A NEW SPECIES OF EMESIDÆ FROM VERMONT.

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Ploiaiodes hirtipes sp. nov.

Pale grayish yellow; body barely marked; a faint V-mark back of antennae, a dark dot each side at base of beak, and two each side on second joint of beak; margin of pronotum whitish; antennae pale, about nine dark bands on second joint, and six on the third joint, beyond dark; legs pale, femur I with a broad, dark band before (but not reaching) tip, and two smaller bands before it, tibia I with a sub-basal and an apical dark spot, other femora with about three dark bands before the middle, one beyond middle, and one before tip, tibiae with about eight dark bands. Fore-wings with two costal dark spots, and three near tip separated by two white spots, elsewhere mottled with brown, more distinctly near tip; hind wings with dark cloud at tip (other specimens will probably be more heavily marked). The antennae and legs with long, dense, whitish, erect hairs, three or four times as long as width of joint; femur I a trifle longer than head plus pronotum; pronotum not tuberculate behind; scutelli each with a slightly sloping white spine. Length 7 mm.

A female from Brattleboro, Vt., 15 July, 1908 (C. W. Johnson). Type in Boston Society of Natural History.

MELANETÆRIUS INFERNALIS FALL, 1907.

Terapus mnizechi Mars. 1862.

(12th paper on Histeridae).

Dr. W. M. Wheeler had the kindness to send me one of the examples of Melanetarius infernalis Fall, taken by him on Dec. 1st 1910, near Pasadena in nests of the ant Pheidole hyatti Emery. The figure given by Wheeler in Psyché, XVIII, 3, p. 113 is good, as Mr. H. C. Fall has written to me.

This beetle, and also most of the details of the figure agree exactly with the description and the figures given by Marseul of Terapus mnizechi of Mexico (Supplément à la Monographie des Histérides, Ann. Soc. Ent. France p. 682; Plate X (7), genre XLV, fig. 1, a-c).

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