

## ADDITIONAL INSECT RECORDS FROM VENEZUELA

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In May 1935, the junior author, a student at the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Mayagüez, P. R., returned to Venezuela on vacation and while there, collected insects in the vicinity of Maramacay, State of Aragua, which were brought to Puerto Rico.

A year later, in May of 1936, Escalona went to Valera, Estado Trujillo. The climatological conditions of Valera are indicated by the following rainfall data:

Year	Total Precipitation	Months Recording Most Rainfall
1935.....	34.29 inches.....	May and August
1936.....	36.31 inches.....	May, October and November
1937..... (Three months lacking)	24.77 inches.....	March, May and October

The meteorological station is at Trujillo, Capital of the State. (12, 13, 14) Valera is a nearby town about 25 kilometers from Trujillo with not much difference in rainfall.

Escalona collected in the vicinity of Valera, in the fields and sometimes during the night at lights.

During the month of August 1937, the senior writer, returning to Venezuela, visited the State of Monagas, in the region around Maturín, Caripito and Quiriquire, to collect parasites of the mole cricket. During spare time at nights, and when conditions were not suitable for collecting parasites, the writer made collections of other insects. All the insects collected were on *Borreria verticillata* (L.) Meyer, unless otherwise specified.

Martorell stayed at Quiriquire, as well as in Caripito and Maturín. Quiriquire and Caripito are surrounded by a dense forest, with an immense variety of trees and flowering plants. The annual average rainfall for this region, as recorded by the station at Maturín, is around 45 inches. The region around Maturín is part forest and part "chaparrales" and savannahs. "Chaparral" is the term used by the natives, meaning a sort of savannah, covered by grasses and low, twisted trees like "curata" (*Curatela americana* L.) "alcornoque" (*Bowditchia virgilioides* H. B. K.) the very common

"chaparros" (*Byrsonima crassifolia* H. B. K. and *B. coccobaeefolia* H. B. K.) The region around the Quiriquire airport is very typical of a "chaparral".

Some of the insects were determined by the senior author, others were sent to the U. S. National Museum for determination.

The initials of the collectors, L. F. M. for Luis F. Martorell and A. E. S. for Anselmo Escalona Salas, identify the collections made by each. The insect names preceded by an asterisk in this paper, are already noted in the previous list, "Insects observed in the State of Aragua, Venezuela, S. A."

## DERMAPTERA

\* **Doru lineare** (Esch.) Det. A. B. Gurney  
Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

## ORTHOPTERA

### BLATTIDAE

\* **Blaberus trapezoideus** Burm.  
Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Panchlora cubensis** Sauss.  
Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

### GRYLLIDAE

**Eneoptera surinamensis** (DeGeer) (Det. A. B. Gurney)  
One nymph collected by L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

## HEMIPTERA

### HETEROPTERA

#### CYDNIDAE

**Cyrtomenus teter** Spin. (Det. H. G. Barber)  
Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Galgupha schultzii** Fabr. (Det. H. G. Barber)  
Col. L. F. M., Caripito, Maturín and Quiriquire; August, 1937.  
Collected on *Borreria verticillata* (L.) Meyer.

**Galgupha vinculata** Germ. (Det. H. G. Barber)

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937. *On Borreria verticillata* (L.) Meyer. Probably the most abundant insect on the weed.

\* **Scaptocoris terginus** Schioedte (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

#### PENTATOMIDAE

(Determinations in this family as well as in the **Coreidae**, **Lygaeidae**, **Miridae**, **Pyrrhocoridae** and **Reduviidae** by H. G. Barber, unless otherwise noted.)

**Agonosoma trilineata** Fab. (var.)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Chlorocoris depressus** Fabr. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Edessa rufomarginata** Dej. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Empicoris** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Euschistus crenator** Fab.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Lobothyreus lobatus** Westw.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Loxa** sp. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Mecistorhinus tripterus** Fab. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Mormidea ypsilon** Linn. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Thyanta casta** Stal

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

#### COREIDAE

**Catorhintha selector** Stal

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Hypselonotus fulvus** Deg.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Hypselonotus fulvus venosus** Fabr.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Margus obscurator** Fab.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

\* **Mozena lunata** Burm. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936 and Maracay; May, 1935.

LYGAEIDAE

\* **Oncopeltus cingulifera** Stal

Col. L. F. M., Maturín and Caripito; August, 1937.

**Orthaea bilobata** Say

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Ortholomus jamaicensis** Dall

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Paromius longulus** Dall

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

PYRRHOCORIDAE

**Dysdercus** sp.

Nymph collected by A. E. S. at Valera; May, 1936 and Maracay; May, 1935.

REDUVIIDAE

**Brontostoma** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Leogorru formicarius** Fab.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

MIRIDAE

**Polymerus** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

NOTONECTIDAE

\* **Belostoma anura** H. S.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Belostoma micantula** Stal

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**HOMOPTERA****CICADIDAE**

(Determinations in the suborder by P. W. Oman.)

**Fidicina** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Proarna** sp.

Col. L. F. M., at lights, at Caripito; August, 1937.

**\* Proarna grisea** Fab.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**\* Quesada gigas** Oliv.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**CERCOPIDAE****Tomaspis rubra** var. **sororia** Germ.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**MEMBRACIDAE****\* Aethalion reticulatum** Linn.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Boethoos** ? sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Cyphonia clavata** Fabr.

Col. A. E. S., Valera, 1936.

**Enchenopa concolor** Fairm.Col. G. N. Woleott; Macuto, Venezuela; July, 1926. (See  
*Trigona ruficerus corvinus* Ckll.)**Enchophyllum malaleucum** Walk.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Quiriquire; August, 1937.

**Gelastonia** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**CICADELLIDAE****Acrogonia flavoscutellata** Sign.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Carneocephala** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Dilobopterus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Xerophloea viridis** Fabr.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

FULGORIDAE

**Flatoides** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Laternaria phosphorea** L. (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936 and Francisco Seín, (1933),  
San Cristóbal, Estado Tachira. This makes two records in  
Venezuela, of the so called "great lantern fly of Brazil".

COLEOPTERA

CARABIDAE

(Determinations in this family by L. L. Buchanan.)

**Arthrostictus chlaenoides** Dej.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Brachinus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Calleida amethystina** F.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Coptia armata** Cast.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Scarites** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

\* **Seythropasus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Selenophorus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

## HYDROPHILIDAE

**Tropisternus collaris** Fabr. (Det. L. L. Buchanan)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

## LYCIDAE

(Determinations in this family by H. S. Barber.)

**Calopteron** ? sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Calopteron** sp. near *tropicum* L.

Col. L. F. M., one male and one female collected on weeds.  
Caripito; August, 1937.

**Calopterum** *tropicum* L.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935 and L. F. M., at Caripito,  
1937.

## LAMPYRIDAE

(Determinations in this family by H. S. Barber.)

**Aspisoma** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937.

\* **Aspisoma dilatum** Cast.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Aspisoma ignitum** Linn.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Photinus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

## CANTHARIDAE

\* **Diaphron proteum** Gorh.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

## MELOIDAE

\* **Epicauta grammica** Fisch.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

## ELATERIDAE

\* **Chalcolepidius limbatus** Esch.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Conoderus** sp. (Det. W. S. Fisher)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Conoderus** sp. near *rodriguezi* Cand. (Det. W. S. Fisher)

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937.

**Heteroderes laurenti** Guer. (Det. W. S. Fisher)

Col. Caripito; August, 1937. Col. L. F. M.

\* **Pyrophorus ignitus** Fabr. (?) (Det. W. S. Fisher)

Col. Maracay; May, 1935. Col. A. E. S.

BUPRESTIDAE

(All determinations in this family by W. S. Fisher.)

**Euchroma goliath** C. & G.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

EROTYLIDAE

\* **Brachysphaenus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Coccimorphus dichrous** Lec.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Cypherothylus debauvei** Demay

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

COCCINELIDAE

\* **Cycloneda sanguinea** Linn.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

\* **Ephilachna borealis** Fabr.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Hyperaspis albicollis** Gorh.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

ALLEGULIDAE

**Prostenus** sp. (Det. E. A. Chapin)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Xystropus fulgidus** Makl.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Xystropus lebasi** Makl.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

## TENEBRIONIDAE

**Epitragus** sp. (Det. E. A. Chapin)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Epitragus aurulentus** Kirsh.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

\* **Zophobas morio** Fabr.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

## BOSTRICHIDAE

\* **Schistocerus cornutus** Pallas

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

## SCARABAEIDAE

(Determinations in this family by E. A. Chapin, except  
as otherwise noted.)**Ancistrosoma farinosum** Salle

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Anomala** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Anomala cincta** Say

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Anomala cupricollis** Chevr.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Anomala inconstans** Burm.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Canthidium** sp. (Det. E. A. Chapin)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Ataenius** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Ataenius luctuosus** Burm. ?

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Choeridium** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Cyclocephala** sp..

Col. L. F. M., Caripito, Maturín and Quiriquire; August, 1937.  
At lights.

**Cyclocephala fuliginea** Burm.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

\* **Cyclocephala pallens** ?

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Cyclocephala testacea** Burm.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Euethola bidentatus** Burm.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Gymnetis dysoni** Schaum.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Gymnetis stellata** Latr.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Heterogomphus rugicollis** Prell.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

\* **Ligyrus fossor** Latr.

Col. A. E. S., at Valera; May, 1936 and Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Macraspis lucida** Oliv.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Onthophagus** sp. (Det. E. A. Chapin)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Pelidnota (Pelidnota) lucida** Burm.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Pelidnota prasina** Burm.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Pinotus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

\* **Scaptophilus complanatus** Burm.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Trox stiberosus** Fab.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

## PASSALIDAE

- Passalus** sp. (Det. E. A. Chapin)  
Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.
- \* **Passalus interruptus** Linn.  
Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

## CERAMBYCIDAE

- Chlorida festiva** Linnaeus (Det. L. F. Martorell)  
Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

- \* **Cridion cinereum** Oliv.  
Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

- \* **Ibidion** sp.  
Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

- \* **Lagochirus araneiformis** Linn.  
Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

- \* **Oxymerus lebasi** Dupont  
Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936 and Maracay; May, 1935.

- \* **Ptychodes trilineatus** Linn.  
Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

- Spalacopsis** sp.  
Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

- Trachyderes succinctus** Linn.  
Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937.

## CHRYSOMELIDAE

(All determinations in this family by H. S. Barber, except  
as otherwise noted.)

- Acanthonycha** sp. ?  
Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

- Asphaera** sp.  
Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

- \* **Chalepus** sp. (Det. L. F. Martorell)  
Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

- \* **Chelymorpha** sp.  
Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Chelymorpha rufipennis** Boh.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Chirida insubida** Boh.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Colaspis** sp. ?

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935 and L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Colaspis lebasi** Lef. ?

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

**Cissites maculata** Sweder

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Diabrotica** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

\* **Diabrotica** sp. (near *vittata* Auct.)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935 and Valera; May 1936.

\* **Diphaulaca aulica** Oliv.

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

\* **Disonycha austriaca** Schauf. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

\* **Disonycha glabrata** Fabr. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936 and Maracay; May, 1935

\* **Disonycha** sp. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Doryphora** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Eumolpus sophiae** Kolbe ? (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; 1935 and Valera; May, 1936.

**Euryscopa cingulata** Latr.

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

**Euryscopa** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Glyptoscelis fascicularis** Baly

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Galerucella** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937.

**\* Homopoeta** sp. (Det. L. F. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Ischiopachys** *proteus* Lacord.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Ischiopachys** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Lactica** *hypocrita* Har.

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

**Megalostomis** *anacoreta* Lacord.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935 and Valera; May, 1936.

**Megascelis** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**\* Metriona** *6-punctata* Fabr.

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

**Monachulus** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Oedionychis** sp. (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**\* Oedionychis** *decimguttata* (var.) Fabr. (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936 and Maracay; May, 1935.

**Ochthispa** *loricata* Weise

Col. G. N. Wolcott; Macuto, Venezuela; July, 1926. Feeding on sea-grape leaves. (See (26) page 284.)

**\* Oxyodera** *lanuginosa* Boh. (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Poecilaspis** sp. (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Systema** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Typophorus** *humeralis* Baly

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

## BRENTHIDAE

**Brenthus** sp. (near *cylindricus* F.) (Det. L. L. Buchanan)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Brenthus** sp. (Det. L. L. Buchanan)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Tychaeus myrmecophagus** Hbst. (Det. L. L. Buchanan)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937. This insect was found in colonies of 50 or 60 attached to the trunk of dead trees, in the dark crevices, and places where there was a fungus growing.

## CURCULIONIDAE

(Determinations in this family by L. L. Buchanan,  
except as otherwise noted.)

**Acallestes talpa** Pasc.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Brachyomus ? 4-nodosus** Klug. (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Cactophagus striatoforatus** Gyll.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Compsus 18-signatus** Champ.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Cratosomus lafonti** Guer.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Cylindrocerus** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

\* **Dynamis borassi** Fabr. (Det. Martorell)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Geraeus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936 and L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Litostylus juvencus** Oliv.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936 and L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Merothricus** sp. ?

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Metamasius hemipterus L.**

Col. L. F. M., Maturín and Caripito; August, 1937.

**\* Neocyphus sp. (Det. Martorell)**

Col. A. E. S., Valera: May, 1936.

**\* Sternechus decussatus Chevr.**

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Zygops sp.**

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**DIPTERA****STRATIOMYIDAE****Stratiomyia subalba Walk. (Det. C. T. Greene)**

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**ASILIDAE****Erax sp. (Det. C. T. Greene)**

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Holcocephala sp. (near oculata) Det. C. T. Greene.**

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**SYRPHIDAE****Eristalis scutellaris Fab.**

Col. L. F. M., Maturín and Caripito; August, 1937.

**Eristalis testaceicornis Macq.**

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Mesogramma duplicata Wied.**

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Somatia aestiva Fab.**

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**TACHINIDAE**

(Determinations in the Tachinidae and Sarcophagidae  
by D. G. Hall.)

**Archytas piliventris Vdw.**

Col. L. F. M., Maturín and Caripito; August, 1937.

**Archytas** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937.

**Gonia** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Maturín and Caripito; August, 1937.

SARCOPHAGIDAE

**Sarcophaga** ? *morionella* Ald.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Sarcophagula** *occidua* (Fabr.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

ORTALIDAE

\* **Richardia** *podagrifica* Fabr. (Det. C. T. Greene)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

LEPIDOPTERA

(All determinations, unless otherwise noted, by W. Schaus.)

PIERIDAE

**Eurema** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

NYMPHALIDAE

**Heliconius** *melpomene* Linn.

Col. A. E. S., Valera and Maracay; May, 1936 and 1935.

NOCTUIDAE

**Anomis** *illita* Guen.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Leucania** sp. nov.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

AMATIDAE

**Cyanopepla** *submacula* Walk.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

\* **Dinia** *mena* Hübner

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**MEGALOPYGIDAE****Megalopyge** sp. not recognizable

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Norape** *pura* Butl.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**HYMENOPTERA****ICHNEUMONOIDEA****ICHNEUMONIDAE****Enicospilus** *flavus* (Fabr.) (Det. R. A. Cushman)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**FORMICOIDEA****FORMICIDAE**

(Determinations in this family by M. R. Smith.)

**\*Atta** *sexdens* ? (Linn.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Quiriquire; August, 1937.

This is the famous "Bachac" or "parasol ant" of Trinidad and the "bachaco" of Venezuela. The ravages of this ant on agricultural crops are enormous. This species is probably present in the whole country of Venezuela.

**Camponotus** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May 1936 and L. F. M., Quiriquire and Caripito; August, 1937.

**Cephalotes** *atratus* (Linn.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Cremastogaster** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Ectatoma** *tuberculatum* (Oliv.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Neoponera** sp.

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

**Paraponera** *clavata* (Fabr.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

SPHECOIDEA

SPhecidae

(Determinations in this family and in the rest of the Hymenoptera, by G. A. Sandhouse.)

**Ammobia singularis** (Smith)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Cerceris** spp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Larra americana** Sauss.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937. This insect is the parasite of the mole cricket, *Scapteriscus didactylus* Latr. Only two males were collected at Caripito.

**Oxybelus (Notoglossa) sp.**

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Sceliphron figulum** (Dahlb.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

BEMBICIDAE

**Rubrica surinamensis** (DeGeer)

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937. A fairly common species in Maturín as well as at Caripito. Very abundant on *Borreria verticillata* (L.) Meyer.

VESPOIDEA

SCOLIIDAE

**Campsomeris hyalina** Lep.

Imported from Venezuela to Central Aguirre, Aguirre, P. R.  
(See: Insectae Borinquenses, page 564.)

**Myzine** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937. One male only was collected, and further identification was not possible, because previous studies in this genus are based chiefly on females.

PSAMMOCHARIDAE

**Pepsis dimidiata** F.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Pepsis equestris** Erich.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1935.

**Pepsis** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

**Psammochares** sp.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

NOTE: Miss Sandhouse says, "Family identification to species is nearly impossible in the Psammocharidae; any name now in use is subject to revision."

## VESPIDAE

**Gymnopolybia pallidipes** (Oliv.)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**\* Polistes canadensis** Linn. (Det. G. A. Sandhouse)

Col. L. F. M., Maturín; August, 1937.

**Polistes subsericeus** Sauss.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Polistes versicolor** var. *vulgaris* Beq.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**\* Parachartergus colobopterus** (Web.)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**\* Polybia nigra** Sauss.Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937. A very abundant wasp on *Borreria verticillata* (L) Meyer.**\* Polybia occidentalis** (Oliv.)

Col. L. F. M., Maturín and Caripito; August, 1937.

**Polybia occidentalis** var. *albopicta* Sm.

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Protopolybia sedula** (Sauss.)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Pseudopolybia compressa** (Sm.)

Col. A. E. S., Maracay; May, 1935.

## EUMENIDAE

**Eumenes canaliculata** (Oliv.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Pachodynerus nasidens** (Latr.)

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

APOIDEA

ANDRENIDAE

**Augochlora seminigra** Ckll.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937.

HYLAEIDAE

**Hylaeus polybioides** (Schrott.) ?

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Hylaeus paragueyensis** (Schrott.) ?

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

MELIPONIDAE

**Trigona amalthea** (Oliv.)

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

**Trigona nigra** subsp. **parastigma** Ckll.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Trigona ruficrus corvina** Ckll.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito and Maturín; August, 1937. Very abundant on *Borreria verticillata* (L) Meyer. Col. G. N. Wolcott, at Macuto, Venezuela; July, 1926. Wolcott writes (in the Bulletin of Entomological Research, Vol. XVII, 1926-27; page 51 and 52) the following: "In Venezuela, considerable numbers of black bees, determined by Mr. S. A. Rohwer as *Trigona ruficrus corvina* Ckll., were noted hovering about the more tender sea-grape leaves. On closer examination, it was found that they were obtaining honey-dew from the nymphs of a most abundant Membracid, which Dr. W. D. Funkouser has determined as *Enchenopa concolor* Fairm." (For more information see reference cited above.)

**Trigona testaceicornis** Lep.

Col. L. F. M., Caripito; August, 1937.

**Trigona trinidadensis** Provancher

Col. A. E. S., Valera; May, 1936.

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