

ON SOME INTERESTING NEW GENERA AND SPECIES OF MIRIDAE FROM OCEANIA (Hemiptera)¹

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(With 20 text figures)

During his recent stay in Australia as a visiting research worker at the CSIRO, *Division of Entomology, Canberra*, through the courtesy of DOCTOR DOUGLAS F. WATERHOUSE, the author had the opportunity to study some curious species of Miridae (Hemiptera) which are herewith described and figured.

One of these species was obtained from the *South Australian Museum*, through the courtesy of my colleague GORDON F. GROSS, from material collected by him during the *Royal Society of London, PERCY SLADEN EXPEDITION* to the *New Hebrides*. Another was found in the *Collection of the University of Queensland, Brisbane*, under care of DOCTOR T. E. WOODWARD and also two others specimens in the *Australian National Insect Collection, Canberra*. A third species was obtained from the *Australian Museum, Sydney*, through the courtesy of DR. DAVID MCALPINE.

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Grossicoris n. gen.

Bryocorinae, Bryocorini. Characterized by its very flat body, short rostrum, depressions on pronotum and scutellum and by the cuneus which is weakly delineated, long, wide and curved.

Body elongate oval, strongly flattened, glabrous, widest at level of claval apex. Head flat, inclined, vertex very wide, separated from frons by two transverse sulci: eyes semi-stylate, much longer than wide, placed horizontally on the head, inferior margin concave at middle, hind margin contiguous with anterior margin of pronotum; frons somewhat tumid, slightly sulcate at middle, continued in front by clypeus without a visible suture between them, separated from eyes by a wide and shallow sulci; clypeus visible from above, flat, wide and curved towards apex; jugum large, also visible from above, flat, separated from lorum by a pronounced furrow, the latter very small; rostrum very short, hardly reaching base of front coxae, incrassate.

Antenna very shortly pilose, segment I much thicker than II, tapering basally;

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