40. Two new Genera of Mallophaga. By Theresa Clay, B.Sc.*

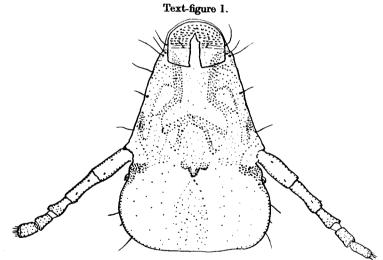
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(Text-figures 1-4.)

ARDEICOLA, gen. nov.

This genus, occurring on the Gressores (Storks, Ibises, and Herons), differs from true *Esthiopterum* in the peculiar character of the clypeal signature and in the male genitalia.

Species elongated and of medium size (2.5 to 5 mm.). Head long and narrow (text-fig. 1). Clypeus rounded in front; clypeal signature characteristic, being practically divided into two by a suture, and bearing on the upper half numerous



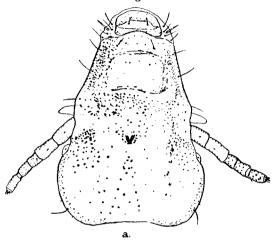
Ardeicola ardez Linn. Head of male. Dorsal view. × 100.

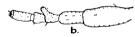
crescentic papillæ or ridges, varying as to length and curvature in different species. Antennal bands turned in toward each other at the clypeal suture; internal bands run posteriorly across the suture and pass outwards, forming a goblet-shaped clear space in which lies the oral fossa. Antennæ 5-jointed, normal in the female; in the male the first joint is enlarged and the third joint has a lateral protuberance, generally small. Pharyngeal glands and sclerite well marked.

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Prothorax small, with sides very slightly divergent distally. Pterothorax longer and slightly wider than the prothorax, bearing on each side of its posterior margin four or five pustulated hairs closely grouped in a clear oval space. Abdomen elongated; in the female tergal plates on segments i.-vii.

Text-figure 2.





Anaticola crassicornis Scop. a. Head of female. Ventral. × 100: b. Antenna of male. $\times 100$.

separated in the middle line; in the male a varying number of the posterior segments have complete transverse plates. Spiracles present on segments ii.-vii. Male genitalia characteristic (text-fig. 3).

Genotype: Esthiopterum ardeæ (L.). Host: Ardea c. cinerea. The following species should be included in this genus:—

E. bicolor (Piaget) Ephippiorhymchus senegalensis. E. capitatum (Piaget) Haqedashia haqedash nilotica. E. ciconiæ (Linn.) Ciconia c. ciconia.

E. exile (Neumann) Comatibis eremita. E. genitale (Piaget) Leptoptilos crumeniferus. E. maculatum (Nitzsch in Giebel) Ciconia nigra.

E. plataleæ (Linn.) Platalea l. leucorodia. E. rhaphidium (Nitzsch in Giebel) Plegadis f. falcinellus.

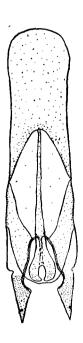
E. stellare (Denny) Botaurus s. stellaris. E. gracilentum (Piaget) Guara rubra.

Anaticola, gen. nov.

This genus, occurring on Phanicopterus (Flamingoes) and Anatida (Swans, Geese, and Duck), is distinguished from true Esthionterum by the form of the clypeus, the chætotaxy of the pre-antennal region, and by the form of the male genitalia,

Species elongated and of medium size (3 to 5 mm.). Clypeus narrowly rounded in front; clypeal signature differs slightly in the two sexes: in the

Text-figure 3.



Ardeicola ardeæ Scop. Male genitalia. × 250.



Anaticola crassicornis Linn. Male genitalia. \times 250.

female generally semilunate; longer than wide, rounded anteriorly and concave posteriorly; with ventral groove containing two pustulated hairs. The chætotaxy of the ventral surface of the pre-antennal region is characteristic (text-fig. 2), and on the dorsal surface there are two pustulated hairs immediately above the level of the large oral fossa. Antennæ 5-jointed, normal in the female; in the male the first joint is enlarged and the third joint is produced laterally at its apex. Pharyngeal glands and sclerite well marked.

Prothorax small, with sides very slightly convex. Pterothorax longer and slightly wider than the prothorax. The large sternal plate, sometimes not apparent, lying in the pterothorax is joined by a chitinous rod to a smaller plate which projects into the first segment of the abdomen. Abdomen elongated, with the first segment small. Spiracles present on segments ii.—vii.

Male genitalia characteristic; the parameres, short rods, lie within the mesosomal plate; the penis, a straight tube, is forked at the proximal end

(text-fig. 4).

Genotype: Esthiopterum crassicorne (Scop.). Host: Anas p. platy-rhynchus.

The following species should be included in this genus:-

	Host.
E. anseris (Linn.)	Anser anser.
E. gambensis (Piaget)	Plectropterus g. gambensis.
? E. marginellum (Piaget)	Chloëphaga leucoptera.
E. mergi-serrati (Degeer)	Mergus serrator.
E. subsignatum (Giebel)	Phoenicopterus ruber antiquorum.
E. tadornæ (Denny)	

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