

*Descriptions of a few Ants from the Philippine Islands, and a Male of Polyrhachis bihamata Drury from India.* By HORACE DONISTHORPE, F.Z.S., F.R.E.S., &c., Department of Entomology, British Museum (Natural History).

Subfamily *PONERINÆ* Lepeletier.

*Harpegnathos medio-niger*, sp. n.

♂. Shining, head, pronotum, scutellum, post-petiole and gaster yellowish brown; eyes, rest of thorax and petiole black; mandibles yellow, antennæ, palpi and legs pale yellow. Whole body clothed with longer and shorter pale yellow outstanding hairs.

*Head* smooth and shining, transverse rounded from behind eyes to posterior border, which is slightly and widely excised and sharply and narrowly margined; *clypeus* large, transverse, slightly convex, somewhat narrowed posteriorly, anterior border almost straight; *frontal area* large, triangular; *frontal carinæ* short; *insertions* of antennæ entirely uncovered, situated behind the pointed base of frontal area, space between with a short narrow raised longitudinal line, or carina; *eyes* very large, oblong oval, prominent; *ocelli* large, situated on top of head; *antennæ* long, 13-jointed, *scape* short, *funiculus* with first joint shorter than scape, slightly longer than broad, rest of joints pubescent, much longer than broad, about equal in length and breadth, last joint a little longer than the preceding, pointed at apex; *mandibles* rudimentary, sharply pointed; *maxillary palpi* long, 5-jointed, 1st joint short, the rest elongate, 3rd joint longer than 2nd and 4th. *Thorax* elongate, narrowed in front and behind, broadest at insertion of the wings; *pronotum* transverse, narrowed to a neck anteriorly, posterior border widely and deeply excised, narrowly margined, disc smooth and shining, with a short transverse furrow enclosing a raised transverse central portion just before margin, sides sparsely punctate and transversely striate; *mesonotum* with two shallow narrow longitudinal impressed lines which are close together at anterior border, meeting before base of mayrian furrows and continuing more or less distinctly to basal border, a few shallow scattered oblong punctures occur on each side of these lines; *mayrian furrows* rather