nets or opened a door communicating with an adjoining room having a similar aspect, wher in the course of a few minutes three or four would enter, and singularly enough I found some difficulty in driving them out, as almost invariably they flew with violence against the upper panes, cantiously avoiding the net-work below, through which, had the free current of air been their guide, they might easily have escaped. Encouraged by this first attempt, I prepared a net of very fine pack-thread, with enlarged meshes of If inch to the square, and to my great satisfaction found that it answered the purpose as effectually as the smaller worked coloured worsted acts. So fine and comparatively invisible was the packthread net, that there was no apparent diminution of either light or the distant view, and for the remainder of the summer and autumn I was enabled to enjoy the fresh air with open windows without fear of the annoyance I had hererofore experienced. I should also add that, though wasps occasionally came through, the number was very much diminished. I attribute this valuable effect of network to the highly magnifying power of the organ of vision, added to the small foral length of the lens of the eye; in consequence of which the enlargement of each thread in their rapid flight presents a succession of obstacles not discernible in the solid obstruction of the panes of clear glass, against which they strike with the ful force of accelerated motion when endeavouring to avoid the attempts of those who would catch them.

X. Observations on Succinic Insects. By the Rev. F. W. Hope, M. A., F. R. S., &c.

PART THE ILCONE.

GUMS AND RESINS.

[Read April 7, 1834.]

Is commerce the term gum is indiscriminately applied to resins as well as to gums, and we not unfrequently meet with the following improper appellations, Gum Cepal, Gum Anime, both of which are resins. It is tene, indeed, that these substances have some properties in common which are not at first sight readily perceived;

they are, however, on analysis, sufficiently distinct, and it is desirable that we should apply the terms properly. The chief gurns imported into England are those of Arabia and Senegal, besides various others of inferior qualities from different quarters of the globe. None of them which have come under my notice contain insects, nor can I learn, by investigation or inquiry, if they have been observed by others in like substances.\* Resins differ from gums in being insoluble in water; but, with some few exceptions, are soluble in alcohol, especially if assisted with heat. The only resins to which I wish to draw your attention, are those named Copal and Animh, as they are the only resins which are reported to contain insects.

#### COPAL.

Copal appears to be the Mexican term for gum, and is applied by the South Americans indiscriminately to all odorous gums as well as resins. It is said to be imported partly from South America, and partly from India, and the tree which produces it in New Your recording to Pino, in the Hymenica Courbard. It is prohealds also that other species of Hymeneral produce Copal, as it is obtained from various parts of South America, and varies greatly sa colour and specific gravity. It is a matter of doubt with me if Copal to ever found in the East Judies, as I think invariably it has here confounded with daine, a substance closely resembling it. Copal is found in rounded lumps of a moderate size, and is reported, like amber, to contain insects; imbedded in its substance; as far, lowever, as I have had any opportunity of examining it, (sometimes in large quantities.) I have never yet met with insects inclosed therrin. In support of the above opinion, that Copal contains no intects, I add the testimony of Mr. Strong of Long-Acre. one of the first varnish-nakers in London, whose attention has long been directed to insects contained in resins, and his unique and superb collection (the result of lifty years' labour) affords no

<sup>&</sup>quot; Hy friend Colonel Sykes certainly possesses a small stake entangled in gumerable, which he removed from the tree (Mimosa Arabics) himself; and insents of course may be entangled in a similar manner; but it is probable they will rately, if ever, be found in masses which full to the earth, since, from the soluble nature of gum, they would necessarily so dissipated by successive showers.

I Hernandes describes eight species of trees producing Copul.

<sup>;</sup> Observe, I do not assert that South American Copa's never contain insects. I think it probable they may; up to the present moment, however, I have not been able to prove it. Should they exentually be found in it, I have little doubt that the masses will indicate the American type, as those of Anima exemptify the Indian form.

specimen of Copal containing insects. If this opinion prove true or not, the analysis of Copal given by Berzelius probably belongs to Anime, and the insects described by Dalman, as found in Copal, belong to Anime also. In corroboration of this opinion I have only to add, that out of fourteen genera of Copalic insects described by Dalman, I have found nine in Anime, generally the same species, and particularly that singular insect, named Paussus cruciatus; the remaining line are very minute, and may have escaped my notice. I conclude, however, that the substance named Anime is the same as the Copal of Dalman, and in order to prevent further confusion, I restrict the term Copal, originally a South American word, to American resin.

#### A SIME.

Anime, improperly denominated Com Acine, is a resinous substance, which exules from the Fateria Indica, a gigantic tree of Malahar. It is sold, according to a communication which I recoived from Dr. Royle, in the bazants of India, under the name of Kunlegos. In northern India it is said to be the produce of a tree of Manwar, one of the provinces of central India. Abandance of resin exudes from this tree in its native soil, and, when recently found, it var es from pale green to a deep amber, with all the intermediate shades. As there are various species of Hymenea which produce Copul, so probably other genera of Diptercearper yield Anine. The Trachylobium Gertherianum of Heyne, a native tree of Madagascar, \* produces it is greatabundance. The Anime which is usually exposed for sale in the lower provinces of Hindostan, is obtained in the vicinity of the mountains of Travancore, and the enormous forests of the Malabar coasts are said to yield it in great profusion. The term drione, Piso informs us, was first used by the Portuguese, and it appears to be only another name for the resin of the Jetasha tree, which they gave it in consequence of its close resemblance to the Anine of New Spain. The Jetaiba tree

I have received some specimens of third from Madagascar replete with insects of various orders; and, as very little is known respecting the Entomological character of thatisland, I so usely dare heard an opinion concerning it. From the few forces, however, which have fallen under my inspection, I should say that the genera of Africa and Asia are greatly intermingled in this island, these of the former rather predominating. Asiatic types also are not incommon. Several species of Eliterida from Madagascar agreen closely to assemble those of Travancore. Should at hereafter agreen that the bottony of Madagascar and the southern parts of the Mysone is similar in chamber, we may a forcelly expect a proportionate accordance in their Enformology, at least in those groups which derive their food from vegetation.

is a species of Hymenan, as is the daime tree of New Spain. Here, I think, I can trace the origin of all the confusion respecting Anime and Copel. The Portuguese first gave the name of Anime to the resin of Malabar, propably from observing insects imbedded in its substance, colling it Anime, or "enimated," which is the signification of the Lusitanian word. The Portuguese, from their early sequaintince with the Malahar coast, which commenced in 1498, soon discovered the Anime, as it is scarcely possible one of its chief products should not have become early known to people of their hern commercial habits, more particularly so as they were at that period a flourishing trading people. This same people did not settle in South America till 1549, a period of fifty-one years having chipsed since their first intercourse began with India. The resin of New Spain, presenting a similar substance to that of the Malabar cost, had the same name applied to it, without any regard being pad to the tree which produced it; thinking this account not improbable, I would infer from it, first, that the name of Anime was misspalied to Copal, which is only found in America; and secondly, that the original term drived was applied to the prodoce of Asia. In process of time Anime and Copul were considered as a monumous, and as the Spaniards and Portuguese traded with the East, they afterwards gave the name of Copal to the And of India, which is equally erroncous, Copal being only found in the New World, while Anime in the produce of the Old. Anime contains imbedded in its substance lizards, shells, insects and vegetables, and nometimes, like amber, it is found with drops of water. The fixads, on the authority of Mr. Bell, I state to belong to the genus Hemidactylus; they appear, however, to differ from any in his unsimiled collection. The only species of shell which I have seen belongs to the genus Cyclostoma; it has an elevated ridge round the centre, and it appears to be exceedingly rare, if not unknown. The lizards and shell are in Mr. Strong's collection. The number of genera of insects which have come under my notice amount to 155; there are also various others in all orders of very singular and undescribed forms, affording an ample field for the future researches of the entomologist,—a field where scarce a track

The plants which are found in Anime appear to belong to the following genera, viz. Mimosa, Shorea,\* and Hemicyclia. There are also various others which I willingly leave to the researches of the

<sup>\*</sup> Mr. Don is of opinion, that some leaves contained in Anim? resemble those of Shares robules.

botarist, as it is properly his department. I cannot quet this part of my subject, however, without expressing a wish that some one may direct its attention to the investigation of the plants found in Attaine and arrher, as it may eventually lead us to the knowledge of the antidikuvian tree which preduced the latter. It may here perhaps not be amiss to bazard a conjecture how the insects become enveloped in the Anime, and I do so with the hope that my remarks may had others to investigate a subject which can only satisfactorily he dane by persons residing in the country where the resins are produced. The Axind a some cases appears to have exaded from the tree in considerable quantities and at different times. It trickled in drops on the ground, and is found in a mass sometimes of 7 lbs, weight. It is of various sizes and ferms, not unfrequently assuming that of staleguite; and I possess a stalactite which contains a portion of the branch to which it was suspended. In some specimens, lamino or layers are observable, appearing like flaws in minerals; where this is the case, the liquid resin probably fell on the previously indurated fluid, as they readily break in the direct on of the flaws. The liquid Anime appears to have formed on the ground an heterogeneous mass with the mixture of earth, san I, and vegetable matter, sometimes enveloping pieces of stick, leaves, and blossoms of flowers, &c.; it remained some time emercing, and was at length hardened by the influence of the sun and air. While liquid the wandering lizard, probably in search of the very insects we find imbedded, became entangled in the viscon's fluid; the land H-lir, crawling over it, was arrested in its progress; and the lablen lead, partly adhering to the mass below, became perfectly enveloped from successive drippings from above. Supposing the Ariod to have flowed down the trunk of the tree, it would naturally embalm in its precious resin every thing in its progress. If such were the case, we should then expeet to find Lieb as, cortical and subcortical insects, embedded in it; in other words, the Xylophaga, as well as other Xylobious insects, in profision. Such we do find, and find them in numbers for suspossing our expectations. How, however, are we to account for the presence of Orthoptere, Lepidoptera, various genera of Hyacooptera, and numerous Distora! Whilst the Juine remained liquid, the locust, cricket, and Greate may have alighted on the glutinous bark. The Lepidestera and some of the Hymenopiera may have mistaken the Jaine for honey, perticularly if the tesin yielded a fragrant and aromatic odom, as insects are endued with an extraordinary sense of smell, and are easily attracted by sweets :- finding Apide in great abundance, it is probable that an aromatic

colour attracted them. As to Diptera, clouds of grats may have been driven by the wind against the Eark, and various genera of flies, seeking their usual evening resort, the sunny side of trees, may have settled on the resin, suck fast, and perished in the same common grave. In many instances the Anime appears to have inducted almost instrutuneously, and from the perfect state in which we find the insects, we may conclude that they perished almost without a struggle. In proof of which, we find Grytles in the attitude of springing. Acheta arrested in its flight, the wings still expended, and Brentes surprised almost in the act of copulation. In short, the suinde of life is admirably preserved even after death, and, like the figures in the Steeping Beauty, they seem to have been sudderly arrested in the r several avocations, and appear ready to awake from the cataloptic lethargy which entranced them, though a century had passed away.

In conclusion, I have only to add how vasily superior (in these metanece also) the works of nature are to the operations of art, greatly as the latter are often extolled, almost at the expense of the ferner. Look at the insect in its number shroud, and then at the most perfect specimen of Egyptian minimary. In the one, we see the beauty of the original preserved, and its colcuring increased, whilst at is embalmed in a more durable and precious essenting that has ever fallen to the most magnificent of monarchs. In the other, we see a body "once pregnant with celestial fire," retaining still the form and lineaments of man, though now a glassily speciacle, bathsome to the eye, and offensive to the smell, and while we gave on the distorted visage, the enunciated and collapsed body of the Egyptian, we can scarcely do otherwise than imagine—

"The page he suffered, and the death he died."

I hope I have shown from this imperfect sketch of Succioic Insects, that the Science of Entomology involves collateral considerations of a very high interest; and, although it will probably never attain to the brilliant renown which its sister sciences have

reached, still it may be rendered eminently useful and instructive, which should ever be the chief end of all scientific pursuits.

. Vide Boons's Farness Hercides.

Description of various New Species of Insects found in Gun. Anime.
(Plate VII.)

Ordo COLEOPTERA.

Familia Stathylinida.

Sub-l'analia Oxytelides.

Osorius brannicorais, Hope. Fig. 1.

Long. lin. 48.

Niger, nitidus, tibiis unterioribus dilatatis, antennis pedibusque brunneis.

Corpus cylindricum, nitidum, nigrum.

Capat elengatum, mandibulis intus dentatis.

Antenna brunneae, pubescentes, capite longiores; 1 no articulo basi contracto, apice dilatato; 2 ndo minori; 5 tio pracedenti longiori; septem sequentibus sequalibus; extimo ovato, antice subcooiro. Fig. 1 a, 1 b, terminal joints of max. palpus.

Thorax fere quadratus, capite brevior, lavis.

Neutellem 3-angulare, magnum.

Elytra thorace longiora, parum latiora, nigra, nitida, marginibus posticis trumeis.

Pedes rufo-brunnei; tibiis anterioribus dilatatis, compressis, spinulosis.

E Resino Animè descriptus.

In Musa > Dom. Strong.

# Familia Perlations.

### TEMNODERS.\*

Antenno 11-articulatre, articulo Imo crasso, 2do paullo minori; 6 sequentibus fere requalibus, aubtrigonis; binis proximis sensim magnitudine increscentibus, kutulatis; ultimo elongato-ovato, apice conico.

Palpi v-articulati? articulis duobus primis acqualibus, tertio pracedentibus vix duplo lorgiori, clongato-ovato, apice attenuato. Fiz. ≥ a.

Cipit protensium, antice attenuatum, postice dilatatum, nodosum.

Thorax roundatus, postice semicirculariter, forte impressus.

Elyfra cveta, postice abrupte truncata.

Abdones subovatum, gibbosum, tongitudine elytris haud æquale. Pedes longissimi, femoribus rectis subinerassatis, tibiis tarsisque gracil bus.

Tennodera testarea. Fig. 2.

Long. lin. 1.

Totum corpus supra et ir fra rubro-testaceum, thorace globoso,

· From views, seinde, and bigs, collum.

superne incise; clytris avatis, abrupte truncatis, pedbus lon-

Obs.—It is difficult to describe the above insect accurately, from the refraction of the resia. It differs in many respects from any known genera; and from the angular thorax, which appears as if it had been submitted to the knife of the anatomist, I have given it the name of Temnodera. The thorax resembles closely the ball and tocket.

#### Familia ELATERIDE.

Mecynocanthus unicoler. Fig. 3.

Long. lin. G.

Ruber, thoracia angulis anticis et posticis in spinas productis.

Thorar punctatus, sentellum latum, postice rotundatum. Fig. 3 b. Elytra punctato-striata, apreibus valde aentis.

Terri articulo quarto enbelilatato. Fig. 3 a.

Habitat in India Orientali.

Specimen unicum in Resino Anime inclusum.

Obs.—This remarkable insect is in Mr. Strong's superb collection. As it differs from all the Elateridie in the singular form of the therax, I have given it the name of Mecymocaethus, from parties, and have, from its thoracie angles being produced into apines.

# Ctenicerus eximius. Fig. 4.

Long. lin. 6,

Sanguineus, shorsee linea media dorsali nigra, elytris bimaculatin apicibusque conculoribus.

Capat rubrum, antennia pectinatia, atris. Thorax sanguineus, linea media longitudinali nigra, ante oculos terminata. Regio sectedi nigra. Elytra punctato-striata, sanguinea, medio macula nigra, fere ovata, subobliqua notata, apicipusque concoloribus. Pedes nigri. Fig. 4 a, tarsus.

Furnina adhuc latet; fornitan ad genus Ctevicerum amandandus.

Obs.—This insect approaches in its form E. melanocephalus, Fab. which is found on the Coromandel coast. I have no doubt that eventually it will be discovered in a recent state. A species, closely allied to it, found in Madagascar, is described by Dr. Klug.

# Elater Wallesii. Tig. 5.

Long. lin. 24.

Niger, thorace punctato, elytris 6-maculatis, pedibusque rubris. Antenna nigrae, thorace antice lato, punctatissimo, angulis posticis flivis. Elyrra punctato-striata, nigra, macula flava in singulis ad basin posita, binisque fasciis interruptis concoloribus, baud ad suturam extensis; pedibusque rubris.

Obs.—This elegant species of Eluter I have named in honour of Mr. Wallis, to whose liberality I am indebted for several Colcoptera found in Resin Animé. Fig. 5 n, represents the terminal joints of its antennae.

### Familia CLEBIDÆ,

Tillus 9-macalanes. Fig. 6.

Long. lin. 31

Niger, elytris albo-maculatis, pedibusque flavis.

Automore brunnere, (fig. 6 a,) capite thorace punctatis pubescentibus. Scatellam n venus.

Elytra basi parum latiora, apice rotundata, striato-panetata, octomaculatata, quatuor maculis albis in singulo rotuadatis, seutelloque concolori.

Pedes testacei. Tersorma arteriores articuli fere requales, subtrigoni, articulo ultimo subbilebo. Fig. 6 b.

E Resi to Anime descriptus.

In Coll. D. Strong.

# Stigmatium 2-fusciatum. Fig. 7.

Long. lin. 31.

Rubro-llavus, antenris pulescentibus, elytrisque bilasciatis.

Antenne rufo-testaceae, pulsescentes. Thorax fere orbicularis, medio incrussatus, elevatus, spassim flavo-pilosus. Elytrathorace triplo longiora, apice rotuucata, striato-punetata, fascinalba fere media, secunda concolori unte apicea locata. Pedes rubro-testacei. Tarsorum articulo primo, tertio fere acquali, secundo longissimo, quarto subbilobo. Fig. 7 c.

In Coll. D. Strong.

E Resino Anime descriptum.

Fig. 7 a, apex of the maxillary palpus; 7 b, labial palpus.

# Familia BRESTHIDE.

Brenthus naselis, Hope. Fig. 8.

Long. In. 5.

llufo-ciniumeneus, antennis extrorsum crassioribus, elytris striato-punctatis.

Amenna mate, ultimis articul's sensim increscentibus.

Caput here, mandibulis cultriformibus instructum.

Therax cylindricus, glaber.

Elytra therace longiora, striato-punctata: \

Pedes rufo-picei, femoribus incrassatis.

E Roino Animè descriptus.

In Mus. Dam. Strong.

Obs.—This elegant species of *Brenthus* is one of the mest singular innerts hitherto discovered in *Anime*. It does not accord with the description of any species mentioned by Schonherr. It approaches very closely some species which I have received from the Mysore.

#### Familia Exposyentes.

Enmorphus custaneus, Hope. Fig. 9.

Long Fa. 31.

Castaneus, thorace quadrato, clytris concoloribas, macula irregulari flava notatis, pedibas nigricantibus.

Llongato-ovatus, lievissimus, castancus.

Auteur nigre, capite thoraceque longiores, tribus ultimis articulis rulescentibus. Fig. 9 a, 9 b, month.

Therax fere quadratus, antice valde simutus, marginibus pullidis. Elytea rastanes, basi thorace latiora, et fere triplo longiora, macula irregulari flavà notata.

l'edes negricantes, tamis infescentibus. Fig. 9 c.

E Resino Anime descripta.

In Museu Dum. Strong.

# Ordo HYMENOPTERA.

### Familia PROCTOTRUPID.V.

CALOTELEA, Westw. (Teleadi affine.)

Copul rotundatum, ocellin distinctie instructum.

Autemar 12-articulate, articulis 6 et 7 minutis, transversis, reliquis 5 devam elongatum formantibus. Fig. 10 a.

Thoras ovatus.

Aler longue, ramulo stigmaticali brevi, fere inconspicuo.

Abdomes plus minusce elongatum, articulis subrequalibus, anticè et portice attenuatum, basi in uno sexu in cornu erecto, supra metalhoracem protenso, interdum producto.

Pedes lengi, femoribus paullo incrassatis, tarsis 5-articulatis simplicitus.

Obs.—In Mr. Strong's Callection of Resin Insects several of this species are preserved, together with other specimens agreeing with them in the colours of the body and wings, and the structure of the antenna, but having the head larger, and the abdomen shorter and unarmed at the base. From analogy with the allied genera, the latter must be the females of another species, and not the opposite sex of the one here figured, (which is a female,) as might be inferred from the colouring and markings of the wings.

Caloteka aurantie, Hope. Fig. 10.

Luteo-înlvescens, oculis, ocellis, antennarum clavă, maculis 4 abdominilibus lateralibus, apiecque abdominis nigricantibus. Alse articiv fasciă tenni mediană, secundă latiori, pone medium, et apice fuscis.

Long. corp. lin. 1. In Mus. Dom. Strong.

## CALYOZA, Westw. (Bethyllo affine.)

Corpuselonga:um, depressum. Caput magnum, planum (fig. 11 b). Ocelli postici. Antennæ prope us insertæ, & 12-articulatæ, (inde inter Hymenoptera neulea:a fossoria, hoc genus non locandum,) ramo longo gracili exarticulis singulis 3—11 producto (fig. 11n). Collare magnum, subquadratum. Alæ sat breves (in specimine viso contortæ), stigmate magno, arcolá unică marginali ad apicem nervo tenuiori term natâ; arcolis 2 basalibus clongatis, subcostalihus, quarum superior nervo obliquo, et interior transverso inclusie sunt (fig. 11 c). Femora subincrassita, genitalia mascula in specimine exserta.

## Calyoza staphylinoides, F.ope. Fig. 11.

Nigra; antennis, segmentis ducbus apicalibus abdominis genitalibusque lætë rubris, alis pallidis, nervis fuscis, stigmateque nigro, pedibus nigris, gen culis tarsisque piceis.

Long. corp. lin. 23. In Mus. D. Strong.

### Ordo HEMIPTERA.\*

Familia REDUVIDE.

Enicocephains nasalis, Hope.

Vide Art. IV. p. 22, for the description of this species.

## Ordo HOMOPTERA.

Familia Cercorida.

Cercopis Strongii. Fig. 12.

Long. lin. 5.

Subaurantius, capite et scutelle nigris, elytris ad latera, postice nigro, et aurantio colore variegatis.

Canet nigram.

Thorax antice rotundatus, postice emarginatus.

Scutellum atrum.

. Read 5th May 1834.

Elytra intice aurantia, postice nigra, binisque maculis ovalilus flavis ornata.

Pedes arti, tibiis externis apiceque apinosis.

In Cell. Don. Strong.

Habitat in India Orientali.

Obs.—This beautiful Conopis approaches in form some species from Bungal and China. It is named in honour of — Strong, Esq. F.Z.S., il.S., whose cabinet contains an invaluable collection of resinous insects, the result of forty years' assiduity, and certainly unrivalled.

X1. Description of Cucultia Solidaginis, together with its Loren. By James Francis Stephens, Esq., P. E. S., F. L. S., &c.

Cvc. Solidaginis. Plate III. fig. 7.

Alis enticis succo-cinercis, nibido-cariis; stigmatibus ordinariis distinclis, margine interiore vittoque ad angulum ani nigris.

Expansio alarum 1 une, 9-10 lin.

Crc. Solidaginis. - Stephene's Illust. Brit. Ent. (Haustellat.) v. iv. p. 190. - No description.

Head and thorax greyish-ash or brownish : the ferchead paler, with darker edges; the thorax with an angulated transverse streak, and a large triangular dorsal blotch, deep fuscous: anterior sings pale ashy-brown, prettily varied with whitishash: the costa at its apex marked with alternate deep brown and whitish streaks, placed obliquely: stigmata very distinct, with a double blackish margin; between the anterior one and the shoulder is a pale space, terminated close to the stigma by a double waved streak, deepest in colour towards the costa and vanishing towards the inner margin; near the and angle on the inner margin is a short slightly flexuous hoary streak edged with fuscous, and on the anal angle is a brown patch bearing a short black dash; the hinder margin bears a waved whitish streak, and a faint interzupted black line; on the inner margin is a slender black line: cilia pale fuscous, with the base darker: pesterior mings fuscous, with the base palest, and on the disc a very faint dusky lumule; nervures fuscescent;