. Genus Synarsis Foerster.
Head more rounded, not perfectly horizontal; vertex without a median furrow. No occili
With evident ocelli.
Wings without a plain radial cell, or narrow with a linear radial cell.
Head with a sharp tooth between the bases of the antennæ. Genus Lagynodes Foerster 3.
Head without such a tooth Genus Ceraphron Jurine.
Wings with a broad radial cell.
Wings perfectly hairlessGenus Trichosteresis Foerster.
Wings hairy.
Antennie toothed or branched, \$\(\Gamma\); eyes smooth, not hairy, \$\(\Q \). Mesonotum with furrows
Antennæ filiform, \$; eyes hairy, Q.

† Genus Megaspilus Westwood.

Subfamily Proctotrupine.

This subfamily consists of the single genus *Proctotrupes*, which is sufficiently distinguished by its untoothed mandibles from all other Proctotrupid genera. A number of species of this genus are figured by Snellen Van Vollenhoven in his Pinacographia with more than his usual care. Several North American species have been described by Say, Provancher and Patton.

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Subfamily Scelionine.
Antennal club not jointed.
WingedGenus Thoron Haliday, Q.
Unwinged or with short wing-pads.
Without mesoscutellum
With an evident scutellum Genus Acolus Foerster.
Antennal club jointed.
Submarginal vein shortened, not reaching costa † Genus Bæoneura Foerster.
Submarginal vein not shortened, reaching costa.
Marginal vein very long, at least four or five times as long as stigmal.
Mesoscutum with two sharp, distinct, complete furrows; antennæ of \$
long, with whorled hairs (Q club-shaped).
Genus Xenomerus Walker.
Mesoscutum not furrowed; & antennæ not with whorled hairs,
Hind tarsi thickened; middle tibiæ with weak spurs.
† Genus Telens Latreille.
Hind tarsi not thickened; middle tibiæ without spurs.
† Genus Prosacantha Nees.
Marginal vein short, usually shorter than stigmal.
First segment small, the abdomen not broadening from it.
Second segment largest
Third segment largest.
Stigmal vein thickened at base
Stigmal vein not thickened at base Genus Bary conus Focuster.
First segment broad; abdomen broadening from it.
Face with a sharp spur Genus Sparasion Latreille.
Face without a spur,
Postmarginal vein strongly lengthened, longer than stigmal.
Metascutellum with a spurGenus Trimorus Foerster.
Without spur.
Antennæ filiform, QGenus Apegus Foerster.
Antennæ club-shaped 👂, ør filiform 🖔.
Marginal vein punctiform; last joint of antennal club twice as
long as the preceding joint
Marginal vein half as long as the shaft of the stigmal; last
joint of antennal club scarcely longer than preceding.
* Genus Hadronotus Foerster.
Postmarginal vein is wanting, or is shorter than stigmal.
Postmarginal wanting

Postmarginal present, but much shorter than stigmal.

Genus Idris Foerster.

Subfamily Platygasterinæ.

Submarginal vein with a knob at tip. Tarsi 4-jointed....... Genus Iphetrachelus Haliday. Tarsi 5-jointed. Antennæ 9-jointed, dentate with & Genus Allotropa Foerster. Antennæ 10-jointed, not dentate with A. Wings with a basal and a median vein, The three last funicle joints much larger than the rest, forming a club. Genus Metaclisis Foerster. The last joint alone longer than the preceding. Genus Monocrita Foerster. Wings without basal and median veins. The basal occili nearer the apical than to the inner border of the eye. Genus Isostasius Foerster. The basal ocelli nearer the inner border of the eye than to the apical ocellus. The Q with a horn on first abdominal segment. * Genus Inostemma Haliday. Submarginal vein without a knob at tip. Scutellum more or less lengthened, never semi-circular, or when shortened it is compressed at the sides and furnished with an awl-shaped or warty tip. Thorax strongly compressed from sides Genus Catillus Foerster. Thorax not compressed. Scutellum lengthened, without thorn-, awl-, or wart-shaped tip. Parapsidal furrows deep, parallel behind. Genus Xestonotus Foerster. Parapsidal furrows very faint or absent. Genus Amblyaspis Foerster. Scutellum lengthened, with a thorn-, awl-, or wart-shaped tip. Scutellum extended in a more or less strong thorn. Basal occili nearer the eyes than to the apical occilis; club of Q 4-jointed......† Genus Leptacis Foerster. Basal occili not nearer the eyes; club of Q 3-jointed. Genus Isorhombus Foerster. Scutellum extended in an awl- or wart-shaped tip, is somewhat shortened and compressed laterally. Abdomen very much lengthenedGenus Ectadius Foerster. Abdomen not especially lengthened. Second ventral abdominal segment strongly compressed with Q. Genus Sactogaster Foerster, Second ventral abdominal segment not compressed. Genus Synopens Foerster. Scutellum not lengthened, semi-circular; either flat or convex. Scutellum quite flatGenus Anopedias Foerster. Scutellum not flat. Head cubical.......Genus Isocybus Foerster.

Head not cubical.

Scutellum with a tuft of hair at tip.......Genus Trichacis Foerster.

Scutclium without a tuft of hair at tip. Border of abdomen very broadly turned over. Genus Hypocampsis Foerster. Border of abdomen not very broadly turned over. Scutellum pillow-shaped, separated from scutum by a deep furrow; scapulæ very broad......Genus Polygnotus Foerster. Scutellum not separated from scutum by a deep furrow; scapulæ not very broad......* Genus Platygaster Latreille. Subfamily Mymarinæ. Tarsi 5-jointed. Abdomen plainly petiolate. Antennæ 10-jointed with \$, 9-jointed with Q. Genus Camptotera Foerster. Antennæ 13-jointed with &, 11-jointed with Q. Genus Ooctonus Haliday. Abdomen sessile or nearly so. Male. Marginal vein reaches to middle of costa. † Genus Limacis Foerster, 3. Marginal vein does not reach to middle of costa. Female. Antennæ 11-jointed......Genus Gonatocerus Nees, Q. Antennæ with less than 11-joints. Antennæ 9-jointed Genus Litus Haliday. Antennæ 8-jointed. Marginal vein reaches to middle of costa. † Genus Limacis Foerster, Q. Marginal vein not reaching to middle of costa. Genus Alaptus Walker, Q. Tarsi 4-jointed. Antennal club with two rings. Marginal vein very long; the four hind tarsi shorter than their tibiæ. Genus Eustochus Haliday. Marginal vein very short; the four hind tarsi longer than their tibiæ. Genus Doriclytus Foerster. Antennal club not ringed. Abdomen plainly petiolate. Fore wings widened only at tip......Genus Mymar Haliday. Fore wings not widened solely at tip. Marginal vein punctiform......* Genus Cosmocoma Foerster. Marginal vein lengthened. Metathorax with two carinæ; Q antennæ 9-jointed (& unknown).

Metathorax not carinate; 3 antennæ 10-jointed, 9 9-jointed.

Abdomen sessile, or nearly so.

Genus Caraphractus Walker.

Genus Stictothrix Foerster.

Antennæ with the \$ 12-jointed (with the female 9-jointed); marginal vein lengthened and somewhat thickened towards the tip.

* Genus Anaphes Haliday.

Antennæ with the \$\Sigma\$ 13-jointed (with the \$\Q\$ 9-jointed); marginal vein linear, not thickened towards tip......Genus **Anagrus** Haliday.

Subfamily DIAPRINE.

Wings with a heart-shaped piece cut out from tip.

Genus Entomacis Foerster.

Wings entire.

Scape greatly developed (mesonotum without furrows).

Genus Platymischus Westwood.

Scape not especially developed.

Scape with a knot at middle; face greatly lengthened.

* Genus Galesus Curtis. Scape without a median knot; face not greatly lengthened.

Submarginal vein not reaching costa.

Submarginal with a stigmal at tip.

* Genus Aneurhynchus Westwood.

Submarginal simple, without stigmal, Q....Genus **Labolips** Haliday. Submarginal reaching costa.

Male.

Antennæ 12-jointed...........Genus Cephalonomia Westwood, & ...
Antennæ 13- or 14-jointed.

Antennæ 13-jointed.

First funicle joint hardly half as long as second.

Genus Paramesius Westwood, &.

First funicle joint as long as, or longer than second.

Second abdominal segment with one or more pits at base.

Marginal vein present.......Genus Idiotypa Foerster, 3.

Marginal vein absent.......Genus Hemilexis Foerster, &.

Second segment without pits at base.

* Genus Spilomicrus Westwood, &.

Antennæ 14-jointed.

First funicle joint shorter than second.

* Genus Basalys Westwood, A.

First funicle joint not shorter than second.

Genus Loxotropa Foerster, \$.

Female.

Antennæ 12-jointed.

Head large and flat........Genus **Cephalonomia** Westwood, Q. Head not large and flat.

Wings without basal vein.

Mesonotum with plain furrows.

Genus Glyptonota Foerster.

Male.

Mesonotum without furrows... + Genus Diapria Latreille, Q. Wings with a basal vein. Mesonotum with furrows; club 5-jointed. Genus Idiotypa Foerster, Q. Mesonotum without furrows; club at most 4-jointed. Genus Loxotropa Foerster. 9. Antennæ 13- or 14-jointed. Antennæ 13-jointed. Club with only one joint,........Genus Monelata Foerster, Q. Club with more than one joint. Abdomen conically pointed. Genus Paramesius Westwood, 9. Abdomen truncate at tip. Marginal vein absent.......Genus Hemilexis Foerster, Q Marginal sein present Genus Nollomierus Westwood, 5 Antenne 11 iointed (mesonotum with furrows). Genus Polypeza Foerster, Q. Subfamily BELYTINE. Eves naked. Mesoscutum with furrows,......Genus Psilomma Foerster. Eves bairy. Postscutellum with a strong thorn......Genus Oxylabis Foerster. Postscutellum without a thorn. Middle carina of metanotum divided before its end and enclosing a central space (radial cell open or closed). † Genus Belvta Jurine. Middle carina of metanotum not divided. Radial cell wanting or open. Stigmal and postmarginal so much shortened that the radial cell can scarcely be seen. Basal vein plainly present Genus Pantolyta Foerster. Radial cell more or less plainly present. Fore tibig strongly bent outwards, with a blunt or sharp tooth or a

Fore tibite not so bent..... Genus Aclista Foerster. Radial cell closed. Petiole of abdomen not longer, or scarcely longer than metanotum.

Border of scape at tip produced on one side into a tooth.

Genus Acropiesta Foerster.

Border of scape at tip not produced, Last ventral segment very straight and punctured.

Genus Anectata Foerster.

Last ventral segment somewhat bent, not punctured.

Genus Pantoclis Foerster.

Petiole of abdomen almost twice as long as metanotum.

Marginal vein twice as long as radial cell.

Genus Macrobyunis Foerster.

Marginal vein not twice as long as radial cell.

Marginal vein as long as, or a little longer than stigmal, but much shorter than the radial cell......Genus **Xenotoma** Foerster.

Marginal vein much longer than stigmal, about as long as radial cell.

Second abdominal segment laterally compressed, pear-shaped; petiole smooth above; scape as long as first funicle joint.

Genus Leptorhaptus Foerster.

Second abdominal segment not laterally compressed; abdomen becoming flatter behind this segment; petiole above more or less furrowed; scape longer than first funicle joint.

* Genus Cinetus Jurine

Female.

Eves naked.

Antennæ 14-jointed.

Metascutellum with a strong thorn......... Genus **Oxylabis** Foerster. Metascutellum without a thorn.

First funicle joint almost as long as all the rest together.

Genus Diphora Foerster.

First funicle joint much shorter than all the rest together.

Middle carina of metanotum divided; (radial cell open or closed).

† Genus Belyta Jurine.

Middle carina of metanotum not divided.

Third dorsal segment of abdomen much longer than fourth.

Marginal vein as long as radial cell; last funicle joint more than double as long as broad.

* Genus Cinclus Jurine.

Marginal vein much shorter than radial cell; last funicle joint not more than double as long as broad.

Genus Xenotoma Foerster.

Third dorsal segment not, or not much longer than fourth.

Abdomen with eight dorsal segments.

Radial cell closed.

Funicle joints only slightly shortened towards the end.

Genus Zelotypa Foerster.

Funicle joints strongly shortened towards the end.

Genus Pantoclis Foerster.

Radial cell open.

Stigmal and postmarginal veins much shortened; stigmal given off at almost a right angle.

Genus Zygota Foerster.

Stigmal and postmarginal not much shortened; stigmal given off at a very oblique angle.

Genus Aclista Foerster.

Abdomen with less than eight dorsal segments.

Abdomen with seven dorsal segments.

Genus Acropiesta Foerster.

Abdomen with less than seven dorsal segments.

Marginal vein more than twice as long as radial cell.

Genus Macrorhynnis Foerster.

Marginal vein shorter, as long as, or scarcely longer than radial cell.

Abdomen with three dorsal segments, the second very much lengthened, almost reaching the tip of the abdomen, the third issuing from the second like a short style; marginal vein plainly shorter than radial cell.

Genus Miota Foerster.

Abdomen with three, very seldom with four dorsal segments, the second not greatly lengthened, the third equally large and strongly compressed laterally; marginal vein not shorter than radial cell.

Genus Leptorhaptus Foerster.

Subfamily HELORINÆ.

This subfamily consists only of the genus *Helorus* Latreille, which is sufficiently characterized in the subfamily synopsis. One undescribed species of the genus has been collected in this country. A single specimen was sent me by Mr. Cresson labeled "Canada."

The genus Copelus Provancher (Petite Faune entomologique de Canada, II, 539, 1883), seems, from the figures and description which Mr. Provancher gives, to be identical with Helorus. The author places it with the Braconidæ, and says: "The singular arrangement of the wing-veins with these insects renders them at once remarkable. The form of the abdomen would seem at first to place them with the Proctotrupidæ, but the perfect venation of the wings excludes them from this family."

The proper position of this genus has been a matter of considerable dispute. The full venation of the wings and its evident high organization must place it at the head of the Proctotrupidæ. The species which I have seen bears a strong superficial resemblance to the Sphegid genus *Tiphia*. Its habits are those of a parasite, and *H. anomalipes* Panz., has been bred from the pupa of a *Hemerobius*.