

Some Ants (Hym. Formicidae) from North-East Asia

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I am indebted to Dr. E. Kjellander of the Naturhistoriska Riksmuseum, Stockholm for the opportunity of examining a rather miscellaneous but interesting collection of ants mainly collected by Drs. R. Malaise, S. Bergman and F. Trybom from North Asia and Burma during the years 1927—1935. There are also a few specimens taken by Dr. D. Hummel during one of Sven Hedin's expeditions to North-West China. A fair number of species are present and their records presented here provide new information of some interest on their ranges in North-East Asia. I have been guided by the list of Asian Formicidae prepared by Chapman and Capco (1951) for data on distribution. Most of the taxonomic literature for this area is scattered in short papers but I have used Bingham (1903) where applicable for detailed information on some of the species since this is still the only available comprehensive work on ants for India and adjacent countries. The species are discussed individually in the main body of the paper but a list is given for convenience, showing their country of capture and previously recorded ranges.

List of Species

<i>Dorylus</i> (Alaopone) <i>orientalis</i> Westwood	Burma India	Indo-Malaya
<i>Aenictus wroughtoni</i> Forel	Burma	India
<i>Aenictus grandis</i> Bingham	Sikkim	Burma
<i>Bothroponera rufipes</i> Jerdon	Sikkim	Indo-Malaya
<i>Diacamma scalpratum</i> Fr. Smith	Burma	Indo-Malaya
<i>Ectomyrmex astutus</i> Fr. Smith	Burma	Indo-Malaya
<i>Odontoponera transversa</i> Fr. Smith	Burma	Indo-Malaya
<i>Euponera</i> (<i>Trachymesopus</i>) <i>darwini</i> Emery	Burma Thailand	Indo-Malaya & Papua
<i>Tetraponera allaborans</i> Walker	Burma	Indo-Malaya
<i>Tetraponera fergusonii</i> Forel	Burma	India
<i>Crematogaster</i> (<i>Oxygyne</i>) <i>aberrans</i> Forel	Thailand	India