NEW SPECIES OF CICADIDÆ.

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brood two months earlier than Mr. Tait succeeded in doing from "wild" ova.

The time taken from egg to imago was exactly nine weeks, as Mr. Tait states in his notes.


DESCRIPTION OF A NEW SPECIES OF CICADIDÆ FROM THE ISLAND OF HAINAN.

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Cosmopsaltria hainanensis, sp. n.

Head, pronotum, and tympana olivaceous; abdomen pale brownish. Head with a central spot at apex of front and the anterior angles of the vertex ochraceous; area of the ocelli pale castaneous, and with a small piceous spot at its base. Pronotum with a central pale longitudinal fascia, margined with pale castaneous; extreme posterior marginal piceous, and two brown spots near each outer edge of the posterior marginal area. Mesonotum with two obscure obconical spots at anterior margin, outwardly and narrowly margined with black; an obscure marginal fascia on each side, and two central spots at base pale castaneous; cruciform elevation ochraceous, with a piceous spot near each anterior angle. Abdomen above ochraceously pilose, and with the posterior segmental margins ochraceous. Body beneath, legs, and opercula pale olivaceous; the anterior and intermediate tibial and tarsal piceous. Tegmina and wings pale hyaline, the venation ochraceous; tegmina with the costal membrane ochraceous with a central black line. Opercula reaching the apex of the abdomen, concave, and margined with black on each side near base, then convexly widened, their apices obtusely rounded. Long. excl. tegm. $34$ millim. Exp. tegm. $106$ millim.

Hab. Hainan—Five Finger Mountain (Whitehead, Brit. Mus.).

Allied to C. forte, Dist., from which it principally differs by the longer opercula.

Since this description was written my own collection contains a second example, presented to me by Dr. Heath with some other insects from Hainan Island.