

*Ants from the Colombo Museum Expedition to Southern India, September–October 1938.* By HORACE DONISTHORPE, F.Z.S., F.R.E.S., etc.

[Plate II.]

THE ants in this collection comprise some thirty-eight forms, including eight new species and one new variety. Some of the species are found in Ceylon, others in Burma, and the whole collection is of considerable interest.

### Subfamily Ponerinae.

1. *Diacamma rugosum* Le Guill., var. *jerdoni* Forel, Rev. Suisse Zool. ii. p. 401 (1903); [*sculptum* Bingham, Faun. Brit. Ind., Hym. ii. p. 80 (1903).]

Five ♀♀. Nadungayam, 200 ft., Malabar, S. India, 16–22. ix. 38.

*Distribution*.—Ceylon; widely distributed in India.

2. *Pachycondyla (Bothroponera) tesserinoda* Emery, Ann. Mus. Stor. Nat. Genova, ix. p. 368 (1877).

Four ♀♀. Dohnavur, 350 ft., Tinnevely District, S. India, 30. ix. and 1. x. 38.

*Distribution*.—Ceylon, S. India, Assam, Burma.

3. *Pachycondyla (Bothroponera) henryi*, sp. n.

♀. Dark brown, mandibles, antennæ, lobes of frontal carinæ, posterior border of segments of gaster narrowly, and legs reddish, tarsi and apex of antennæ lighter, teeth of mandibles black. Clothed with long outstanding and short decumbent yellow hairs. Sculpture consisting of large shallow punctures, space between more or less rugose and marked with fine small punctures.

*Head* large, subquadrate, broader than thorax, posterior angles rounded, posterior border slightly emarginate; *mandibles* large, triangular, finely striate, and with larger and smaller punctures, masticatory border armed with seven blunt teeth, the apical one longer and more pointed; *clypeus* narrow, with a medial carina, anterior margin bluntly pointed in centre; *frontal carinæ* large, lobes well developed; *frontal furrow* short, but rather wide and deep; *antennal foveæ* large and deep; *antennæ* long, stout, *scape* not reaching posterior border of head; first joint of *funiculus* if anything shorter than second, last joints thickened to apex, last joint somewhat flat, bluntly pointed, longer than the two preceding taken together;