

Typhlomyrmicini into two genera, *Prionopelta* Mayr and *Typhlomyrmex* Mayr. He states that in the male the scape of the antennae is notably longer than the two first joints of the funiculus taken together. In the characters of the genera, however, he gives the length of the scape in *Prionopelta* as being only as long as the two first joints of the funiculus; and in *Typhlomyrmex* as only as long as the three first joints, which is not notably longer than the first two. Only two males of the latter genus have been described—*T. clavicornis* Emery var. *divergens* Forel from Paraguay, and *T. rogenhoferi* Mayr from Brazil, Missiones, and Costa Rica. From the first of these *richardsi* differs in being distinctly smaller, and in the structure of the mandibles and antennae. From the second in being lighter in colour, smoother, especially the head, and with a longer scape to the antennae, structure of the mandibles, etc.

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NEW SPECIES OF ASIATIC STAPHYLINIDAE (COL.).*

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***Scimbalium (Schatzmayria) rufotestaceum* sp. nov.**

Entirely reddish-yellow; the head and thorax more shining than the elytra and abdomen. Antennae and legs reddish-yellow. Length 5 mm. Colour and lustre of *aegyptiacum* Bernh., but smaller, the head narrower, the eyes smaller, the antennae shorter, thorax much less punctured.

Head subquadrate, slightly longer than broad, a little broader than the thorax, the eyes small, a fourth as long as the temples; impunctate in front and along the middle, elsewhere finely and sparingly punctured and with a very fine transverse wavy ground-sculpture. Antennae with the third joint longer than the second, the penultimate joints about twice as long as broad, the eleventh as long as the tenth. Thorax longer than broad (7:5.5), the sides rather strongly retracted behind, broadly impunctate along the middle, elsewhere with very fine scattered punctures; ground-sculpture absent. Elytra broader and slightly longer than the thorax, more finely, not quite so closely punctured as in *aegyptiacum*, finely and rather closely pubescent. Abdomen closely and finely punctured and pubescent throughout.

KHIVA (*Zimin*).

***Othius opacipennis* sp. nov.**

Black; head, thorax and abdomen shining; elytra dull. Antennae black; palpi reddish yellow. Legs pitchy, tarsi reddish. Length 10 mm. Near *ruficornis* Cam., but differs in the colour of the

* The types of these species are in Coll. J. Clermont, co-types in the author's.