

hairs, which are somewhat longer and thicker on the costal margin; extreme apex of clavus dark brown, and the apical margin of the embolium narrowly reddish (the embolium is very distinctly delimited except towards its extreme apex); membrane colourless hyaline with veins and two spots near apex of cuneus brownish yellow. Wing-cell with a fairly distinct hamus. *Abdomen* and thorax below pale yellow. *Legs* pale yellow, the last joint of the tarsus brown; hind femora with two black spots above, close together, near the apex and three black spots below, one near the apex and two near the middle; the middle femora also spotted towards the apex; tibiæ armed with black spines arising from small black spots; the last joint of tarsus slightly longer than the second, the first short; tarsal pads (arolia) distinct, reaching about the middle of the claws, arising from a blunt basal tooth of the claw and converging towards their apices.

Total length 3 mm., width across base of pronotum 1.3 mm.

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This species seems to agree fairly well with the specific description of *Plagiognathidea griseus*, Poppius, but it differs in the generic characters.

TREVESSA *, gen. nov.

Very small, oblong-ovate, impunctate, covered with rather long, pale, semi-erect hairs.

Head one-fifth shorter than the width including the eyes, very slightly wider at base than anterior margin of pronotum, very strongly downwardly inclined so that only the basal two-thirds can be seen from above, and the clypeus is nearly at right angles to the plane of the disc of pronotum; eyes granulate, moderately small, with the posterior margins touching the anterior margin of the pronotum; width of vertex between the eyes two-thirds the total width including the eyes; vertex and frons moderately strongly convex, clypeus not at all prominent, basal margin of vertex slightly convexly curved, angular, almost carinate; antennæ placed about one-fifth length of eye from its apex—basal joint short, scarcely reaching the apex of the clypeus, second joint long, a little more than four times the length of the first, remainder missing; rostrum long, extending to base of third apparent

* The British steamer 'Trevessa' foundered in the Indian Ocean on June 4th, 1923, and Captain Forster, the chief engineer, and sixteen of the crew reached Rodriguez on the 26th of June after covering 1200 miles in an open boat. The rest of the crew reached Mauritius on the 29th.