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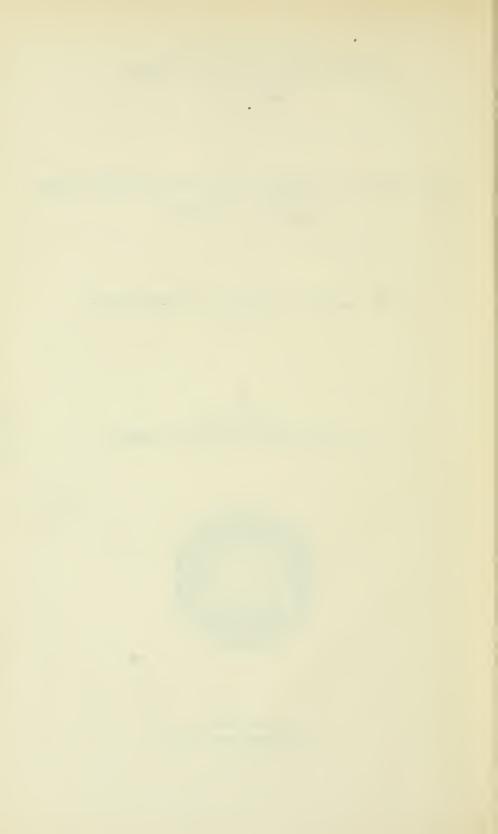


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EAST AFRICAN MAMMALS IN THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM.

PART II. RODENTIA, LAGOMORPHA, AND TUBULIDENTATA.

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INTRODUCTION.

The first part of this work, published August 16, 1918, dealt with the mammals of the orders Insectivora, Chiroptera, and Carnivora contained in the East African collections of the United States National Museum. This second part consists of reports on the specimens belonging to the Orders Rodentia (rodents), Lagomorpha (hares and their allies), and Tubulidentata (aard-varks). It is hoped that a third part, containing reports on the primates and ungulates, may complete the series.

The plan of arrangement of the text adopted in the first part has been followed throughout, and the geographical limits are the same. All specimens of mammals from Eritrea, Somaliland, Sudan, Abyssinia, Lado Enclave, Uganda, British East Africa, and German East Africa, including Zanzibar, contained in the collection have been critically examined and listed. The territory included in the report is shown in figure 1.

As with the groups treated in the earlier part, the great bulk of the material listed was collected by the Smithsonian African Expedition under the direction of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, 1909–10; and by the Paul J. Rainey African Expedition, 1911–12. A few specimens, some of special importance, have been received from miscellaneous sources as noted in the summary below.

SUMMARY OF SPECIMENS LISTED IN PART 2.

The mammals of the orders Rodentia, Lagomorpha, and Tubulidentata, listed in these pages, were received by the museum from expeditions and collectors as follows:

| | Rodentia. | Lagomor- pha. | Tubull- deutata. | Totals. |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------|
| Smithsonian African Expedition under the direction | | - | | |
| of Col. Theodore Roosevelt: | | | | |
| Col. Theodore Roosevelt. | 8 | | | 8 |
| Kermit Roosevelt. | 4 | | | 4 |
| Lieut. Col. Edgar A. Mearns, U. S. A. | 335 | 14 | | 349 |
| Edmund Heller. | 244 | 5 | | · 249 |
| J. Alden Loring. | 2, 112 | 23 | | 2, 135 |
| R. J. Cuninghame | 2 | | | 2 |
| Paul J. Rainey African Expedition: | | | | |
| Edmund Heller | 1,979 | 14 | , | 1,993 |
| A. J. Klein | 2 | | | 2 |
| A. B. Percival | 19 | | | 19 |
| H. J. A. Turner | 2 | | | 2 |
| Dr. W. L. Abbott | 43 | 2 | | 45 |
| A. B. Percival | 16 | | | 16 |
| Hon, N. Charles Rothschild | 9 | 2 | | 11 |
| H. J. A. Turner | 9 | | | 9 |
| W. F. H. Rosenberg (received from) | 2 | 2 | | 4 |
| G. H. Goldfinch | 2 | | | 2 |
| W. G. Doggett | 2 | | | 2 |
| R. E. Dent | 2 | | | 2 |
| William Astor Chanler and Lieut. Ludwig von Höhnel | 2 | | | 2 |
| William Astor Chanler | 1 | | | 1 |
| Hon, Hoffman Philip | • • • • • • • • • • • | | 1 | 1 |
| Capt. V. Bottego | 1 | | | 1 |
| D. Carruthers | 1 | | | 1 |
| Dr. V. Ragazzi | 1 | | | 1 |
| G. Denhardt | 1 | | | 1 |
| W. Schlüter (received from) | 1 | | | 1 |
| | 4,800 | 62 | -1 | 4,863 |

SUMMARY.

| From Smithsonian African Expedition | 2,747 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| From Paul J. Rainey Expedition | 2,016 |
| From miscellaneous sources. | 100 |

There are included in the East African collections of these groups 75 type-specimens of rodents and 3 type-specimens of lagomorphs. Of the 78 new forms 1 was described by Gerrit S. Miller, jr., 5 by Dr. F. W. True, 8 by N. Hollister, and 64 by Edmund Heller.

Of these 78 described forms, 71 are recognized as valid species or subspecies in the present paper.

In the previous part there were listed 1,833 insectivores, bats, and carnivores. This makes a total of 6,696 specimens of mammals, of 349 species and subspecies, belonging to the six orders dealt with to date in this report on the East African collections, including 142 type-specimens.

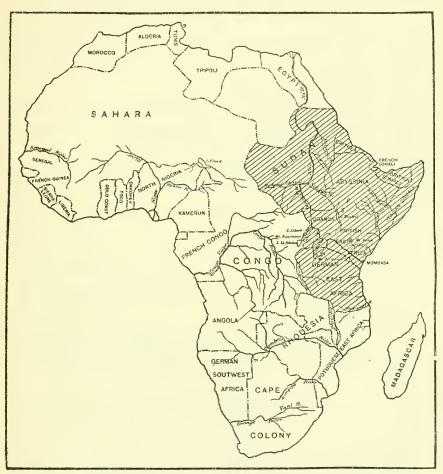


FIG. 1 .- MAP OF AFRICA WITH SHADED AREA SHOWING THE REGION COVERED BY THIS REPORT.

LIST OF LOCALITIES.

A list of all the localities from which National Museum specimens of mammals of the orders Rodentia, Lagomorpha, and Tubulidentata are mentioned in this report is given below, with index references to the accompanying map, reproduced from Part I. As explained in the introduction to the first part, maps of this region do not agree in essential details and it has been impossible to determine some of the localities with precision; but there has rarely been any doubt

about the approximate location of a given place and the variations can be only of a comparatively few miles at the most.

ABERDARE MOUNTAINS—A range of mountains about half way between Lake Naivasha and Mount Kenia. Summits said to be 11,000-12,000 feet. J 4.

Addis Ababa —Capital city of Abyssinia, situated near the geographical center of that country. Also written Addis Ababa and Addis Ababa. F 5.

AGORDAT—In central Eritrea, near the southern bank of the big bend of the Barca River. C-D 4-5.

Ankole—District in extreme southwestern Uganda just east of Albert Edward Nyanza. J 2.

ARCHER'S POST—On the Northern Guaso Nyiro near the mouth of the Lakiundu River, north of Mount Kenia. I 5.

ATHI PLAINS-North and east of Nairobi. J 4.

ATHI STATION—On the Uganda railway, 16 miles southeast of Nairobi. It is also called Athi River. Altitude 4,950 feet. J 4.

Bargunett River, or Burgunett River—A southern tributary of the Northern Guaso Nyiro, near the Meru Road, west of Mount Kenia. J 4.

BURUMBA-In Ankole, southwestern Uganda. J 2.

BUTIABA—On the northeast shore of Albert Nyanza in Unyoro, Uganda. I 2.

Changamwe—Station on the railroad 6 miles inland from Mombasa. Altitude 180 feet. K 5.

Changongorra—On the east side of the Aberdare Range 9 miles from Nyeri; also called Kongorra. J 4.

CHANLER FALLS—On the Northern Guaso Nyiro River north of the Jambeni Mountains and east of Archer's Post. I 5.

Deep Dale—Between the Engare Narok Rivor and Suswa Plain, southwestern British East Africa. J 4.

ELDOMA RAVINE—Just north of the Equator and north from the railroad station of Londiana, British East Africa; the Eldoma River flows into the Molo, which empties into Lake Baringo. I-J 4.

ENGARE NAROK RIVER—A tributary of the Southern Guaso Nyiro. On the west side of the Mau Escarpment midway between the Uganda railroad and the border of German East Africa. Also writtern Engarro Naroke, or N'garri Narok. J 4.

ENGARE NDARE RIVER—A southern tributary of the Northern Guaso Nyiro, north of Mount Kenia. I 4.

FORT HALL-About midway between Nairobi and Mount Kenia. J 4.

GONDOKORO—On the east bank of the Bahr el Jebel in extreme northwestern Uganda. H 2.

Guas Ngishu Boma—At the eastern edge of the Guas Ngishu Plateau near the Elgeyo Escarpment and north of Ravine Station. I 4.

Guas Ngishu Plateau.—South and east of Mount Elgon, west of the Elgeyo Escarpment, and north of the Nandi Hills. Drained by the upper waters of the Nzoia River. I 3-4.

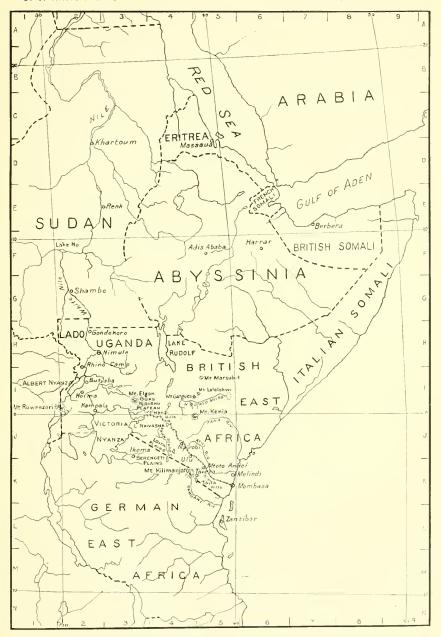
Holma, or Fort Holma—In Unyora, western Uganda, not far from the eastern shore of Albert Nyanza. I 2.

ISIOLA RIVER—A southern affluent of the Northern Guaso Nyiro north of Mount Kenia, and west from the Lakiundu River. I 4-5.

Jambeni Mountains—Northeast of Mount Kenia about half way to the Northern Guaso Nyiro River. I 5.

JUJA FARM—W. N. McMillan's place on the Athi Plains, about 23 miles northeast of Nairobi. J 4.

Kabalolot Hill—In the Sotik, west of Loita Plains and near the border of German East Africa. Headwaters of the Amala River. J 3-4.



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Kabula Muliro—On the road about midway between Kampala and Hoima, Uganda; between Albert Nyanza and Victoria Nyanza. I 2.

Kahe—About 45 miles southeast of Mount Kilimanjaro, in German East Africa, east of the Pangani River. K 4-5.

Kaimosi—On the Lukosa River just north of the Equator and north of Port Florence, the western terminus of the railway in Kavirondo. I 3.

Kajula—Near the east shore of Albert Nyanza, south of Butiaba in Unyoro. 12.

Kakumega.—Just north of the Equator near Port Florence, the end of the railway in Kavirondo, Kisumu Province, northeast of Victoria Nyanza. I 3.

Kamiti Farm—Ranch owned by H. H. Heatley on the Athi Plains. J 4.

Kampala—Fort Kampala, or Mengo, just north of Entebbe, Uganda, and near the northwestern edge of Victoria Nyanza. I 2.

Kapiti, or Kapiti Plains—A station, also called Kapiti Station, on the railway 29 miles southeast of Nairobi and 288 miles from Mombasa. Altitude, 5,350 feet. J 4.

KARA WATER, or KARA RIVER—On the Marsabit Road north of Mount Lololokwi.

Kenya Water—On the Marsabit Road north of the Northern Guaso Nyiro toward Mount Marsabit. I 5.

Kerma—On the eastern bank of the Nile in northwestern Sudan. B 1-2.

Khartoum—On the White Nile in Sudan. D 2.

KIAMBU—In Kikuyu, British East Africa, north of Nairobi and near the western edge of the Athi Plains. J 4.

Kibabe—In the Nandi Hills, Kisumu Province, British East Africa, just north of the Equator and northeast from Victoria Nyanza. I 3.

Kuabe—A station on the Uganda railway in British East Africa between Nairobi and Lake Naivasha. Altitude, 6,790 feet. J 4.

KIKANDA—See Kikonda. I 2.

Kikandwa—About 20 miles northwest from Kampala, north of Victoria Nyanza, Uganda. I 2.

KIKONDA—About 25 miles southeast of Hoima, Unyoro, Uganda. I 2.

Kikuyu—A station on the railway between Nairobi and Kijabe, in Kikuyu, British East Africa. J 4.

KILIMANJARO—See Mount Kilimanjaro. K 4.

Kisimbiri—North of Kampala and Entebbe, near the northwest corner of Victoria Nyanza, Uganda. Sometimes written Kisimbili. I 2.

Kisingo—About midway between Kampala and Hoima, Uganda. I 2.

KISUMU—A village on Ugowe Bay, northeastern shore of Victoria Nyanza and near Port Florence. Also a province of western British East Africa bordering on Victoria Nyanza. J 3.

KITANGA—Sir Alfred Pease's farm in the Mwa Hills on the Athi Plains, near Nairobi and Athi Station. J 4.

Kongorra-See Changongorra. J 4.

Kurseine—On the Northern Guaso Nyiro above the mouth of the Guaso Narok. I 4. Kyambu—See Kiambu. J 4.

Lagos—Near Ledgus, on the east side of the Bahr el Jebel, between Gondokoro and Nimule, northwestern Uganda. H 2-3.

LAIKIPIA—On the western edge of the Laikipia Plateau southeast of Lake Baringo. I 4.

LAIKIPIA PLATEAU—Northwest from Mount Kenia and north of the Aberdare Mountains. I 4.

Lake Naivasha—A lake and station on the railway across British East Africa, 391 miles from Mombasa and almost 200 miles from Port Florence. The altitude of the railway station is given as 6,230 feet. J 4.

LAKIUNDU RIVER—Rises in the Jambeni Mountains, northeast of Mount Kenia, and flows west and north into the Northern Guaso Nyiro at Archer's Post. I 5.

Ledgus—On the east bank of the Bahr el Jebel, between Gondokoro and Nimule, northwestern Uganda. H 2-3.

Lesiweru River—One of the numerous small streams flowing northwest from Mount Kenia and crossed by the Meru road. 14.

Let Marefia—Northeast from Adis Ababa, Abyssinia. F 5.

LIALO—Northwest from Kisingo, about midway between Kampala and Hoima, Uganda. 12.

LIME Springs—Near the eastern edge of the Loita Plains, not far from the Southern Guaso Nyiro River. J 4.

LOITA PLAINS—Near the German East African border in southwestern British East Africa, west of the Rift Valley and the Southern Guaso Nyiro River. J 4.

LOMBEKI RIVER—Eastern tributary of the Bahr el Jebel between Uma village and Nimule, Uganda. H 2.

Londiana—Station on the Uganda Railway in western British East Africa between Nakuro and Port Florence; 500 miles from Mombasa and 84 miles from Port Florence. Altitude, 7,410 feet. I-J 3-4.

Longaya Water—On the Marsabit Road north of Mount Lololokwi. Also written Lungaya. I 5.

LORIAN SWAMP—About 160 miles northeast of Mount Kenia. Shown on maps as the eastern limit of the Northern Guaso Nyiro River. I 5.

Loroghi Mountains—About midway between Mount Kenia and the southern end of Lake Rudolf. I 4.

Lugh—On the Ganale River in western Italian Somaliland, near the boundary line between Abyssinia and British East Africa. H 6.

LUKENIA HILLS-See Ulukenia Hills. J 4.

Lukosa River—South of the Nzoia River on Guas Ngishu Plateau, flowing into Victoria Nyanza. Also called Lukos River and Yala River. I 3.

MACHORRA-In the Taita Hills. Sometimes written Macharra. K 5.

Maji-ya-chumvi—A station on the railroad 35 miles from Mombasa; altitude, 570 feet. K 5.

Marangu—On the southeastern side of Mount Kilimaujaro in German East Africa, near the boundary line of British East Africa. K 4.

MARIAKANI-A station on the railroad 26 miles from Mombasa. K 5.

MARSABIT LAKE-At Mount Marsabit, north of the Northern Guaso Nyiro. I 5.

MARSABIT ROAD—The route to Mount Marsabit, north of the Northern Guaso Nyiro.

MAYO RIVER—Rises in the Aberdare Mountains and flows into the Nyuki River, one of the affluent streams of the Northern Guaso Nyiro. J 4.

MAZERAS-Station on the railroad 16 miles from Mombasa; altitude 530 feet. K 5.

MERELLE RIVER, or MERELLE WATER—On the Marsabit Road about midway between the Northern Guaso Nyiro River and Mount Marsabit. Sometimes written Merele. I 5.

MEROWE—On the Nile in north central Sudan between Ambukol and Salmia. B-C2. MERU, or MERU BOMA—Just north of Mount Kenia. I-J 4-5.

MERU ROAD—Across the Laikipia Plateau to Meru, north of Kenia. I-J 4.

Mission—The Friends Industrial Mission at Kaimosi, Kisumu, Kavirondo. I 3.

MNYOURI JARDIN—On the east bank of the Bahr el Jebel, between Gondokoro and Nimule, and just south of Ledgus, northwest Uganda. Il 2.

Mobuku Valley—Southeast side of Mount Ruwenzori, between Albert Nyanza and Albert Edward Nyanza, western Uganda. I 1-2.

MOUNT GARGUES—In the Mathews Range, north of Mount Kenia and southeast of Lake Rudolf. Summit said to be 8,800 feet altitude. Also written Mount Uaragess 1 4-5.

MOUNT KENIA—A high peak in central British East Africa, almost directly on the Equator. Altitude given on recent maps from 17,200 feet to 18,620 feet. Timber line is about 13,000 feet. I-J 4-5.

Mount Kilimanjaro—A mountain on the border between British East Africa and German East Africa, about 175 miles from the coast. Altitude 19,780 feet. K 4.

Mount Lololokwi—An isolated mountain east of the Mathews Range, about midway between Mount Kenia and Mount Marsabit, British East Africa. I 4-5.

Mount Marsabit—In northern British East Africa, about 170 miles north of Mount Kenia. I 5.

MOUNT MBOLOLO—In the Taita Hills, about midway between Kilimanjaro and the coast. Summit 4,400 feet. Sometimes written Mbululu, or Umbololo. K 5.

MOUNT NYIRO—A short distance south of Lake Rudolf and northeast of Lake Sugota.

I 4.

MOUNT SAGALLA—In the southern Taita Hills, about midway in a line between Kilimanjaro and Mombasa. K 5.

Mount Uaragess—See Mount Gargues. I 4-5.

Mount Umengo—In the Taita Hills, west of Ndi, and between Taveta and the railway, British East Africa. K 5.

MTOTO ANDEI—A station on the railway 165 miles inlaud from the coast and about midway between Mombasa and Nairobi. Altitude 2,500 feet. K 5.

MUBUKU VALLEY—See Mobuku Valley. I 1-2.

NAIKHALA—On the east bank of the Atbara River a short distance above Atbara Station where it empties into the Nile, north central Sudan. C 3.

NAIROBI—Capital of Ukamba Province, British East Africa, 327 miles from Mombasa and about 260 miles from Port Florence by rail. Altitude, 5,450 feet. J 4.

Naivasha—A station on the Uganda railway near Lake Naivasha. Altitude, 6,230 feet. J 4.

NAIVASHA ESCARPMENT—The forested escarpment east and northeast of Lake Naivasha, between the railroad and the true Naivasha Plains. J 4.

NAIVASHA PLAINS—West, northwest, and northeast of Lake Naivasha; particularly the plains between the Naivasha Escarpment and the Aberdare Mountains. J 4. NAIVASHA STATION—See Naivasha and Lake Naivasha. J 4.

NAKHEILA-Same as Naikhala. C 3.

NAKURU, or NAKURO—Station and lake on the railroad in British East Africa, about 55 miles west of Naivasha. The altitude of the station is 5,950 feet. J 4.

NAROSURRA RIVER—Flows from the Loita Plains into the Southern Guaso Nyiro.

Also called Narossera. J 4.

Nor-In the Taita Hills, between Taveta and the railroad. K 5.

NEUMAN'S BOMA—On the north bank of the Northern Guaso Nyiro River nearly opposite the mouth of the Isiola. Also called Neuman's Camp. Almost directly north from Mount Kenia, about 60 miles. I 4-5.

NGARE NDARE RIVER—See Engare Ndare River. I 4.

NGARE NYUKI OR NYUKI RIVER—One of the headwaters of the Northern Guaso Nyiro, northwest of Mount Kenia. Sometimes written Nyuku. I 4.

NIMULE—On the east bank of the Bahr el Jebel, about midway between Albert Nyanza and the Sudan border, in northwestern Uganda. H 2.

NJORO O NYIRO RIVER—West side of the Mau Escarpment, about 35 miles southwest of Lake Naivasha. Sometimes given as Oljoro O Nyon River. J 4.

Njoro Osolali, or Njoro O Solali—In the Sotik, southwestern British East Africa. J 4.

NKYANUNA—A few miles northwest from Fort Kampala, Uganda, on the trail to Hoima. I 2.

NORTH CREEK—On the northern slopes of Mount Gargues, Mathews Range, British East Africa. I 4-5.

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NORTHERN GUASO NYIRO-The region of the Northern Guaso Nviro River, north of Mount Kenia. I 4-5.

NORTHERN GUASO NYIRO RIVER-Formed by numerous streams in the Aberdares, northern slopes of Mount Kenia, and Mathews Range; and flowing eastward at least to the Lorian Swamp. I 4-5.

NYANGNORI-In the Nandi Hills, a short distance northeast from Port Florence. British East Africa. I-J 3.

Nyeri-On the southwestern side of Mount Kenia at 6,200 feet. J 4.

NYUKI RIVER-See Ngare Nyuki. I 4.

NZOIA RIVER-Drains the Guas Ngishu Plateau and empties into Victoria Nyanza a few miles north of the Equator. I 3.

OLJORO O NYON RIVER-West side of the Mau Escarpment about 35 miles southwest of Lake Naivasha. See Njoro O Nyiro. J 4.

OMBONI RIVER—One of the headwaters of the Tana, south of Mount Kenia, Also called Oni River. J 4-5.

ONI-See Omboni River. J 4-5.

ORR VALLEY-At Mount Nyiro, near the southern end of Lake Rudolf. I 4.

QUOY, or QUOY WATER—On the Marsabit Road northeast from Mount Lololokwi. I 5.

RAVINE, RAVINE BOMA, or RAVINE STATION—On Eldoma River a short distance north of the Equator in western British Fast Africa; north of the railway station of Londiana. I-J 4.

RHINO CAMP—Colonel Roosevelt's base camp on the west bank of the Nile in extreme southern Lado Enclave at 2° 55' north. H-I 2.

RUWENZORI EAST—Eastern slopes of Mount Ruwenzori. I 2.

RUWENZORI MOUNTAINS-In extreme western Uganda just north of Albert Edward Nyanza; rise to an altitude of about 20,000 feet. I 1-2.

SABA SABA—Between Nairobi and Mount Kenia, a few miles southwest of Fort Hall.

SALT MARSH-Near the eastern edge of the Loita Plains, near Lime Springs, Sotik.

Salt River—South of the Northern Guaso Nyiro River, east of Chanler Falls. I 5.

SANDAI—On the Northern Guaso Nyiro, 10 miles above Archer's Post. I 4-5. SHEREIK—On the east bank of the Nile in north central Sudan. B-C 2-3.

SIBI RIVER—East of the Engare Narok, in the Southern Guaso Nyiro. J 4.

SIR ALFRED PEASE'S FARM—See Kitanga. J 4.

SIRGOIT-Near the Elgeyo Escarpment, eastern edge of Guas Ngishu Plateau. I 4.

SIRGOIT LAKE—Near the Elgeyo Escarpment, eastern edge of Guas Ngishu Plateau, northwest from Sirgoit. I 4.

Sotik-District in southwestern British East Africa between the Mau Escarpment and Kavirondo Bay. J 3-4.

SOUTHERN GUASO NYIRO—Region of the Southern Guaso Nyiro River, southwestern British East Africa. J 4.

SOUTHERN GUASO NYIRO RIVER-Southwestern British East Africa and northern German East Africa on the west side of the Rift Valley. J 4.

Suswa Plain-South of Lake Naivasha and west of Kikuyu. J 4.

TAITA HILLS, or TAITA MOUNTAINS-About midway between Kilimanjaro and the coast in southeastern British East Africa. K 5.

TANA RIVER-Heads in the Aberdares and southern side of Kenia and flows into the Indian Ocean something over 100 miles north of Mombasa. J 5.

TAVETA-In British East Africa near the German East African border southeast of Mount Kilimanjaro. K 4-5.

TELEK RIVER-North of Loita Plains in southwestern British East Africa. J 3-4.

THIKA RIVER—One of the affluents of the Tana River south of Mount Kenia. J 5.

Tsavo—Station where the railroad in British East Africa is crossed by the Tsavo River; southeast of Mtoto Andei and 133 miles from Mombasa. Altitude 1,530 feet. K 5.

Turah Water—Tributary to the upper Northern Guaso Nyiro, northwest of Mount Kenia. I 4.

ULUKENIA HILLS—On the Athi Plains east of Nairobi. Also written Ulucania or Lukenia. J 4.

UMA—A village on the east bank of the Bahr el Jebel just north of Nimule, Uganda. H 2.

USERI RIVER—Fifteen miles east of Kilimanjaro, in British East Africa. K 5.

Voi—Station on the railway 103 miles northwest from Mombasa. Altitude 1,830 feet. K 5.

Voi RIVER—Crosses the railway at Voi station, 100 miles from Mombasa, and flows into the Indian Ocean between Melinda and Mombasa. Also called Muhowa, or Muho wa Mangudo. K 5.

Wambugu—Between Fort Hall and Mount Kenia at 5,300 feet altitude. J 4-5.

Wange—On the coast of British East Africa about 50 miles north of the mouth of the Tana River. J 6.

West Kenia Forest Station—A forest station on the west side of Mount Kenia at 7,500 feet altitude. I-J 4-5.

YALA RIVER-See Lukosa River. 13.

ZANZIBAR—Town on Zanzibar Island. L 5.

The arrangement of the families of rodents follows the outline given by Miller and Gidley.¹ The plates illustrate the skulls of all type-specimens of mammals of the orders included in this part which are in the museum. Three type-specimens (Lemniscomys dorsalis mearnsi, Acomys ignitus montanus, and Graphiurus murinus isolatus) are skins only and consequently are not figured. Of the 75 type skulls 57 are here figured for the first time.

Order RODENTIA.

Family SCIURIDÆ.

Genus HELIOSCIURUS Trouessart.

1880. Heliosciurus Trouessart, Naturaliste, vol. 2, p. 292. October. (H• gambianus.²)

1909. Sciurus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 3, p. 469. June. (Part; not of Linnæus.)

1916. *Æthosciurus* Тномаs. Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 17, p. 271, March. (*H. poensis.*) [Valid as a subgenus.]

In a revision of the genera of African squirrels published by Thomas in 1909,³ three African species were provisionally referred to Sciurus, chiefly because of the presence in each of the small pm^3 , usually absent in Heliosciurus. No other characters are given to distinguish Heliosciurus from Sciurus in the diagnoses and key,

¹ Synopsis of the supergeneric groups of Rodents, Journ. Washington Acad. Sci., vol. 8, pp. 431-448, July 19, 1918.

² See Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 3, p. 470. June, 1909.

^{*} The Generic Arrangement of the African Squirrels, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 3, pp. 467-475, June, 1909.

and Heliosciurus is said to possess "molars of typical Sciurus structure." Later these three African species were removed by Thomas from Sciurus on the character of the baculum alone, and placed in a new genus, Ethosciurus, further distinguished from Heliosciurus by the presence of two upper premolars.

Comparison of the teeth of Sciurus vulgaris with those of Heliosciurus and those of the African species referred to Sciurus (and later to Ethosciurus) shows that all these African species are closely related and that all differ considerably from true Sciurus. Specimens of "Athosciurus" poensis and "A" ruwenzorii agree in all essential details of dental structure with Heliosciurus, and these all differ considerably from Sciurus vulgaris. The lower molars, both in Heliosciurus and Ethosciurus, are more complex, with definite transverse ridge across forward part of crown which isolates a narrow valley anterior to the central basin. The transverse ridges of the upper molars of Sciurus are nearly parallel, while in the African species these ridges are strongly convergent on inner side, and there is always present a slightly developed hypocone. These structural peculiarities of the molars are of so much more importance than the presence or absence of a small spike-like upper premolar that it is obvious the African species referred to Ethosciurus are in reality closely related to Heliosciurus and well removed from Sciurus. The two African species of Ethosciurus that I have seen (I have not seen A. lucifer) are closely related, as shown by their peculiar coloration and the presence of the functional pm3, and should on this account form a subgenus of Heliosciurus. In view of the very close relationship to true Heliosciurus and the fact that specimens of the latter sometimes exhibit spike-like small upper premolars it would hardly seem proper to recognize Ethosciurus as a full genus.

For measurements of specimens of the squirrels of this genus, see page 13.

HELIOSCIURUS RUWENZORII (Schwann.)

1904. Sciurus rufobrachiatus ruwenzorii Schwann, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7. vol. 13, p. 71. January. (Wimi, or Luimi, Valley, Ruwenzori, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

1910. Sciurus ruwenzorii Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 497. March.

Specimen.—One, from—

Uganda: Mubuku Valley, Mount Ruwenzori (Carruthers).

The members of the Ruwenzori Expedition found this squirrel "plentiful on Ruwenzori from 6,500 feet up to 8,500 feet, the boundaries of the forest-zone" A geographical race has since been described from Vulcan Forest, north of Lake Kivu.

This species is a member of the subgenus Æthosciurus.

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 17, p. 271. March, 1916.

² Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 497, March, 1910.

² Sciurus ruwenzorii vulcanius Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 476, November, 1909.

HELIOSCIURUS RUFOBRACHIATUS NYANSÆ (Neumann).

1902. Sciurus nyansae Neumann, Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1902, p. 56. (Kwa Kitoto, Kavirondo [Kisumu], British East Africa; type in Berlin Museum.)

Specimens.—Eighteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 14 (Heller); Lukosa River, 4 (Heller).

Included in the Kaimosi series are small young without cheek teeth, taken January 26 and 30; and half-grown young collected February 4. The adults, collected in late January and early February, are mostly in full fresh pelage, but a few show very nicely the process of renewal. One collected January 28 has the anterior half, above and below, with the exception of a narrow band across the occiput, in fresh coat. There is considerable variation in the color of the feet in the Kaimosi series—from ochraceous orange to bright chestnut. When the extremes in color are brought together the difference is very striking.

HELIOSCIURUS KENIÆ (Neumann).

1902. Sciurus keniac Neumann, Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1902, p. 176. (West side of Mount Kenia, British East Africa, at 8,000 feet; type in British Museum.)

1910. Heliosciurus kenia Roosevelt, African Game Trails. Amer. ed., pp. 472, 476; London ed., pp. 484, 488.

Specimen.—One, from—

British East Africa: West slope Mount Kenia at 7,000 feet (Heller).

This specimen, an old female, has the characteristic blotch of white on the underside of the neck, to between the forelegs. The hands and feet are colored like the back, with no indication of rufous or ochraceous beyond the pale ochraceous buff speckling of the hair tips. The species is a member of the rufobrachiatus group, but I am not aware that any specimens have been taken to prove intergradation with H. r. nyansæ.

HELIOSCIURUS UNDULATUS UNDULATUS (True).

Plate 8.

1892. Sciurus undulatus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 465, fig. 3.
(Mount Kilimanjaro, British East Africa, at 6,000 feet; type in U. S. Nat.
Mus.)

1909. Sciurus undulatus Lyon and Osgood, Bull. 62, U. S. Nat. Mus., p. 196. January 28.

1911. Heliosciurus undulatus marwitzi Müller, Zool. Anz., vol. 37, p. 82. January.
(Mount Kilimanjaro; type in Berlin Museum.)

1914. Heliosciurus rufobrachiatus undulatus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 7. June 24.

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Kilimanjaro, 6,000 feet, 1 (Abbott).

¹ Since this manuscript was prepared there has appeared a popular edition of "African Game Trails" in which the pagination is entirely different from that of the original edition. The references cited throughout this list are from the original American and London editions, published in 1910. The later popular edition is without title-page date.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Kahe, 1 (Abbott).

The type-specimen is conspicuous among East African squirrels for its luxuriant, soft coat. It was collected at 6,000 feet altitude on June 12. The upper tooth rows each have a very small and imperfect pm^2 . broken on the left side. This tooth is not functional and is in no way comparable to the small premolar regularly present in Æthosciurus. The large premolar has the anterior cusp developed as in Heliosciurus, and there can be no doubt that the species belongs in that genus. The female specimen from Kahe, German East Africa, included by True in the original description, is so different in some respects from the type that I am somewhat doubtful as to its belonging with this sabspecies. It is very much shorter haired and the hairrings on the upperparts are much brighter ochraceous buff than in the type; the skull differs from the type skull in its much broader rostrum, in this respect resembling the subspecies daucinus and shindi. The specimen was collected in September and is therefore not comparable with the type as to pelage; and with only the single skull it would be unwise to consider the specimen subspecifically distinct on the character of the broader rostrum. After a very careful study of the description of Heliosciurus undulatus marwitzi Müller I can not believe that that name represents a form distinct from true undulatus. The type of marwitzi is virtually a topotype of undulatus; the characters presented to separate the form seem wholly unimportant and triffing; and furthermore the description of marwitzi agrees, even to its supposed distinguishing characters, very well indeed with the type-specimen of undulatus.

HELIOSCIURUS UNDULATUS SHINDI Heller.

Plate 9.

1914. Heliosciurus rufobrachiatus shindi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 7. June. (Summit of Mount Umengo, Taita Hills, British East Africa, at 6,000 feet; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, the type, from—

British East Africa: Mount Umengo (Heller).

"This squirrel in confined to the remnant of forest covering the extreme summit of the Taita Hills, where it is very rare. The type was the only individual seen during a fortnight's stay on the summit of Umengo Mountain. Among the Wataita tribe this squirrel is known as *shindi*" (Heller, reference as above, p. 8).

HELIOSCIURUS UNDULATUS DAUCINUS Thomas.

1909. Heliosciurus undulatus daucinus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 101. August. (Mombasa, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimen.—One, from—

British East Africa: Mazeras (Heller).

Measurements of squirrels of the genus Heliosciurus.

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| H. ruvenzorii. Uganda: Ruwenzori H. ru/o. nyansw. | 172921 | Male | 208 | 528 | 99 | 67 | 47.1 | 28.5 | 14.3 | 22. 5 | 28. 5 | 80 | 9.0 | Considerably worn. |
| B. F. A.: Kaimosi | 182750 | g | 066 | 666 | 12 | | 0 27 | 6 | 9 | | 3 | 1 | | |
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| Do | 182755 | do | 220 | 235 | 52 | 18 | 47.3 | 29.7 | 16.8 | | 31.2 | 10.0 | 10.0 | Do. |
| Do | 182756 | do | 210 | 240 | 52 | 91 | 45,4 | 27.7 | 14.9 | 23.9 | 30.2 | 6.6 | 10.0 | Unwern. |
| D0 | 182759 | do | 230 | 245 | 51 | 19 | 48.2 | 30.6 | 16.3 | 83.00 | 31.2 | 10.1 | 10.2 | Considerably worn. |
| D0 | 182751 | Female. | 230 | 240 | 53 | : | 48.1 | 30.7 | 17.0 | 24.2 | 31.5 | 10.2 | | Do. |
| D0 | 182753 | do | 232 | 252 | 52 | 17 | 48.8 | 31.4 | 16.2 | 24.8 | 32.9 | 10.3 | 10.2 | Do. |
| 1)0 | 182758 | do | 220 | 248 | 55 | : | 47.6 | 30.7 | 16.7 | 24.2 | 32.5 | 10.0 | 10.3 | Do. |
| Do | 182762 | do | 202 | 192 | × | 15 | 47.4 | 28.5 | 16.2 | 23.3 | 30.5 | 10.1 | 10.1 | Do. |
| Lukosa River | 182765 | Male | 210 | 220 | 50 | 91 | 46.5 | 29.8 | 16.6 | 23.8 | 30.7 | 10.2 | 10.1 | Do. |
| D6 | 182767 | do | 225 | 243 | 50 | 17 | 46.8 | 30.5 | 16.2 | 24.2 | 30.9 | 10.3 | 10.0 | Little worn. |
| Do | 182764 | Female. | 215 | 218 | 49 | 18 | 47.7 | 31.6 | 16.6 | 23.9 | 31.7 | 10.0 | 10.3 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 182766 | do | 220 | 230 | 51 | 15 | - | 29.0 | 16.9 | | 31.6 | 9.6 | 8.6 | Moderately worn. |
| H. keniæ. | | | | | | | | | | | | - | | • |
| B. E. A.: Mount Kenia H. u. undulatus. | 164201 | do | 250 | 255 | 55 | 18 | 48.0 | 30.4 | 17.2 | 23.4 | 31.5 | 10.7 | 10.8 | Much worn. |
| B. E. A.: Kilimanjaro | 1 19005 | Male | | | | | 48.0 | 30.6 | 8 91 | 94.3 | 30.8 | 10 7 | 10 | Modernateles mone |
| G. E. A.: Kahe | 19006 | Female | | | | | | 30.0 | 17.7 | 0 00 | 0000 | 10.1 | 10.0 | Generated worm. |
| H. u. shindi. | | | | | | | | 0.00 | | | | 10.0 | 10.0 | Considerably worn. |
| B. E. A.: Mount Umengo | 1 182768 | Male | 225 | 283 | 55 | 18 | 50.5 | 31.2 | 17.2 | 24.3 | 33.3 | 10.8 | 10.4 | Much worn. |
| B. E. A.: Mazeras | 182769 | Femule. | 230 | 290 | 22 | 16 | 49.1 | 31.5 | 16.9 | 24.1 | 32.1 | 10.8 | 10.7 | Moderately worn. |
| Uganda:Uma. | 1 164828 | Male | 202 | 204 | 44 | : | 42.0 | 32.7 | 13.9 | 20.8 | 26.8 | 9.0 | 9.5 | Considerably worn. |
| | | | | | - | | - | | | | | | | |

¹ Type.

HELIOSCIURUS MULTICOLOR MADOGÆ Heller.

Plate 10.

1911. Heliosciurus multicolor madogæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 1. February 28. (Uma, Uganda; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, the type:

UGANDA: Uma (K. Roosevelt).

This specimen was shot in a clump of bamboo.

HELIOSCIURUS MULTICOLOR LATERIS Thomas.

1909. Heliosciurus multicolor lateris Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 102. August. (Lado; type in British Museum.)

Specimen .- One, from-

Lado: Rhino Camp (T. Roosevelt).

This specimen is imperfect; the forward part, with skull, is missing, and it is impossible to make satisfactory comparison with the type of Heller's madogæ. The Lado specimen is, however, less buffy below than the specimen from the east side of the Nile.

Genus PARAXERUS Major.

1893. Paraxerus Major, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1893, p. 189. June 1. (P. cepapi.)

1918. Tamiscus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 9, vol. 1, p. 33. January. (P. emini.) [Valid as a subgenus.]

Three groups of squirrels in the East African collection are combined under the genus Paraxerus. The boehmi group includes small, sharply striped species represented only by a specimen from Uganda; the palliatus group, larger species superficially resembling certain forms of Heliosciurus undulatus; and the medium sized scrub-squirrels, ochraceus and its subspecies, are represented by several forms. These last are closely related to the type-species of the genus, Paraxerus cepapi of South Africa, but are uniformly smaller and usually show traces of the back-stripes so conspicuous in the boehmi group, but wanting in cepapi and palliatus. Thomas has proposed that the boehmi group be recognized as a distinct genus, Tamiscus; but the characters separating this group from typical Paraxerus are slight and the relationship is very close. I should not be willing to admit more than subgeneric rank for Tamiscus.

For measurements of specimens of Paraxerus see pages 17-19.

PARAXERUS EMINI EMINI (Stuhlmann).

1894. Sciurus emini Stuhlmann, Mit Emin Pascha ins Herz von Afrika, p. 320. (Atyangara, Semliki River, Uganda.)

1902. Sciurus emini ugandae Neumann, Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1902, p. 180. (Kampala and Entebbe, Unganda; specimens in Berlin Mus.)

1910. Paraxerus bahmi emini Roosevelt, Afr. Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

1918. Tamiscus emini emini Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 9, vol. 1, p. 34. January.

Specimen.—One, from—

UGANDA: 22 miles west of Kampala (Heller).

No specimen of *Paraxerus emini* from the type locality is available for comparison. Thomas¹ and Dollman² consider the two forms identical and Dollman has listed specimens of *emini* from Entebbe, Uganda, not far from where our specimen was collected, and at the type locality of *ugandæ*. In a review of the forms of the group published in 1918,³ Thomas formally places *ugandæ* as a synonym of *emini*.

PARAXERUS PALLIATUS SUAHELICUS (Neumann).

1902. Sciurus palliatus suahelicus Neumann, Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1902, p. 178. (German East Africa opposite Zanzibar and southern part of British East Africa; no type designated.)

Specimens.—Twelve, including one in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Mazeras (Heller).

Except for one specimen with a pale ochraceous tail, the skins in this

series present a very uniform appearance.

Our collection contains no specimens of Paraxerus palliatus palliatus, but comparison of suahelicus with Paraxerus palliatus ornatus leaves me rather dubious as to the conspecific relationship of these two forms. Without material representing the intermediate type, however, it seems best to leave the form as usually placed by authors.

PARAXERUS OCHRACEUS ARUSCENSIS (Pagenstecher).

1885. Sciurus cepapi Smith var. aruscensis Pagenstecher, Jahrb. Hamb. Wiss. Anst., vol. 2, p. 42; Nat. Mus. Hamburg Ber. 1884, p. 42. (Pangani River near coast, and Great Aruscha, Meru Mts., German East Africa.)

1892. Sciurus poensis True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 467. (Not of Smith.)

Specimens.—Thirty-one, as follows:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 18, including 4 in alcohol (Mearns); Maji-ya-chumvi, 3 (Heller); Mount Kilimanjaro, 1 (Abbott); Mount Sagalla, summit, 1 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 1 (Heller);

Ndi, 1 (Heller); Taveta, 5 (Abbott); Voi, 1 (Heller).

Only one race is represented in the series listed above. At first sight the Taita Hills lot appears somewhat lighter colored, grayer above and less ochraceous below, but a careful study of the specimens convinces me that they can not be separated from the Taveta or the coast series, which are surely identical. The extreme gray example in the Maji-ya-chumvi series is an aged female, lately nursing, and the only grayish specimen in the Taveta series proves to be the next oldest specimen of the entire thirty-one examples, and also a nursing female. The grayish "phase" of coloration in aruscensis may be a condition of pelage of old age, or of nursing females. Cer-

¹ Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 498. March, 1910.

² Revue Zool. Afric., vol. 4, p. 79. 1914.

³ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 9, vol. 1, pp. 34-38. January, 1918.

tainly the youngish specimens from all localities are the extreme of the ochraceous phase; the older specimens with well-worn teeth are grayer with lighter underparts; and the only two aged specimens, with the teeth excessively worn, are distinctly grayish rather than ochraceous in color, with gray tails and very pale buffy ochraceous bellies. These last two specimens are the only nursing females in the entire series. The Taita Hills specimens are all considerably older, with more worn molars, than the specimens from Taveta or Changamwe, and the very slightly lighter coloration may be explained in this way or even by a slight difference in pelage. At any rate, the difference is so little that it is hardly worth considering.

Doctor Abbott collected this squirrel up to 5,000 feet on Kilimanjaro. A female collected by Heller at Ndi, November 3, contained two embryos and one collected at Maji-ya-chumvi, December 13, the same number. Mearns records the color of the iris as dark brown.

Through the kindness of Dr. Witmer Stone I have been able to examine during work on this group the type of Sciurus ganana Rhoads, from the Ganana River, between British East Africa and Italian Somaliland. The type differs from all specimens of the Paraxerus ochraceus group in the collection by its much yellower coloration, but is obviously closest to aruscensis, of which general style it is the extreme. The specimen is an adult nursing female. The upper parts and sides are much more yellowish than in any specimen of aruscensis, the limbs being almost clear yellowish buff. It is slightly smaller than aruscensis, with a more slender skull. The two forms almost certainly intergrade in eastern British East Africa. Measurements of the type of Paraxerus ochraceus ganana are given for comparison with other forms in the table on page 19.

PARAXERUS OCHRACEUS JACKSONI (de Winton).

1897. Sciurus jacksoni DE WINTON, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 19, p. 574. May. (Kikuyu, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1909. Paraxerus jacksoni capitis Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 105. August. (Nairobi Forest, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Paraxerus jacksoni and Paraxerus jacksoni capitis Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 472 and 476; London 3d., pp. 484 and 488.

1914. Paraxerus jacksoni Cockerell, Miller, and Printz, Zool. Anz., vol. 44, p. 435. June 23.

Specimens.—Fourteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Nairobi, 10 (Mearns, Loring); Nyeri, 3 (Heller, Mearns); Wambugu, 1 (Loring).

Mearns notes the mamme, on females from Nairobi and Nyeri, as three pairs. The Nyeri specimens are approaching somewhat the Guaso Nyiro form, *Paraxerus ochraceus kahari*, which is slightly darker in color.

Measurements of squirrels of the genus Paraxerus.

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|-------------------|--------|----------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot, | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- Inter- matic orbital breadth. breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Breadth of brain- case. | Breadth of ros- trum. | Breadth Breadth Length Nof of of brain ros- mandi- bile. | faxil- lary cooth row. | Man- dibular tooth row. | Condition of teeth. |
| P. emini. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ganda: Kampala | 164974 | Male | *** | | | 32.0 | 19.4 | 9.6 | 17.1 | ٠. ده | 20.9 | 6.3 | 6.2 | Moderately worn. |
| P. p. suahilieus. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mazeras | 182797 | do | 225 | 220 | 20 | 46.0 | 30.0 | 16.0 | 22.2 | 8.9 | 31.0 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 100. |
| 1) a | 182801 | do | 230 | 226 | 20 | 46.9 | 30.5 | 16.5 | 22.8 | 8.9 | 31.9 | 9.2 | 9.6 | Considerably worn, |
| 100 | 182805 | do | 220 | 228 | 20 | 46.0 | 30.0 | 16.2 | 22.2 | 8.5 | 31.2 | 9.5 | 9.3 | Moderately worn, |
| D0 | 182794 | Female. | 210 | 215 | 92 | 46.0 | 28.7 | 14.9 | 22.8 | 8.6 | 31.0 | 9.7 | 9.5 | Do. |
| D0 | 182795 | do | 210 | : | 48 | 45.9 | 30.1 | 15.6 | 22.8 | 90. | 30.3 | 9.4 | 9.4 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 182796 | do | 230 | 218 | 6# | | | : | | 8.0 | 31.1 | 9.6 | 9.3 | Do. |
| 190 | 182798 | do | 220 | | 51 | 46.7 | 29.8 | 14.8 | 22.4 | 30 00 | 31.5 | 9.6 | 9.7 | Moderately worn. |
| 1)0 | 182800 | do | 220 | : | 20 | 48.0 | | 15.3 | 22.7 | 9.0 | 31.8 | 9.6 | 9.4 | Much worn. |
| Do | 182802 | do | 210 | 230 | 52 | 47.3 | 30.3 | 15.0 | 23.0 | 8.6 | 31.1 | 9.5 | 8.6 | Considerably worn. |
| 1)0 | 182803 | do | 210 | 220 | 48 | 45.7 | 29.8 | 14.9 | 22.3 | 8.5 | 30.4 | 9.3 | 9.4 | Do. |
| P. o. arnscensis. | | | | | | | | | | | | - 1 | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Monot Kilimanjaro | 35244 | do | : | | : | 36.0 | 21.9 | 10.5 | 17.8 | 0.9 | 24.0 | 7.1 | 7.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Paveta | 34733 | do | : | | : | 35.7 | : | 10.6 | 18.2 | 5.9 | 22.7 | 7.3 | 7.1 | Much worn. |
| Do | 37376 | do | : | : | : | - | : | 10.4 | | 5.9 | 21.3 | 6.9 | 8.9 | Moderately worn, |
| Do | 34732 | | : | | : | 34.7 | 22.5 | 10.4 | 18.0 | 0.9 | 22.7 | 7.2 | 7.2 | Do. |
| Mtoto Andei | 181767 | Male | 165 | 170 | 36 | 34.2 | 21.4 | 10.6 | 17.9 | 5.8 | 21.8 | 8.9 | 6.7 | Do. |
| Mount Sagalla | 182787 | | 165 | 162 | 38 | 35.7 | 22.9 | 10.9 | 18.7 | 6.3 | 23.1 | 7.3 | 7.1 | Considerably worn. |
| Vol | 182785 | | 160 | 180 | 40 | 35,6 | 22.2 | 10.9 | 18.3 | 6.2 | 23.6 | 7.1 | 7.3 | Do. |
| Ndi | 182786 | Female . | 120 | 160 | 37 | 36.3 | 22.8 | 10.5 | 17.9 | 6.3 | 23.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.0 Moderately worn. |
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Measurements of squirrels of the genus Paraxerus—Continued.

| h Maxil- Man- lary dibular i tooth tooth row. | | 5 7.4 6.8 Little worn. | 7.2 | | | 3 6.8 6.7 Moderately worn. | 6 7.0 7.1 Do. | | | 6 7.3 Little worn. | | 7.5 | 3 7.5 7.7 Do. | | | 7.7 7.8 Do. | | | 7.7 7.8 Moderately worn. | 7.6 7.7 | | 7.8 7.7 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|--------|--------|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|---------|--------------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Ith Length of mandi- a. bile. | | 6.3 22.5 | . w | | | 5.9 22.3 | 3 23. | | | 6.3 23.6 | 6.2 23.5 | 6.5 24.9 | 4 24.3 | 6.3 23.9 | 6.6 25.4 | 9 24.9 | 6.6 25.9 | 7 24.5 | 6.3 24.5 | 4 25.4 | 7 25.4 | 6.9 25.2 |
| Breadth Breadth Longth of of of brain- ros- mandi-case. trum. bile. | | 17.5 | | | | 18.2 5. | 18.2 6. | | | 19.0 6. | 18.7 6. | 19.9 6. | 18.8 6. | 18.3 6. | 19.9 6. | 20.0 5. | 20.0 6. | 19.7 6. | 18.7 6. | 19.7 6. | 19.2 6.7 | 19.2 6. |
| Inter- Bre orbital br breadth, cs | | 10.6 | | | | 11.0 | 11.6 | | | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 10.6 | 11.8 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 11.2 | 11.3 | 11.6 | 12.1 | 11.5 |
| Zygo- matic breadth. | | 25.2 | 23.5 | | | 22.1 | 22.7 | | | 22.8 | 22.1 | 23.6 | 23.5 | 23.1 | 24.1 | 23.6 | 24.1 | 23.6 | 23.3 | 23.9 | 23.7 | 24.7 |
| Skull: Condy- lobasal length, | | 36.4 | 37.7 | | | 35.5 | 36.7 | | - | 36.0 | 36.4 | 37.0 | : | 36.5 | 36.9 | 37.3 | 38.9 | 37.4 | 38.1 | 38.9 | 38.3 | 39.3 |
| Hind foot. | | 37 | 39 | 37 | 38 | | | | | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 45 | 44 | 43 | 43 | 41 | 40 | 40 |
| Tail verte- bræ. | | 155 | | 162 | 170 | : | | | | 175 | 183 | 180 | 167 | 182 | 183 | 180 | : | 183 | 160 | 176 | 175 | 171 |
| Hoad and body. | , , | 158 | 165 | 168 | 164 | : | | | | 180 | 170 | 175 | 160 | 172 | 173 | 170 | 175 | 173 | 171 | 170 | 175 | 170 |
| Sex. | | do | Fomale | do | do | | | | | Male | do | do | do | Female. | do | do | do | do | do | Male | Female. | do |
| No. | 00403 | 182789 | 182790 | 164216 | 164218 | 165392 | 165397 | | | 162214 | 162217 | 162218 | 162220 | 162215 | 162219 | 162222 | 162223 | 164206 | 164222 | 182792 | 164205 | 182793 |
| Locality. | P. o. aruscensis—Continued. B. E. A.—Continued. Mail an abound | Do | Поперия | Do | Do | Do | 1)0. | P. o. jacksoni. | В. Е. А.; | Nairobi | 1)0 | 0.0 | 1)0 | 1)0 | D0 | D0 | 170 | 170 | Wambugu | Nyeri | 000 | 1,0, |

| | ÷ | Do. | Slightly worn. | Moderately worn. | | | | Moderately worn. | D0. | Little worn. | Moderately worn. | Do. • | Do. | Do. | Considerably worn. | Unworn. | Moderately worn. | | | Considerably worn. | | Unworn. | Little worn. | | Moderately worn. | The second secon |
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| | ı I | 0.7 | | | | | - | 7.0 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 7.0 | | | 6.7 | | 7.1 | 7.0 | | 6.8 | - |
| - | 1 | 7.2 | 6.2 | 7.8 | | | | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 7.1 | -1 | | | 6.7 | | 7.7 | 7.4 | | 7.4 | - |
| - | ā | 24.3 | 25.5 | 24.9 | | | | 22.0 | 22.4 | 22.2 | 21.7 | 23.2 | 22.8 | 22.7 | 22. 2 | 22.1 | | | | 23.3 | | 21.8 | 23.0 | | 22.1 | - |
| - | g 11 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.5 | | | | 6.2 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 0.9 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 5.8 | 6.3 | 5.8 | 6.0 | | | 6.4 | | 6.1 | 6.5 | ~~~ | 5.6 | |
| - | 0 01 | 19.0 | 19.0 | 19.4 | | | | 17.5 | 17.7 | 17.4 | 17.6 | 18.2 | 17.8 | 17.6 | 17.8 | 18.0 | 18.2 | | | 17.7 | | : | 18.1 | | 16.8 | |
| - | -0 | 11.3 | 11.3 | 11.7 | | | | 10.3 | 6.6 | 9.3 | 10.0 | 10.7 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 10.6 | 9.6 | 10.2 | - | | 11.6 | : | : | 10.6 | | 10.8 | - |
| | 3 | 24.0 | 24.3 | 24.3 | | | | 21.6 | 22.7 | 21.3 | 22.1 | 22.3 | 8.02 | 22.3 | 22.5 | 21.2 | 22.3 | | | 22.3 | : | : | 22.3 | | 21.1 | - |
| | 97.9 | 37.0 | 37.5 | 38.6 | | | | 34.1 | 35, 3 | 34.0 | 34.2 | 34.8 | 35.2 | 34.8 | 35.2 | 33.2 | 33.5 | | | 35.0 | | : | 34.9 | | 35.2 | - |
| - | ÷ | 42 | 43 | 45 | - | - | 38 | 36 | 37 | 55 | : | 38 | 36 | 32 | 37 | 37 | 36 | | | 170 | 39 | 34 | 88 | | 38 | - |
| | 191 | 172 | 170 | 165 | | | : | : | 164 | 170 | : | 162 | 153 | 160 | 158 | 167 | 152 | • | | 155 | 165 | 160 | 160 | | 170 | - |
| | M. W. | 175 | 165 | 190 | | | 143 | 150 | 160 | 150 | : | 155 | 150 | 155 | 150 | 143 | 150 | | | 155 | 160 | 145 | 151 | | 150 | |
| | Molo | Female. | do | Male | | | op | do | op | op | do | op | op | Female . | op | op | qo | | | Male | do | Female. | do | | фр | - |
| | 189701 | 1 164203 | 161200 | 164202 | | | 182783 | 182770 | 182772 | 182775 | 182776 | 182780 | - 1 | 182773 | 182774 | <u> </u> | 182779 | | | 182808 | 182809 | 182806 | 182807 | | 2 3809 | |
| P. o. kahari. | B. E. A.: Ismbani Mountaine | Meru. | Mount Kenia | 1) 0 | P. o. animosus. | B. E. A.: | Mount Nyiro | Mount Lololokwi | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | P. o. percivali. | B, E, A.: | Marsabit Lake. | Do | Do | Do | P. o. ganana | Ganana River | |

² Type, in Acad. Nat. Sci., Philadelphia.

¹ Type.

PARAXERUS OCHRACEUS KAHARI Heller.

Plate 10.

1911. Paraxerus kahari Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol 56, No. 17, p. 2. February 28. (Meru Boma, northeast of Mount Kenia, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Jambeni Mountains, S. W., 1 (Percival); Meru, 1 (Heller); Mount Kenia, west slope at 7,000 feet, 2 (Heller).

This is a slightly darker subspecies very close to *jacksoni*, but tending somewhat toward *percivali*. The type-specimen is a young nursing female, very thinly haired on the underparts, and slightly lighter and more olivaceous above than the other specimens, all of which have much darker underparts. The back-stripes are more distinct in this subspecies than in any of the other forms found in British East Africa, and are quite plainly seen on all four of the specimens. "Among the Wameru tribe this squirrel is known as *kahari*" (Heller).

PARAXERUS OCHRACEUS ANIMOSUS Dollman.

1911. Paraxerus ochraceus animosus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 655. November. (Mount Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Sixteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Lorghi Mountains, North, 1 (Percival); Mount Lololokwi, 13 (Heller); Mount Nyiro, 6,000 feet, 1 (Percival); Orr Valley, Mount Nyiro, 1 (Percival).

The specimens collected on Mount Lololokwi are indistinguishable in color from the topotypes from Mount Nyiro.

PARAXERUS OCHRACEUS PERCIVALI Dollman.

1911. Paraxerus percivali Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 653.

November. (Marsabit, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1911. Paraxerus ochraceus augustus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 654. November. (Marsabit, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Four, as follows:

British East Africa: Marsabit Lake (Percival).

Three skins in this small series are of the dark type of coloration while the fourth is much lighter, more yellowish-ochraceous, apparently as in the type of "augustus." There can scarcely be any doubt as to the propriety of uniting these two named forms, which are evidently the extreme types of coloration in an exceedingly variable subspecies. Mr. Heller, who examined the specimens in London, made the following manuscript note on these squirrels: "Types and large series examined. The type of augustus is the extreme light specimen and very different from the blackish-backed type of percivali, but both extremes shade into one another and both inhabit the same altitudes on the mountain."

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Genus PROTOXERUS Major.

1893. Protoxerus Major,
Proc. Zool. Soc.
London, p. 189.
(P. stangeri.)

The discovery of the giant forest squirrel by the Rainey Expedition in the Kakumega Forest extended the known range of this West African genus into British East Africa. A race had previously been described by Thomas from Entebbe, Uganda, as Protoxerus stangeri centricola. specimens of giant squirrels were obtained by the Smithsonian African Expedition in Uganda and the Entebbe form is unrepresented in our collections.

PROTOXERUS STANGERI BEA Heller.

Plate 11.

1912. Protoxerus stangeri bea Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 2. July 5. (Lukosa River, Kakumega Forest, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Twelve, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 7 (Heller); Lukosa River, 5 (Heller).

The skins in this series show considerable variation in color, and it is

| | Measurements of specimens of Protoxerus stangeri bea from British East Africa. | vents of s | pecime | us of Pr | otoxeru | s stang | eri bea f | rom Bri | tish Ea | st Afri | a. | | | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|---------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Locality. | No. | Вех. | Head and body. | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot. | Ear | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. 1 | Inter- orbital oreadtl | Breadth of brain- case. | Breadth Length Maxil- of of lary brain- mandi- tooth case. ble. row. | Maxil- lary tooth row. | Man- dibular tooth row. | Condition of teet |
| Lukosa River | 1 181786 | Male | 270 | 290 | 99 | 20 | 60.9 | 38.8 | 20.3 | 29.3 | 42.5 | 11.8 | 12.2 | Moderately worn |
| D0 | 182818 | do | 270 | 290 | 63 | 20 | 59.4 | 37.8 | 19.8 | 28.6 | 42.2 | 11.3 | 11.9 | Do. |
| D0 | 182819 | do | 270 | 300 | 62 | 22 | 60.1 | 37.5 | 20.3 | 28.6 | 42.4 | 11.8 | 11.7 | Do. |
| Do | 182817 | 182817 Female . | 260 | : | 09 | 20 | | 27.7 | 20.1 | 28.8 | 41.9 | 11.5 | 12.0 | Do. |
| Do | 182820 | do | 280 | 300 | 99 | 20 | 62.4 | 37.9 | 19.6 | 28.7 | 44.4 | 11.6 | 12.2 | 12.2 Considerably wor |
| Kaimosa | 182810 | Male | 260 | 305 | 99 | 21 | | | | | | | | |
| Do | 182811 | do | 260 | 305 | 61 | 22 | 59.3 | 36.5 | 18.1 | 28.3 | 41.1 | 11.4 | 12.2 | Unworn. |
| Do | 182812 | do | 240 | 305 | 62 | 22 | | | 17.5 | | 38.6 | 10.9 | 11.4 | Do. |
| Do | 182813 | Female. | | : | : | | 61.5 | 38.4 | 19.3 | 28.0 | 43.1 | 11.9 | 11.7 | Moderately wor |
| I}0 | 182814 | 182814do | 230 | 310 | 64 | 5 | 61.6 | 37.1 | 20.9 | 28.4 | 43.4 | 11.5 | 12.2 | Considerably wor |
| Do | 182815 | do | 270 | 300 | 64 | 20 | 60.7 | 38.5 | 21.2 | 28.8 | 45.0 | 11.2 | 12.2 | Much worn. |
| D0 | 182816 | 182816do | 270 | 285 | 63 | 22 | 60.3 | 37.1 | 20.3 | 28.3 | 43.0 | 11.5 | 11.9 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

¹ Sciurus stangeri centricola Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 18, p. 297, October, 1906.

evident that new subspecies of *Protoxerus* should not be named unless based on good series of specimens. The most common variation is in the intensity of the "reddish' color on the back and especially on the rump and hind limbs. In our series this varies from Sudan brown to chestnut, or even, in one specimen, blackish. The single blackish specimen has the upper sides of the hands and feet largely pure glossy black.

Genus XERUS Hemprich and Ehrenberg.

1832. Xerus Hemprich and Ehrenberg, Symb. Phys., vol. 1, sig. e e (text to pl. 9). (X. brachyotus.)

1842. Spermosciurus Lesson, Nouv. Tabl. Anim., p. 110. (X. rutilus.)

1850. Xeros Burmeister, Verz. Mus. Halle-Wittemb., p. 15. (pro Xerus.)

In addition to the two well-marked forms of this ground-squirrel which are represented in our collection, several subspecies have been named from northern British East Africa, Abyssinia, and Somaliland.

For measurements of the specimens of this genus see page 23.

XERUS RUTILUS RUFIFRONS Dollman.

1911. Xerus dabagala rufifrons Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7,
 p. 518. May. (Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Thirteen, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Archer's Post, Northern Guaso Nyiro, 1 (Heller); Isiola River, 1 (Heller): Kara Water, Marsabit Road, 3 (Heller); Kenya Water, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Merelle Water, Marsabit Road, 4 (Heller); Mount Nyiro, south of, 1 (Percival); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 1 skull (K. Roosevelt); Quoy Water, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller).

There is considerable variation among the skins of this series in the extent of the red on the crown and also in the amount of black on the head and nape. The general color of the back varies greatly in the amount of blackish speckling, extent of the yellowish-buff dorsal area, and in the intensity of the vinaceous ground color. The skins from more northern localities are paler than those from Archer's Post and Isiola River and are doubtless approaching some one of the Abyssinian forms in color.

Å female collected at Archer's Post, September 23, contained two large embryos.

XERUS RUTILUS SATURATUS Neumann.

1892. Xerus rutilus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 467. (Specimen from Taveta; not of Cretzschmar.)

1900. Xerus saturatus Neumann, Zool. Jahrb., Syst., vol. 13, p. 546. (Kibwezi, British East Africa.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

British East Africa: Taveta, 1 (Abbott); Voi River, Taita Hills, 1 (Heller).

Measurements of squirrels of the genera Xerus and Euxerus.

| Breadth Breadth Length Maxil- Man- of cen- of lary dibular Condition of teeth, case, trum, dible row, row. | 24.5 9.6 31.7 10.1 10.8 Much worn. | 24.1 9.6 31.4 9.8 10.3 Do. 23.2 10.0 32.0 10.4 10.3 Do. | 10.3 31.6 9.9 10.4 Mo | 25.7 11.3 10.8 Moderately worn. 10.5 33.9 11.0 11.4 Do. | 25.8 11.0 36.6 13.2 13.1 Do. 25.1 10.8 37.0 12.6 12.7 Much worn. | 26.5 11.2 38.6 13.2 13.5 Moderately woru. | 25.6 9.8 39.0 12.3 12.7 Do. 25.1 11.2 39.8 13.2 12.9 Do. 25.4 9.6 37.5 13.1 12.9 Little worn. | 9.0 13.4 13.3 9.7 36.7 12.9 12.3 10.7 37.9 12.2 12.2 10.2 37.3 13.3 12.7 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Zygo- Intermatic orbital breadth. | 29.4 15.4 | 29.7 15.4 30.1 15.1 | | 33.3 17.9 | 31.1 15.5 32.9 14.7 | 33.8 15.7 | 32.5 17.4 34.3 17.4 32.4 16.4 | 30.0 16.2 32.2 15.8 16.5 31.8 16.0 |
| Skull: Zy. Condy-ma lobasal length. | 49.7 | 48.7 | | 53.4 | . , | 57.8 | 59.2 60.4 57.9 | |
| Hind foot. | 50 | 51. | 56 | 52 | | 62 | 62 63 | 61 61 63 |
| Tail verte- bræ. | 185 | 195 | 203 | 185 | | 269 | 200 215 220 | 205 125 208 220 |
| Head and body. | 230 | 230 | 230 | 235 | | 298 | 290 313 285 | 265 285 290 275 |
| Sex. | Male | dododo. | dodo | do | do | Male | obdo | Female Male Go Female |
| No. | 182823 | 182826 182827 182829 | 182831 | 182832 35110 | 122540 122541 | 197964 | 164238 164240 164241 | 164239 181768 181771 181770 |
| Locality. | B. E. A.: $ X.r.r.tuffrons. $ Marsabit Road | Do | Archer's Post Isiola River | B. E. A.: X. r. salaratus. Vol River Taveta. E. e. Icacoumbrinus. | Eritrea: Agordat. Do. E. lacustris. | B. E. A.: Kaimosi E. microdon. | Fort Hall Do Onl | Wambugu. Mtoto Andel Do. |

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This darker race of Xerus rutilus must be very much like the later described Xerus dabagala dorsalis Dollman¹ from Baringo. Mr. Dollman has in fact referred specimens from the Tsavo River, virtually topotypes, to his form.² Neumann's specimens were young, which perhaps accounts for his description of the hands and feet as "deep rust-red;" the feet of younger specimens of ground squirrels seem to be darker than those of adults. The color is still more likely to have been due to soil stain, as the Taveta specimen collected by Doctor Abbott has the feet deeply stained by red soil, the pigment being plainly visible with the aid of a lens.

Genus EUXERUS Thomas.

1909. Euxerus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 3, p. 473. June. (E. erythopus.)

No East African forms have been named in this genus since Mr. Thomas published his key and synopsis of the group (as a subdivision of *Xerus*) in 1905.³

For measurements of specimens of squirrels of this genus see page 23.

EUXERUS ERYTHOPUS LEUCOUMBRINUS (Rüppell).

[1835]. Sciurus leucoumbrinus Rüppell, Neue Wirbelth. Fauna Abyssinien gehörig, Säug., p. 38. 1835–1840. (Abyssinia, Sennaar, and Kordofan.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

ERITREA: Agordat (from W. F. H. Rosenberg).

EUXERUS LACUSTRIS (Thomas).

1905. Xerus erythropus lacustris Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 15, p. 388. April. (Masindi, Unyoro, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

Specimen.—One, from—

British East Africa: Kaimosi (Turner).

No specimens of typical Euxerus lacustris are available for a direct comparison, but the Kavirondo specimen agrees so well with Mr. Thomas's description that I have no hesitation in labeling it lacustris. I believe the form to go rather with microdon than with erythopus, as the teeth most resemble the East African form. All the races will probably prove to be subspecies of erythopus.

EUXERUS MICRODON (Thomas).

1905. Xerus microdon Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 15, p. 389. April. (Kitui, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1905. Xerus microdon fulvior Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 15, p. 389. April. (Fort Hall, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Euxerus microdon fulvior Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, p. 519. May, 1911.

² Revue Zool. Africaine, vol. 4, p. 89. July, 1914.

² Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 15, pp. 387-390. April, 1905.

Specimens.—Thirteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Fort Hall, 2 (Mearns); Mtoto Andei, 6

(Heller); Oni, 1 (Loring); Wambugu, 4 (Loring, Mearns).

The specimens from Mtoto Andei are apparently inseparable from those from the vicinity of Fort Hall. As with all ground squirrels, skins of this species are frequently stained from the soil and the color of the feet, tail, and even the entire body is sometimes greatly changed. This is especially so with animals living in red soil and the pigment can sometimes be seen with a strong glass.

Mearns records the mamme as $\frac{0}{0} - \frac{2}{2} - \frac{1}{1} = 3$ pairs, on a specimen. from Wambugu.

Family CRICETIDÆ.

Genus DIPODILLUS Lataste.

1881. Dipodillus Lataste, Le Naturaliste, vol. 1, p. 506. (D. simoni.)

Four forms of these pigmy gerbils are recognized in British East Africa; three of them are included in the National Museum collection. The fourth, described by Dollman from Voi as Dipodillus percivali, is probably the Gerbillus pusillus of Peters, the type of which came from Taita and is preserved in the Berlin Museum. Numerous species are known from northern Africa.

For measurements of specimens of Dipodillus see table, page 26.

DIPODILLUS WATERSI (de Winton).

1901. Gerbillus (Dipodillus) watersi de Winton, Nov. Zool., vol. 8, p. 399. December 31. (Shendi, Sudan; type in British Museum.)

1905. Dipodillus watersi Schwann, Nov. Zool., vol. 12, p. 3. January.

Specimens.—Three, as follows:

SUDAN: Kerma, 1 (Rothschild); Merowe, 2 (Rothschild).

This species is superficially very much like *Dipodillus stigmonyx* from Khartoum, but is slightly paler in color and has a smaller hind foot.

DIPODILLUS STIGMONYX (Heuglin).

1877. Meriones stigmonyx Heuglin, Reise Nordost-Afrika, vol. 2, p. 78. (Khartoum, Sudan.)

Specimens.—Six, including two in alcohol, as follows:

SUDAN: Khartoum (Heller, Loring).

DIPODILLUS DIMINUTUS Dollman.

1911. Dipodillus diminutus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, p. 520. May. (Nyama Nyango, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimen.—One, from—

British East Africa: Kurseine, Northern Guaso Nyiro (Heller).

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 14, p. 488. December, 1914.

² Mon. -ber. Akad. Berlin, 1878, p. 201.

Measurements of the pygmy gerbils of the genus Dipodillus.

| | Observations, | | | Teeth moderately worn. | Do. | Do. | | | Do. | Do. | Do. | Do. | | Teeth much worn, | | | Teeth moderately worn. | Do. | Do. | Do. |
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| | Mandi- bular tooth row. | | | 5. 4. | 3, 4 | 60° | | | 3.1 | 3,3 | 3 | ಣ | | ည့ 4 | | | 3.9 | 63 | 8 | 80 | 80 | 3.7 | တ | 3.7 | တ | 3.6 |
| | Maxil- lary tooth row. | | | 5.5 | 3,3 | 3,3 | | | 3.3 | 65 | 3.3 | 60 | | 33 | | | 3,00 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 80.00 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 800 | 4.0 | 30 |
| | Mandi- ble. | | | 12.3 | 11.2 | 11.4 | - | | 11.7 | 12.3 | 12.7 | 12.2 | | 12.5 | | | 12.7 | 13.3 | 13, 5 | 13.3 | 13.2 | 12.8 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 13.3 | 13.3 |
| | Length of auditory tory bulla. | Annual Control of the | | 9.7 | 7.1 | 7.4 | | - | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.8 | | 7.3 | | | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 7.5 |
| 1 | Breadth Length of of brain-tory case. | | | | 11.2 | 11.3 | | | 11.5 | 11.8 | 12.0 | 11.8 | | 11.7 | | | 12.1 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.6 | 12.7 | 12.2 | 11.4 | 12.3 | 12.1 | 12.0 |
| | Length of nasals. | | | 7.8 | 7.0 | 7.4 | | | 7.8 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 8.3 | | 9.0 | | _ | 9.4 | 9.4 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 9.8 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 9.8 |
| | Skull: Great- Condy- iobasal length. breadth. | | | | 11.8 | 12.2 | | | 12.0 | 12.8 | 13.2 | 12.6 | | 12.7 | | | 12.8 | 13.4 | 13.5 | 13.3 | 13.5 | 13.2 | 12.6 | 13, 3 | 13.5 | 13.2 |
| | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | | | | : | 19.8 | | 1 Marie Comp | 20.3 | 21.3 | 22. 2 | 21.3 | | 21.7 | | | 21.8 | 21.9 | 22.9 | 22.9 | 22.6 | 21.9 | 22.2 | 21.8 | 22.8 | 22. 1 |
| | Hind foot | | | 21 | 20 | 20 | | | 21 | 24 | 24 | 22 | | 19 | | | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 |
| | Tail verte- bræ. | | | 90 | S | 87 | | | 93 | 108 | 120 | 111 | | 100 | | | 107 | 96 | 112 | 100 | 101 | 107 | 102 | 102 | 109 | 106 |
| | Head and body. | | | 69 | 69 | 74 | | | 89 | 80 | 80 | 20 | | 72 | | | 78 | 80 | 98 | 80 | 85 | 77 | SI | 28 | 83 | 18 |
| | Sex. | | | Female. | Male | do | | | do | do | do | do | | Female. | | | Male | do | do | do | do | do | do | Female. | do | do |
| | No. | | | 141502 | 141503 | 141504 | | | 165283 | 165284 | 165285 | 165286 | | 183924 | | | 162326 | 162293 | 162295 | 162297 | 162298 | 162300 | 162303 | 162287 | 162288 | 162291 |
| And the second s | Form and locality. | D. watersi. | Sudan: | Kerma | Merowe | Do | D. stigmonyx. | Sudan: | Khartoum | Do | Do | Do | D. diminutus. | B. E. A.: N. Guaso Nyiro | D. h. harwoodi. | B. E. A.: | Lake Naivasha | Do | Do | Do |

| Do. | | Do. | Tee | Teeth moderately worn. | | Teeth much worn. | Teeth moderately worn. | | 190. | | | Do. | Do. | | | |
|-------------|----------|------|--------|------------------------|--------|------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------|----------|--------|---------|
| 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 80 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 80 | 3.9 | 83 | 3.5 | | | 3.0 | 3. 4 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.6 |
| 3.0 | 3.9 | 3, 9 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 4.1 | 3.0 | 60 | | | 3.7 | 4.0 | 8.00 | 3, 7 | 4.0 |
| 12.6 | 13.0 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 12.9 | 13.3 | 14.0 | 13.8 | 13, 5 | 13.6 | | | 12.8 | 13.5 | 13.8 | 13.0 | 13.3 |
| 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 2.8 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.4 | | | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.6 |
| 12.1 | 11.9 | 12.1 | 12,3 | 12.4 | 12.2 | 12.4 | 12.6 | 12.2 | 12, 5 | | | 12.1 | 12.5 | 12.5 | 12.6 | 12.2 |
| 9.5 | 8.6 | 9.4 | 9.7 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 10.2 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 10.0 | | | 9.9 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 8.9 | |
| 12.8 | 13, 2 | 12.9 | 13,1 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.8 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.8 | | | 13.0 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.3 |
| 21.8 | 22.0 | 21.7 | 21.3 | 22.8 | 22.5 | 22.7 | 22.2 | 22.8 | 23.1 | | | 22.6 | 22.6 | 23.0 | 22.2 | 22.6 |
| 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 21 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 22 | | | 21 | 22 | 21 | 21 | 23 |
| 105 | 107 | 101 | 66 | 86 | 101 | - 66 | 101 | 104 | 102 | | | - 86 | 66 | - 26 | 103 | 95 |
| 75 | 08 08 | 7.5 | 80 | 78 | 22 | 22 | 0× | 80 | 77 | | | SI | 08. | \$ 00° | 77 | 80 |
| 162292 [do] | do | do | do | do | do | do | do | do | Male | | | 162274do | 162275do | 162276do | do | Female. |
| 162292 | 162305 | | 162307 | 162308 | 162310 | 162311 | 162312 | 162314 | 162319 | | | 162274 | 162275 | 162276 | 162282 | 162273 |
| | 1,10, | 1)0 | Το | Do | 13o | Do | Po | I)0 | | D. h. lutcus. | B. E. A.: | So. Guaso Nyiro River | Do | Do | Do | 130 |

The soles of the feet in this specimen are more hairy than in any specimen of *Dipodillus harwoodi*, but do not approach in this respect the conditions usual in *Gerbillus* or in *Taterillus*.

DIPODILLUS HARWOODI HARWOODI (Thomas).

1901. Gerbillus (Dipodillus) harwoodi Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 8, p. 275. October. (Lake Naivasha, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Dipodillus harwoodi Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 472, 477, 484: London ed., pp. 484,488,495. (Part; specimens from Naivasha.)

Specimens.—Forty-nine, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Lake Naivasha, 43, including 10 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Naivasha Station, 6 (Loring).

On the sandy desert flats on the southwest side of Lake Naivasha they [D. harwoodi] were abundant. The holes running obliquely into the ground were sometimes blocked with sand from the inside. On the opposite side of the lake there was less sand, and here the gerbilles were found only in spots. In sand alone the burrows resembled those described, but where the ground was hard they entered almost perpendicular and were never blocked. Often seed pods and tiny cockle burrs were strewn about the entrances.

DIPODILLUS HARWOODI LUTEUS Dollman,

1910. Dipodillus harwoodi Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 477, 484; London ed., pp. 488, 495. (Part; specimens from Southern Guaso Nyiro region.)

¹ Loring, in Roosevelt's African Game Trails, Appendix C, p. 484. 1910.

1914. Dipodillus luteus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 14, p. 489. December. (Southern Guaso Nyiro, Nyanza Province, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Nine, including three in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Southern Guaso Nyiro River (Loring, Heller, Mearns).

The Southern Guaso Nyiro form of the pygmy gerbil is closely related to true *harwoodi* of Naivasha. It is distinguished only by its paler and brighter color.¹

Mearns records the color of the iris in this animal as dark brown.

Genus TATERILLUS Thomas.

1910. Taterillus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 222. August. (T. emini.)

Although several forms of gerbils of the genus *Taterillus* have been recorded from British East Africa northward into Sudan, only one species was obtained by the Smithsonian African Expedition and no other specimens have ever reached the museum from any source.

TATERILLUS EMINI (Thomas).

1892. Gerbillus emini Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 9, p. 78.

January. (Wadelai, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

1910. Tatera emini Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimens.—Five, from localities as follows:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 1 (Loring).

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 4, including 1 in alcohol (Loring).

Genus TATERA Lataste.

1882. Tatera Lataste, Le Naturaliste, vol. 4, p. 126. (T. indicus.)

1897. Gerbilliscus Thomas, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 433. (T. böhmi.) [Valid as a subgenus.]

1917. Taterona Wroughton, Journ. Bombay Nat. Hist. Soc., vol. 25, No. 1, p. 40. (T. afra.)

Two well marked subgenera of gerbils referable to *Tatera* are found in East Africa. Typical *Tatera* is widely distributed and is abundantly represented in the museum collection. The second subgenus *Gerbilliscus*, is represented in the collection by only a single form. This is the large white-tailed gerbil of the *böhmi* group which is abundant in the Southern Guaso Nyiro region of British East Africa, and which was described by Heller as *Tatera varia*.

In describing the genus *Taterona*, Wroughton has separated the species usually referred to *Tatera* Lataste into two groups, the African forms all going into his new genus while *Tatera* is restricted to Asia. The characters used seem to be of too little value to justify such a proceeding; of those mentioned, the shape of the lateral parietal

¹ Not "duller," as stated by Dollman in the original description.

sutures alone appears to be fairly constant, and it seems of trifling importance. Some specimens of African species have a dark stripe along the under side of the tail, one of the chief characters used by Wroughton to distinguish the Asiatic species (see below, under Tatera vicina vicina).

For measurements of specimens of Tatera see table, pages 33-35.

TATERA VICINA VICINA (Peters).

1878. Gerbillus vicinus Peters, Mon.-ber. Kön. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1878, p. 200. (Kitui, Ukamba, British East Africa; type in Berlin Museum.)

1906. Talera mombasæ Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 17, p. 493. May. (Takangu, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Tatera mombasæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimens.—Sixty-one, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 8, including 3 in alcohol (Mearns); Maji-ya-chumvi, 10 (Heller); Mariakani, 1 (Heller); Mazeras, 28 (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 1 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 13, including 3 in alcohol (Heller).

I am unable to distinguish by any characters whatever specimens from the coast region near Mombasa from specimens collected at Mtoto Andei, which are presumably typical of vicina. Mtoto Andei is in the same kind of country as is Kitui, the type locality of vicina. An intensity of color would naturally be looked for in the coast specimens, but these are not darker on the average than skins from farther inland. There is a remarkable variation in the color of the tails in the entire lot. Some are entirely blackish on the terminal third, have a broad stripe of dark brown above, and a narrow stripe below, so that the light brownish colored area below is much restricted. Others have only a narrow stripe of brown along the upper side and have the entire under side light buffy. Between these extremes are all degrees of variation.

Mearns records the color of the iris as dark brown. Heller gives records of embryos as follows: Maji-ya-chumvi, December 10, five; December 12, five. Heller's manuscript notes on the type-specimen of *Gerbillus vicinus* Peters in the Berlin Museum are as follows:

Type, 5273, Kitui (Coll. Hildebrandt). Marked in Peter's writing with name, and no doubt the type. Skull with only rostrum and molars intact; braincase broken badly. One other specimen mounted, but skull of this only represented by tip of rostrum with incisors.

TATERA VICINA POTHÆ Heller.

Plate 12,

1910. Tatera pothæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, p. 2. July 22. (Potha, Kapiti Plains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Tatera pothæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 472, 476; London ed., pp. 484, 488. Specimens.—Thirty, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Kapiti Plains, 10, including three in alcohol (Loring); Suswa Plains, 1 (Heller); Ulukenia Hills, 19, including 5 in alcohol (Loring).

This is a very slightly differentiated subspecies. In color it is almost precisly as in true *vicina*, but the tail is lighter colored and apparently never becomes blackish as in the coast form. In African Game Trails, Roosevelt and Heller say of this form:

Common on the Athi Plains, in open ground at the foot of the hills. Live in short grass, not bush. Nocturnal. Live in burrows, each burrow often possessing several entrances, and sometimes several burrows, all inhabited by same animal, not communicating.

Loring found four embryos, each 17 mm. long, in a female collected November 28 at Ulukenia Hills.

TATERA VICINA ICONICA Dollman.

1911. Tatera iconica Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, p. 521.
May. (Nyama Nyango, Northern Guaso Nyiro; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Seventeen, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Isiola River, 3 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Gargues, 4 (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 2 (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 8, including 4 in alcohol, (Heller).

This is another slight color subspecies of *T. vicina*. There appear to be no skull characters to distinguish it from true *vicina* or from *pothæ*, and the color difference is only average. Certain specimens almost exactly match in every detail specimens of *vicina*, but the series as a whole appears slightly paler with less indication of a darker dorsal area.

TATERA NIGRICAUDA NIGRICAUDA (Peters).

1878. Gerbillus nigricaudus Peters, Mon.-ber. Kön. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1878, p. 200. (Ndi, Taita, British East Africa; type in Berlin Museum.)

Specimens.—Four, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Maji-ya-chumvi, 1 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Voi, 1 (Heller).

Notwithstanding the great difference in the color of the tail between typical examples of nigricauda and vicina, there are numerous young examples which have been placed with the series of vicina which might equally well be supposed to belong under nigricauda. I can find no characters whatever to separate the two species except the color of the tail, and as shown under remarks on Tatera vicina vicina there is almost every intermediate stage in color pattern between the lightest and darkest colored tails in that form; and the step to the totally black tail of "nigricauda" is small.

The greatest skull length of Peters's type-specimen is given as 49 mm., and Wroughton records a specimen in the British Museum

with a greatest skull length of 52 mm. These measurements far exceed the dimensions of any specimen in our collection; the longest skull before me measures 41.5 in greatest length, but this specimen is a female with teeth only moderately worn and might somewhat exceed these measurements if older. No really old male skulls are in the collection, and I am consequently unable to determine to my own satisfaction the status of nigricauda and vicina, but I shall not be surprised if later some worker with more adult material than seems at present available, combines the two in a single species, which would take the name nigricauda.

Heller's notes on the type-specimens of Gerbillus nigricaudus Peters, which he examined at Berlin, are as follows:

Skull No. 5278, Taita (Coll. Hildebrandt). Skin destroyed by insects and thrown away. Skull perfect, except one zygomatic arch gone.

TATERA NIGRICAUDA NYAMA Dollman.

1911. Tatera nigricauda nyama DOLLMAN. Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, p. 522. May. (Nyama Nyango, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Nineteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Archer's Post, 2 (Heller): Isiola River, 8 (Heller); Lakiundu River, 2 (Heller); Mount Gargues, 1 (Heller); Orr Valley, Mount Nyiro, 6 (Percival).

I find it equally hard to separate satisfactorily specimens of this form from Tatera vicina iconica, as with the case of nigricauda and vicina of eastern British East Africa. There are no very old skulls of males in the series which may account for my trouble, but I have been unable to find any character other than the rather unsatisfactory one of relative amount of black in the coloration of the tail to distinguish nyama from iconica.

The specimens from Orr Valley are much paler, more rusty colored than the skins from the Northern Guaso Nyiro region, but are apparently in a different state of pelage and are hardly comparable. They were collected in March and early April while the Guaso Nyiro skins were taken in July and September. Skins taken at the same season might show the animals from the two localities to be slightly different. A subspecies from a comparatively short distance to the north on the Sagan River, Bodessa, southern Abyssinia, was recently described by Frick as Tatera nigricauda bodessæ.

TATERA NIGRICAUDA PERCIVALI Heller.

Plate 13.

1914. Tatera nigracauda (sic) percivali Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 8. June 24. (Lorian Swamp, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, the type, from—

British East Africa: Lorian Swamp (Percival).

¹ Ann. Carnegie Museum, vol. 9, p. 14. June 6, 1914.

I can add no information regarding the status of this form beyond what is given in the original diagnosis. The type-specimen, a rather young adult female, is considerably paler, more buffy, than any specimen of *Tatera n. nyama* in the collection, and the form will doubtless stand as a color subspecies of the *vicina-nigricauda* group.

TATERA LIODON DUNDASI Wroughton.

1909. Tatera dundasi Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 539.

December. (Kirui, Mount Elgon, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

BRITISH EAST AFRICA: Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau (Heller).

TATERA LIODON SMITHI Wroughton.

1909. Tatera smithi Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 3, p. 249.

March. (Mubende, Unyoro, Uganda, type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Fifteen, from localities as follows:

UGANDA: Kikandwa, 1 (Loring); Kikonda, 5 (Loring); Kisimbiri,

2 (Loring); Kisingo, 3 (Loring); Lialo, 1 (Loring).

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 3 (Heller).

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TATERA NIGRITA Wroughton.

1906. Tatera nigrita Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 17, p. 491.

May. (Masindi, Unyoro, Uganda, type in British Museum.)

1910. Tatera nigrita Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimen.—One, as follows:

UGANDA: Kisimbiri (Loring).

Specimens of this small, dark *Tatera* might easily be mistaken for the young of the larger *Tatera liodon smithi*, which occurs at the same localities.

TATERA MACROPUS (Heuglin).

1864. Meriones macropus Heuglin, Nov. Act. Acad. Caes. Leop.-Car. Germ. Nat. Cur., Dresden, vol. 31, Article 7, p. 9. (Between Djur and Kosanga Rivers, Bongo, Sudan.)

Specimens.—Eight, as follows:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 1 skull only (Loring).

UGANDA: Ledgus, 1 (Loring); Lombeki River, 1 (Loring); Ni-

mule, 5, including 1 in alcohol (Heller, Loring).

These specimens have been compared in London by Heller with skins from Bor, Sudan, identified as *Tatera macropus*. The form represented is in color very much like *Tatera liodon smithi* from farther south in Uganda, but is less dark. The skulls are much as in *smithi*, but have decidedly lighter colored incisors which show deeper grooves on the face than usual in *smithi*.

Measurements of specimens of Tatera.

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Measurements of specimens of Tatera—Continued.

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| Upper tooth row. | 0 | ం య | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 6.1 | | | 6.8 | 6.5 | | | 6.4 | 6.9 | 6.5 | 6.1 | 6.8 | 6.7 | | 6.5 |
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| Length audi- tory bulla. | σ 9 | 10.8 | 11.3 | 11.7 | 10.7 | | 10.7 | 11.3 | 10.3 | 11.0 | 10.3 | | | 11.4 | 10.4 | | | 10.9 | 12.3 | 11.0 | 11.0 | 11.8 | 11.0 | | 10.9 |
| Length audinasals. bulla. | 20 | 17.3 | 18.0 | 19.6 | 17.5 | | 17.1 | 18, 5 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 16.8 | | | 17.5 | 16.4 | 1. | | 16.3 | 19.1 | 19.3 | 17.2 | 17.7 | 17.8 | Facility (Samuel | 16.7 |
| Zygo- Length matie nasals. | 4 00 | 20.2 | 20.4 | 21.2 | 20.2 | | 20.2 | 20.7 | 19.8 | 19.7 | 19.4 | | | 20.8 | 18.9 | | | 19.2 | 23. 2 | 20.3 | 19.4 | 20.4 | 20.5 | | 19.6 |
| Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | 72 | 36.8 | 37.3 | 39.0 | 36.4 | | 35.4 | 37.9 | 35.2 | 36.5 | 35.2 | | | 37.7 | 35.3 | | | 35.1 | 39. 4 | 37.9 | 35.4 | 37.3 | 36.7 | | 32.8 |
| Ear. | ! | | | | | | 23 | 23 | 23 | 21 | 21 | | | 22 | | | | 22 | 25 | 21 | 20 | 21 | 23 | | 21 |
| Hind foot. | 37 | 32. | 36 | 35 | 35 | | 36 | 36 | 34 | 36 | 36 | | | 37 | 37 | | | 35 | 38 | 37 | 36 | 37 | 37 | | 35 |
| Tail verte- bræ. | 199 | 132 | 182 | 203 | 181 | | 190 | 195 | 191 | 183 | 188 | | | 183 | 175 | | | 182 | 177 | 204 | 178 | 196 | 191 | | 170 |
| Head and body. | 14. | 130 | 142 | 152 | 143 | | 1.10 | 145 | 130 | 145 | 138 | | | 145 | 140 | | | 134 | 155 | 150 | 140 | 140 | 150 | | 133 |
| Sex. | Male | Female | do | do | do | | Male | do | Fernale. | do | Malo | | | Female | Male | | | Female | Male | do | do | Female | do | | 183945do |
| No. | 161718 | 161712 | 161714 | 91/1911 | 161717 | | 183950 | 183953 | 183951 | 183952 | 183953 | | | 183946 | 183947 | | | 183933 | 183944 | 183943 | 183938 | 183934 | 183937 | | 1 183945 |
| Form and locality. | T. v. pothæ—Continued. B. E. A.—Continued. Kaniti Plains | | Do | Do | Do | В. Е. А.: | Mount Gargues | Do | Do | Do | N. Guaso Myiro | T. n. nigricandu. | В. Е. А.: | Voi | Maji-ya-chumvi | T. n. nyama. | B. E. A.: | Orr Valley | Mount Gargues | Lakiundu River | Isiola River | Do | Do | T. n. percivali. | B. E. A.: Lorian Swamp |

| | Toeth considerably worn. | Do. | | Teeth moderately worn. | Do. | Teeth much worn. | Teeth moderately worn. | Do. | Do. | Do. | Do, | Do. | Do. | | Do. | | Poort Hittle werm | recon none worth: | Teeth considerably worn. | Teeth moderately worm. | Do. | Do. | | Do. | | Teeth much worn. | Teeth moderately worn. | Do. | Teeth much worn. | Do. | Do. |
|-----------|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------|------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------|--------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------|------------------|--------|---------|
| | 7.3 | 7.4 | | 7.5 | 6.3 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.2 | | 6.8 | | 1 | | 4. | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.9 | | 5, 4 | | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 | .33 |
| | 7.3 | 7.4 | | 7. 4 | 6.6 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.3 | | 8.9 | | 0 | 0.0 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.8 | | 5.9 | | 7.6 | 4.7 | 7.5 | er ∞° | 6:3 | .; ∞ |
| | 25.3 | 24.8 | | 24, 4 | 22, 5 | 24.7 | 24.5 | 23.8 | 23.8 | 24.2 | 23.8 | 22.8 | 23.3 | | 19.2 | | 01 6 | 0.17 | 24. 2 | 21.4 | 21.6 | 23.4 | | 19, 9 | | 26.8 | 25.4 | 25.5 | 27.4 | 26.8 | 27.7 |
| | 12.3 | 11.4 | | 11,3 | 10,6 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 11.2 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 11.3 | | 10.1 | | 10.0 | 10. z | 11.3 | 11.1 | 11.0 | 11.3 | | 10,4 | | 11.4 | 11.4 | 11.11 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.9 |
| Mayoria | 17.6 | 16.5 | | 16, 4 | 16.0 | 17.8 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 16.2 | 16.8 | 16.8 | 15.3 | 16.2 | | 13.8 | | 10 1 | 19.6 | 16.5 | 14.5 | 15.2 | 16.2 | | 15.7 | | 19.7 | 17.3 | 17.5 | 18.6 | 17.9 | 18.9 |
| | 22. 1 | 20.5 | | 20.8 | 19.6 | 21.9 | 21.2 | 20. S | 20.4 | 20.3 | 19.9 | 20.4 | 20.5 | | : | | 10.7 | 10.1 | 21.7 | 19.5 | 18.1 | 20.0 | | 18.1 | | 24.0 | 23. 1 | 23.3 | 23.9 | 24. 4 | 24.7 |
| | 41.0 | 39.1 | | 38, 9 | 37.7 | 39.6 | 38.8 | 38.3 | 38.2 | 38.7 | 38.4 | 36.7 | 37.5 | | 32.4 | | 0.40 | 0.1.0 | 38.7 | 36.2 | 35.7 | 37.4 | | 33. 0 | | 42.0 | 38.7 | 39.6 | 41.5 | 41.0 | 41.7 |
| - | 22 | 21 | | 17 | 18 | 19 | 17 | 18 | 15 | : | 16 | 18 | 20 | | 14 | | 6 | 07 | 21 | 21 | : | : | | 17 | | : | : | : | : | : | |
| | 38 | 37 | | 34 | 32 | 34 | 35 | 34 | 34 | 36 | 35 | 34 | 33 | | 32 | | à | 0; | 34 | 36 | 33 | 34 | | 23 | | 43 | 43 | 43 | 44 | 43 | 44 |
| | 172 | 191 | | 160 | 143 | 159 | 169 | 162 | 163 | 170 | 178 | 158 | 168 | | 1.40 | | 1 40 | 7.1 | 162 | 145 | 136 | 162 | | 170 | | 239 | 227 | : | 227 | 228 | 236 |
| | 175 | 170 | | 178 | 157 | 169 | 165 | 163 | 158 | 163 | 691 | 153 | 140 | | 142 | | | I-FO | 165 | 150 | 137 | 160 | | 123 | | 169 | 163 | 168 | 185 | 170 | 192 |
| | | | | | | | - | | | | | | 1 | | 4 | | _ | : | : | - | - | - | | - | | | | | | | |
| | Male | Fernalo, | | Male | ф | Female. | do | do | do | Male | do | Female. | do | | do | | - 7 | 00 | do | do | do | do. | | Male. | | do | do | do | Female. | do | do |
| | 163409 | 163408 | | 165302 | 165303 | 165304 | 165305 | 165306 | 165301 | 165299 | 165300 | 165298 | 183925 | | 165294 | | * O M O * | 162501 | 165292 | 165293 | 165309 | 165307 | | 141501 | | 1162249 | 162251 | 162253 | 162259 | 162269 | 162272 |
| F. E. A.: | Nzoia River | Do | Tounds. T. l. smithi. | Kikonda | Do | Do | Do | Do | Lialo | Kisingo | Do | Do | B. E. A.: Kaimosi | $T.\ nigrita.$ | B. E. A.: Kisimbiri | T. macropus. | Samue. | N imule | Do | Do | Lombeki River | Ledgus | T. robusta. | Sudan: Naikhala | B. F. A. T. b. varia. | So. Guaso Nviro River | Ро | | Do | Do | Do |

The single odd skull from Rhino Camp, Lado, is younger than any specimen from Uganda, but appears to represent the same form. It is really of little importance except to prove the presence of some species of *Tatera* at that locality. A form of the *liodon* group has been described by Thomas from the upper Welle River, Congo, as *Tatera dichrura*. This locality is comparatively near to Lado, but is in the Congo drainage and it is probably doubtful if *dichrura* extends into the Nile watershed at Rhino Camp, although certain large mammals cross the low divide.

It would not be surprising, in view of the close resemblance, if the form here under consideration was found eventually to intergrade with *Tatera liodon smithi* along the east side of Albert Nyanza.

TATERA ROBUSTA (Cretzschmar).

- 1826. Meriones robustus Cretzschmar, Atlas Reise nördl. Afrika von Rüppell, vol. 1, p. 75, pl. 29, fig. b. (Ambukol, Sudan; type in Frankfort Museum.)
- 1902. Tatera robustus Anderson, Zool. Egypt, Mamm., p. 265.
- 1905. Tatera robustus Schwann, Nov. Zool., vol. 12, p. 2. January.
- 1906. Tatera robusta Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 17, p. 494. May.

Specimen.—One, as follows:

SUDAN: Naikhala (Rothschild).

TATERA BÖHMI VARIA Heller.

Plate 12.

- 1910. Tatera varia Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, p. 1. July 22. (Southern Guaso Nyiro River, British East Africa: type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)
- 1910. Tatera varia Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 472, 476; London ed., pp. 484, 488.

Specimens.—Thirty, including one in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Southern Guaso Nyiro River (Loring, Heller).

This splendid series contains specimens of all ages from young in the first pelage to old adults. The juvenile coat is dark and glossy, much darker than in adults; this is followed by a paler post-juvenile pelage of dull grayish buff which is quite different from the brighter coat of adults. The species belongs to the subgenus Gerbilliscus.

Lives in the open plains, among the grass; not among bushes, nor at foot of hills. Lives in burrows, one animal apparently having several, each burrow with a little mound at the entrance. Nocturnal. (Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 476.)

Genus LOPHIOMYS Milne-Edwards.

- 1867. Lophiomys Milne-Edwards, L'Institut, vol. 35, p. 46. February 6. (L. imhausii.)
- 1867. Phractomys Peters, Zeitsch. Naturw. Halle, vol. 29, p. 195. February. (L. æthiopicus.)

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 147. August, 1915.

Although a few specimens of the maned rat find their way into collections from time to time, the animal is still so rare that no suitable series are available for study. If all the collections in various museums were combined it would still be impossible to form any correct idea of the relationships of the named forms, and it will doubtless be many years before sufficient material has accumulated. All the forms known from British East Africa are represented in our collection, with the exception of Lophiomys testudo Thomas from Ravine Station, the type-specimen of which remains to this date unique.

For measurements of specimens of Lophiomys see table, page 39.

LOPHIOMYS BOZASI Oustalet.

1902. Lophiomys bozasi Oustalet, Bull. Mus. Hist. Nat. Paris, 1902, p. 400. (Goba, southern Abyssinia; type in Paris Museum.)

1910. L[ophiomys] bozasi Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, р 223. August.

Specimen.—One, as follows:

Abyssinia: Let Marefia, Shoa (Ragazzi).

Mr. Thomas believes that this form will prove to be identical with L. æthiopicus Peters, the type-specimen of which came from Maman, Sudan.

LOPHIOMYS THOMASI Heller.

Plate 14.

1912. Lophiomys thomasi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 4.
July 5, 1912. (Mount Gargues, Mathews Range, British East Africa, 6,000 feet; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Three, as follows:

BRITISH EAST AFRICA: Mount Gargues (Heller).

Heller records the stomach contents of one specimen as leaves and seeds; of the two others leaves only.

This is a distinct species, with a much smaller skull than the neighboring forms, bozasi on the north and hindei on the south.

According to Heller's notes these three specimens were caught in rock crevices above permanent water in an old creek bed in rank, weedy vegetation. The two females were quite gentle and could be stroked after taken from the traps. They were slow and dazed in their movements but when disturbed made a series of faint puffs or sneezes, apparently to alarm the aggressor. The old male, however, bit savagely when irritated and made a coughy, sneezy bark when angry. Held by the tail they were unable to turn up and bite. Heller believes these *Lophiomys* to be strictly rock-dwellers, notwithstanding reports of their living in holes of trees. His captive specimens were apparently unable to climb and when placed in the fork of a tree soon fell out.

LOPHIOMYS IBEANUS IBEANUS Thomas.

Plate 2.

1910. L[ophiomys] ibeanus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, pp. 223 and 224. August. (Mile 513, Uganda Railway, between Londiani and Lumbwa stations, Mau region, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. L[ophiomys] ibeanus ibeanus Тномах, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 223. August.

1912. Lophiomys ibeanus Baker, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 9, p. 1, pl. 1. May 17.

Specimens.—Three, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Naivasha Escarpment, 1 (Heller) Nakuru, 2, including one with complete skeleton (Goldfinch).

The two specimens from Nakuru were obtained alive by Mr. A. B. Baker of the National Zoological Park from Mr. G. H. Goldfinch, Assistant Game Warden of British East Africa. Mr. Baker has published some notes on these specimens, from which I extract the following:

This species of *Lophiomys* occurs in the higher part of British East Africa and is known only to the Wandorobo, a tribe of expert hunters, who explore every corner of the forests. Mr. Goldfinch was well aquainted with the game of that region and with its animals generally, but this one he knew only from descriptions given by the natives. At his urgent request they secured two specimens in the forest near Nakuru, at about 8,000 feet altitude. These he forwarded to Nairobi, whence they were shipped with the collection of animals which had been presented to the Park by Mr. W. N. McMillan of that place. One died at Port Said, while on the way to America, and the other came through safely.

Mr. Goldfinch states that *Lophiomys* is arboreal and lives in the thick forest of the high country, feeding on leaves and tender shoots, also that the natives are averse to handling the animal, believing its bite to be poisonous. It is, he says, "very rare or only got by accident here." In captivity it eats cabbage, sweet potatoes, and other vegetables, and is especially fond of sweet potato leaves and the endive salad plant. It is strictly nocturnal, and its slow movements are very suggestive of the Canada porcupine (*Erethizon dorsatus*).

From Heller's experience with Lophiomys thomasi and the fact that the Naivasha Escarpment specimen of L. ibeanus was snared in the rocks, on hyrax runways on a cliff, it seems probable that the story of the arborial habits of Lophiomys is a myth.

LOPHIOMYS IBEANUS HINDEI Thomas.

1910. L[ophiomys] i[beanus] hindei Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 223. August. (Mutaragwa, Aberdare Mountains, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimen.—One skull as follows:

British East Africa: West side of Mount Kenia at 8,500 feet (Loring).

¹ Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 9, p.2. May 17, 1912.



EAST AFRICAN MANED RAT.
FOR EXPLANATION OF PLATE SEE PAGE 171.



Measurements of specimens of Lophiomys.

| Condition of teeth | Moderately worn. | Do. Little worn. Do | Moderately worn. Do. Do. | Do. |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Lower tooth row, alveoli. | 13.1 | 11.8 | 12.4 12.8 12.2 | |
| Upper tooth row, alveoli. | 14.1 | 13.2 | 12.9 13.5 12.8 | 12.8 |
| Mandi- | 7.14 | 36.3 | 39.6 40.7 38.8 | |
| Inter- orbital breadth. | | 14.4 13.6 13.2 | 14.8 14.8 11.0 | 16.1 |
| Mas- toid breadth. | 25.8 | 22.3 21.9 22.5 | 22.7 23.5 21.8 | |
| Median length nasals. | 24.7 | 20.4 | 22.8 22.1 21.4 | |
| Greatest breadth. | 41.9 | 35.4 35.4 | 39.5 | 41.1 |
| Skull: Condy-Greatest length lobasal breadth. nasals, | 99 | 85 45 5 | 60 60 | |
| Hind foot. | | 14 4 | 51 | |
| Tail verte- bræ. | | 165 | 215 | |
| Head and body. | | 270 | 292 | |
| Sex. | Male | 181789do 184114 Female. 184115do | Male do | |
| No. | 25465 | 1181789 184114 184115 | 155360 172694 164571 | 200952 |
| Loeality. | Abyssinia: Let Marefia L. horasi. | B. E. A.: Mount Gargues Do. Do. L. i. ibcanus. | B. E. A.: Nakuru Do. Nalvasha Escarpmont. L. i. hindci. | Mount Kenia |

Type,

On account of its large size I have referred this specimen to hindei, although I quite agree with Doctor Lönnberg's statement that "it appears hardly possible to maintain L. i. hindei as a subspecies as it only differs in size," and the specimen recorded by him from the Mau Escarpment (the type region of ibeanus) exceeds in cranial dimensions the type of hindei. The large masseteric knob which has been given as a specific character of ibeanus is characteristic of the old male, and is wanting in young adult male and adult female skulls in our collection. Sufficiently large series of skulls of Lophiomys to work out the ordinary individual variation and the increase in size with age are greatly desired.

Family RHIZOMYIDÆ.

Genus TACHYORYCTES Rüppell.

[1835.] Tachyoryctes Rüppell, Neue Wirbelth. Fauna Abyssinien gehorig. Säug., p. 35. 1835–1840. (T. splendens.)

1843. Chrysomys Gray, List Mamm. British Museum, p. 150. (T. splendens.)

The United States National Museum collection contains eight forms of the East African mole-rat. While these are all closely related species, all have constant characters of differentiation, and intergradation between any two of them is not indicated by this material. There is in no case any doubt as to where any given specimen should be listed. When collections have been made over all parts of British East Africa and Abyssinia numerous forms will doubtlessly be connected by complete chains of intergrades and the final monographer of the genus will be obliged to reduce many of the named forms to the rank of subspecies. Six currently recognized forms are not represented in our collection. These are splendens Rüppell, 1835, and macrocephalus Rüppell, 1845, from Abyssinia; annectens Thomas, 1891, doubtfully from Lake Naivasha; badius and storeyi Thomas, 1909, from Eldoma Ravine and Lake Elmenteita, British East Africa; and somalicus Osgood, 1910, from Somaliland. The species described by Thomas in 1891, annectens, is larger than any form in our collection excepting rex of Mount Kenia; its type locality seems to be in question. but the specimen on which the name is based is supposed to have been collected somewhere in the vicinity of Lake Naivasha. All of our specimens from Lake Naivasha belong to a much smaller species described by Thomas in 1909 from the same region.

The examination of large series of specimens of *Tachyorctes* proves the utter lack of value of certain skull characters which have ordinarily been used in diagnosing new species. The shape of the nasal bones, for example, is so variable that skulls in almost any series exhibit the entire range of variation usual in the genus. The presence

¹ Kungl. Sv. Vet. Akad. Handl., vol. 48, No. 5, p. 101. 1912.

of conspicuous concavity, or a sharply marked reentrant curve on the outer lateral margin is purely individual and is not even an average character of value in differentiating forms.

Skins of females average darker than those of males in all species of mole-rats represented in the United States National Museum col-

lection except Tachyoryctes spalacinus.

In the table of measurements of specimens of this genus, dimensions of old adult examples only are given, the oldest animals in each series having been selected for this purpose. The majority of specimens in collections are rather young.

TACHYORYCTES RUDDI Thomas.

1909. Tachyoryctes ruddi Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 546. December. (Kirui, Mt. Elgon, British East Africa: type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Thirty-seven, as follows:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 2 in alcohol (Heller); Kakumega,

32 (Heller): Lukosa River, 3 (Heller).

This is the darkest species of Tachyoryctes in the collection. All of the young examples are intense black and a large proportion of the fully adult specimens are very dark blackish-brown or nearly black. As with other forms the females average darker than the males. Two nursing young were collected at Kakumega, February 16. Two adult females from the same place, February 15 and 16, each contained one embryo. TACHYORYCTES REX Heller.

Plate 15.

1910. Tachyoryctes rex Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, p. 4. July 22. (Western slope of Mount Kenia, 10,000 feet; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Tachyoryctes rex Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 485; London ed., pp. 485, 496.

Specimens.—Forty-nine, as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Kenia, west side, 49, including 2 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

These specimens were all collected at an altitude of from 9,000 to 10,700 feet. Mr. Heller says:

This is an extremely abundant species on Mount Kenia, where it inhabits a narrow zone at the upper edge of the bamboo forest where the moorland country first makes its appearance. The species is not found immediately below this area in the bamboo or yew forests, but another species appears on the grassy plains at the base of the mountain.1

Mr. Loring, who collected most of the specimens, has the following note on Tachyoryctes in Colonel Roosevelt's African Game Trails:2

Mole-rat mounds were common about the West Kenia Forest Station, but none were seen between 7,500 and 8,500 feet, and from this altitude they ranged to 11,000 feet.

¹ Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, p. 4. July 22, 1910.

² Appendix C, pp. 485, 486. 1910.

They inhabited all of the open grassy plots in the bamboo belt and in the open timber. The 'boys' snared many in nooses ingeniously placed in the runs that were opened and closed after the trap was set. While digging into the burrows, several times I found bulky nests of dried grass in side pockets just off the main runway. Most of them were empty, but one was filled with the animals' droppings.

This large, fluffy-haired mole-rat is obviously closely related to Tachyoryctes audax of the Aberdare Range, but exceeds the latter greatly in dimensions. The colors are much the same in the two species, but adult skulls of rex are very much larger than skulls of audax. There is more than ordinary difference in size of skulls of the sexes; female skulls are much smaller. Young examples are usually quite blackish and often have irregular blotches of white on the underparts. Loring records a female with one large embryo, October 5. Doctor Mearns notes the color of the iris as dark grayish brown.

The excellent series of forty-seven skulls of this species shows to good advantage the change in size of the teeth with age. A long suite of skulls having been laid out according to age, as judged by various characteristics of the skull and teeth, it is seen that there is a great change in the crown area of the molars during the animal's life. At first the actual crown area is small; it gradually increases in size with wear until a maximum is reached at about the time the external reentrant angle disappears from the pattern. There is then a gradual decrease in crown area; when old age is reached the size of the tooth again appears to be about as in the young adult period. In describing new forms as "smaller toothed" or "larger toothed," material should be compared with specimens of exactly the same age.

TACHYORYCTES SPALACINUS Thomas.

1909. Tachyoryctes spalacinus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 547. December. (Embi, near Mount Kenia, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Forty-one, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Nyeri, 1 (Loring); two day's journey east of Nyeri, 1 (T. Roosevelt); Wambugu, 39, including 1 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

As in related species all skins of very young animals in this series are wholly black. There is little or no average difference in the color of the sexes in our series of spalacinus; the species differs in this respect from all other forms of Tachyoryctes represented in the United States National Museum collection. The species is a handsome one, rich and dark in color. The skin of one old adult male is entirely black, like the skins of young animals. A conspicuous specific skull character is found in the upper incisors, which protrude far forward.

Mearns records the mamme as $\frac{2}{2} - \frac{0}{0} - \frac{2}{2} = 4$ pairs.

TACHYORYCTES AUDAX Thomas.

1910. Tachyoryctes audax Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 421.

May. (Aberdare Range, British East Africa, 10,000 feet; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Twenty-two, as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, summit, 11,000 feet, 15 (Heller); Aberdare Mountains, 9,100 feet and 10,500 feet, 3, including one in alcohol (Heller); Changongorra, Aberdare Range, 1 (Heller); Mayo River, 3 (Heller).

This large, pale mole-rat looks much like *Tachyoryctes rex* of Mount Kenia, but is smaller. In the series of 21 skins there are only two blackish specimens, both of which are young.

TACHYORYCTES NAIVASHÆ Thomas.

1909. Tachyoryctes naivashæ Тномаs, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 547. December. (Lake Naivasha, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Tachyoryctes annectens Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473; London ed., p. 485. (Not of Thomas.)

1910. Tachyoryctes splendens ibeanus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed.; p. 485; London, ed., p. 496. (Not of Thomas.)

Specimens.—Eighty, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Deep Dale, Loita Plains, 1 (Heller); Kabalolot Hill, 1 (Heller); Kijabe, 9, including eight odd skulls (Heller, Mearns); Lake Naivasha, 32, including 3 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns, Heller); Loita Plains, 4 in alcohol (Heller); Naivasha Station, 17 (Loring, Mearns); Oljoro O Nyon, 7 (Loring); Salt Marsh, Sotik, 1 skull (Heller); Sibi River, Southern Guaso Nyiro, 1 (Heller); Suswa Plains, 7 (Heller).

Specimens from Sotik and the Southern Guaso Nyiro do not differ appreciably from specimens collected around Lake Naivasha. Mr. Dollman has recorded naivashæ from Lemek Valley.

No example from this large series approaches in size the type of Tachyoryctes annectens (Thomas). No definite type locality for annectens has ever been fixed so far as I can discover. In the original diagnosis the habitat is given as "either Masai-land or inland British East Africa." Specimens accompanying the type were labelled as collected at Mianzini, just east of Lake Naivasha, and this place has evidently been considered the type region by Thomas in later subdivision of the genus, but I do not find that any later specimens have been referred to annectens. In all the United States National Museum collection of Tachyoryctes the only specimens which approach in size the type of annectens are the larger males of T. rex from Mount Kenia. There is an extraordinary difference in size of skulls

¹ Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1914, p. 317. June, 1914.

² Rhizomys annectens Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 7, p. 304, March, 1891; Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1891, p. 186.

³ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 547. December, 1909.

between sexes in T. naivashæ, but the largest males fall far short of the dimensions given for the type skull of annectens.

Skins of females from Naivasha Station average darker than females from the south end of Lake Naivasha. Only one blackish skin is present in the large series of naivashæ examined; the color is very uniform throughout the lot, except for the usual sexual difference, females averaging noticeably darker than males.

Loring furnished the following notes on this species for African Game Trails: 1

Some 15 miles west of Lake Naivasha mole rats became common, and on the sandy flats within 5 miles of the lake they were so abundant that our horses broke into their runways nearly every step. Their underground tunnels and the mounds of earth that were thrown out were similar to those made by the pocket gophers of the western United States. Many were snared by the porters and brought to camp alive. They would crawl about slowly, not attempting to run away, but looking for a hole o enter. After the lapse of a few seconds they would begin to dig. In any slight depression they began work, and when small roots of a tussock of grass intervened, they used their teeth until the obstruction was removed, and then with the nails of their front feet only, continued digging. As the hole deepened they threw the dirt out between their hind legs and with them still further beyond. After the earth had accumulated so that it drifted back they faced about, and using their chest as a scoop, pushed it entirely out of the way. They were most active in the evening, at night, and in early morning. Several were found dead near their holes, having evidently been killed by owls or small carnivorous mammals.

TACHYORYCTES IBEANUS Thomas.

1900. Tachyoryctes splendens ibeanus Thomas, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1900, p. 179. June 1. (Machakos, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Tachyorycles splendens ibeanus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479; London ed., pp. 485, 490.

Specimens.—Fifty-five, as follows:

British East Africa: Kyambu, 3 native skins (Loring); Nairobi, 52, including 13 in alcohol (Mearns, Loring.)

This species shows the maximum difference in color between adult males and females; the females are very much darker. Several skins have large, irregular white blotches on the underparts. Very young specimens are usually entirely black.

TACHYORYCTES DÆMON Thomas.

1892. Rhizomys splendens True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 464. (Not of Rüppell.)

1909. Tachyoryctes damon Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 545.

December. (Mount Kilimanjaro, East Africa, 5,000 feet; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Seven, as follows:

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Marangu, Mount Kilimanjaro, 6 (Abbott); Mount Kilimanjaro, 5,000 feet, 1 (Abbott).

Measurements of specimens of Tachyoryctes.

| Form and locality. | No. | Вөк, | Head and body. | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot. | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Lenoth of nasals. | Great- est breadth of nasals. | Length Mandi- of bulla. | Mandi- ble. | Upper tooth row, aveoli. | Lower tooth row, aveoli. | Onservations, |
|--------------------|----------|---------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| T. ruddt. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Какитеда | 184119 | Маве | 180 | 70 | 27 | 45 | 29.7 | 16.6 | 6.1 | 10.2 | 30.9 | 8.7 | 9.5 | Basal suture obliterated. |
| Do | 181131 | do | 190 | 138 | 65 | 97 | 33.0 | 19.1 | 6.3 | 9.01 | 32.9 | 8,4 | 9.3 | Do. |
| Do | 184146 | do | 190 | 7.3 | 28 | 4.5 | 32.2 | 17.9 | 6.4 | 10.4 | 30.9 | 9.3 | 10.6 | 1)0. |
| 1)0 | 184149 | do | 190 | 57 | 26 | 45 | 31.0 | 17.0 | 5.9 | 9.9 | 31.6 | 9.8 | 10.3 | Do |
| Do | 184120 | Female. | 190 | 9/ | 65 | 46 | 32.0 | 18.1 | 5.8 | 10.8 | 31.8 | 8.6 | 10.0 | Do. |
| 1)0 | 184132 | op | 185 | 7.3 | 28 | 45 | 31.4 | 16.7 | 5.5 | 9.5 | 30.1 | 9.7 | 10.3 | Do. |
| J)0 | 184135 | do | 180 | 7.0 | 27 | 77 | 30.2 | 17.5 | 8.3 | 9.7 | 30.9 | 8.6 | 9.8 | Do. |
| I)o | 184147 | do | 170 | 89 | 28 | 4.4 | 31.0 | 17.0 | 5.7 | 9.5 | 31.4 | 89. | 8.6 | Do. |
| T. rex. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Ivenia | 1 163088 | Male | 232 | 59 | 31 | 54 | 38.6 | 21.9 | 7.1 | 11.9 | 38.1 | 10.2 | 12.2 | Basal suture open. |
| Do | 163862 | do | 222 | 89 | 31 | 53 | 37.8 | 20.6 | 6.7 | 11.5 | 37.3 | 11.1 | 12.6 | Do |
| 1)0 | 163866 | do | 252 | 89 | 32 | 52 | 37.5 | 22.5 | 7.3 | 12.4 | 37.1 | 10.3 | 11.9 | Basal suture obliterated. |
| Do | 198016 | do | 235 | 20 | 30 | 53 | 37.5 | 22.3 | 6.8 | 11.7 | 36.0 | 9.7 | 10.9 | Do. |
| Do | 198017 | do | 257 | 75 | 32 | 57 | : | 24.0 | 7.6 | 12.2 | 39.4 | 11.3 | 12.2 | Do. |
| Do | 198018 | do | 268 | os | 31 | 26 | 38.1 | | 8.3 | 12.4 | 38.8 | 10.6 | 12.0 | Do. |
| Do | 198019 | do | 251 | 89 | 33 | 54 | 37.5 | 22.5 | 7.3 | 6.01 | 36.3 | 10.2 | 11.8 | Do. |
| 1)0 | 163864 | Female. | 223 | 89 | 53 | 51 | 36.4 | 20.0 | 6.3 | 9.01 | 35.8 | 10.3 | 13.0 | Basal suture open. |
| Do | 163868 | do | 233 | 64 | 30 | 52 | : | 19.1 | 6.1 | 12.0 | 36.7 | 10.5 | 12.6 | Basal suture obliterated. |
| Do | 163871 | do | 233 | 63 | 30 | 49 | : | 19.0 | 6.3 | 11.5 | 31.5 | 10.6 | 11.5 | Do. |
| Do | 163873 | qo | 233 | 89 | 32 | 51 | 35.2 | 20.1 | 9.9 | 11.5 | 36.1 | 11.2 | 12.7 | Basal suture closed. |
| Do | 163377 | do | 227 | 64 | 31 | 52 | 34.8 | 20.0 | 6.5 | 10.9 | 36.5 | 11.0 | 12.7 | Do. |
| Do | 163892 | do | 222 | 69 | 31 | 50 | | 19.5 | 7.1 | 11.4 | 35.1 | 10.5 | 12.4 | Do. |
| D0 | 163901 | do | 224 | 54 | 31 | 47 | 33.6 | 18.3 | 5.4 | 9.8 | 32.8 | 10.4 | 11.4 | Basal suture obliterated. |
| | | | | | | 1.1 | 1 Tryna | | | | | | | |

Measurements of specimens of Tachyoryctes—Continued.

| | Length Mandi- tooth tooth tooth bulla. ble, row, row, aveoli, aveoli, aveoli, | | 10.3 31.2 8.7 9.8 Basal suture obliterated. | 35.2 9.0 9.7 | 9 32.5 9.4 9.8 | 10.6 31.6 S.8 9.7 Basal suture open. | 10.9 32.2 8.9 10.1 Basal suture closed. | 10.6 8.2 Basal suture obliterated. | | 10.5 34.5 10.1 10.8 Basal suture closed. | 10.4 32.6 10.3 10.3 Basal suture open. | 11.0 35.7 10.1 10.8 Basal suture obliterated. | 11.1 33.2 10.4 10.9 Do. | 11.7 32.1 9.8 10.3 Basal suture closed. | 10.4 30.5 9.7 10.3 Basal suture open, | 10.8 33.2 10.5 11.8 Do. | 10.6 33.6 10.1 10.8 Do. | 10.3 32.0 10.6 11.2 Basal suture obliterated. | | 10.4 32.7 8.8 9.8 Basal suture open. | 10.8 33.8 9.6 10.4 Basal suture closed. | 10.2 33.1 9.7 10.7 Do. | 11.0 32.1 8.8 10.3 Do. | 11.2 35.0 9.2 10.7 Basal suture obliterated. | 11.0 33.3 10.0 10.8 Do. | 10.8 32.1 9.4 9.8 Do. |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| | Great- est breadth of nasals. | | 6.0 | 6.5 | | 6.0 | 6.2 | 0.9 | | 7.8 | 6.4 | | 7.2 | 6.2 | 5.6 | 7.3 | 8.9 | 6.3 | | 6.9 | 6.5 | 9.9 | 6.6 | 8.9 | 5.9 | 6.0 |
| , | Length of nasals. | 8 | 17.5 | 19.5 | 18.4 | 17.2 | 19.3 | 17.2 | | 21.5 | 20.4 | 22.0 | 21.2 | 17.5 | 17.3 | 20.1 | 20.1 | 18.3 | | 19.2 | 19.5 | , 20.2 | 18.0 | 18.3 | 18.3 | 17.7 |
| • | Zygo- matic breadth. | | 32.6 | 33.9 | 33.2 | 32.7 | 32.5 | : | | 36.3 | 33.5 | 36.0 | 35.0 | 32.7 | 32.5 | 34.8 | 35.0 | 34.1 | | 33.9 | 34.6 | 34.8 | 33.9 | 34.6 | 33.7 | 33.3 |
| | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | | 47 | 525 | 49 | 48 | 48 | 46 | | 51 | 48 | 53 | 20 | 74 | 77 | 49 | 49 | 46 | | 20 | 20 | 49 | 48 | 51 | 49 | 48 |
| • | Hind foot. | 8 | 87 68 | 30 | 30 | 29 | 31 | 53 | | | 28 | 30 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 58 | | 29 | 53 | 29 | 29 | 530 | 29 | 30 |
| | Tail verte- bræ. | | 64 | 80 | 63 | 57 | 99 | 58 | • | 65 | 63 | 282 | 64 | 69 | 63 | 99 | 89 | | | 69 | 72 | 79 | 73 | 7.5 | 95 | 257 |
| | Head and body. | 8 | 224 | 235 | 235 | 224 | 230 | 225 | | 225 | 200 | 215 | 205 | 215 | 180 | 202 | 220 | 220 | | 220 | 215 | 216 | 191 | 228 | 220 | 190 |
| | Sex. | | Male | ap | do | do | Fernale. | do | | Male | do | do | do | Female. | do | do | do | do | | Male | do | do | do | do | do | do |
| | No. | 100001 | 163841 | 163856 | 163904 | 163908 | 163879 | 163903 | | 163776 | 181157 | 184161 | 184163 | 163775 | 184158 | 184162 | 184165 | 184168 | | 162769 | 162770 | 162772 | 162776 | 162790 | 162817 | 181608 |
| | Form and locality, | B. E. A.: T. spalacinus. | Waltibugu | Do | | 1)0 | Do | Do | B. E. A.: T. audar. | Aberdare Mountains | Do | Do | Do | 1)0 | Do | Do | Do | Do | B. E. A.: T. naivashæ. | Lake Naivasha | Do | Do | Do | Do | Naivasha Station | So. Guaso Nyiro |

| ,Do. | Basal suture closed. | Do | Do. | Do. | Basal suture obliterated. | Basal suture closed. | Basal suture obliterated. | Basal suture open. | Basal suture closed. | | Basal suture obliterated. | Do. | Basal suture closed | Do. | Do | Do. | Basal suture obliterated. | | Do. | Do. | Basal suture open. | Basal suture closed. | Do. | Do. | | Basal suture open. | Basal suture obliterated. | Do. | Basal suture open. | | Teeth moderately worn. | Basal suture closed. |
|--------|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------|--------|------|---------|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 9.6 | 10.0 | 9.6 | 9.5 | 9.9 | 11.0 | 9.4 | 10.3 | 10.1 | 9.4 | | 9 | 9.5 | 80 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 9.0 | 8.0 | 9.8 | 9.4 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 9.7 | 8.2 | | 10.1 | 10.2 | 11.8 | 10.4 | | 9.6 | 8.3 |
| 9.3 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 8.7 | 9.4 | 0.6 | 8.8 | | 8.5 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 8.2 | 00 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 9.1 | 8.3 | 9.5 | 6.7 | | 9.0 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 30 30 | | 8.8 | 7.4 |
| 29.0 | 30.8 | 28.3 | 30.5 | 30.6 | 29.0 | 31.1 | 31.3 | 29.3 | 28.7 | | 30.8 | 31.3 | 29.6 | 39.4 | 29.5 | 28.0 | 28.9 | 29.1 | 30.7 | 27.6 | 28.8 | 28.5 | 28.6 | 27.0 | | 29.6 | 31.7 | 31.2 | 29.5 | | 30.7 | 29.8 |
| 10.3 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 9.5 | 6.01 | 10.4 | 9.5 | 10.8 | 10.2 | 8.6 | | 11.1 | 10.3 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 8.6 | | 10.3 | 9.8 | 9.5 | 10.2 | | 10.2 | 9.6 |
| 5.8 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 5.3 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 6.3 | 5.3 | 5.7 | | 6.3 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 8.9 | 5.0 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 4.5 | | 5.00 | 5.9 | 5.4 | 0.9 | | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| 15.8 | 17.3 | 16.4 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 15.9 | 16.7 | 18.0 | 16.2 | 15.8 | | 18.2 | 18.9 | 16.2 | 16.3 | 17.0 | 13.4 | 17.9 | 15.9 | 17.1 | 15.7 | 15.7 | 15.9 | 15.4 | 13.8 | | 15.0 | 15.8 | 15.8 | 14.7 | | 16.3 | 17.2 |
| 31.6 | 32.3 | 29.9 | 29.8 | 31.5 | : | 30.4 | 33.1 | 32.0 | 30.5 | | 32.3 | 31.8 | 30.8 | 31.5 | 31.9 | : | 31.1 | 30.2 | 32.0 | 28.9 | 29.6 | 29.2 | 28.9 | 27.5 | | 29.7 | 32.3 | 32.0 | 30.4 | | | 28.8 |
| 46 | 46 | 43 | 44 | 945 | 10 | 4 | 46 | 44 | 42 | | - 9F | <u>l~.</u> | 43 | 46 | 44 | 40 | # | 41 | 45 | 41 | | 41 | 42 | 39 | | # | 45 | : | 43 | | | 42 |
| 26 | 28 | 28 | 25 | 28 | 36 | 36 | 56 | 36 | 27 | | 30 | 50 | 56 | 27 | 30 | 56 | 27 | 27 | 22 | 28 | | 27 | 53 | 27 | | : | : | : | : | | 28 | 58 |
| 54 | 33 | 53 | 6-4 | 7.1 | 64 | 26 | 61 | 99 | 55 | | -57 | 63 | 65 | 75 | 57 | 64 | 7.0 | 61 | 61 | 09 | : | 51 | 59 | 55 | | : | : | : | : | | 89 | : |
| 200. | 205 | 188 | 187 | 192 | 190 | 195 | 200 | 190 | 195 | | 220 | 500 | 197 | 206 | 201 | 186 | 195 | 181 | 188 | 190 | : | 188 | 195 | 181 | | | | | : | | 198 | 200 |
| do | Female. | do | do | do | do | do | do | do | do | | Male | do | op | do | do | Female. | do | op | do | do | do | qo | do | do | | Male | Female | do | do | | Male | do |
| 181612 | 162773 | 162777 | 162778 | 162779 | 162795 | 162803 | 162805 | 162816 | 162764 | | 463791 | 163807 | 163811 | 163812 | | 163780 | 163781 | 163782 | 163787 | 163792 | 163803 | 163809 | 163813 | 163851 | | 34726 | 31728 | 34729 | 37361 | | 140,67 | 140768 |
| Do | Lake Naivasha | Do | Do | Do | Do | Naivasha Station | Do | Do | Oljoro O Nyon River | B. E. A.: T. ibcanus. | Nairobi | J.0 | D0 | Do | Do | Do | Do | 1)0 | J)0 | Do | Do | Do | 1)0 | 1,0 | G. E. A.: T. dæmon. | Marangn | 1)0 | I)0 | Mount Kilmanjaro | Uganda: ": ankolix. | Burumba | 1)0 |

TACHYORYCTES ANKOLIÆ Thomas.

1909. Tachyoryctes ankoliæ Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 545. December. (Burumba, Ankole, southern Uganda; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

Uganda: Burumba, Ankole (Doggett).

Family MURIDÆ.

Genus DENDROMUS Smith.

1829. Dendromus Smith, Zool. Journ., vol. 4, p. 438. (D. mesomelas.)

1832. Dendromys Smuts, Diss. Zool., Mamm. Cap., p. 39.

1916. Poemys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 18, p. 238. August. (D. melanotis.) [Valid as a subgenus.]

Of the 10 species and subspecies of tree mice of this genus listed below, all belong to the typical subgenus *Dendromus* as restricted by Thomas except the black-fronted forms, *nigrifrons* and *spectabilis*. These last two are members of the subgenus *Poemys*, characterized by the presence of a nail, instead of a claw, on the fifth hind toe.

For measurements of specimens of *Dendromus* see table, pages 51–53.

DENDROMUS INSIGNIS INSIGNIS Thomas.

1903. Dendromys insignis Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 12, p. 341. September. (Nandi, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)
1910. Dendromys insignis Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 472, 477; London ed., pp. 484, 489. (Part.)

Specimens.—Sixty-one, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, east base and west base, 2 (Heller); Engare Narok River, 1 (Loring); Kaimosi, 50, including 23 in alcohol (Heller); Lake Naivasha, 1 (Loring); Lukosa River, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Naivasha Station, 1 (Loring); Nyeri, 1 (Loring); Ravine Boma, 3, including 2 in alcohol, (Heller); Wambugu, 1 (Loring).

Specimens of *Dendromus insignis* from Naivasha, the Aberdare Mountains, Nyeri, and Wambugu differ from typical specimens from the direct Nyanza drainage in their duller color, thus approaching in that respect skins of *D. i. percivali*. They retain, however, the narrow braincase of true *insignis* and seem best placed with that form. The series from Kaimosi, which is not far from the type locality, shows that the form averages quite bright and reddish in color, although there is considerable individual variation in this respect. The younger examples are much less reddish than skins of old adults.

Although belonging to the genus of tree mice, this large *Dendromys* lives on the ground, seemingly builds no nest, and is most often found in the runways of the *Otomys*. (African Game Trails, p. 477.)

DENDROMUS INSIGNIS PERCIVALI Heller.

Plate 16.

1912. Dendromus mesomelas percivali Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 5. July 5. (Mount Gargues, Mathews Range, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1914. Dendromus sp. Cockerell, Miller, and Printz, Zool. Anz., vol. 44, p.

439. June 23.

Specimens.—Eighty-eight, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Mount Gargues, 3 (Percival); Mount Kenia, west side, 77, including 12 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); West Kenia Forest Station, 8 (Loring).

This subspecies of the larger striped *Dendromus* is abundant on the Northern Guaso Nyiro drainage of Mount Kenia. I can find no reason for separating the Kenia specimens from the small series of skins and skulls collected in the Mathews Range. They differ from typical *insignis* in the darker, less reddish coloration, longer fur, larger ears, and in the slightly larger braincase. The difference in color of the Kenia form was noted by Doctor Lönnberg in 1912.

Young female skins from Mount Gargues have somewhat blacker ears than any specimen from Kenia, but the ears of adult skins from the two localities are alike in color and I believe the difference shown by the young to be a matter of pelage. Much better series from Mount Gargues are needed.

The specimens from Gargues were collected at altitudes from 6,500 to 7,100 feet. On Kenia, Loring and Mearns trapped this species at numerous collecting stations ranging in altitude from 7,500 feet up to 14,200 feet.

DENDROMUS WHYTEI PALLESCENS Osgood.

1910. Dendromus whytei pallescens Osgood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 7. February. (Ulukenia Hills, British East Africa: type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

1910. Dendromus whytei pallescens Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed.,

p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimens.—Three, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Fort Hall, 2, including 1 odd skull (Loring); West Kenia Forest Station, 1 in alcohol (Loring).

DENDROMUS WHYTEI CAPITIS Heller.

Plate 16.

1912. Dendromus whytei capitis Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 6, July 5. (Mount Lololokwi, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, as follows:

BRITISH EAST AFRICA: Mount Lololokwi, 6,000 feet altitude, the type (Heller).

¹ Kungl. Svenska Vet. Akad., vol. 48, No. 5, pp. 90, 91. 1912.

DENDROMUS RUDDI Wroughton.

1910. Dendromus ruddi Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 275. March. (Malikisi, Mount Elgon, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Thirty-four, from the following localities:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 1 (Loring).

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 1 (Loring); Kajuia, 1 (Loring). British East Africa: Kaimosi, 31 (Heller, Turner).

The specimen from Rhino Camp is duller in color and has slightly shorter pelage than skins from Kaimosi, but is otherwise indistinguishable from them. The single specimen from Gondokoro is immature, but is like young of same age in the Kaimosi series. The Kajuia (near Hoima) specimen is typical ruddi. These three specimens were included by Heller with his Dendromus lineatus 1 and account in a great measure for the great variation in the distinctness of the black median dorsal stripe which he attributes to that form.

DENDROMUS OCHROPUS Osgood.

1910. Dendromus ochropus Osgood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 6. February. (Lake Elmenteita, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

Specimens.—Six, as follows:

British East Africa: Naivasha Station (Loring).

Loring notes five embryos in a female captured on July 30 at Naivasha.

A species related to *Dendromus ochropus* has been described from Nairobi by Osgood as *Dendromus nairobæ*.² It is not represented in our collection.

DENDROMUS ACRÆUS Wroughton.

1909. Dendromus acrxus Wroughton, Ann. aud Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 541. December, (Kirui, Elgon, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Sixty-one, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, west slope at 9,100 feet, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Kaimosi, 58, including 38 in alcohol (Heller); Sirgoit Lake, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Heller)

A female collected at Kaimosi, January 27, contained three embryos.

DENDROMUS LINEATUS Heller.

Plate 16.

1911. Dendromus lineatus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 4. February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Nineteen, including 6 in alcohol, as follows: LADO: Rhino Camp (Loring).

¹ Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, pp. 4, 5. Feb. 28, 1911.

² Field Mus., Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 7. February, 1910.

Measurements of specimens of Dendromus.

| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail ver- tebræ. | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matic breadth, | Breadth of brain-case. | Length of nasals. | _ | Inter- Length of orbital palatine breadth. slits. | Upper tooth | Observations. |
|--------------------|---------|--------|----------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| D. i. insignis. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kaimosi | 184074 | Male | 82 | 110 | 22.5 | 12.3 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 60 | 10 | 00 | Teath moderately worn |
| Do | 184075 | do | £ | 101 | 22.1 | 11.7 | 11.5 | 9.1 | 60 | | 3 6 | Do |
| Do | 184084 | do | 82 | 108 | 22.2 | 11.6 | 10.8 | 00.00 | 80 | | - 00 - 00 | Do. |
| Do | 184085 | do | 98 | 104 | 21.6 | 11.6 | 10.7 | 8,9 | | | 000 | Do. |
| Do | 184090 | do | 06 | 103 | 22.6 | 12.0 | 11.0 | 9.7 | 3.2 | 5.2 | , oc | 100. |
| Do | 184091 | | 08 | 105 | 21.4 | 11.1 | 10.9 | 8.9 | 3.3 | 4.9 | 80 | Teeth little worn. |
| Do | 184080 | | 08 | 26 | 21.3 | 11.6 | 10.8 | 8.8 | 3.2 | 5.0 | 3,7 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Do | 184082 | do | 08 | 96 | 21.3 | 11.5 | 10.7 | 8.7 | 3.3 | 4.8 | 3,6 | Do. |
| Do | 184089 | do | 83 | 86 | 21.5 | 11.6 | 10.8 | 9.1 | 3.1 | 4.8 | | Teeth considerably worn |
| Ravine Boma | 165311 | Male | 100 | 117 | 22.0 | 11.8 | 10.8 | 8.6 | 3.4 | 5.2 | 0 8 | Teeth moderately wom |
| Nyeri | 164421 | do | 46 | 110 | 22. 4 | 11.2 | 10.9 | | 65 | | 5 | Do |
| Aberdare Mountains | 184067 | do | 85 | 106 | 22.3 | 11.8 | 10.8 | 9.7 | 60 | 5.6 | 4.0 | 0(1 |
| D. i. percivali. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Gargues | 1181791 | Fema'e | 86 | 105 | 22.2 | 11.7 | 10.9 | 8,9 | 60 | 67 1/2 | 0.00 | Teeth much worm |
| Do | 184095 | do | 73 | 06 | 20.3 | 11.9 | 10.9 | | 53 | 6.2 | o 00 | Teath little worn |
| Mount Kenia | 164429 | Male | 91 | 96 | 21.6 | 11.8 | 11.5 | 8.9 | 3.2 | | 000 | Teeth moderately worn |
| D0 | 164431 | do | 88 | 102 | 22.1 | 12.4 | 11.6 | 9.7 | 3,4 | 5,1 | 4.0 | Do. |
| Do | 164439 | do | 88 | 104 | 21.8 | 11.8 | 11.0 | 9.3 | 3.5 | 5.1 | 9,0 | Do. |
| Do | 164440 | :- | 68 | 109 | 22. 2 | 11.5 | 11.0 | 9.5 | 3.3 | 5.6 | 4.0 | Do |
| Do | 164382 | | 81 | 113 | 21.2 | 11.8 | 11.3 | 8.8 | 3, 4 | 4.9 | 3,9 | Do. |
| Do | 164390 | do | 84 | 82 | 21.8 | 11.8 | 11.3 | 8.8 | 3.5 | 6,4 | 3, 9 | Do. |
| Do | 164392 | do | 80 | 26 | 21.2 | 11.4 | 11.8 | 9.0 | | 4.6 | 4.1 | Do. |
| Do | 164408 | | 91 | 102 | 21.9 | 11.8 | 11.1 | 9.8 | 3.5 | 8.4 | 90 | 100. |
| Do | 164438 | | 79 | 91 | 20.9 | 11.5 | 11.3 | 8.8 | 3.4 | 4.4 | 4.0 | Do. |
| Do | 164448 | do | 87 | 101 | 20.9 | 11.8 | 11.5 | 9.4 | 3. 2 | 5.0 | 3.7 | 10. |
| | | | | | 7 | Type. | | | | | | |

Measurements of specimens of Dendromus-Continued.

| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and Tail verbody. | Tail ver- tehræ, | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Breadth of brain- | Length of nasals. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Length of palatine slits. | Upper tooth row. | Observations. |
|---------------------------|----------|---------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| D. w. pallescens. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fort Hall | 165315 | Female | | | 15.9 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 6.8 | 2.7 | 33 | 3,1 | 3.1 Teeth moderately worn, |
| Do | 164412 | do | 65 | 192 | | 9.5 | 8.8 | 7.1 | 2.7 | 3.6 | 3.0 | Do. |
| D. w. capitis. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: Mount Lololokwi | 1 181792 | do | 09 | 82 | 17.7 | 10.3 | 9.4 | 7.1 | 3.2 | 95 10 | 3, 3 | Do. |
| D. ruddi. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kalmosi | 184102 | Male | 70 | 100 | 18.9 | 10.6 | 9.8 | 7.3 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 63 | Teeth much worn. |
| Do | 184111 | do | 20 | 95 | 18.8 | 10.7 | 9.8 | 7.6 | 3.3 | 00 00 | 3, 2 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Do | 184112 | do | 69 | 66 | 18.3 | 10.4 | 9.6 | 7.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.3 | Do. |
| | 184101 | Female. | 89 | 92 | 18.3 | 10.3 | 9.6 | 7.2 | 3,3 | 80.80 | 3, 3 | Teeth much worn. |
| | 184104 | do | 09 | 06 | 17.3 | 10.3 | 9.7 | 6.7 | 3.3 | 00 | 3.2 | Teetin little worn. |
| | 184108 | do | 65 | 79 | 17.4 | 9.7 | 8.8 | 7.0 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 3.0 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Do | 184109 | do | 67 | 96 | 18.2 | 10.5 | 9.8 | 6.9 | 3.2 | 80.00 | | Do. |
| Do | 184113 | do | 99 | 16 | 18.0 | 10.4 | .9.4 | 7.0 | 2.7 | 3.9 | 3.2 | Do. |
| Uganda: Kajuia | 165271 | do | 73 | | 17.9 | 10.1 | 9.5 | 7.4 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 3.0 | Do. |
| D. ochropus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Naivasha | 162360 | Male | 75 | 88 | | 10.8 | | 8.6 | 2.9 | 4.5 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Do | 162361 | do | 75 | 83 | _ | 10.8 | | 1.5 | 5.9 | 4.3 | 63 | Do. |
| Do | 162358 | Female | 67 | 88 | 18.1 | 10.2 | 9.5 | 6.8 | 2.9 | 3.9 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Do | 162359 | do | 63 | 79 | | 8.6 | | 7.3 | 2.7 | 3.9 | 3.3 | Teeth little worn. |
| Do | 162363 | do | 19 | 282 | | | | 6.8 | 2.9 | 3.7 | 3.1 | Do. |
| D. acraus. | | | | | | | | | - | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 164377 | Male | 65 | 72 | 17.5 | 10.1 | 9.4 | 6.5 | 2.7 | 3.7 | 3.0 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Kalmosi | 184054 | do | 62 | 77 | 17.3 | 10.1 | 9.1 | 7.3 | 2.7 | | 3.3 | Do. |
| Do | 184062 | do | 65 | 88 | 17.7 | 9,9 | 9,3 | 7.3 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 3,1 | Do, |

| Teeth much worn. | Do. | Teeth considerably worn. | Do. | Teeth moderately worn. | Teeth considerably worn. | Teeth moderately worn. | Teeth much worn. | Teeth moderately worn. | | Do. | Teeth little worn. | Teeth moderately worn. | Do. | Teeth little worn. | Teeth moderately worn. | Do. | Do. | | | Do. | 100 | Teeth considerably worn. | | | Teeth moderately worn. | | Do. | 300 | Do. | |
|------------------|--------|--------------------------|---------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------|------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------|--------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------|--------|----------|--------|-----------------|----|
| 3.0 | 3.1 | 3, 2 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3, 1 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 2.9 | | 3,0 | 2, 9 | 2.8 | 9.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | | | 2.8 | 2.9 | . co | | | 3, 2 | 60 | 3.0 | | 3.1 | |
| 3.8 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.8 | % % | 3,00 | 3.9 | | 3.7 | 90 | 3.7 | -1 69 | 3,3 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.5 | | | 4.2 | . 65 | 4.4 | | | 4.2 | 80 | 6 | 4.0 | 4.1 | |
| 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.6 | | | 2.8 | 2.6 | | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.7 | | | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2, 7 | | | 2.7 | 2.6 | | 2.6 | | - |
| 7.3 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 6.5 | 8.8 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 7.0 | | 7.2 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 6,3 | 5.9 | | | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.7 | | | 200 | 2.8 | 00 00 | 7.3 | 7.5 | |
| 9.0 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 8.9 | | 8.5 | - | × | | 00 00 | 5.5 | | 90,4 | | | 9.3 | 9.3 | | | | 9.2 | 8.9 | 6.8 | 9.1 | 8.9 | ! |
| 6.6 | 10.7 | 10.2 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 10.1 | 6.7 | 10.0 | 9.7 | | 9.7 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.0 | | | | 8.6 | 8.6 | | | 10.3 | 9.7 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 9.9 | |
| 17.8 | 19.2 | 18.2 | 16.9 | 16.7 | 17.3 | 16.7 | 18.4 | 17.8 | | 17.8 | 16.5 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 16.2 | 17.1 | 16.6 | 15.9 | | | | 17.8 | : | | | 19.0 | 18.2 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.9 | |
| 82 | 85 | 85 | 73 | 23 | 7.5 | 22 | 82 | 84 | | 87 | 92 | 92 | 81 | 92 | 72 | 92 | 71 | | | | | 73 | - | | 2.8 | 28 | 72 | 71 | 22 | -! |
| 65 | 20 | 49 | 09 | 29 | 09 | 28 | 65 | 65 | | 92 | 57 | 09 | 63 | 26 | 20 | 65 | 92 | | | | | 71 | | | 89 | 62 | 57 | 20 | 63 | |
| do | do | qu | Female. | do | do | do | op | do | | Male | do | Female. | do | do | do | do | do | | | Male | Female. | do | | | do | qo | do | do | Male | |
| 184063 | 184065 | 184066 | 184055 | 184056 | 184057 | 184059 | 184061 | 184063 | | 1 164816 | 165262 | 165258 | 165260 | 165261 | 165263 | 165264 | 165265 | | | 37367 | 1 35263 | 162354 | | | 1 164815 | 165278 | 165279 | 165280 | 165274 | |
| Do | Do | D0 | Do | Do | Do | Do | 1)0 | Do | Lado: | Rhino Camp | 1)0 | Do | ро | Ъо | Do | Do | Do | D. n. nigrifrons. | G. E. A.: | Mount Kilimanjaro | Do | B. F. A.: Kijabe | D. n. spectabilis. | Lado: | Rhino Camp | 1)0 | Do | Do | Uganda: Butiaba | |

 $^{1}\,\mathrm{Type}_{\bullet}$

The specimens recorded from Gondokoro and Hoima by Heller at the time of the description of this species have now been referred to Dendromus ruddi Wroughton. One of the Rhino Camp specimens proves to belong with the same species. This removes from the series all the specimens with the dorsal stripe obsolete, but there is still considerable variation in the distinctness of this stripe in lineatus although most of the adult specimens have it well pronounced.

The three forms of this little group of tree mice, ochropus, acræus, and lineatus, are closely related and are probably intergrading subspecies. The most southern of the three, ochropus, is the largest, with largest skull and teeth; acræus is medium sized and intermediate in color of the underparts as well as in distribution; lineatus is the smallest. For detailed measurements of specimens see page 53.

DENDROMUS NIGRIFRONS NIGRIFRONS True.

Plate 17.

1892. Dendromys nigrifrons True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 462. October 26. (Mount Kilimanjaro, German East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1909. Dendromys nigrifrons Lyon and Osgood, Bull. 62, U. S. Nat. Mus., p. 158. January 28.

1910. ?Dendromys nigrofrons ROOSEVELT, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 477; London ed., pp. 488, 489.

Specimens.—Six, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Kijabe, 1 (Loring).

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Mount Kilimanjaro, 5, including 2 in alcohol (Abbott).

The three skins from Kilimanjaro were collected at 5,000 feet. The type is in alcohol, with skull removed. It is uncertain to which form of *Dendromus* the interesting notes published by Colonel Roosevelt at the above reference pertain, as no specimens of the genus were preserved by members of the expedition from Athi Plains or from the Sotik, the two localities mentioned.

DENDROMUS NIGRIFRONS SPECTABILIS Heller.

Plate 17.

1911. Dendromus spectabilis Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 3. February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado Enclave; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Fourteen, from the following localities:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 13, including 4 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

UGANDA: Butiaba, 1 (Heller).

This form is very much like typical nigrifrons, but has the underparts less buffy. I can see no difference in the color of the feet in the two forms.

¹ The specimen is labeled "Kajuia."

Genus STEATOMYS Peters.

1846. Steatomys Peters, Ber. Königl. Preuss. Akad. Wiss., Berlin, p. 258. (S. pratensis.)

The fat mouse is rare in British East Africa if one can judge its abundance from the number of specimens which have been recorded in print. The Smithsonian African Expedition procured the only specimens in our collection, and these are few in number.

STEATOMYS ATHI Heller.

Plate 17.

1910. Steatomys athi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54 (No. 1924), p. 3. February 28. (Ulukenia Hills, Athi Plains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Steatomys athi Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimens.—Four, including one in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Ulukenia Hills (Loring).

Genus ZELOTOMYS Osgood.

1910. Zelotomys Osgoop, Field Mus. Pub. Zool., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 7. February. (Z. hildegardex.)

The two subspecies of this "broad-headed" mouse listed below are closely related, and their distinctness can not be considered as certain until more material is studied. In the original diagnosis of the genus, Mr. Osgood erroneously stated that the molars are more hypsodont than in "Mus" (=Rattus); as a matter of fact they are even lower crowned. Mr. Thomas has already corrected the mammary formula to 3-2=10.

For measurements of specimens see page 56.

ZELOTOMYS HILDEGARDEÆ HILDEGARDEÆ (Thomas).

1902. Mus hildegardex Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 9, р. 219. March. (Machakos, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Zelotomys hildegardex Osgood, Field Mus. Pub. Zool., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 7. February.

1910. Zelotomys hildegardæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 478; London ed., pp. 485, 489.

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

British East Africa: Juja Farm, 1 (Loring); Kapiti Plains, 1 (Loring).

ZELOTOMYS HILDEGARDEÆ VINACEUS Heller.

Plate 18.

1912. Zelotomys hildegardx (sic) vinaceus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 10. July 5. (Ndi, Mount Mbololo, Taita Hills, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 481. December, 1915.

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Measurements of specimens of Zelotomys from British East Africa.

| Condition of molar teeth, | And the second s | Moderately worn. | Do. | | Do. | Do. | Do. | Do. |
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| Upper tooth row, | | 5.5 | 5.6 | | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.3 |
| Length mandi- ble. | | 19.5 | 19.6 | entity, diver no entity | 20.5 | 18.6 | 19.1 | 18.2 |
| Length nasals. | | 11.2 | 11.9 | | 11.8 | 11.11 | 11.7 | 11.0 |
| Mastoid breadth. | | 13.4 | 12.8 | | 13.2 | 11.9 | 12.7 | 12.4 |
| Zygo- matic breadth. | | 17.1 | 15.9 | | 16.9 | 15.0 | 16.0 | 15.2 |
| Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | | 29.4 | 29.6 | | 31.3 | 28.4 | 29.5 | 27.5 |
| Hind foot, dry, without claws. | | 22.3 | 22.6 | | 23.2 | 22.0 | 22.1 | 20.9 |
| Tail verte- bræ. | | 98 | 115 | | 106 | 94 | 86 | 85 |
| Head and body. | | 119 | 135 | | 127 | 115 | 117 | 115 |
| He boo | | | | | | | | |
| He Sex. an | | | Female. | | do | Male | Female. | do |
| | | | 161804 Female. | | 183913do | 183912 Male | 1 181798 Female. | 183911do |

1 Type.

Specimens.—Four, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Sagalla, 1 (Heller); Mount Umengo,

1 (Heller); Ndi, 2 (Heller).

The female collected on Mount Sagalla, November 19, contained seven large embryos. Several statements in the original account of this form need correction. The skins are distinctly darker, not lighter, in dorsal coloration than skins of true hildegardeæ; the under parts are not more "whitish;" the mesopterygoid fossa is distinctly wider, not narrower, in three out of four of the skulls, than in our two skulls of hildegardeæ; the tail is hardly "quite hairless," but is well clothed with light colored hairs longer than the width of two scale rows. The three paratypes do not agree closely with the type in color or skull characters. There is such an extraordinary amount of individual variation among the specimens that I have rather doubted their conspecific identity. This is especially true of the skulls, where the variation in size, breadth of rostrum, and other minor characters is unusual. It would be interesting to study a large series of these mammals from some one locality.

Genus THAMNOMYS Thomas.

1907. Thamnomys Thomas, Ann and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 19, p. 121.

January. (T. venustus.)

1915. Grammomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 150. August. (T. dolichurus.)

All the forms of *Thamnomys* included in our East African collections belong to that section of the genus which has been named *Grammomys* by Thomas. The characters on which the genus *Grammomys* is based seem altogether too slight for even subgeneric recognition.

For measurements of specimens of Thamnomys see pages 59-61.

THAMNOMYS SURDASTER SURDASTER Thomas and Wroughton.

1892. Mus arborarius True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 459. (Not of Peters.)²

1908. Thamnomys surdaster Thomas and Wroughton, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1908, p. 550. (Zomba, British Central Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Three, as follows:

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Mount Kilimanjaro (Abbott).

No specimens of typical *surdaster* are in the National Museum collection, but Mr. Thomas has referred the Kilimanjaro form to this species³ and remarks that it agrees in color with examples from Nyasa.

² Regarding the identification of *Mus arborarius* Peters, see Thomas and Wroughton, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1908, p. 548.

[&]quot;Like Thamnomys, but with the postero-internal or 'x' cusp of the first and second molars reduced to a mere connecting ridge running from the inner cusp of the median lamina to the hinder point of the tooth."—Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 150. August, 1915.

³ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 314. September, 1910.

THAMNOMYS SURDASTER POLIONOPS Osgood.

1910. Thamnomys surdaster polionops Oscood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Pub. Zool., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 8. February. (Ulukenia Hills, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicgao.)

1910. Thamnomys surdaster polionops Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer.

ed., pp. 473, 478; London ed., pp. 485, 489.

Specimens.—Seventy-two, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 4 (Loring); Kamiti Farm, Athi Plains, 2 (Loring); Kapiti Plains, 3 (Loring); Kitanga, 2 (Mearns); Mount Mbololo, 48, including 21 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Umengo, 8 (Heller); Oljoro O Nyon River, 2 (Loring, Heller);

Oni, 1 (Loring); Wambugu, 2 (Loring).

Specimens from the Taita Hills (Umengo and Mbololo) appear to be somewhat intermediate between typical polionops and the Kilimanjaro form which has been referred to surdaster, but they are clearly nearest to polionops and are best placed with that subspecies. The cheeks and sides are considerably less richly colored than in the Kilimanjaro specimens. Specimens from the Mau Escarpment (heads of Oljoro O Nyon and Engare Narok Rivers) are inseparable from examples of typical polionops. The Athi Plains skins have longer tails than usual, but are otherwise typical.

Heller found three embryos each in females collected at Mount Mbololo, November 5; and Mount Umengo, November 13. Halfgrown young were taken at the same dates. Loring caught specimens of this commonly arboreal rat "in grass and under rocks in center of prairie land three miles from water." Heller notes trapping

it both in trees and on the ground.

THAMNOMYS SURDASTER LITTORALIS Heller.

Plate 18.

1912. Thannomys dolichurus littoralis Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 10. July 5. (Mazeras, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

British East Africa: Mazeras (Heller).

This race differs conspicuously from T. s. polionops by its almost pure white feet.

THAMNOMYS IBEANUS IBEANUS Osgood.

1910. Thannomys ibeanus Osgood, Field Mus. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 8. February. (Molo. British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

1914. Thamnomys sp. Cockerell, Miller, and Printz, Zool. Anz., vol. 44, p. 439; fig. 10, p. 440. June.

Specimens.—Twenty, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, 1 (Heller); Burgunett River, Meru Road, 1 (Heller); Kabalolot Hill, 4 (Heller); Naivasha, 13 (Loring); Sirgoit Lake, 1 in alcohol (Heller).

Measurements of specimens of Thannomys.

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|---------------------------|--------|---------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail vorte- bræ. | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Mastold breadth. | Length of nasals. | Longth of man- dible. | Upper tooth row. | Condition of molar teeth. |
| G. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Kilimanjaro | 37370 | Male | | | 25.3 | 13.1 | 4.1 | | 12.0 | 15.0 | 4.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 35243 | Female. | | | 26.9 | 14.7 | 4.4 | 12.3 | 11.4 | 16.6 | 4.5 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 37371 | do | | | | 14.5 | 4.3 | | 10.5 | 16.6 | 4.6 | 1)0, |
| R. F. A. T. s. polionops. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Umengo | 183803 | Ma!e | 110 | 163 | 26.9 | 14.4 | 4.2 | 12.3 | 11.8 | 16.2 | 4.6 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183807 | do | 115 | 173 | 26.3 | 13.7 | 4.0 | 12.1 | 10.3 | 16.3 | 4.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183706 | Female. | 115 | 162 | 27.0 | 14.0 | 4° | 12.0 | 11.2 | 16.0 | 4.8 | Do |
| Do | 183805 | do | 112 | 168 | 27.4 | 14.4 | 4.0 | 12.1 | 11.6 | 15.9 | 4.7 | Do |
| Do | 183808 | do | 113 | 172 | 26.5 | 13.7 | 3.9 | 11.8 | 10.9 | 16.9 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Mount Mbololo | 183777 | Male | 120 | | 27.3 | 14.9 | 4.1 | 12.2 | 11.1 | 16.4 | 4.5 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183778 | Do | 103 | 167 | 25.9 | 13.2 | 30,00 | 11.8 | 10.5 | 16.0 | 4.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183780 | do | 110 | 145 | 25.8 | 13.8 | 4.3 | 11.8 | 10.4 | 15.2 | 4.5 | Do. |
| Do | 183783 | do | 105 | 166 | 26.0 | 13.7 | 4.2 | 11.8 | 10.5 | 15.5 | 4.6 | Do. |
| Do | 183791 | do | 110 | 169 | 26.3 | 13.8 | 4.0 | 12.1 | 10.9 | 16.1 | 4.7 | Do. |
| Do | 183794 | do | 118 | 165 | 28,0 | 15.0 | 4.4 | 12.5 | 12.2 | 16.7 | 4.5 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183797 | op | 115 | 168 | 28.0 | 14.8 | 4.5 | 12.5 | 10.8 | 17.1 | 4.4 | Do. |
| Do | 183798 | 10 | 110 | 161 | 26.6 | 13.8 | 4.1 | 12.1 | 10.6 | 15.5 | 4.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183401 | do | 112 | 178 | 28.5 | 14.8 | 4.5 | 12.4 | 12.3 | 16.9 | 4,5 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183784 | Female. | 110 | 162 | 25.9 | 13.8 | 4.0 | 12.0 | 11.5 | 15.3 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Ulukenia Hills | 17112 | Male | 120 | 164 | 27.2 | 14.6 | 4.5 | 12.7 | 11.0 | 16.3 | 4.5 | Do. |
| Wambugu | 163428 | Fomalo. | 1117 | 160 | 25.9 | 13,5 | 4.6 | 11.9 | 9.4 | 15.6 | 4.2 | Do. |
| Onl | 163426 | do | 105 | 174 | 24.7 | 13, 3 | 4.3 | 11.9 | 2.6 | 15.4 | 4.6 | Do. |
| Kamiti Farm | 163427 | do | 113 | 191 | 26.8 | 14,4 | 41 | 12.4 | 11.0 | 16.5 | 4.3 | Do. |
| Kitanga Farm. | 161855 | Male | 108 | 150 | 23.8 | 12.8 | 4.2 | 11.9 | 10.7 | 14.5 | 4.3 | Do. |
| Kapiti Plains | 161814 | do | 105 | 171 | 25.3 | 13.7 | 4.4 | 11.9 | 10.3 | 15.4 | 4.3 | Do. |
| Do | 161830 | do | 100 | 158 | | 13.8 | 4.3 | | 9.7 | 15.2 | 4.2 | Do. |
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Measurements of specimens of Thamnomys-Continued.

| | Condition of molar teeth. | | | 3 Moderately worn. | 5 Do. | 6 Do | 5 Do. | 4 Do. | 5 Do. | | 5 Considerably worn | 4 Moderately worn. | | 2 Considerably worn. | 7 Moderately worn. | 9 Do. | 8 Do. | 0 Do. | 8 Do. | 5 Much worn. | 5 Moderately worn. | 0 Considerably worn. | | | 8 Moderately worn. | 2 Do. | 9 Considerably worn. | 7 Moderately worn. | 8 Do. | 7 Do. |
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| | Upper tooth row. | | | 4. | 77 | 4. | 4. | 44 | 4. | N. C. and Street, | 4.5 | 4.4 | | 5.2 | 4.7 | 4, | 4. | 5.0 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 5.0 | | 4. | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| | Length of man- dible. | | | 16.8 | 16.2 | 16.5 | 16.5 | 16.3 | 16.2 | | 17.0 | 15.9 | | 17.3 | 16.1 | 17.3 | 16.6 | 18.1 | 16.6 | 16.8 | 16.2 | 17.7 | 17.3 | | 16.9 | 16.1 | 17.7 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 17.0 |
| | Length of nasals. | | | 11.8 | 10.9 | 10.8 | 11.3 | 10.5 | 11.2 | | 10.6 | 9.4 | | 11.8 | 11.0 | 12.0 | 11.2 | 11.8 | 11.2 | 11.8 | 10.9 | 11.2 | 12.2 | | 11.8 | 11.2 | 11.3 | 11.7 | 11.4 | 12.3 |
| ned. | Mastold breadth. | | | 12.2 | 10.8 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 11.9 | 12.4 | v oden | 12.5 | 12.1 | | 13.4 | 12.3 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 13.0 | 12.3 | 12.6 | 11.7 | 12.8 | 13.0 | | 12.7 | 12.4 | 12.8 | 12.4 | 12.3 | 12.6 |
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| mnomys | Zygo- matic breadth. | | | 14.4 | 14.1 | 14.2 | 14.5 | 13.6 | 14.4 | | 14.9 | 14.1 | | 15.8 | 14.1 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 15.6 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 14.5 | 15.3 | 15.2 | | 14.6 | 14.6 | 14.8 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 14.8 |
| s of Tha | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | | | 27.3 | 26.0 | 25.9 | 26.6 | | 26.4 | | 28.1 | 25.9 | | 30.2 | 26.1 | 28.6 | 27.8 | 29.6 | 27.3 | 27.8 | 26.0 | 29.0 | 29.0 | | 28.5 | 27.3 | 29.4 | 27.2 | 27.6 | 28.6 |
| measurements of specimens of Inamnomys—Continued. | Tall verte- bræ. | | | 163 | 174 | 178 | 180 | 185 | 175 | | 160 | 174 | - | 193 | 185 | | 182 | 189 | 175 | 187 | 186 | 185 | 190 | | 173 | 180 | 202 | 169 | 175 | 170 |
| ments of | Head and body. | | | 115 | 107 | 108 | 125 | 112 | 111 | | 120 | 100 | | 136 | 111 | | 120 | 121 | 109 | 119 | 115 | 128 | 124 | | 120 | 811 | 120 | 115 | 115 | 115 |
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Type: U.S.N.M.

* Type; Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.

Specimens from the Sotik (Kabalolot Hill) although rather immature, are distinctly this species and not T. surdaster polionops, which occurs in the Mau Escarpment. The Sirgoit Lake specimen may possibly represent one of the forms described from Mount Elgon 1 which are not otherwise represented in our collection, but the specimen is preserved in alcohol and is not distinguishable from skins of ibeanus. This form evidently blends into Thamnomys ibeanus lutosus in the Northern Guaso Nyiro country, and specimens from this region are not easily placed. There are no specimens in our collection which approach in size the type skull of Thamnomys gigas Dollman, from Kenia. In describing this species Dollman, as usual, gives no clew to the age of the animal beyond the fact that it is "adult." This may mean anything beyond the condition when the last molar has erupted up to extreme senility, during which period the skull of any murine grows enormously. If the type skull of "gigas" is an old individual, with much worn teeth. I should suspect the name to be a synonym of ibeanus.

THAMNOMYS IBEANUS LUTOSUS Dollman.

1911. Thannomys surdaster lutosus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 657. November. (Mount Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Twenty-two, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Isiola River, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Gargues, 16 (Heller); Ngare Ndare River, 4 (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro, 1 in alcohol (Heller).

Heller found three large embryos each in females collected at Mount Gargues, August 23 and September 1.

THAMNOMYS DISCOLOR Thomas.

1910. Thamnomys discolor Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 283. March. (Kakumega Forest, Kisumu, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Sixty-three, from localities as follows:

UGANDA: Kampala, 1 (Loring).

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 62, including 17 in alcohol (Heller, Turner).

As usual in this genus, there is considerable variation in color among the skins of this series. The presence or absence of dark whisker marks and light supraorbital spots is a matter of individual variation. The type-specimen is described by Thomas as lacking both.

Heller records three embryos from a female collected at Kaimosi, February 1.

¹ Thamnomys surdaster elgonis Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 282, March, 1910; Thamnomys surdaster insignis Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, p. 528. May, 1911.

THAMNOMYS MACMILLANI GAZELLÆ Thomas.

1910. Thunnomys macmillani gazellæ Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8. vol. 5, p. 282. March. (Chak-Chak, Bahr-el-Ghazal, Sudan; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Ten, as follows:

LADO: Rhino Camp, 8, including 1 in alcohol (Loring, Heller).

UGANDA: Lialo, 1 (Loring); Nkyanuna, 1 (Loring).

THAMNOMYS MACMILLANI OBLITUS Osgood.

1910. Thamnomys oblitus Osgood, Field Mus. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 3, p. 16, April 7. (Voi, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist.)

Specimen.—One, as follows:

British East Africa: Summit of Mount Sagalla, Taita Hills (Heller).

The type-specimen of Thamnomys ochraceus G. M. Allen ¹ from the Meru River, north of Mount Kenia, is almost intermediate in coloration between our Lado skins of T. macmillani gazellæ and this Sagalla skin of oblitus. It is distinguished from gazellæ by its slightly paler coloration and uniformly colored upperparts (lacking the decidedly grayish head and shoulders of gazellæ) and from oblitus by its slightly darker, less bright ochraceous, dorsal coloration and larger hind foot. The three forms are closely related and doubtless intergrade.

Our specimen of *oblitus* almost exactly matches the type, which has been lent me by the Field Museum of Natural History. The species must be rare or difficult to collect, for on Heller's two visits to the Taita Hills he has captured only these two individuals, while at the same time large series of the commoner *polionops* were obtained.

Gerns CENOMYS Thomas.

1904. *Enomys* Thomas, Ann and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 13, p. 416. June. (E. hypoxanthus.)

The recognized forms of the rusty-nosed rats included in this genus are not well distinguished. It is clear from an examination of even our small series that almost all of the characters which have been assigned to various subspecies are merely individual variations, or differences in the color and skull due to age. I can distinguish three rather poorly marked forms in our collection from British East Africa, but would not be at all surprised if some of these eventually could not be maintained.

For measurements of specimens see page 65.

t Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 54, p. 442. April, 1912. The type has been lent me by the Museum of Comparative Zoology through the kindness of Mr. Samuel Henshaw.

ŒNOMYS BACCHANTE BACCHANTE (Thomas).

1903. Mus hypoxanthus bacchante Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 12, p. 342. September. (Nandi, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Œ[nomys] bacchante Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 510. March.

1910. Enomys hypoxanthus bacchante Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 478; London ed., pp. 485, 490.

Specimens.—Ten, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, 4 (Heller); Mount Kenia, west side, 4 (Loring); Upper Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, 1 (Heller); Wambugu, 1 (Loring).

Thomas has named a form of *Enomys* from the Aberdares (*E. oris*) and one from Mount Kenia (*E. bacchante moerens*). I can find no specimens in our collection from these localities which differ appreciably from the Nzoia River *bacchante* or resemble the animals described.

I assume that the type locality of bacchante is the old Nandi Station, some distance northeast of the new Nandi, and near the edge of the Nandi Escarpment. This is probably about the western limit of distribution of this dark race, which apparently gives way only a slight distance to the westward to the brighter, yellow-rumped form of Uganda and the immediate vicinity of Kavirondo Gulf.

The form of the antorbital plate has been commonly used as a distinguishing character for species and subspecies of *Enomys*, and is used by Thomas and Wroughton in their key. While there may be slight average difference between specimens of exactly comparable age of different subspecies, still the change in the shape of this plate in *Enomys* with the development of the masseter muscle is frequently so great that the character is of no practical value in separating forms.

Loring collected this species up to 10,700 feet on Mount Kenia and Heller trapped specimens on the summit of the Aberdares at 11,000 feet.

ŒNOMYS BACCHANTE EDITUS Thomas and Wroughton.

1910. Enomys bacchante editus Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 509. March. (Mubuku Valley, East Ruwenzori, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Twenty-seven, as follows:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 26, including 4 in alcohol (Heller); Yala River, 1 (Heller).

The specimens in this series differ from skins of *O. bacchante* bacchante in their paler general coloration and much brighter, more ochraceous, rumps and lower backs.

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, pp. 379-381. April, 1911.

Measurements of Specimens of Gnomys from British East Africa.

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The Ruwenzori editus has never been satisfactorily separated from a subspecies of bacchante described by Thomas from the Victoria Nile (Œ. bacchante unyori) in 1903. With a knowledge of the variations within species of this genus due to age or individual peculiarities, the two forms, from the descriptions only, seem very much alike. It is possible that this Kavirondo form should be called Œnomys bacchante unyori.

There is much variation within the Kaimosi series. The feet are especially variable in color, ranging from light buff, through deep ochraceous, to almost blackish. The amount of deep buff or pinkish buff bordering the lighter underparts is also exceedingly variable, as is the amount of ochraceous in the lower back and the general brightness of the pelage.

ŒNOMYS BACCHANTE VALLICOLA Heller.

Plate 19.

1914. Oenomys hypoxanthus vallicola Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 11. June 24. (Lake Naivasha, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, as follows:

British East Africa: Lake Naivasha, 2 (Loring); Naivasha Station, 2 (Loring).

This is a very slightly marked form scarcely separable from the Kavirondo subspecies which I have called *editus*. Much larger series from the type region will be necessary satisfactorily to settle its status. The two adult specimens are extreme in brightness of the rump and lower back and the two younger skins are lighter colored than the few young of about the same age in the series of *editus*. There appear to be no satisfactory characters by which the skulls may be separated.

Genus RATTUS Fischer.

- 1803. Ruttus (misprint for Rattus) Fischer, Nationalmus. Naturg. Paris, vol. 2, p. 128. (R. norvegicus.)¹
- 1827. Rattus Donovan, Nat. Repos., vol. 3, pl. 73, text p. 1 (1834). (R. rattus.)²
- 1881. Epimys Trouessart, Bull. Soc. Angers, vol. 10, p. 117. (R. rattus.)3
- 1915. Ethomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 477. December. (R. kaiseri hindei.)
- 1915. Praomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 477. December. (R. tullbergi.)
- 1915. Myomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 477.

 December. (R. colonus.)

¹ For discussion of type-species of *Rattus* Fischer see Hollister, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 29, p. 126, June 6, 1916; Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 18, p. 240, August, 1916; and Hollister, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 29, pp. 206–207, Sept. 22, 1916.

For note on type-species of Rattus I onevan see Hollister, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 29, p. 126,

³ For note on type-species of *Epimys* Trouessart see Miller, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 23, pp. 57-60, April 19, 1910.

1915. Mastomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 477. December. (R. coucha.)

1916. Rattus Hollister, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 29, p. 126. June 6.

The typical rats (Genus Rattus) of the African continent have been separated into five subgenera by Thomas in a recent paper.\(^1\) As stated by Thomas, the detailed characters of these groups will need much further study, but he has presented a key based entirely on mammary formulæ by which his named subgenera may be distinguished if one possesses breeding female examples. From a study of the skulls and teeth of the rats of eastern Africa it is evident that these groups are of unequal value, though all will doubtless prove valid superspecific groups in the final revision. It is indeed probable that the number of subgenera should be increased rather than reduced. According to the arrangement of Thomas, the species listed in this paper apparently fall into the following subgenera:

Rattus s. s.—Rattus rattus kijabius (Allen).

Rattus nigricauda loringi (Heller).

Athomys.—Rattus kaiseri helleri Hollister.

Rattus kaiseri medicatus (Wroughton).

Rattus kaiseri noræ (Wroughton).

Rattus kaiseri turneri (Heller).

Rattus kaiseri hindei (Thomas).

Rattus kaiseri manteufeli (Matschie).

Rattus chrysophilus voi (Osgood).

Praomys.—Rattus tullbergi jacksoni (de Winton).

Rattus tullbergi peromyscus (Heller).

Rattus denniæ (Thomas).

Rattus taitæ (Heller).

Rattus stella kaimosæ (Heller).

Myomys.—Rattus fumatus fumatus (Peters).

Rattus fumatus subfuscus (Osgood).

Rattus tana (True).

Mastomys.—Rattus coucha ismailiæ (Heller).

Rattus coucha ugandæ (de Winton).

Rattus coucha tinctus Hollister.

Rattus coucha neumani (Heller).

Rattus coucha panya (Heller).

Rattus coucha hildebrandtii (Peters).

Rattus coucha durumæ (Heller).

The typical subgenus *Rattus* should probably be dropped from the East African list. The first species, *Rattus rattus kijabius*, would be better placed in a subgenus *Epimys*; and the proper allocation of *Rattus nigricauda loringi* is uncertain.

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 477. December, 1915.

RATTUS RATTUS KIJABIUS (Allen).

1909. Mus kijabius Allen, Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., vol. 36, p. 169. March 19. (Kijabe, British East Africa; type in Amer. Mus., New York.)

1911. Mus (Epimys?) muansæ Matschie, Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1911, p. 340. October. (Muansa, German East Africa; type in Berlin Mus.)

1916. Epimys jujensis Lönnberg, Arkiv för Zool., vol. 10, No. 12, p. 10. May. (Juja Farm, British East Africa; type in R. Nat. Hist. Mus., Stockholm.)

Specimens.—Fifty-nine, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 17, including 3 in alcohol (Mearns); Juja Farm, 7 (Loring, Mearns); Kapiti Plains, 11 (Loring); Mazeras, 13 (Heller); Mount Mbololo, 1 (Heller); Nairobi, 8, including

2 in alcohol (Mearns); Ulukenia Hills, 2 (Loring).

This rat has frequently been recorded from East Africa under the name Epimys (or Mus) rattus. Its origin is uncertain, but from the fact that it is found only along the railroad or about the older settlements and highways of trade, it may safely be assumed that the animal was introduced by man. No specimen in the museum series is typical of true rattus of northern Europe or of the subspecies alexandrinus of the Mediterranean shores of Europe and northern Africa. All are to a certain extent intermediate in color between these two forms and resemble very closely the known hybrids or crosses of rattus and alexandrinus frequently found in the southern United States. The series as a whole is very uniform in color and there is little variation in the shade of the underparts or feet. The color is about that described by Bonhote 1 for his "typical alexandrinus," which is clearly not the alexandrinus of Geoffroy.

This East African form of rattus, whatever its origin, has apparently had four distinctive names based upon it, kijabius Allen, 1909; muansæ Matschie, 1911; rattiformis Matschie, 1915; and jujensis Lönnberg, 1916. Inasmuch as the form is certainly not typical of either rattus or alexandrinus, it seems best, until a more satisfactory solution of the case is worked out, to use for it the first name actually given to it in East Africa. Doctor Allen has kindly sent me for examination the type and three topotypes of his Mus kijabius for study in this connection and as they prove to represent the form under discussion the name Rattus rattus kijabius may be applied to it. The type is a young adult, but has the teeth worn more than usual at its age and considerably more than the teeth of the somewhat larger skull of another specimen in the type series.

Measurements of the type skull of kijabius (Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., 27881, male) and of a topotype female, older, but with the teeth less

¹ Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1910, p. 655. October. ² "Mus (Epimys) rattiformis Matschie, Sitz.-ber. Ges. Nat. Freunde, Berlin, 1915, pp. 98-99." Type locality, Amani, Usambara, German East Africa. I have not seen the description but judge that the animal is the East African "rattus."

worn (Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist. 27882) follow: Condylobasal length, 30.5, 32.3; breadth of braincase, 15, —; mastoid breadth, 14.2, 14.4; length of nasals, 11.5, 11.8; interorbital breadth, 5.4, 5.5; upper tooth row, alveoli, 6.4, 6.5. Both skulls are so young that they would ordinarily be excluded from tables of measurements of fully grown individuals.

One of our specimens from Juja Farm has been submitted to Doctor Lönnberg for comparison with the type of *Epimys jujensis*. Doctor Lönnberg writes that these specimens are very similar and probably belong to the same species. The Juja Farm specimens are unquestionably identical with Allen's *Mus kijabius*.

RATTUS NIGRICAUDA LORINGI (Heller).

Plate 20.

- 1909. Thamnomys loringi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 52, pt. 4, p. 471.
 November 13. (Lake Naivasha, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)
- 1910. Mus loringi Osgood, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 277. March.
- 1910. Thamnomys loringi ROOSEVELT, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 478; London ed., pp. 485, 490.
- 1910. Thamnomus loringi ROOSEVELT, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 484; London ed., p. 495.

Specimens.—Twenty-two, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Lake Naivasha, 6 (Loring); Lime Springs, Sotik, 7, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Loita Plains, 1 (Heller); Naivasha Station, 7 (Loring); Telek River, Sotik, 1 (Heller).

Specimens from the Sotik appear to be slightly grayer, less reddish, above; and with less clear slate color in the underfur of the lower parts than skins from the type region around Naivasha; but the difference is hardly sufficient to separate a race, especially as the series from the two localities were collected at different seasons.

Heller notes four embryos in a female from Loita Plains, April 27. Labels of two specimens from Lime Springs are marked: "Caught on limbs of acacia." Roosevelt and Heller have written of these masked tree-rats:

In the Rift Valley; common around Naivasha. Arboreal and nocturnal. Much the habits of our neotoma, but do not build large nests. Build nests about 6 inches in diameter, made of sticks, placed in the branches of thorn-trees; also in burrows near the bottom of the trunks; runways lead from the trees containing the nests to the burrows. Trapped on the ground and in traps set in notches of the trees.

For measurements of specimens see page 70.

¹ Appendix B, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 478. 1910.

Measurements of specimens of Rattus nigricauda loringi from British East Africa.

Type.

RATTUS KAISERI HELLERI Hollister.

Plate 19.

1914. Epimys kaiseri centralis Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 10. June 24. (Rhino Camp, Lado; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1918. Rattus helleri Hollister, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 31, p. 97. June 29. (New name for Epimys kaiseri centralis Heller, 1914, preoccupied by Mus auricomis centralis Schwann, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1906, p. 107.)

Specimens.—Forty-eight, from the type locality, as follows:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 48, including 5 in alcohol and 2 odd skulls

(Loring, Heller, Mearns).

This is a slightly characterized form of the kaiseri group, in color very much like Rattus kaiseri noræ, of northern British East Africa, but averaging slightly smaller, with shorter hind foot and tail, and lighter dentition. I have not seen specimens of Rattus kaiseri kaiseri from Marungu. The specimens from Uganda, mentioned by Heller in the original description of "centralis" as somewhat less typical in character, I have placed with Rattus kaiseri medicatus, as they seem to go best with specimens of that subspecies. The Nile is apparently the dividing line between the two forms.

For measurements of specimens of rats of the *Rattus kaiseri* group see pages 73–75.

RATTUS KAISERI MEDICATUS (Wroughton).

1909. Mus medicatus Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 540. December. (Mumias, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1918. Rattus medicatus Hollister, Bull. 99, U. S. Nat. Mus., pt. 1, p. 178.

August 16.

Specimens.—Twenty-five, from the following localities:

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 3, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Hoima, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kabula Muliro, 4, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Kikanda, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kisingo, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Lialo, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Lombeki River, 1 in alcohol (Loring); Nimule, 2 (Loring); Nkyanuna, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring).

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Kakumega, 1 (Heller); Lukosa River, 1 (Heller); Sirgoit Lake, Guas

Ngishu Plateau, 1 (Heller).

This long-tailed, grayish-buff subspecies of kaiseri is very like both helleri and noræ in color, and the boundaries of distribution for the three subspecies are difficult to define. The Nile appears to be a convenient separating line between medicatus and helleri, as the greatest break in dimensions comes at that point. The Uganda specimens listed above were all included by Heller with his "centralis," but seem best placed with the earlier described medicatus.

RATTUS KAISERI NORÆ (Wroughton).

1909. Mus norw Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 541.

December. (Guasa Narok, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Forty-five, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Isiola River, 1 (Heller); Mount Gargues, 20, including 1 in alcohol and 1 odd skull (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 19, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro, 5 (Heller).

This more northern subspecies of the common East African group of rats of the subgenus *Æthomys* is readily distinguished from the more southern *Rattus kaiseri hindei* by its more grayish, less reddish coloration and much longer tail. It is colored almost precisely like *R. k. helleri* of Lado, from which it differs in average size alone; and is perhaps scarcely separable from *R. t. medicatus*, which it even more resembles.

A female from 6,000 feet on Mount Gargues, August 28, contained four small embryos.

RATTUS KAISERI TURNERI (Heller).

Plate 21.

1914. Epimys kaiseri turneri Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63. No. 7, p. 8. June 24. (Kisumu, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Twelve, as follows:

BRITISH EAST AFRICA: Kisumu (Heller).

Heller states that these specimens were all collected in the papyrus beds on the margin of Kavirondo Bay. The form is doubtless confined to the shore of Victoria Nyanza, the higher country immediately back of the lake being occupied by the long-tailed, less richly colored medicatus. A female collected January 19 contained 3 embryos.

This is a rich reddish-tinted race of *kaiseri*, most resembling *hindei* in general coloration, but darker and with a still shorter tail than in that form.

RATTUS KAISERI HINDEI (Thomas).

1902. Mus hindei Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 9, p. 219. March. (Machakos, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Epimys hindei Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 477; London ed., pp. 485, 489.

1914. Epimys hindei Cockerell, Miller, and Printz, Zool. Anz., vol. 44, p. 436, figs. 2, 2a. June.

Specimens.—Sixty-two, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 6, including 2 in alcohol (Mearns); Kapiti Plains, 2 (Loring); Machorra, Taita Hills, 7 (Heller); Mariakani, 1 (Heller); Mazeras, 12, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 5, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Mbololo, 6, including 3 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Umengo, 2 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 4, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Sir Alfred Pease's Farm, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Mearns); Ulukenia Hills, 15, including 1 in alcohol (Loring).

Measurements of the subspecies of Rattus kaiseri.

| Locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail verti- bræ. | Hind foot, dry, without claws. | Skull: Condy- lobasal length, | Zygo- matic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Mastoid Length breadth, of nasals, | Length of nasals. | Upper tooth raw, alveoli. | Condition of molars. |
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| R. k. helleri. | | | | | | | | | | | | Applied by the state of the sta |
| Lado; | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 1 165035 | Male | 148 | 162 | 27.5 | 35.1 | 18.9 | 5.8 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 5.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 165038 | do | 159 | 165 | 27.0 | 35.4 | 19.0 | 6.3 | 14.8 | 14.5 | 6.3 | Do. |
| D0 | 165056 | do | 156 | 148 | 28.5 | 34.5 | 18.2 | 5.6 | 13.7 | 15.0 | 6.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 165059 | do | 158 | 175 | 28.5 | 35.3 | 17.7 | 5.6 | 14.3 | 15.1 | 6.0 | Do. |
| Do | 165061 | do | 153 | 150 | 20.5 | 34.1 | 17.9 | 5.7 | 13.9 | 14.4 | 6.2 | Do. |
| D0 | 165071 | do | 149 | | 28.0 | 35.0 | 18.4 | 6.1 | 14.4 | 15.4 | 6.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 165072 | do | 158 | 160 | 28.0 | 34.0 | 17.5 | 5.6 | 14.2 | 15.0 | 6.2 | Moderately worn. |
| D0 | 165076 | do | 152 | 146 | 27.0 | 33.8 | 18.1 | 5.6 | 14.0 | 14.5 | 6.3 | Do. |
| Do | 165058 | Female. | 160 | 156 | 27.5 | 32.3 | 16.4 | 5.4 | 13.5 | 13.8 | 6.1 | Do. |
| 001 | 165074 | do | 154 | 134 | 28.0 | 34.0 | 17.8 | 5.4 | 14.3 | 14.8 | 6.1 | Do. |
| R. k. medicatus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uganda: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gondokoro | 165081 | Male | 168 | 156 | 27.5 | 35.3 | 18.2 | 5.9 | 14.5 | 15.3 | 6.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 165082 | do | 155 | 158 | 29.0 | 34.2 | 17.8 | 6.0 | 14.6 | 14.4 | 6.5 | Do. |
| Kikanda | 165031 | do | 172 | 176 | 31.5 | 36.3 | 19.0 | 5.7 | 14.9 | 16.2 | 6.7 | Do. |
| Lialo | 165030 | Female. | 158 | 165 | 29.0 | 35.0 | 18.8 | 4.9 | 14.5 | 15.0 | 6.7 | Do. |
| Kabula Muliro | 165027 | Male | 165 | 171 | 30.5 | 36.2 | 17.8 | 5.4 | 14.6 | 15.9 | 6.3 | Do. |
| Do | 165028 | do | 158 | 163 | 30.0 | 35.0 | 17.8 | 5.7 | 14.8 | 16.0 | 6.5 | Do. |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sirgoit Lake | 164466 | Female. | 175 | 181 | 29.5 | 37.6 | 19.1 | 5.9 | 14.5 | 16.8 | 7.2 | Considerably worn. |
| Kaimosi | 183340 | Male | 165 | 179 | 30.0 | 36.3 | 19.3 | 0.9 | 14.6 | 15.8 | 6.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Kakumega | 183342 | do | 155 | 691 | 30.0 | 35.0 | 17.3 | 5.8 | 14.4 | 15.2 | 6.4 | Do. |
| Lukosa River | 183341 | do | 145 | 158 | 28.5 | 33.8 | 17.8 | 5.8 | 14.0 | 14.6 | 6.0 | Do. |
| | | | | | Type. | | | | | | | |

Measurements of the subspecies of Rattus kaiseri-Continued.

| Locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tall verti- bræ. | Hind foot, diy, without claws. | Skull: Condy- lobasul length. | Zygo- ma.ic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Mastold breadth. | Length of nasals. | Upper tooth raw, alveoli. | Condition of molars, |
|---------------------------|----------|---------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| R. R. nora. | | | | | | | | | - | | | |
| B. E. A.: Nor Gueso Neiro | 109969 | Molo | OH. | 160 | 900 | 040 | 0 | Q L | , | l · | 0 | |
| TOTAL CHARGO IN SHID. | 700001 | male | 001 | COL | 6.02 | 0.1.0 | 13.0 | 9.6 | 14.4 | 14.7 | 6.9 | Moderately worn. |
| 100. | 183383 | Equal o | 150 | 169 | 29.5 | 34.0 | 17.6 | 5.6 | 13.9 | 14.3 | G. 57 | Do. |
| Mount Lololokwi | 183364 | Yala | 150 | 170 | 97.5 | 34.6 | 17.0 | 0.0 | 14.6 | 15.6 | 0., | Do. |
| Do | 183368 | do | 155 | 170 | 29.0 | 35.7 | 18.1 | 5.7 | 14.4 | 15.8 | ဂ ဂ လ | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183378 | do | 163 | 108 | 29.0 | 36.9 | 19.4 | 6.1 | 15.6 | 15.2 | 6.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183379 | Female. | 155 | 194 | 31.0 | 35.5 | 18.4 | 5.7 | 14.8 | 15.9 | 8.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Mount Gargues | 183347 | Male | 170 | 182 | 29.5 | 37.7 | 19.2 | 6.3 | 14.7 | 16.8 | 8.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do. | 183352 | do | 155 | 162 | 31.0 | 35.5 | 19.4 | 5.9 | 14.7 | 15.8 | 6.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183357 | do | 150 | 178 | 30.0 | 35.0 | 18.3 | 5.7 | 14.2 | 15.6 | 6.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183349 | Female. | 150 | 185 | 28.5 | 35.0 | 18.5 | 5.4 | 14.2 | 15.8 | 6.9 | Moderately worn. |
| R. k. turneri, | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kisumu, | 183343 | Male | 150 | 140 | 28.0 | 34.8 | 18.3 | 5.3 | 15.2 | 14.5 | 7.2 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183388 | do | 150 | 130 | 27.0 | 34.4 | 18.7 | 5.4 | 14.9 | 14.6 | 7.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183389 | do | 140 | 117 | 28.0 | 32.8 | 17.3 | 5.1 | 14.1 | 13.2 | 6.8 | Little worn. |
| Do | 183392 | qo | 150 | 128 | 28.0 | 34.2 | 18.2 | 5.5 | 15.0 | 14.5 | 6.9 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183323 | Female. | 155 | 120 | 27.0 | 34.6 | 18.7 | 5.4 | 15.2 | 12.1 | 6.7 | Do, |
| Do | 1 183395 | do | 155 | 135 | 27.0 | 35.2 | 19.0 | 5.6 | 15.7 | 15.3 | 9.9 | Do. |
| R. k. hindei. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ulukenja Hills | 162890 | Male | 151 | 141 | 27.0 | 33.5 | 18.2 | 5.5 | 14.1 | 14.8 | 6.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163430 | Female. | 150 | 143 | 26.5 | 34.3 | 18.3 | 5.4 | 14.9 | 16.2 | 6.3 | Much worn. |
| Do | 163431 | do | 157 | 143 | 28.0 | 34.8 | 18.2 | 5.4 | 14.6 | 15.8 | 6.7 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 163432 | do | 165 | 153 | 26.5 | 35.9 | 18.4 | 5.8 | 15.1 | 14.8 | 6.3 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| 6.3 Moderately worn. | 6.7 Do. | 7.0 Do. | 6.4 Do. | 6.8 Much worn. | 6.9 Moderately worn. | 6.5 Do. | 6.8 Do. | 6.2 Do. | 6.8 Do. | 6.6 Do. | 6.8 Do. | 6.6 Do. | 6.5 Do. | 6.8 Do. | 6.8 Do. | | 6.6 Moderately worn. | 6.7 Considerably worn. | 6.8 Do. | 6.8 Do. | 6.5 Moderately worn. | 7.1 Do. | 6.9 Do. |
|------------------------|----------|---------|---------|----------------|----------------------|----------|---------------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------|---------|----------------------|---------|---------|
| 14.8 | 15.8 | 12.1 | 15.0 | 15.2 | 13.9 | 13.5 | 14.5 | 13.2 | 13.8 | 13.5 | 14.6 | 14.2 | 15.0 | 14.3 | 14.7 | | 15.1 | 15.8 | 14.4 | 15.5 | 14.6 | 15.0 | 14.5 |
| 14.7 | 15.4 | 16.0 | 15.6 | 15.7 | 14.6 | 15.0 | 15.4 | 14.5 | 14.4 | 15.0 | 15.3 | 16.2 | 16.5 | 15.1 | 15.5 | | 15.8 | 15.9 | 15.2 | 16.3 | 15.2 | 15.1 | 14.8 |
| 5.5 | 5.8 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.5 | | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.5 |
| 17.7 | 19.0 | 19.5 | 19.4 | 18,8 | 18.2 | 18.3 | 18.7 | 16.7 | 17.3 | 18.3 | 18.8 | 18.9 | 19.0 | 18.8 | 18.8 | | 18.9 | 18.9 | 19.5 | 19.2 | 18.6 | 19.6 | 18.2 |
| 35.1 | 36.5 | 36.4 | 35.7 | 37.4 | 34.0 | 33.7 | 35.9 | 33.0 | 33.3 | 34.4 | 35.0 | 36.2 | 36.9 | 36.0 | 36.0 | | 34.6 | 35.0 | 35.9 | 35.8 | 34.9 | 35.8 | 33.7 |
| 28.0 | 29.0 | 30.0 | 28. 5 | 29.0 | 27.5 | 26.5 | 29.0 | 28.0 | 29.0 | 28.3 | 29.0 | 29.0 | 29.0 | 28.5 | 29.0 | | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 28.0 |
| 141 | 152 | 157 | 150 | 154 | 124 | 135 | 142 | 134 | 137 | 130 | 134 | 135 | 137 | 138 | 135 | | 135 | 131 | 122 | 132 | 145 | 137 | 135 |
| 162 | 160 | 155 | 155 | 170 | 145 | 150 | 150 | 140 | 142 | 145 | 160 | 160 | 160 | 160 | 155 | | 155 | 155 | 160 | 165 | 160 | 165 | 150 |
| do | do | do | do | do | Male | Female . | Male | do | Female. | Male | do | do | do | Female . | do | | Male | do | Pennale. | do | do | do | qo |
| 163443 | 183318 | 183319 | | 183324 | | 183317 | - | | 183328 | | | 183331 | 183335 | 183330 | 183337 | | 181680 | 181690 | 181682 | 181683 | 181684 | 181687 | 181692 |
| Do | Machorra | Do | Do | Do | Mount Umengo | Do | Mount Sagalla | Do | Do | Mariakani | Mazeras | Do | Do | Do | Do | R. k. manteufeli. | Kabalolot Hill | Do. | Do | Do. | Do | Do. | Do |

Specimens of this rat from near the coast have shorter tails on the average than those from the type region, but the difference is not sufficient to make it necessary to recognize a separate subspecies. For measurements of specimens see page 74.

RATTUS KAISERI MANTEUFELI (Matschie).

1911. Mus (Epimys?) manteufeli Marschie, Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1911, No. 8, p. 341. October. (Muansa, south coast of Victoria Nyanza, German East Africa; type in Berlin Museum.)

Specimens.—Forty-nine, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 1 (Loring); Kabalolot Hill, Sotik, 15, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Loita Plains, 2 (Heller); Njoro Osolali, Sotik, 1 (Loring); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 26, including 6 in alcohol (Loring, Heller); Telek River, 4 (Heller).

Specimens of the common Masai bush rat from the Southern Guaso Nyiro and Sotik are distinctly darker, more brownish and less reddish, than skins from east of the Rift valley. A form of this rat has been described by Matschie from the southern shores of Speko Gulf and it is highly probable that this is the subspecies of the lake drainage in the Sotik. I do not at any rate feel that a form from so near Matschie's type locality should be described without actual comparison with typical material and I see no reason for not referring the Sotik specimens to manteufeli until such time as direct comparisons can be made. The specimens in the collection agree well with the description.

Heller studied the type of *Mus manteufeli* in the Berlin Museum and made the following notes:

Type A 182.11, Muansa, G. E. A.; in alcohol, skull extracted. Same color and size as *hindci*. Skull, condylo-incisive length, 36.3; zygomatic breadth, 19; tooth row, 6; length of incisive foramen, 8.2; diastema, 10.

A rat described by Dollman¹ from the Lemek Valley, between the Amala River and the Southern Guaso Nyiro, as *Epimys walambæ amalæ*, is apparently not represented in our collections. It differs conspicuously from the animal I have referred to *manteufeli* by its white ventral surface.

RATTUS CHRYSOPHILUS VOI (Osgood).

1910. Mus voi Osgood, Field Mus. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 11. February. (Voi, British East Africa; type in Field Museum of Nat. Hist.)

Specimens.—Twenty-two, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Mount Mbololo, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 7, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 1 (Heller); Ndi, 13 (Heller).

Abstract Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1914, p. 25, April 14, 1914.

The specimen from Mtoto Andei appears to extend the known range of this rat in British East Africa. I am not aware of a previous record from north of the Taita Hills.

According to Mr. Thomas's classification of the groups of African Rattus, this species is a member of the subgenus Æthomys, along with the forms of Rattus kaiseri listed above.

RATTUS TULLBERGI JACKSONI (de Winton).

1897. Mus jacksoni DE WINTON, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 20, p. 318. September. (Entebbe, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

1910. Epimys jacksoni Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473;

London ed., p. 485.

1914. Epimys tulbergi endorobæ Frick, Ann. Carnegie Mus., vol. 9, p. 8, pl. 2. June 6. (Not Epimys endorobæ Heller.)

Specimens.—One hundred and thirteen, from localities as follows: UGANDA: Kabula Muliro, 4 (Loring); Kampala, 3 (Heller); Ki-

kandwa, 1 (Loring); Kisimbiri, 1 (Loring).

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, 2 (Heller); Guas Ngishu Plateau, 12 and 30 miles north of Ravine, 5 (Heller); Kaimosi, 55, including 16 in alcohol (Heller, Turner); Kakumega, 2 (Heller); Kisumu, 2 (Heller); Lukosa River (Yala River), 3, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Kenia, 23, including 22 in alcohol (Heller, Loring); Nyuki River, 2 in alcohol (Heller); Ravine, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Wambugu, 9 (Loring).

In the series from Kaimosi are a few puzzling specimens which, after some hesitation, I have placed with this species. While the skulls of all other specimens listed above agree in presenting a very uniform appearance, these few skulls—about a dozen in all—differ in having shorter palatine slits, not reaching plane of first molar, and in almost complete absence of supraorbital ridges. Otherwise they show no distinguishing characters and the skins are absolutely inseparable from other skins in the Kaimosi series and from other parts of the range of jacksoni.

Heller found a female specimen at Kakumega February 15 with 3 fetuses; and two at Kaimosi, January 27 and February 3, each with

four small embryos.

Many skins of jacksoni are indistinguishable by external characters from specimens of true tullbergi from West Africa.

For measurements of specimens of the subspecies of Rattus tullbergi see page 78. RATTUS TULLBERGI PEROMYSCUS (Heller).

Plate 20.

1909. Mus peromyscus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 52, pt. 4, p. 472. November 13. (Njoro O Nyiro, Sotik, British East Africa; type in U.S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Epimys peromyscus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 477, and 484 (part); London ed., pp. 485, 489, and 495 (part).

Measurements of the subspecies of Rattus tullbergi.

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|-------------------------|----------|---------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Form and locality. | | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail ver- | Hind foot, dry. | Ear, dry from notch. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matle breadth. | Upper tooth row, alveoli. | Condition of teeth. |
| Tranda. Kabula Mulico | 165100 | Female | 123 | 147 | 23.5 | 18 | 28.7 | 14.6 | 8,4 | Considerably worn. |
| Kisimbiri | 165099 | do | 130 | 138 | 24.0 | 18 | 29.5 | 15.3 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Kikanda | 165101 | Male | 125 | 150 | 24.5 | 18 | 30.2 | 14.8 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Kampala | 165095 | do | 123 | 140 | 23.0 | 17 | 29.0 | 15.2 | 5.2 | Do. |
| \mathbb{D}_0 | 165096 | Female. | 120 | 138 | 23. 5 | 16 | 28.3 | 14.8 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
| B. E. A.: Kaimosi | 183450 | Male | 115 | 145 | 24.0 | 17 | 28.4 | 14.8 | 5.2 | Do. |
| D0. | 183451 | do | 110 | 142 | 25.0 | 16 | 28.7 | 14.7 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Do | 183473 | do | 122 | 162 | 26.0 | 18 | 31.0 | 14.8 | 5.3 | Do. |
| D0. | 183474 | do | 120 | 153 | 25.5 | 18 | 30.0 | 14.7 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 183475 | do | 120 | 154 | 25.0 | 16 | 29.4 | 15.0 | 5.4 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183477 | do | 120 | 145 | 24.0 | 19 | 30.1 | 15.0 | 5.2 | Do. |
| D0. | 183448 | Female | 120 | 149 | 25.0 | 19 | 30.1 | 15.2 | 5.2 | Considerably worn. |
| D0. | 183453 | do | 110 | 140 | 24.0 | 18 | 28.8 | 14.6 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183454 | do | 110 | 146 | 25.0 | 17 | 29.4 | 14.9 | 5.2 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183479 | do | 120 | 142 | 24.5 | 17 | 29.3 | 14.8 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Guas Ngishu | 163353 | Male | 115 | 135 | 24.0 | 18 | 27.8 | 14.8 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 163354 | Female. | 116 | 133 | 23.0 | 18 | 28.3 | 14.1 | 5.2 | Do. |
| A berdares. | 183445 | Male | 105 | 135 | 24.0 | 17 | 29.4 | 14.8 | 5.4 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183444 | Female | 120 | 146 | 25.5 | 18 | 29.4 | 14.6 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Mount Kenia | 163346 | do | 113 | 143 | 22.0 | 18 | 28.1 | 14.3 | 5.0 | . Do. |
| Wambugu | 163405 | Male | 115 | 147 | 24.0 | 17 | 28.3 | 13.8 | 4.8 | D0. |
| Do | 163363 | Female. | 121 | 162 | 23.0 | 19 | 28.5 | 14.8 | 4.8 | Much worn. |
| Do. | 163404 | do | 66 | 147 | 22.5 | 17 | 27.0 | 13.5 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| B. F. A : Nioro O Notro | 1 161905 | Male | 135 | 146 | 25.0 | 20 | 30.5 | 15.7 | 5,5 | Considerably worn |
| Engare Narok | 162365 | do | 121 | 141 | 24.0 | 20 | 29.6 | 14.6 | 5.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 162368 | do | 122 | 145 | 24. 5 | 20 | 30.1 | 14.4 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Do. | 162376 | do | 115 | 137 | 23.5 | 19 | 25.9 | 14.5 | 5.4 | Considerably worn. |
| D ₀ . | 162382 | ф. | 116 | 1#1 | 24.0 | 20 | 30.1 | 15, 1 | 5.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 162383 | Female | 103 | 127 | 23.5 | 18 | 26.3 | 13.8 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
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Type.

Specimens.—Thirteen, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 12 (Loring); Njoro O Nyiro (Oljoro O Nyon), 1 (Heller).

This is a slightly marked form. It averages less reddish, more dusky, in color than *jacksoni*, and has larger ears and longer fur.

RATTUS DENNIÆ (Thomas).

Plate 21.

1906. Mus dennix Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 18, p. 144.

August. (Ruwenzori East, Uganda, altitude 7,000 feet; type in British Mus.)

1910. Mus dennix Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19.

p. 504. March.

1910. Epimys endorobæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, p. 3. July 22. (Western edge of Mau Forest, 25 miles north of Eldoma Ravine, British East Africa, altitude 8,600 feet; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Epimys endorobx Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473;

London ed., p. 485.

Specimens.—Forty-seven, from the following localities:

UGANDA: Ruwenzori East, 1 (Dent).

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, 2 (Heller); Guas Ngishu Plateau, 25 and 30 miles north of Eldoma Ravine, 2 (Heller);

West side of Mount Kenia, 42 (Loring, Mearns, Heller).

Specimens from British East Africa, representing Heller's Epimys endorobæ, do not differ enough from the Ruwenzori form to warrant recognition as a separate race. I can find no characters to distinguish our Ruwenzori specimen from many of the skins and skulls from Mount Kenia. The dark area between the nose and eye is sharply defined in the Ruwenzori skin and faintly indicated on many of the Kenia specimens, but the specimens were collected at widely different seasons and a few of the British East African skins, including the type of endorobæ, show the dark area very much as in the Uganda skin of denniæ.

For measurements of specimens, see page 80.

RATTUS TAITÆ (Heller).

Plate 21.

1912. Epimys taitæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 9. July
5. (Mount Mbololo, Taita Hills, British East Africa, 5,000 feet altitude; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Fifty, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Mount Mbololo, 41, including 18 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Umengo, 9 (Heller).

These specimens were all trapped in the heavy forests on the summits of the mountains. There appear to be no differences between skins from the two localities. A female from Mount Mbololo, November 5, contained five embryos; and one from Umengo, November 11, four embryos.

Measurements of specimens of Rattus dennix, R. taitx, and R. stella kaimosx.

| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot, dry. | Skull: Condy!o- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Upper tooth row, alveoli. | Condition of teeth. |
|--------------------|-----------|------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| R. demise. | 179010 | Tomo of | 201 | 071 | 6 | 14 2 | 6 | | 0 | naction of the control |
| Oganda; Kuwenzott | 6167)1 | r emaie. | 601 | 140 | 20.0 | 0.6% | 13.4 | 11.0 | 4 | |
| Guas Ngishu | 1 162888 | Male | 100 | 151 | 20.5 | 25.6 | 13.6 | 11.6 | 8.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163349 | Female. | 96 | 132 | 19.5 | 24.3 | 12.8 | 10.8 | 4.2 | Little worn. |
| A berdares | 183312 | Male | 95 | 110 | 20.0 | 24.3 | 13.0 | 11.2 | 4.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163348 | do | 120 | 153 | 21.5 | 27.3 | 14.4 | 12.1 | 4.5 | Much worn. |
| Mount Kenia. | 163367 | do | 105 | 151 | 21.5 | 26.0 | 13.7 | 11.5 | 4.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163369 | do | 66 | 155 | 21.0 | 26.4 | 13.0 | 11.4 | 4.6 | Do. |
| Do | 163370 | do | 88 | | 22.0 | 25.7 | 12.8 | 11.5 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 163371 | do | 106 | 147 | 21.5 | 25.9 | 13.3 | 11.8 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0 | 163372 | do | 105 | 147 | 20.5 | 25.6 | 13.3 | 11.5 | 4.4 | Do. |
| D0. | 163374 | do | 105 | 157 | 21.5 | 25.3 | 13.8 | 11.9 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0. | 163375 | do | 108 | 152 | 21.0 | 26.2 | 13.5 | 11.8 | 4.4 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 163376 | do | 118 | 172 | 22.0 | 27.3 | 13.8 | 11.9 | 4.6 | Much worn. |
| Do | 163382 | do | 611 | 170 | 22.0 | 26.2 | 13.3 | 11.3 | 4.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163386 | do | 112 | 162 | 21.7 | 27.6 | 14.1 | 11.9 | 4.5 | Do. |
| Do | 163368 | Female. | 102 | 148 | 20.5 | 25.8 | 13.2 | 11.5 | | Much worn. |
| Do | 163373 | do | 95 | 142 | 20.5 | 25.6 | 13.7 | 11.7 | 4.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163377 | do | 101 | 147 | 21.5 | 25.5 | 13.7 | 11.7 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 163379 | do | 108 | 157 | 21.5 | 26.2 | 13.4 | 11.6 | 4.3 | Considerably worn. |
| D0 | 163381 | do | 103 | 150 | 21.0 | 25.4 | 13.2 | 11.7 | 4.6 | Do. |
| Do | 163396 | do | 102 | 157 | 20.5 | 26.0 | 13.3 | 11.3 | 4.7 | Do. |
| B. r. A. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Mbololo | \$ 181797 | Male | 105 | 138 | 22.0 | 26.1 | 13.1 | 11.0 | 4.4 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183413 | do | 105 | 130 | 23.5 | 26.4 | 13.2 | 11.3 | 4.4 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

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|---------|--------------------|--------|--------------------|--------|---------|--------------|--------|--------------------|------------------|--------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|----------|------------------|------------|
| Do. | Considerably worn. | Do. | Considerably worn. | Do. | Do. | Much worn. | Do. | Considerably worn. | Moderately worn. | Do. | | | Considerably worn. | Do. | Moderately worn. | Much worn. |
| 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 2 4 | 4,4 | 4,4 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | | | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 3.8 |
| 10.9 | 11.1 | 11.0 | 10.9 | 11.9 | 11.3 | 11.3 | 10.9 | 11.7 | 10.8 | 10.8 | | | 10.2 | 10.6 | | 10.5 |
| 13.5 | 13.4 | 13.2 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 12.8 | 12.8 | 12.8 | 12.8 | 12.6 | 12.6 | | ann de | 11.7 | 12.5 | | 12.8 |
| 26.4 | 25.5 | 26.5 | 24.9 | 25.2 | 25.3 | 25.4 | 26.8 | 25.0 | 24.5 | 25.0 | | | 22.4 | 23.1 | | 24.0 |
| 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 23.5 | 23.0 | 22.0 | 22. 5 | 22.5 | 22.5 | 23.0 | 23.0 | | | 18.0 | 17.0 | 18.0 | 17.0 |
| 135 | 129 | 133 | 130 | 122 | 120 | 124 | 127 | 124 | 135 | 128 | | | 136 | 135 | 138 | 132 |
| 100 | 105 | 106 | 100 | 100 | 112 | 100 | 105 | 102 | 95 | 95 | | | 85 | 98 | 88 | 06 |
| 83414do | do | do | qo | qp | Female. | Male | do | Female. | do | qo | | _ | Male | Female. | do | do |
| 183414 | | 183427 | 183430 | 183431 | 183422 | 183436 | 183440 | 183434 | _ | 183441 | | | 183184 | 2 181794 | 183182 | 183183 |
| Do. | Do | Do | Do | Do | 1)0. | Mount Umengo | 1)0 | DO | D0. | D0 | R. s. kaimosæ. | B. E. A.: | Kaimosa | Do | Do. | Do |

1 Type of Epimys endorobæ Heller.

³ Type.

Externally this species is very much like *Rattus denniæ*, but the skulls of the two forms are very different. Skulls of *taitæ* are more slender and less angular than those of *denniæ*; they have smaller, flatter braincases and more sharply notched antorbital foramina.

For measurements of specimens see page 80.

RATTUS STELLA KAIMOSÆ (Heller).

Plate 22.

1912. Epimys alleni kaimosæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p.
7. July 5. (Kaimosi, Kakumega Forest, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, as follows:

British East Africa: Kaimosi (Heller).

I have had no specimens of typical Rattus stella¹ from the Ituri forest for comparison with these skins.

For measurements of specimens of R. s. kaimosæ see page 81.

RATTUS FUMATUS FUMATUS (Peters).

Plate 22.

1878. Mus fumatus Peters, Mon.-ber. K. Preuss. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, March, 1878, p. 200. (Ukamba, British Fast Africa; type in Berlin Mus.)

1910. Mus niveiventris Osgood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 12. February. (Voi, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

1910. Epimys niveiventris ulæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, p. 3. July 22. (Ulukenia Hills, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Epimys nieventris ulæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 478, 484; London ed., pp. 485, 489, 495. (Part; references to Athi Plains.)

Specimens.—One hundred and ten, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Kapiti Plains, 47, including 9 in alcohol (Loring); Mount Gargues, 12, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Mbololo, 1 (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 5 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 1 (Heller); Ndi, 11 (Heller); Ulukenia Hills, 27, including 11 in alcohol (Loring); Voi, 6 (Heller).

In British East Africa there are two fairly well-marked subspecies of a small rat of the subgenus Myomys, representing Rattus verroxi² of South Africa. These two forms were first distinguished by Osgood in 1910 and were named as new, with type-localities in the Taita Hills (niveiventris) and at Lake Elmenteita (subfuscus). The two subspecies apparently reach their extremes of differentiation at these points, and specimens from intermediate localities are less typical and show a blending of characters of the two races, chiefly marked by the absence or presence of a grayish undercolor to the hairs of the

¹ Epimys stella Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, p. 590. July, 1911.

² Mus verroxi Smith, South Afr. Quart. Journ., vol. 2, p. 156, 1831 (Epimys or Mus verreauxi of authors). Reference verified for me by Oldfield Thomas at the British Museum.

otherwise white underparts. A subspecies, geographically intermediate, but most closely resembling the Taita Hills form, was named by Heller from the Ulukenia Hills (ulw). The identity of this rock rat with the Mus fumatus of Peters was naturally unsuspected, but when Heller examined the types of East African mammals in Berlin he discovered that the type of fumatus is a young example of the East African form of verroxi, the niveiventris of Osgood. His manuscript notes on this type-specimen are as follows:

Mus fumatus Peters. Type No. 5277 Berlin Mus. Skin mounted. Skull with occipital part and floor of braincase lost. Very young; last molar just erupted. Locality Ukamba (probably Kitui). Hind foot, dry, from specimen, 20. Ears and all of tail except basal 2 inches lost. Color peculiar broccoli brown, belly and feet pure white. Interorbital region rounded, not beaded. Upper molars, 5; diastema, 5.7; nasals, 9.5 by 3; interorbital breadth, 3.7; condylo-incisive length of mandible, 16.

In the original description of fumatus, Peters gave the length of tail as 80 and the color of the underparts as "grauweiss." The immaturity of the specimen would account for both these differences from adult specimens of the East African representative of Rattus verroxi, but Heller has noted the belly of the type as "pure white."

I can not find characters by which to recognize three forms of this species in British East Africa, and although Ukamba specimens are somewhat intermediate in color between the two extremes, they are clearly nearest to the white-bellied subspecies of the Taita Hills. The skins from Mount Gargues average slightly grayer above than the specimens from Ulukenia Hills and other localities, but since the series is small and the differences trivial, it does not seem advisable to separate them from R. fumatus fumatus. They have the hairs of the underparts as clearly white to the bases as do the skins from Taita Hills. The range of the animal probably will be found to be practically continuous in rocky localities when more collecting has been done east of Mount Kenia.

Heller found four embryos in a female collected on Mount Gargues, September 1; and two embryos in a female from Ndi, November 3.

For detailed measurements of this subspecies and other forms of the subgenus *Myomys* see page 84.

RATTUS FUMATUS SUBFUSCUS (Osgood).

1910. Mus niveiventris subfuscus Osgood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 12. February. (Lake Elmenteita, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

1910. Epimys nieventris ulae ROOSEVELT, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 478; London ed., p. 489. (Part; references to Sotik, Naivasha, and Rift Valley.)

Specimens.—Seventy-one, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 1 (Loring); Lake Naivasha, south end, 5 (Mearns, Loring); Naivasha Station, 27, including 6 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Oljoro O Nyon River, 4

Measurements of rats of the subgenus Lyomys from British East Africa.

| Form and locality. | No, | Sex. | Head and body. | Tall verte- bræ. | Hind foot, dry. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Mastold breadth. | Upper tooth row, alveoll. | Condition of |
|-------------------------|----------|--------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Rattus fumatus fumatus. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Sagalla | 183513 | Male | 105 | 143 | 20.5 | 27.5 | 14.0 | 11.6 | 5.0 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183516 | do | 102 | 138 | 21.5 | 26.6 | 13.6 | 11.0 | 5.1 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183514 | Female | 102 | 140 | 20.5 | 26.5 | 12.9 | 11.1 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183809 | do | 100 | 133 | 21.5 | 26.1 | 13.4 | 11.0 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Voi | 183495 | Male | 100 | 140 | 20.5 | 26.2 | 12.8 | 10.8 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183496 | do | 100 | 143 | 22.0 | 26.2 | 13.6 | 11.3 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183498 | do | 100 | 136 | 20.5 | 25.6 | 13.2 | 11.2 | 4.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183499 | do | 96 | 141 | 21.0 | 25.6 | 13.2 | 10.9 | 4.7 | Do, |
| Ndl | 183504 | do | 112 | 157 | 21.5 | 27.5 | 13.7 | 11.3 | 4.9 | Much worn, |
| Do | 183502 | Female | 95 | | 21.0 | 25, 5 | 13.6 | 11.3 | 4.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 183506 | do | 105 | 153 | 23.0 | 28.4 | 14.2 | 11.8 | 5.2 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183507 | do | 105 | 153 | 21.0 | 27.7 | 13.6 | 11.2 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do. | 183510 | do | 105 | 141 | 22.0 | 25.6 | 13.1 | 10.8 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183511 | do | 100 | 141 | 21.0 | 25.5 | 13.3 | 11.1 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Ulukenia Hills | 162886 | Male | 108 | 142 | 21.5 | 26.0 | 13.4 | 11.9 | 4.7 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | . 164225 | do | 106 | 138 | 20.0 | 25.8 | 13.7 | 11.7 | 4.5 | Do. |
| Do | 164232 | do | 103 | 135 | 21.0 | 26.1 | 13.2 | 11.4 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0 | 164234 | do | 106 | 137 | 21.0 | 26.9 | 13.7 | 11.2 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 1 162887 | Female | 88 | 128 | 19.5 | 23.9 | 13.0 | 10.9 | 4.3 | Moderately worn. |
| D0 | 164235 | qo | 100 | 130 | 19.5 | 25.1 | 12.8 | 10.8 | 4.8 | Considerably worn. |
| D0 | 164237 | do | 93 | 123 | 20.0 | 23.8 | 12.2 | 11.0 | 4.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Kapiti Plains. | 161818 | Male | 26 | 124 | 21.5 | 25.3 | 13.5 | 11.5 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 161827 | qo | 66 | 134 | 21.5 | 25.8 | 13.3 | 10.9 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Do | 161833 | do | 86 | 130 | 21.5 | 25.6 | 13.3 | | 5.1 | Much worn. |
| Do | 161834 | do | 85 | 128 | 21.0 | 24.4 | 12.9 | 11.0 | 8.* | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 161835 | do | 86 | 137 | 21.5 | 25.7 | 13.3 | 11.2 | 5.3 | Much worn. |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

| Do | 161825 | 161825 Female | 105 | 136 | 20.0 | 26.0 | 13.6 | 11.0 | 8.0 | |
|---------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----|-----|------|------|------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Do | 161829 | qo | 116 | 136 | 21.5 | 26.5 | 14.3 | * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * | 0.0 | Much worn. |
| Do | 161836 | qo | 100 | 127 | 20.0 | 25.2 | 13.0 | 10.9 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Mount Gargues | 183485 | Male | 102 | 146 | 20.5 | 26.1 | 13.8 | 11.3 | 4.8 | Much worn. |
| D0 | 183486 | do | 100 | 121 | 22.5 | 25.8 | 13.2 | 11.3 | 4.7 | Moderately worn. |
| 100 | 183484 | Female. | 105 | 160 | 22.5 | | 13.3 | : | 4 .∞ | Much worn. |
| Do | 183494 | do | 92 | 135 | 22.0 | 25.2 | 13.7 | 11.4 | 4.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Rattus fumatus subfuscus. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Naivasha Station | 162389 | Male | 100 | 127 | 20.5 | 24.7 | 13.2 | 11.2 | ₹ | Do. |
| D0 | 162394 | do | 105 | 142 | 22.0 | 26.3 | 13.8 | 11.3 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0 | 162504 | do | 109 | 150 | 20.5 | 25.9 | 13.4 | 11.3 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 162506 | do | 110 | 144 | 21.5 | 27.2 | 13.2 | 11.8 | 4.9 | Do. |
| D0 | 162393 | Female. | 111 | 142 | 21.0 | 27.3 | 13.8 | | 4.8 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 162496 | do | 106 | 139 | 21.5 | 26.3 | 14.0 | 11.1 | 4.7 | Moderately worn. |
| D0 | 162501 | do | 103 | 142 | 22.0 | 26.0 | 13.6 | 11.8 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0 | 162502 | do | 101 | 141 | 21.5 | 25.8 | 13.3 | 11.6 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0 | 162509 | do | 66 | 135 | 20.5 | 25.5 | 13.6 | 11.5 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Southern Guaso Nyiro | 162473 | Malo | 105 | 155 | 22.0 | 26.5 | 13.3 | 11.3 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0 | 162479 | do | 100 | 148 | 21.5 | 25.4 | 13.8 | 11.2 | 4.5 | Do. |
| D0 | 162480 | do | 107 | 141 | 21.5 | 25.9 | 13.0 | 11.2 | 4.6 | Do. |
| D0 | 162483 | do | 106 | 144 | 22.0 | 25.5 | 13.3 | 11.5 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D0 | 162472 | Female | 100 | 136 | 20.5 | 25.1 | 12.9 | 11.0 | 4.6 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 162476 | do | 115 | 149 | 21.5 | 26.6 | 13.3 | 11.3 | 4.5 | Do. |
| D0 | 162478 | do | 110 | 145 | 21.5 | 25.3 | 12.9 | 11.3 | 4.7 | Do. |
| Do | 162481 | do | 105 | 141 | 21.5 | 25.3 | 12.8 | 11.3 | 4.9 | Moderately worn. |
| Rattus tana. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tana River | \$ 36055 | do | | | 21.0 | 25.1 | 13.7 | 12.0 | 4 , ∞ | Do. |
| | | - | | | | - | | | | The second secon |

1 Type of Epimys nivciventris ulx.

a Type.

(Loring, Heller); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 32, including 6 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Telek River, Sotik. 2 (Heller).

This is the subspecies of funatus with the gray undercolor to the hairs of the otherwise white underparts. Around Naivasha the form is well marked, but specimens from the Southern Guaso Nyiro and Sotik sometimes have very little of the gray undercoloring on the belly, and resemble the Taita Hills and Ukamba skins. There are no pronounced differences in size or any other characters of consequence beyond this coloration of pelage to separate the two subspecies.

Never found except among rocks; we always found it where there were cliffs or stony koppies. Lives in crevices in the rocks and along the ledges of the cliffs. Nocturnal. (Roosevelt, African Game Trails, p. 478.)

RATTUS TANA (True).

Plate 22.

1893. Mus tana True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 16, p. 602. October 25. (Along the Tana River, between the coast and Hameye, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1909. Mustana Lyon and Osgood, Bull. 62, U. S. Nat. Mus., p. 155. January 28.

Specimen.—One, the type:

British East Africa: Tana River, between the coast and Hameye (Chanler and von Höhnel).

The type-specimen of Rattus tana was originally preserved in alcohol, but was made up into a skin after about one year of immersion. The coloration is evidently considerably modified by this treatment and satisfactory comparison with other skins is impossible. True described it as "brownish-gray above, hoary below; feet white," which is about as accurate an account as can be given. There is a distinct undercolor of gray below, much as in many skins of R. f. subfuscus, but all the hairs of the underparts are broadly tipped with a light color which was presumably white before its discoloration. The tail in the dry skin measures 85 millimeters in length, but was recorded by True as 93, in the alcoholic specimen before skinning. The skull shows the type to be an adult specimen and has the teeth moderately worn. The measurements as given by True are probably of little value, as the specimen is much shrunken and was probably preserved in spirits much too strong for the purpose. The tail in the dry skin has been separated from the body and sewed in place, so that it is obviously considerably shortened from its original condition.

A careful comparison of the type of R. tana with all the forms of Rattus from East Africa in the collection proves it to be almost certainly a member of the subgenus Myomys closely related to Rattus fumatus. Until a satisfactory series of rats of this group is collected from the Tana River country it will be impossible to settle

the exact status of *R. tana*. My own belief is that the form represented will prove to be a geographical race of *fumatus*. On the other hand skulls of certain specimens of *fumatus* are almost indistinguishable from skulls of some of the multimammate rats of the subgenus *Mastomys*, and this is particularly true of specimens in the "young adult" stage like the type skull of *tana*. The type of *tana* is recorded as a female, but no trace of mammæ can be found in the dry skin.

RATTUS COUCHA ISMAILIÆ (Heller).

Plate 23.

1914. Epimys concha (sic) ismailiæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 9. June 24. (Gondokoro, Uganda; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Thirty-six, from localities as follows:

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 18, including 4 in alcohol (Loring); Ledgus, 1 in alcohol (Loring); Lombeki River, 1 (Loring); Mnyouri Jardin 1 (Loring); Nimule, 15, including 6 in alcohol and 1 odd skull (Loring, Heller).

The rats of this group, the subgenus Mastomys, known as the multimammate species, are among the most difficult of small mammals to arrange satisfactorily into species or subspecies. What appears to be individual variation within a single form is usually far more conspicuous than the characters marking valid geographical races. The difference in size, and frequently in color, between fully adult examples and the older, aged individuals is very great; and the change in the form and appearance of the skull throughout life is extreme. It is only when large series are available and when the skins and skulls are arranged according to age, as determined by the condition of the teeth, that the great variations are in a measure explained. My conclusions are that within the territory covered by this report only a single species of Mastomys is found, and that this species may be separated into several geographical races, no two valid forms occupying the same region. With smaller series of specimens one might easily be misled into describing several species, based mainly on size, form of the skull, and the coloration of the underparts. Size of body and size and form of skull are explained in almost every case with our material by age; and the color of the belly must frequently be accounted as purely individual variation, except in cases when it is plainly a question of condition of pelage. I have not seen authentic specimens of the two forms described by Dollman from Lake Baringo¹ which he found ranging together, and one of which, the smaller effectus, he states is distributed over the same territory occupied by Rattus coucha ugandæ. I can not help but believe, after my experience with the group, that these two

¹ Epimys effectus and E. evelyni Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 7, pp. 524 and 526. May, 1911.

^{64952—19—}Bull, 99, pt 2——7

names represent large and small individuals of the same subspecies, perhaps to be recognized as a valid race of *coucha* inhabiting the Baringo region.

The Gondokoro race of coucha, described by Heller as Epimys coucha ismailiæ, is not a very well-marked form and differs from Rattus coucha ugandæ only in its brighter, more cinnamon rufous coloration, and smaller size, both of which are average characters, not entirely constant throughout the series. The color of the underparts is uniformly creamy whitish, more or less mixed with the gray of the underfur; no individuals with drab-colored bellies, not uncommon in other races, are in the collection. The largest specimens, and also the oldest as shown by the condition of the skulls and teeth, are decidedly grayish in color, with very little of the cinnamon tones characteristic of the average younger adult specimens of the race. Our specimens of this subspecies are all from the east side of the Nile in extreme northwestern Uganda, between Gondokoro and Nimule.

For detailed measurements of specimens of this subspecies, and of other forms of the subgenus *Mastomys*, see tables, pages 90-93.

RATTUS COUCHA UGANDÆ (de Winton).

- 1897. Mus ugandæ de Winton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 20, p. 317. September. (Entebbe, Uganda; type in British Museum.)
- 1910. Epimys ugandæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473; London ed., p. 485.
- 1918. Rattus coucha ugandæ Hollister, Smithsonian Misc. Coll. vol. 68, No. 10, p. 1. January 16.

Specimens.—Fifty-three, from the following localities:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 11, including 3 odd skulls (Loring).

UGANDA: Hoima, 2, including 1 in alcohol and 1 odd skull (Loring); Kabula Muliro, 9, including 2 in alcohol and 1 odd skull (Loring); Kampala, 5, including 3 in alcohol (Mearns, Heller, Loring); Kikanda, 5 (Loring); Kikandwa, 2 (Loring); Kisimbiri, 2 (Loring); Kisingo, 9 (Loring); Lialo, 8 (Loring).

The distribution of this race is doubtless continuous between the Lado and the northern shores of Victoria Nyanza by way of eastern Belgian Congo and the Ruwenzori country. How far it extends northward on the eastern side of the White Nile before blending into the Gondokoro form, Rattus coucha ismailiæ, is not known, as no specimens are available from this district between the Victoria Nile and Nimule. The large, brown-bellied skins of ugandæ in the collection are usually those specimens with the largest, most angular skulls in which the teeth are very much worn. The majority of the specimens have grayish-white underparts.

RATTUS COUCHA TINCTUS Hollister.

Plate 23.

1918. Rattus coucha tinetus Hollister, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 68, No. 10, p. 1. January 16. (Kaimosi, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Nineteen, as follows:

British East Africa: Kaimosi (Heller).

This large, dark colored subspecies of *Rattus coucha* is known only from the type locality.

Heller found 10, 12, and 13 embryos in females of the type series collected in January, 1912.

Geographical races of coucha from Victoria Nyanza not represented in the United States National Museum collections are Rattus coucha cuninghamei (Wroughton)¹ described from Chivi Island and inhabiting other islands in the lake as well; and Rattus coucha victoriæ (Matschie)² from Mwanza, south coast of Speke Gulf. The former is described as having a very short tail and buffy white underparts; and victoriæ is said to be pure grayish white below. In tinctus the underparts are only slightly lighter than the flanks and are intense dark grayish buff, drab, or tawny olive.

RATTUS COUCHA NEUMANI (Heller).

Plate 23.

1912. Epimys coucha neumani Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 8. July 5. (Neuman's Boma, Northern Guaso Nyiro River, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, as follows:

British East Africa: Neuman's Boma (Heller).

The material representing this subspecies is far from satisfactory. No one of the four specimens is sufficiently old to show the form or size of the skull with extreme age; the teeth of the type, the oldest specimen, are only moderately worn. The skins are all decidedly grayish in color, with little rufous or buffy above, and with the underparts washed with buff.

RATTUS COUCHA PANYA (Heller).

Plate 24.

1910. Epimys panya Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9; p. 2. July
22. (Juja Farm, Athi Plains, British East Africa; type in U.S. Nat. Mus.)
1910. Epimys panya Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 478;

London ed., pp. 485, 489.

¹ Mus cuninghamei Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 1, p. 256. March, 1908.

² Mus (Epimys) microdon victoriæ Matschie, Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1911, No. 8, p. 342, October.

Measurements of rats of the subgenus Mastemys.

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|-------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot, dry. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Upper tooth row, alveoli. | Condition of molars. |
| Vganda: R. c. ismailiæ. | | | | - | | | | | | |
| Gondokoro | 165102 | Male | 106 | 115 | 23 | 26.8 | 13.6 | 11.7 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 165106 | do | 107 | 122 | 22 | 25.2 | 14.0 | 11.7 | 4.6 | Do. |
| Do | 1 165108 | do | 108 | 115 | 22 | 26.3 | 12.9 | 11.3 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 165093 | Female | 113 | 66 | 25 | 27.8 | 13.6 | 12.2 | 5.6 | Do. |
| Do | 165104 | do | 93 | 95 | 21 | 24.9 | 13.0 | 11.0 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 165111 | do | 105 | III | 22 | 26.9 | 12.8 | 11.3 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Mnyouri Jardin | 165019 | qo | 104 | 107 | 21 | 24.9 | 13.0 | 11.0 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Lombeki River | 165018 | Male | 96 | 96 | 21 | 24.2 | 12.6 | 11.1 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Nimule | 165015 | do | 66 | 101 | 21 | 25.0 | 13.0 | 11.3 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 165010 | Female. | 66 | 108 | 55 | 25.7 | 13.3 | 11.3 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 165011 | do | 107 | 110 | 22 | 27.2 | 13.4 | 11.8 | 1.8 | Do. |
| Do | 165012 | do | 103 | 100 | 21 | 26.0 | 13.4 | 11.7 | 5.0 | 100. |
| Do | 165013 | do | 102 | 112 | 22 | 26.8 | 13.6 | 11.3 | 8 · f· | . Do |
| Τ)0 | 165016 | do | 66 | 96 | 22 | 24.2 | 12.7 | 11.2 | 4.8 | Little worn. |
| Lado: $R.c.$ ugand $x.$ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 165007 | Male | 114 | 108 | 22 | 27.2 | 13.9 | 11.4 | 4.9 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 165009 | qo | 119 | 123 | 25 | | 14.0 | 12.0 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do. | 165002 | Female. | 117 | 105 | 22 | 27.0 | 14.3 | 11.9 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Do | 165004 | do | 110 | 115 | 22 | 26.7 | 13.8 | 11.5 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Uganda: | | | | | | | | | _ | |
| Kikanda | 164998 | Male | 131 | 130 | 24 | 29.0. | 14.5 | 12.1 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 164999 | do | 118 | 108 | 21 | 26.7 | 13.6 | 11.2 | 4.7 | Do. |
| Do. | 165000 | do | 124 | 128 | 22 | 28.0 | 13.8 | 11.6 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 165001 | Female | 122 | 125 | 22 | 27.5 | 14.1 | 11.8 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Lialo | 16-1994 | Male | 115 | 112 | 22 | 28.3 | 13.4 | 11.9 | 3. | Do. |
| Kisingo. | | qo | 125 | 116 | 22 | 28.2 | 14.3 | 12.0 | 4.7 | Do. |
| Do | 9361-91 | do | 115 | 116 | 23 | 26.8 | 13.7 | 13.1 | ×. | Moderately worn. |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

| Do. | 164987 | do | 125 | 114 | 23 | 29.4 | 14.4 | 11.8 | 5.0 | Considerably worn. |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|---------|------|----|-------|-------|------|-----|--------------------------|
| Do | 164988 | | 105 | 108 | 21 | 26.7 | 13.8 | 11.4 | 5.2 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 164990 | do | 107 | 1117 | 22 | 26.7 | 13.3 | 11.9 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Kabula Muliro | 164981 | Male | 120 | 114 | 21 | 28.1 | 14.1 | 12.3 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 165087 | do | 157 | 138 | 56 | 33.2 | 17.5 | 13.5 | 4.9 | Very much worn. |
| Do | 164980 | Female. | 123 | 110 | 21 | 27.8 | 14.3 | 11.8 | 4.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Kikandwa | 165090 | do | 147 | 125 | 25 | 29.8 | 14.4 | 12.7 | 5.3 | Considerably worn. |
| Kisimbiri | 165094 | Male | 140 | 124 | 24 | 30.8 | 14.7 | 12.9 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 165093 | Female. | 127 | 118 | 24 | 28.7 | 13.8 | 12.2 | 5.1 | Πο. |
| E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kaimosi | 1 183294 | Male | 160 | 133 | 56 | 33, 3 | 16.8 | 13.6 | 5.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183295 | do | 160 | 148 | 30 | 35.0 | 17.9 | 14.3 | 5.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183298 | do | 145 | 130 | 56 | 31.3 | 14.7 | 12.8 | 5.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183302 | do | 130 | 120 | 24 | 25, 5 | 13.9 | 12.3 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183309 | do | 145 | 128 | 26 | 31.8 | 16.3 | 12.8 | 5.1 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183311 | do | 120 | 120 | 22 | 28.6 | 13.6 | 12.2 | 4.9 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183724 | do | 125 | 911 | 22 | 28.7 | 13.5 | 11.7 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183291 | Female | 100 | 112 | 23 | 27.4 | 13.3 | 11.8 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 183297 | do | 135 | 129 | 25 | 28.9 | 14.5 | 12.3 | 5.2 | Do. |
| D0 | 183300 | do | 140 | 130 | 27 | 29.7 | 14.6 | 12.7 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 183303 | do | 115 | 108 | 24 | 27.1 | 13.2 | 12.2 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183305 | do | 130 | 127 | 25 | 30.3 | 14.9 | 12.8 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183306 | do | 160 | 1.13 | 25 | 34.0 | 17.4 | 13.5 | 5.3 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183307 | do | 142 | 142 | 24 | 32.1 | 16.1 | 12.7 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 183310 | do | 140 | 131 | 26 | 32.5 | 16.7 | 13.2 | 5.6 | 1) 0. |
| E. c. neumani. | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. A.: Neuman's Boma | 1 181795 | Male | 115 | 128 | 56 | 28.4 | 13.9 | 12.2 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
| R. c. panya. | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nyeri | 163675 | do | 116 | 113 | 23 | 28.7 | 1.1.0 | 11.7 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 163676 | do | 114 | 110 | 23 | 28.2 | 13.3 | 11.8 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 163677 | Female. | 130 | 115 | 24 | 29.3 | 14.1 | 12.0 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Wambugu | 189891 | 163681 Male | 140 | 128 | 25 | 30.1 | 14.6 | 12.0 | 5.1 | 5.1 Considerably worn. |
| | | 1 | 1 Type. | | | | | | | |

Measurements of rats of the subgenus Mastomys-Continued.

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|---------------------|--------|---------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot, dry. | Skull: Condylo- basal length, | Zygo- matic breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Upper tooth row, alveoli. | Condition of molars. |
| B. E. A.—Continued | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wambugu | 163723 | Male | 112 | 97 | 22 | 28.9 | 14.2 | 12.9 | 4.9 | Moderately worn. |
| D0 | 163688 | Female | 146 | 140 | 24 | 30.3 | 15.1 | 12.0 | 5.0 | Do. |
| $_{ m D0}$ | 163736 | do | 124 | 115 | 22 | 26.9 | 13.8 | 12.2 | 4.7 | Do. |
| Fort Hall. | 163691 | Male | 116 | 26 | 23 | 28.7 | 13.4 | 11.8 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Do | 163701 | do | 122 | 126 | 23 | 28.8 | 14.1 | 12.0 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 163702 | do | 131 | 130 | 23 | 30.6 | 14.0 | 12.2 | 5.3 | , Do. |
| Do. | 163710 | Female. | 127 | 113 | 22 | 29.3 | 14.3 | 11.9 | 5.0 | Much worn. |
| Saba Saba. | 163746 | Male | 127 | 128 | 24 | 31.0 | 14.7 | 12.5 | 5.4 | Considerably worn. |
| Do. | 163747 | do | 134 | 119 | 22 | 30.3 | 14.7 | 12.7 | 5.0 | Do. |
| D0. | 163749 | Female | 124 | 123 | 24 | 29.7 | 14.3 | 12.3 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Juja Farm | 161859 | Male | 109 | 104 | 22 | 27.3 | 13.8 | 12.0 | 5.1 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 161865 | do | 129 | 112 | | 29.5 | 14.3 | 12.6 | 5.2 | Do. |
| $_{ m D0}$ | 161884 | do | 126 | 128 | 24 | 28.9 | 14.3 | 12.6 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 161886 | do | 119 | 119 | 22 | 27.1 | 13.8 | 11.6 | 8.4 | Do. |
| Do | 161892 | do | 113 | 104 | 22 | 28.0 | 13.9 | 12.2 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 161895 | do | 130 | 120 | 23 | 30.9 | 15.6 | 12.9 | 5.2 | Considerably worn. |
| D_0 | 161802 | Female. | 130 | 128 | 23 | 28.3 | 14.6 | 12.3 | 5, 1 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 998191 | do | 131 | 110 | 23 | 28.0 | 13.7 | 11.7 | 5.3 | Do. |
| D0. | 161871 | do | 129 | 117 | 21 | 29.5 | 14.9 | 12.3 | 5.1 | Considerably worn, |
| Do. | 161883 | do | 108 | 108 | 22 | 27.2 | 13.8 | 11.8 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 161888 | do | 108 | 119 | 22 | 27.2 | 13.4 | 12.2 | 4.8 | Do. |
| R. c. hildebrandtu. | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mtoto Andei | 181651 | Male | 120 | 112 | 22 | 28.8 | 15.1 | 12.2 | 5,4 | Much worn. |
| Do | 181652 | do | 125 | 118 | 23 | 28.8 | 14.9 | 12.7 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 181646 | Female. | 120 | 1112 | 22 | 28.3 | 14.3 | 12.0 | 5.4 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 181647 | do | 130 | 112 | 22 | 29.4 | 14.3 | 12.2 | 5.4 | Much worn. |
| Do | 181649 | do | 120 | 104 | 21 | 27.6 | 14.3 | 0.11 | 8.8 | Do |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

| Ndi | 183249 | Male | 110 | 119 | 22 | 27.0 | 13.3 | 11.8 | 8.4 | Considerably worn |
|----------------|----------|---------|-----|-----|----|-------|------|-------|------|--------------------|
| Do. | 183250 | op | 105 | 110 | 23 | 25.7 | 12.7 | 11.3 | 5, 1 | Moderately worn. |
| Voi | 183287 | do | 125 | 123 | 24 | 29.5 | 14.3 | 12.7 | 5.3 | Considerably worn |
| Mount Mbololo. | 183263 | do | 112 | 108 | 23 | 28.1 | 13.6 | 12.4 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 183255 | do | 130 | 118 | 23 | 28.3 | 14.8 | 12.1 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Do | 183260 | Female. | 120 | 116 | 21 | 28.4 | 14.4 | 12.1 | 5.1 | Much worn. |
| Mount Sagalla | 183268 | Male | 115 | 117 | 23 | 27.4 | 13.7 | 11.9 | 5.2 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183271 | do | 125 | 124 | 24 | 29.9 | 14.9 | 12.6 | 5.4 | Much worn. |
| Do. | 183272 | do | 125 | 128 | 23 | 29.7 | 14.9 | 12.5 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183275 | do | 120 | 121 | 23 | 29.8 | 14.7 | 12.0 | 5.2 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183276 | do | 120 | 118 | 23 | 28.8 | 15.2 | 12.5 | 5.2 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183278 | do | 115 | 120 | 24 | 28.5 | 14.0 | 11.8 | 5.2 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183284 | do | 130 | 131 | 24 | 30.2 | 15.7 | 12.9 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do. | 183273 | Female. | 115 | 118 | 23 | 28.9 | 15.2 | 12.3 | 5.2 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183274 | do | 120 | 119 | 23 | 28.8 | 13.3 | 11.9 | 5.1 | Moderately worn. |
| R. c. durumæ. | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | 10000+ | Domon | 100 | 100 | 6 | £ 00 | | 101 | 2 | č |
| Maji-ya-chumvi | 185200 | remaie. | 108 | 170 | 73 | 6.02 | 14.1 | 12.4 | o | 100. |
| Mariakani | 183246 | Male | 125 | 124 | 24 | 29.4 | 14.8 | 12. 6 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Mazeras | 1 181796 | do | 135 | 118 | 24 | 30, 7 | 14.8 | 12.3 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Do | 183208 | do | 128 | 114 | 23 | 28.1 | 14.1 | 12.2 | 5.3 | |
| Do | 183216 | do | 115 | 117 | 24 | 28.1 | 14.1 | 11.9 | 5.4 | |
| Do | 183217 | do | 112 | 115 | 24 | 28.7 | 14.2 | 12.3 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Do | 183218 | do | 120 | 110 | 21 | 27.5 | 13.8 | 11.9 | 5.2 | |
| Do | 183220 | do | 110 | 106 | 23 | 26.3 | 13.7 | 11.9 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 183226 | do | 115 | 105 | 23 | 28.2 | 13.8 | 11.9 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Do | 183227 | do | 115 | 114 | 22 | 28.1 | 14.2 | 12.1 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do. | 183228 | do | 116 | 118 | 23 | 28.4 | 14.1 | 12.2 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Do | 183231 | do | 120 | 120 | 24 | 28.9 | 13.9 | 12.1 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 183238 | op | 130 | 103 | 55 | 29. 5 | 15.0 | 12.5 | 5,8 | Considerablyworn. |
| Do | 183211 | Female. | 105 | 106 | 22 | 25.8 | 13.2 | 11.5 | 5,3 | Moderatelyworn. |
| Do | 183214 | do | 130 | 123 | 24 | 28.7 | 14.1 | 12.3 | 5.5 | Do. |
| D0. | 183229 | do | 125 | 114 | 22 | 28.0 | 14.1 | 12.0 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 183234 | op | 118 | 105 | 22 | 27.8 | 12.9 | 11.7 | 5.2 | Do. |
| | | - | - | - | | | | | | |

Specimens.—One hundred and sixty-nine, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Fort Hall, 22, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Juja Farm, 46, including 5 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Kapiti Plains, 1 (Mearns); Lake Naivasha, 2 (Mearns, Loring); Meru Boma, 6 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Kenia, west slope, 3, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Njoro Osolali, 1 (Loring); Nyeri, 7, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Saba Saba, 16, including 3 in alcohol (Loring); Southern Guaso Nyiro, 1 (Loring); Suswa Plain, 2 (Heller); Ulukenia Hills, 16, including 4 in alcohol (Loring); Wambugu, 46, including 5 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

This rat appears to be the most common species about fields and dwellings throughout its range in British East Africa. It is an exceedingly variable species and the large series of specimens listed above contains skins presenting a wide degree of difference between the darkest, almost blackish animals and the palest, buffy brown individuals. There are skins from almost every general locality with light grayish or creamy white underparts and others with buffy or even drab bellies. Loring found seven embryos in a female from Juja Farm, May 18, and 10 in another female from the same place May 21.

Specimens of multimammate rats from Meru Boma and Fort Hall have been listed by Doctor Lönnberg¹ under Epimys effectus Dollman, described from Baringo. I can not find sufficient difference between skins from the Athi Plains and other southern localities and those from the vicinity of Kenia to recognize two races in our collection.

RATTUS COUCHA HILDEBRANDTII (Peters).

1878. Mus hildebrandtii Peters, Mon.-ber. K. Preuss. Akad. Wiss. Berlin, 1878, p. 200. (Ndi, Taita, British East Africa; type in Berlin Museum.)

Specimens.—Sixty-six, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Macharra, Taita Hills, 1 (Heller); Mount Mbololo, 18, including 8 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 19, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Umengo, 2 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 12 (Heller); Ndi, 6 (Heller); Voi, 5 (Heller).

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Mount Kilimanjaro, 3 (Abbott).

The series of specimens of this subspecies of Rattus coucha presents a very uniform appearance in color and size. The upperparts are a dull reddish brown and the underparts rather light grayish buff. Heller examined the type-specimen in the Berlin Museum and made the following manuscript notes:

Mus hildebrandtii Peters. Type. Skull perfect; old, molars worn flat. Skin stuffed, ears and tail perfect. Color quite brownish, not gray; dorsal region blackish; sides buffy ochraceous; belly suffused with buff. Foot on skin measures 23 millimeters. Labeled Noi, Taita. The "Noi" doubtless means Ndi.

¹ Kungl. Sv. Vet. Akad. Handl., vol. 48, No. 5, p. 92. 1912.

RATTUS COUCHA DURUMÆ (Heller).

Plate 24.

1912. Epimys coucha durumæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 9. July 5. (Mazeras, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Sixty, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 9, including 2 in alcohol (Mearns); Maji-ya-chumvi, 3 (Heller); Mariakani, 2 (Heller); Mazeras, 46, including 7 in alcohol (Heller).

The specimens of this subspecies average much grayer in color than those of the nearly related R. c. hildebrandtii. Breeding records are noted on labels of females from Mazeras as follows: December 22, seven embryos; December 23, eight embryos; December 24, eleven large embryos.

Genus MUS Linnæus.

1758. Mus Linnæus, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, vol. 1, p. 59. (M. musculus.)

Curiously enough the common house mouse (*Mus musculus*) is not represented in our British East African collections. The native species of the genus have so far, it would seem, held their territory from this invader.

For detailed measurements of specimens of Mus see pages 98-101.

MUS TRITON TRITON (Thomas).

Plate 24.

1909. Legguda triton Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 548.

December. (Kirui, Elgon, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Leggada naivashæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54, [No. 1924], p. 2. February 28. (Base of Aberdare Mountains, eastern edge of Naivasha Plains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Mus (Leggada) triton naivashæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473; London ed. p. 485.

Specimens.—Two hundred and sixteen, from the following localities: UGANDA: Kikandwa, 3, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kisimbiri, 2 (Loring).

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, 5, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Burgunett River, Meru Road, 1 (Heller); Fort Hall, 1 in alcohol (Loring); Isiola River, 1 (Heller); Kaimosi, 51, including 28 in alcohol (Heller); Kakumega, 6 (Heller); Kibabe, Kisumu, 1 (Heller); Lake Naivasha, 27, including 5 in alcohol (Loring); Lukosa River, 5, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Mission, Kisumu, 1 (Heller); Mount Kenia, west side, 46, including 31 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Nyangnori, 1 (Heller); Nyeri, 36, including 25 in alcohol (Loring); Nyuku River, Meru Road, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, 8, including 6 in alcohol (Heller); Wambugu, 20, including 6 in alcohol (Loring).

There is much purely individual variation in the amount of blackish on the feet and tail. I can find no characters by which to distinguish as a separate subspecies the specimens representing Heller's Leggada naivashæ. Specimens from Kisimbiri and Kikandwa, on the upper Victoria Nile, evidently slightly approach in color Mus triton fors of Ruwenzori, but are not sufficiently different to separate from triton proper. In this connection it is interesting to note that the names triton and fors as members of this genus, were published simultaneously, and triton has only a single line priority. The name fors is usually cited from the Ruwenzori report, with Thomas and Wroughton as its authorities. As a matter of fact it was published as a valid name by Thomas in December, 1909, in the description of Leggada triton, where the greatest length of the skull of the type specimen is given.

MUS TRITON MURILLA (Thomas).

1910. Leggada triton murilla Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p.
91. January. (Machakos, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)
1910. Mus (Leggada) triton murillus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed.,
p. 473; London ed., p. 485.

Specimens.—Eighteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Fort Hall, 1 (Loring); Kamiti Farm, Athi Plains, 1 (Loring); Kapiti Plains, 12, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Oljoro O Nyon River, 1 (Loring); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 1 (Loring); Thika River, 2 (Loring).

This gray form of *triton* is evidently restricted to the region south of the upper Tana and Athi rivers, extending westward to the Mau Escarpment. It is a very well marked subspecies.

MUS EMESI Heller.

Plate 25.

1911. Mus musculoides emesi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 5. February 28. (Kabula Muliro, Uganda; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Twenty, from the following localities:

UGANDA: Hoima, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kabula Muliro, 1 (Loring); Kikanda, 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kikandwa, 4, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kisimbiri, 8, including 3 in alcohol (Loring); Kisingo, 3 in alcohol (Loring); Nkyanuna, 1 (Loring).

This white-bellied mouse is clearly related to *M. triton*, but must be classed as a full species as it is found ranging with that form at localities in western Uganda. Its range appears to be much more restricted than is the distribution of *triton*. In size, the skull of *emesi* is intermediate between skulls of *triton* and those of *bellus* and *gratus*.

For measurements of specimens see page 99.

¹ Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 506. March, 1910.

MUS BELLUS ENCLAVÆ Heller.

Plate 25.

1911. Mus bellus enclavæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 8. February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Twenty-five, from localities as follows:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 21, including 10 in alcohol (Loring).

UGANDA: Butiaba, 3, including 1 in alcohol (Loring, Heller); Kampala, 1 (Loring).

This dark form of bellus seems to be confined to the west side of the Nile in the latitude of the type locality, Rhino Camp; but further south, in Uganda, it is found in the region between Albert Nyanza and Victoria Nyanza. It is readily separable from Mus emesi by its smaller size and smaller skull.

For measurements see page 99.

MUS BELLUS GONDOKORÆ Heller.

Plate 25.

1911. Mus bellus gondokoræ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 8. February 28. (Gondokoro, Uganda; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 1 (Loring); Ledgus, 1 in alcohol (Loring). This is a very light colored form of *bellus*, contrasting sharply with the dark subspecies from Lado and the Albert Nyanza region.

MUS BELLUS BELLUS (Thomas).

1910. Leggada bella Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 87.

January. (Machakos, British East Africa: type in British Museum.)

1910. Mus (Leggada) bellus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimens.—Thirty-five, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Archer's Post, 1 (Heller); Engare Ndare River, 1 (Heller); Fort Hall, 1 (Loring); Juja Farm, 6 (Loring); Kapiti Plains, 14, including 11 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Meru, 2 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Gargues, 3 (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 3 (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Saba Saba, 1 (Loring); Thika River, 1 (Loring); Ulukenia Hills, 1 (Loring).

MUS BELLUS VICINUS (Thomas).

1893. N[annomys] minimus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 16, p. 603. (Specimen from Wange, Manda Island; not N. minimus Peters, 1852; not Mus minimus White 1789.)

1910. Leggada bella vicina Тномаs, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 88.

January. (Takaungu, near Mombasa, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Seven, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 1 (Mearns); Mariakani, 1 (Heller); Mount Mbololo, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Wange, 1 in alcohol (Denhardt).

Measurements of specimens of Mus.

| Form and locality. | - | | | - | | | - | | | , | | |
|--------------------|---------|----------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Mr. t. triton. | No. | Sex. | Head and body | Tail verte- bræ. | flind foot, dry, without elaws. | Skuff: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Breadth of brain- case. | Length of nasals. | of mandible. | Upper tooth row, | Condition of molar teeth. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 165241 | Male | 81 | 25 | 15.8 | | 10.3 | 9.7 | 8.1 | 12.5 | 3.5 | Mo |
| | 165242 | do | 55 | 45 | 15.9 | 19.8 | 10.1 | 9.5 | 7.5 | 12.2 | 3.6 | Do. |
| Kikandwa | 165243 | do | 69 | 55 | 15.0 | 19.3 | 6.6 | 9.5 | 7.5 | 12.2 | 3.5 | Do. |
| | 165244 | do | 7.1 | 52 | 15.4 | 19.4 | 10.3 | 9.7 | 7.5 | 12.3 | 3.8 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kaimosi | 183568 | do | - 27 | : | 14.2 | 19.3 | 10.1 | 9.7 | 7.8 | 11.8 | 3.6 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183574 | do | 78 | 53 | 14.8 | 20.7 | 10.5 | 6.6 | 8.2 | 12.4 | 3.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183580 | do | 20 | 54 | 15.3 | 19.4 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 7.6 | 11.9 | 3.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183586 | do | 75 | 22 | 15.1 | 19.8 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 4.7 | 12.1 | 3.7 | Considerably worn, |
| Do | 183587 | do | 80 | 55 | 15.2 | 20.4 | 10.3 | 6.6 | 8.7 | 11.9 | 3.7 | Do. |
| Do | 183569 | Female. | 88 | 55 | 16.0 | 20.4 | 10.3 | 9.8 | 8.3 | 12.9 | 3,8 | Do. |
| Do | 183575 | do | 2.8 | 58 | 15.2 | 19.9 | 10.3 | 6.6 | 7.8 | 11.8 | 3.8 | Mach worn. |
| Do | 183576 | do | 0S | 56 | 14.9 | 20.4 | 10.1 | 9.3 | 00.1 | 12.6 | 3.7 | Do. |
| Do | 183581 | do | 20 | 52 | 14.5 | 19.7 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 8.0 | 11.8 | 3.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183584 | do | 0, | 51 | 15.3 | 18.9 | 10.2 | 10.0 | 7.2 | 12.2 | 3.8 | Considerably worn. |
| Naivasha | 162416 | Male | 08 | 51 | 14.8 | 19.8 | 10.0 | 9.6 | 7.8 | 11.6 | 3.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 162433 | do | 83 | 62 | 15.9 | 20 8 | 10.9 | 10.1 | 8.5 | 12.9 | 3.9 | Do. |
| Do | 162434 | do | 81 | 58 | 15.3 | 19.9 | 9.7 | 9.5 | 7.8 | 12.3 | 3.7 | . Do. |
| Do | 162437 | do | 84 | 61 | 16.6 | 21.8 | 10.7 | 10.0 | 8.1 | 12.8 | 4.0 | Do. |
| | 162/142 | do | 72 | 25 | 15.8 | 1.61 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 7.7 | 11.8 | 3.9 | Little worn. |
| Do | 162426 | Female . | 80 | 09 | 15.3 | 19.7 | 10.3 | 9.8 | 8.2 | 12.4 | 3.8 | Do. |
| Do | 162441 | do | 08 | 29 | 16.0 | 20.3 | 10.2 | 9.2 | 8.1 | 12.8 | 3.9 | Moderately worn. |
| Aberdares | 162885 | Male | 92 | 54 | 15.0 | 19.5 | 10.5 | 8.6 | 7.4 | 11.8 | 3.9 | Do. |
| | 162561 | do | 72 | 22 | 15.8 | : | 9.6 | 9.7 | 7.3 | 12.2 | 3.8 | Do. |
| Do | 162562 | do | 20 | 51 | 15.7 | 18.5 | 6.6 | 8.6 | 7.4 | 11.8 | 3.7 | Little worn. |
| Do | 162560 | Female. | 75 | 53 | 15.8 | 20.1 | 10.1 | 8.6 | 7.8 | 12.2 | 3.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Nyeri | 163468 | do | 82 | 09 | 15.2 | 20.5 | 10.7 | 10.3 | 8.4 | 12.7 | 3.7 | Moderately worn. |

| Mount Kenia | 163499 | do | 80 | 54 | 16.1 | 21.4 | 10.8 | 10.2 | œ. œ. | 13.4 | 3.9 | Do. |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|-----------|--------|------|------|-------|----------|----------|------|-----|------------------|
| Rurennett River | 183563 | do | 8 | 48 | 15.0 | 19.3 | 10.4 | 9.9 | 7.9 | 12.4 | 3.9 | Much worn. |
| Isiola River | 183564 | Male | 82 | 55 | 14.9 | 20.3 | 10.3 | 9.8 | 30 60 | 12.6 | 3.7 | Moderately worn. |
| M. t. murilla. | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | \$ |
| Thika River | 163453 | qo | 81 | 9 | 14.0 | | 10.8 | 10.1 | % | 12.7 | 3.7 | D0. |
| Kamiti Farm. | 163451 | Female. | 20 | 48 | 14.7 | 20.0 | 10.2 | 9.8 | 7.7 | 12.2 | 3,8 | Little worn. |
| Kapiti Plains. | 161767 | Male | 72 | 56 | 15.2 | 20.2 | 10.5 | 9.8 | 8.2 | 12.3 | တ် | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 161768 | do | 80 | 20 | 15.1 | 20.6 | 10.3 | 9.6 | 9,4 | 12.5 | 3,5 | Do. |
| | 161769 | | 7.2 | 49 | 15.0 | 20.4 | 10.8 | 10.1 | 8.2 | 12.6 | 3.8 | Do. |
| D0. | 161770 | do | 92 | 52 | 15.1 | 21.0 | 10.8 | 10.3 | 00 | 12.5 | 3.9 | Do. |
| | 161771 | do | 7 | 22 | 15.2 | 8.02 | 11.0 | 10.3 | 8.3 | 13.0 | 3.8 | Do. |
| M. emesi. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uganda: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Holma | 165248 | Female. | 69 | 20 | 13.4 | 17.8 | 10.0 | 9.4 | 7.4 | 11.0 | 3.3 | Little worn. |
| Kikandwa | 165256 | do | 65 | 55 | 14.4 | 18.1 | 9.8 | 9.5 | 7.6 | 11.2 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Kabula Muliro. | 2 164819 | Male | 7.1 | 51 | 13.8 | 18.7 | 10.2 | 9.5 | 7.9 | 11.2 | 3.6 | Moderately worm. |
| Kisinbiri | 165250 | do | 65 | 48 | 14.4 | 17.8 | 10.0 | | 7.4 | 11.0 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Do | 165251 | do | 65 | 55 | 13.8 | 17.4 | 9.6 | 8.8 | 7.3 | 10.8 | 3.5 | Do. |
| Do | 165253 | do | | | 13.8 | 17.7 | 9.4 | 8.9 | 7.3 | 10.6 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Do | 165254 | do | 99 | 55 | 13.6 | 18.1 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 2.3 | 10.3 | 3.6 | 100, |
| 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 165252 | Female. | 5.8 | 49 | 13.8 | 17.4 | 9.4 | 9.0 | 7.3 | 10.9 | 3.3 | Do. |
| M. b. enclavæ. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| l.ado: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 2 164818 | Male | 64 | 46 | 12.8 | 16.3 | 8.9 | | 6.3 | 9.7 | 3.0 | Do. |
| Do | 165084 | do | 5.0 | 61. | 12.8 | 15.1 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 6.2 | 9.5 | 3.2 | Little worn. |
| 1)0 | 165488 | do | 57 | 46 | 12.8 | 15.8 | 00°. | 8.4 | 6.2 | | 3.2 | Do. |
| Do | 165489 | do | 6.5 | 46 | 13.2 | 16.7 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 6.4 | 9.5 | 3.0 | Moderately worn. |
| 1)0 | 165490 | do | 09 | 47 | 13.4 | 16.8 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 6.8 | 9.8 | 3.1 | Do. |
| 1)0. | 165491 | do | 59 | 48 | 12.7 | 16.0 | es és | 8,1 | 6.7 | 9,4 | 2.9 | Do. |
| Do | 165-193 | do | 22 | 55 | 12.9 | 16.3 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 6.3 | 9.7 | 3.2 | Do. |
| D0. | 165494 | do | 52 | 20 | 12.5 | 16.2 | 8.6 | ∞° ∞° | 6.9 | 9.6 | 3.0 | Do. |
| D0 | 165195 | do | 53 | 46 | 12.6 | 15.4 | 8.6 | 8.3 | 6, 1 | 9.1 | 3.0 | Do. |
| Do | 165.187 | 165-187 Female . | 65 | 45 | 13.3 | 16.2 | 8,6 | 8,5 | 9.9 | 9.4 | 3.0 | Do. |
| | 1 Type | Type of Leggada naivashæ Heller. | aivashæ I | eller. | | | | 2 Type. | .e. | | | |

Measurements of specimens of Mus-Continued.

| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot, dry, without claws. | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Breadth of brain- case. | Length of nasals. | Length of man- dible. | Upper tooth row. | Condition of molar |
|----------------------------------------|----------|-------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| M. b. gondokoræ. Uganda: Gondokoro. | 1 164820 | Male | 09 | 43 | 12.3 | 16.1 | 9.0 | 80. 73. | 6.3 | 9.5 | 3.0 | Moderately worn. |
| M. b. bellus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A. Kapiti Plans | 161776 | do | 120 | 45 | 12.3 | 16.8 | 9.1 | 8.5 | 1: | 10.3 | 3.3 | Much worn. |
| Do | 161778 | Female | 54 | 43 | 12.7 | 16.8 | 9.1 | 8.4 | 6.8 | 10.0 | 3.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Ulukenia Hills | 163514 | do | 63 | 45 | 12.3 | 16.7 | 9.4 | 8.6 | 7.3 | 10.3 | 3.0 | Do. |
| Fort Hall | 163459 | do | 65 | 47 | , 12.0 | 17.1 | 0.6 | 8.0 | 6.7 | 10.1 | 3.5 | D0. |
| Juja Farm Do | 161780 | Mafe | 73 | 4 | 12.2 | 17.0 | 9.4 | ග ග | 7.3 | 10.3 | | Do. |
| Do | 161781 | Female. | 20 | 42 | | 16.8 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 6.8 | 9.0 | 3.1 | Do. |
| Mount Gargues | 183550 | Male | 62 | 49 | 12.5 | 17.4 | 9.7 | 9.4 | 7.7 | 10.3 | 3.3 | Considerably worn. |
| M. b. vicinus. | , | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Mbololo | 183555 | do | 55 | 42 | 11.5 | | | | | 9.8 | 3.1 | Moderately worn. |
| Mount Sagalla | 183556 | Female. | 62 | 46 | 12.5 | 16.3 | 9.0 | 8.6 | 7.0 | 10.3 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Mariakani | 183557 | Male | 53 | 33 | 11.0 | | | | | 9.6 | 2.9 | 1)0. |
| M. b. petitus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Naivasha | 162403 | do | 59 | 44 | 12.8 | 16.0 | 00.1 | 8.0 | 6.8 | 9.8 | 3.0 | Do. |
| So. Guaso Nyiro | 1 162397 | do | 54 | # | 12.3 | 16.1 | 8.4 | 7.9 | 7.0 | 8.6 | 2.9 | Much worn. |
| Do | 16239S | do | 55 | 40 | 12.2 | | | 7.9 | 5.9 | 8.9 | | Moderately worn. |
| M. g. gratus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Uganda: Kampala | 165247 | 165247 Male | 67 | 53 | . 12.7 | 16.8 | 9.1 | ණ ණ | 7.2 | 6.6 | 2.8 | Do. |

| B. E. A.: Kaimosl | 183533 | do | 09 | 55 | 13.8 | 16.9 | ∞ ∞ | 30 | 7.2 | 10.1 | 3.1 | Do. |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|------|----|------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------|------|--------------------|
| Do | 183520 | Female. | 28 | 49 | 12.7 | 16.7 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 6.7 | 9.6 | 3.1 | Considerabl yworn. |
| D0 | 183526 | do | 09 | 29 | 12.9 | 16.8 | 9.4 | 8.8 | 7.2 | 10.0 | 3.2 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 183527 | do | 63 | 23 | 13.0 | 16.8 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 6.7 | 10.1 | 3.1 | Do. |
| Do | 183534 | do | 63 | 23 | 13.6 | 16.8 | 0.6 | ÷ 1 | 8.9 | 10.2 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Kisumu | 183517 | do | 65 | 53 | 14.0 | 18.3 | 9.6 | 9.3 | 7.6 | 11.2 | 3.5 | Do. |
| Nyangnori | 183540 | Male | 65 | 29 | 13.6 | 17.8 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 7. 0 | 10.8 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Do | 183541 | do | 65 | 55 | 13.4 | 17.2 | 8.9 | 8.6 | 7.2 | 9.7 | 3.1 | Do. |
| Do | 183538 | Female. | 72 | 20 | 13.8 | 19.3 | 10.3 | 9.5 | 7.8 | 11.5 | 3.5 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183539 | do | 20 | 53 | 13.9 | 18.8 | 10.0 | 9.5 | 90 90 | 11.0 | 3, 4 | Moderately worn. |
| Naivasha | 162400 | Male | 57 | 57 | 13.9 | 16.4 | 8.8 | ×. | 6.7 | 10.0 | 3.0 | Do. |
| Do | 162401 | do | 89 | 53 | 13.9 | 17.1 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 6.9 | 10.3 | 3.1 | Do. |
| Do | 162409 | do | 62 | 53 | 14.3 | 17.2 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 7.4 | 10.3 | 3.2 | Do. |
| Do | 162399 | Female. | 62 | 54 | 12.7 | 16.8 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 7.1 | 10.3 | 3.4 | Do. |
| Do | 162405 | do | 65 | 56 | 13.7 | 16.9 | | 8.7 | 6.8 | 10.2 | 3.0 | Do. |
| Nveri | 163477 | Male | 63 | 55 | 13.3 | 16.2 | | 8.6 | 6.3 | 9.5 | 3.1 | Little worn. |
| 1)0 | 163485 | Female. | 29 | 22 | 14.0 | 17.2 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 6.8 | 10.2 | 3.0 | Do. |
| Kenia | 2 163487 | Male | 20 | 09 | 14.6 | 18.2 | 9.5 | 9.0 | 7.1 | 10.5 | 3.3 | Considerably worn. |
| Wambugu | 163465 | Female. | 64 | 51 | 13.5 | 16.4 | 9.5 | 8.5 | 6.5 | 9.5 | 3.1 | Moderately worn. |
| M. g. soricoides. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Mbololo. | 183543 | Male | 63 | 55 | 14.0 | | 9.5 | | 8.9 | 9.8 | 3.2 | Do. |
| Do | 1 183544 | do | 09 | 59 | 14.5 | 17.5 | 9.5 | 00°. | 7.1 | 10.2 | 3.3 | Do. |
| Do. | 183545 | do | . 09 | | 14.3 | | 9.1 | : | 7.2 | 9.8 | 3.1 | Do. |
| Mount Umengo | 183546 | Female. | 09 | 26 | 13.4 | 16.8 | 9.5 | ∞ ∞ | 6.7 | 9.8 | 3.0 | Do. |
| M. t. acholi. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lado: | | | | | | | - | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 1 164817 | Male | 89 | 36 | 13.2 | 19.1 | 9.6 | 9.3 | 8.0 | 11.3 | 3.2 | Much worn. |
| Do | 165239 | do | 19 | 34 | 12.8 | 18.1 | 9.5 | 00 | 7.4 | 10.9 | 3.7 | Little worn. |
| Do | 165240 | do | 67 | 35 | 12.3 | 17.8 | 9.3 | 0.6 | 7.5 | 10.5 | 3.3 | Do. |
| M. nams., B. E. A.: Kapiti I'lains | 1 161777 | Female. | 89 | 40 | 13.3 | 19.8 | 9.9 | 9.3 | % % | 12.2 | 3,5 | Much worn. |
| | 1 Ty pe. | | | | | ² Type of Mus gratus sungarze Heller | Mus gratu | s sungare | Heller. | | | |

The alcoholic specimen listed by True¹ from Doctor Abbott's Kilimanjaro collection as ? Mus minimus Peters can not now be found. Doctor True reported it in a poor state of preservation in 1892.

MUS BELLUS PETILUS (Hollister).

Plate 25.

1916. Mus bellus petilus Hollister, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 66, No. 10, p. 3. October 26. (Southern Guaso Nyiro River, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, as follows:

British East Africa: Naivasha Station, 1 (Loring); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 3 (Loring).

MUS GRATUS GRATUS (Thomas).

Plate 26.

1909. L[eggada] grata Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 549. December. (Mubuku Valley, east Ruwenzori, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

1910. Leggada grata Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 507. March.

1910. Mus (Leggada) gratus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 484 (Loring); London ed., pp. 485, 495 (Loring).

1910. (Leggada) Mus gratus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 477; London ed., p. 489.

1911. Mus gratus sungaræ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll. vol. 56, No. 17, p. 7. February 28. (West Kenia Forest Station, 7,500 feet, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—One hundred and twelve, from localities as follows: UGANDA: Butiaba, 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kajuia, 1 (Loring); Kampala, 1 (Heller); Kisimbiri, 4, including 3 in alcohol (Loring).

British East Africa: Fort Hall, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Kaimosi, 34, including 16 in alcohol (Heller); Kakumega, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Kisumu, 4 (Heller); Londiana, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Lukosa River, 2 in alcohol (Heller); Meru, 2 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Kenia, west side, 14, including 4 in alcohol (Loring); Naivasha, 8 (Loring); Nyangnori, 4 (Heller); Nyeri, 20, including 11 in alcohol (Loring): Oljoro O Nyon River, 1 (Loring); Omboni River, 2 in alcohol (Mearns); Wambugu, 11, including 3 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

I can find no characters to warrant recognition of the form described from Mount Kenia by Heller as Mus gratus sungaræ.

A grass mouse, usually entirely away from bushes and trees. Usually taken in the runways of the larger species. Occasionally come into tents. Nocturnal. (Appendix B, p. 477.) Caught in traps set at random in the bushy thickets in the lowland, as well as in the open grassy spots on the rocky hillsides where they frequented the runways made by various species of Mus. A few were collected on Mount Kenia. (Appendix C, p. 484.)2

¹ Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 462. 1892.

² Roosevelt, Heller, and Loring, African Game Trails. 1910.

MUS GRATUS SORICOIDES Heller.

Plate 26.

1914. Mus gratus soricoides Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 10. June 24. (Mount Mbololo, Taita Hills, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Mbololo, 3 (Heller); Mount Umengo, 1 (Heller).

MUS TENELLUS ACHOLI Heller.

Plate 26.

1911. Mus tenellus acholi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 6. February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Three, as follows:

Lado: Rhino Camp (Loring).

MUS WAMÆ Heller.

Plate 26.

1910. Mus (Leggada) sorellus ROOSEVELT, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473; London ed., p. 485. (Not Leggada sorella Thomas, 1909.)

1911. Mus wamæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 5. February 28. (Kapiti Plains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

British East Africa: Kamiti Farm, Athi Plains, 1 in alcohol with skull removed (Loring); Kapiti Plains, 1 (Loring).

Two East African forms of mice belonging to the same group as do acholi and wamæ (a group characterized by the short tail; long snout; and peculiar, elongated palate) are not represented in our collections. These are Mus sorella (Thomas) ¹ from near Mount Elgon, and Mus tenellus suahelicus (Thomas) ² from Taveta.

MUS MUSCULUS GENTILIS Brants.

1827. M[us] gentilis Brants, Het Geslacht der Muizen, p. 126. (Egypt and Nubia.)

1905. Mus musculus gentilis Schwann, Novit. Zool., vol. 12, p. 4. January. (Specimen listed below from Kerma.)

Specimen.—One from—

SUDAN: Kerma (Rothschild).

Genus CRICETOMYS Waterhouse.

1840. Cricetomys Waterhouse, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1840, p. 2. (C. gambianus.)

The giant rats listed below are all closely related forms, and it may well be doubted if some of the characters used in separating them hold good when better series of the animals are available for study. The Mount Gargues form, *Cricetomys gambianus raineyi*, is a well

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 548. 1909.

² Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 312. 1910.

marked subspecies; but *elgonis*, *kenyensis*, *enguvi*, and *osgoodi* are very much alike. They must all be recognized, however, on the basis of the present material.

For measurements of specimens of Cricetomys see opposite page.

CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS RAINEYI Heller.

Plate 27.

1912. Cricetomys gambianus raineyi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 15. July 5. (Mount Gargues, Mathews Range, 6,000 feet. British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Gargues, 2 (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 2 (Heller).

CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS ELGONIS Thomas.

1910. Cricetomys gambianus elgonis Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 198. February. (South face of Mount Elgon at 10,000 feet, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Three, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 1 (Heller); Kakumega, 1 (Heller); Lukosa River, 1 (Heller).

There is much variation in the color of the belly in these three skins. One is buffy white below except for a small area on the chest; one is almost entirely grayish-drab below; and the third is about intermediate between the other two in the coloration of this part of the body. In all three the white part of the tail is much more extensive than the darker basal portion.

CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS KENYENSIS Osgood.

1910. Cricetomys gambianus kenyensis Osgood, Field Mus. Zool., ser. vol. 10, No. 2, p. 9. February. (South side of Mount Kenia, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

Specimens.—Two, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Kikuyu, 1 (Klein); Nairobi, 1 (Klein).

The Nairobi skin has the underparts pure creamy white, sharply marked from the color of the sides; the Kikuyu skin has the underparts entirely drab colored, very slightly lighter than the color of the upperparts, and without noticeable line of demarcation.

CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS ENGUVI Heller.

Plate 28.

1912. Cricetomys gambianus enguvi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16. p. 16. July 5. (Mount Umengo, Taita Mountains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Fourteen, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Macharra, Taita Mountains, 1 (Heller); Mount Mbololo, 5 (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 1 (Heller); Mount Umengo, 6 (Heller).

Measurements of specimens of Cricetonnys from British East Africa.

| | O | Sex. | and body. | verte- bræ. | Hind foot. | Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matie breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Length of nasals. | Mastoid Length of Mandible. | Maxillary tooth row. | Condition of molar teeth. |
|------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| C. g. raincyi. | 1 181804 | Male. | 21.00 | 375 | 65 | 67.2 | 32.6 | 24.7 | 27.3 | 43.1 | 12.0 | Moderately worn, |
| | 183131 | Fennale. | 280 | 325 | 69 | | 30.0 | | 23.5 | 38.8 | 11.9 | |
| | 183133 | do | 300 | 375 | 63 | 66.1 | 32.9 | 24.4 | 28.6 | 45.6 | 11.8 | Do. |
| C. g. elgonis. | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | ; |
| | 183113 | Male | | | | 69.5 | 32. 4 | 24.7 | 28.1 | 43.7 | 12.8 | Do. |
| 1 | 183114 | do | 340 | 380 | 89 | : | 32.9 | 25.2 | 28.1 | 44.3 | 12.6 | Do. |
| Lukosa River | 183115 | do | 295 | 360 | 65 | 63.3 | 31.5 | 24.0 | 26.6 | 40.3 | 12.4 | Do. |
| C. g. kenyensis. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 183127 | do | | | | 64.2 | | 25.8 | | 41.7 | 11.6 | Do. |
| | 183128 | do | 38.1 | 412 | | 70.1 | 34.0 | 26.4 | 30.4 | 46.6 | 11.3 | Ю. |
| C. g. enguei. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 182251 | do | 370 | 390 | 02 | 71.5 | 35.5 | 25.3 | 31.8 | 48.7 | 11.9 | Much worn. |
| 1 | 181805 | Female. | 325 | 383 | 69 | 70.8 | 33.9 | 21.3 | 30.3 | 47.1 | 12.0 | Do. |
| | 182253 | do | 320 | 360 | 29 | 69.5 | 35.4 | 24.6 | 29.4 | 45.7 | 12.4 | 1) 0. |
| | 183123 | do | 320 | | . 67 | 6.69 | 34.2 | 23.7 | 30.0 | 45.5 | 12.0 | Considerably worn. |
| | 183116 | do | 330 | 377 | 64 | 71.3 | 33.9 | 24.6 | 30.3 | 16.5 | 11.4 | D0, |
| | 183120 | do | 300 | 330 | 89 | 66.1 | 31.5 | 24.3 | 27.5 | 41.7 | 11.4 | Moderately worn. |
| | 183121 | do | 310 | 360 | 02 | 61.5 | 30.5 | F. 58 | 27.3 | 41.7 | 11.9 | J)0. |
| (', g, osgoodi. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 181806 | Male | 330 | 395 | 99 | 68.3 | 32.6 | 21.2 | 30.0 | 43.7 | 11.6 | Do. |
| | 182276 | Female. | 340 | 395 | 99 | 73.0 | 34.6 | 25.1 | 32.0 | 17.7 | 12.5 | Do. |
| | 182277 | do | | | | 75.1 | 35.0 | 25.5 | 32.9 | 48.4 | 11.8 | Considerably worn. |
| | 182278 | do | | | | 69.3 | 32.7 | 24.3 | 30.0 | 45.2 | 12.0 | Moderately worn. |
| | 182282 | do | | | | 71.3 | 31.9 | 25.3 | 30.5 | 6.96 | 11.5 | Do. |

Zanzibar: "Zanzibar," 1 (purchased from Wilh. Schlüter).

The Zanzibar specimen is without record other than the locality "Zanzibar" written on the label. This may be regarded as doubtful; the specimen may well have come from some mainland locality. It is much more like skins of the Taita Mountains form than like those of osgoodi from Mazeras, but has a much larger proportion of the tail whitish than in any specimen of either of these races in our collection.

In Heller's journal of the Rainey Expedition he notes that the giant rats were abundant in the Taita Hills; he often saw their holes and runways in the forests which clothe the summits. He found them gentle in the traps and they did not offer to bite when stroked. The natives use them extensively for food.

CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS OSGOODI Heller.

Plate 29.

1912. Cricetomys gambianus osgoodi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59. No. 16, p. 16. July 5. (Mazeras, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Nine, as follows:

British East Africa: Mazeras (Heller).

The type-specimen of this subspecies is not, as stated in the original description, an aged individual. The skull is by no means fully grown and the molar teeth are only moderately worn.

Genus LOPHUROMYS Peters.

1866. Lasiomys Peters, Mon.-ber. K. Preuss. Akad. Wiss., Berlin, 1866, p. 409. (L. afer. Not of Burmeister, 1854.)

1874. Lophuromys Peters, Mon.-ber. K. Preuss. Akad. Wiss., Berlin, 1874, p. 234. (L. afer.)

The "harsh-furred" mice, as the members of this genus have been called, are among the most beautiful of all the African rodents. Their warm, rich coloration and general appearance suggest strongly certain members of the Neotropical genus Oxymycteris, and curiously enough the superficial appearance of skulls of the two genera presents many features in common. The number of forms, their exact relationship, and distribution, are still doubtful and the genus presents many problems for a careful monographer.

For tables of measurements of specimens see pages 107-109.

LOPHUROMYS AQUILUS AQUILUS (True).

Plate 30.

1892. Mus aquilus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 460. October 26. (Mount Kilimanjaro, German East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1909. Mus aquilus Lyon and Osgood, Bull. 62, U.S. Nat. Mus., p. 144. January 28.

1909. Lophuromys zena Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 550.

December. (East side of Aberdare Mts., near Nyeri, British East
Africa; type in British Museum.)

Measurements of specimens of Lophuromys.

| | | | | Andrew Street Community and Andrews | | | - | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Form and locality. | o N | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail ver- foot, dry, tebræ, without claws. | Hind foot, dry, without claws. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Mastold breadth. | Mandible. | Upper tooth row, alveoli. | Condition of molar teeth. |
| L. a. aquilus. G. E. A. Mount Kilimonione | 1 10007 | Media | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | 1999/ | Maie | | | 21.4 | | 14.6 | 6.2 | | 17.4 | *. * | Moderatelyworn. |
| Engare Narok | 162547 | do | 142 | 82 | 21.2 | 29.8 | 14.8 | 6.1 | 12.9 | 18.3 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Lake Naivasha | 162551 | do | 134 | 71 | 21.7 | 30.9 | 15.5 | 6.1 | 12.9 | 18.9 | 5.3 | Much worn. |
| Do | 162553 | do | 133 | 7.4 | 8.02 | 31.2 | 15.2 | 0.9 | 13.3 | 18.8 | 5.0 | .Do. |
| Do | 162556 | do | 137 | 7.4 | 21.8 | 30.8 | 15.4 | 5.9 | 13.1 | 16.1 | 5.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 162560 | do | 126 | | 20.5 | 20.2 | 14.4 | 5.9 | 13.2 | 18.2 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Do- | 162571 | do | 147 | 73 | 21.7 | 29.5 | 14.4 | 5.7 | 13.0 | 18.7 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 162554 | Fernale | 122 | 29 | 20.6 | 29.3 | 14.6 | 5.9 | 13.0 | 18.3 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Do | 162555 | do | 135 | | 21.0 | 29.8 | 15.3 | 6.3 | 13.2 | 18.7 | 5.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 162557 | do | 133 | 7.5 | 21.1 | 30.7 | 15.3 | 6.3 | 13.3 | 19.2 | 5,4 | Do. |
| Do | 162568 | do | 137 | 69 | 20.3 | 29.6 | 14.3 | 6.3 | 13.0 | 18.4 | 5.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Nyeri | 163538 | Male | 132 | 71 | 21.5 | 28.8 | 14.3 | 6.1 | 12.3 | 17.7 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Wambugu | 163535 | do | 119 | 69 | 22.3 | 30.6 | 14.9 | 6.7 | 13.6 | 18.8 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 163591 | Female | 135 | 71 | 21.6 | 29.6 | 14.4 | 0.9 | 12.5 | 18.3 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Aberdare Mountains | 183882 | Male | 123 | | 20.2 | 29.4 | 15.8 | 0.9 | 12.7 | 17.5 | 5.0 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183884 | do | 125 | 87 | 21.3 | 28.7 | 14.4 | 6.0 | 12.5 | 17.4 | 5.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183889 | do | 132 | 74 | 21.8 | 29.4 | 15.3 | 6.0 | 12.8 | 17.3 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 183890 | do | 120 | 89 | 21.5 | | 14.1 | 5.9 | 12.7 | 17.2 | 5.3 | Do. |
| 1)0 | 183894 | do | 135 | 80 | 21.1 | 29.3 | 14.6 | 6.0 | 12.8 | 17.4 | 5.0 | Do. |
| D0 | 183895 | do | 125 | 2.2 | 22.0 | 29. 2 | 14.7 | 6.1 | 12.7 | 16.8 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 183886 | Female | 120 | 74 | 21.2 | 30.0 | 15.2 | 6.0 | 12.9 | 18.3 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183887 | do | 140 | 7.2 | 20.6 | 30.7 | 15.3 | 5.8 | 13.1 | 18.7 | 5.2 | Do, |
| Do | 183888 | 183888 do | 140 | | 20.8 | 30.3 | 15.0 | 5.9 | 13.2 | 18.2 | 5.2 | Do, |
| | | | | | ¹ Type. | | | | | | | |

Measurements of specimens of Lophuromys-Continued.

| Form and locality. | No. | Sex, | Head and body. | Tail ver- tebræ. | Hind foot, dry, without elaws. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Mastoid breadth, Mandible. | Mandible. | Upper tooth row, alveoli. | Condition of molar teeth. |
|--------------------|--------|---------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Mount Kenia | 163544 | Male | 142 | | 22.3 | 29.4 | 15.6 | 6.4 | 13.6 | 18.8 | 5.0 | Much worn. |
| Do | 163555 | do | 129 | 69 | 22.2 | 29.5 | 13.4 | 6.0 | 12.6 | 18.6 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 163568 | do | 126 | | 21.7 | 28.6 | 13.8 | 6.1 | 13.2 | 18.2 | 5.1 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 163570 | do | 124 | | 22.0 | 29.0 | 13.8 | 5.9 | 12.8 | 16.8 | 5.2 | Do, |
| Do | 163574 | do | 132 | | 21.8 | 28.9 | 14.3 | 0.9 | | 18.3 | 4.8 | Much worn. |
| Do | 163575 | do | 122 | 02 | 21.7 | 29.9 | 14.1 | 5.9 | 12.9 | 17.1 | 5.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 163576 | do | 124 | 55 | 21.0 | 28.6 | 14.4 | 0.9 | 12.7 | 18.1 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do. | 163515 | Female | 133 | 65 | 21.0 | 28.3 | 14.9 | 5.9 | 12.6 | 17.5 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 163527 | do | 130 | | 21.1 | 30.0 | 14.6 | 6.2 | 13.5 | 18.8 | 5.5 | Mueh worn. |
| Do | 163559 | do | 116 | 22 | 20.7 | 28.2 | 14.0 | 5.8 | 12.8 | 17.5 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163560 | do | 122 | 62 | 21.1 | 28.6 | 13.9 | 6.0 | 13.0 | 17.9 | 4.9 | D0. |
| Nzoia River | 163518 | Male | 135 | 7.9 | 20.7 | 30.4 | 15.4 | 6.3 | 13.3 | 18.7 | 4.9 | Much worn. |
| Lukosa River | 183877 | do | 135 | 28 | 21.9 | 31.1 | 14.8 | 6.7 | 13.0 | 18.9 | 5.6 | Do. |
| Kisumu | 183865 | do | 125 | 133 | 21.5 | 29.1 | 14.6 | 6.0 | 12.6 | 17.8 | 5.1 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183866 | do | 125 | F9 | 20.5 | 28.9 | 14.9 | 6.2 | 12.6 | 17.0 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Kaimosi | 183867 | do | 125 | 74 | 21.3 | 29.1 | 14.5 | 8.6 | 12.6 | 17.2 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183868 | Female | 135 | 80 | 20.0 | 30.5 | 14.9 | 6.2 | 12.8 | 18.9 | 5.1 | Considerably worn. |
| 1)0 | 183870 | do | 132 | 53 | 21.0 | 29.8 | 15.1 | 6.3 | 12.9 | 18.2 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183871 | do | 123 | 89 | 20.7 | 30.4 | 15.5 | 6.3 | 13.2 | 18.2 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Do | 183873 | do | 135 | 81 | 21.7 | 30.2 | 14.8 | 6.1 | 12.6 | 18.3 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183875 | do | 115 | 7.3 | 20.8 | 28.8 | 14.5 | 0.0 | 12.4 | 17.4 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Uganda: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kampala | 165225 | Female. | 130 | 99 | 19.5 | : | 14.2 | 5.9 | 12.6 | 16.8 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Nkyanuna | 165222 | Male | 122 | 92 | 20.8 | 28.9 | 14.8 | 0.9 | 12.8 | 17.3 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Kisingo | 165223 | do | 124 | 900 | 20.0 | 27.7 | 14.1 | 5.9 | 12.6 | 17.2 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Kikanda | 165224 | Female | 124 | 73 | 20.5 | 28.9 | 14.1 | 6.0 | 12.3 | 17.4 | 4.8 | Do. |

| B F. A . L. a. margarettee. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------|-----|-----|------|------|------|-----|-------|------|------|--------------------|
| Mount Gargues | 1 181793 | Male | 120 | 80 | 21.0 | 29.1 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 12.55 | 23 | 5.0 | Considerably worn |
| Do | 183844 | do | 120 | 89 | 19.7 | 27.4 | 14.1 | 10 | 19.9 | 16.3 | , rd | Moderately worn |
| Do | 183849 | do | 115 | 7.4 | 20.6 | 28.7 | 15.0 | 5.9 | 12.1 | 17.0 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183856 | do | 120 | 77 | 21.8 | 29.0 | 14.8 | 6.2 | 12.4 | 17.8 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183860 | do | 118 | 22 | 21.5 | 28.3 | 14.4 | 0.9 | 12.2 | 17.4 | 5.0 | D0. |
| Do | 183861 | do | 120 | 0,5 | 21.0 | 28.8 | 14.1 | 5.9 | 12.3 | 16.9 | 5,0 | Do. |
| Do | 183847 | Female. | 120 | 22 | 20.7 | 28.3 | 14.0 | 0.9 | 12.0 | 16.5 | 4.9 | Do. |
| 1)0 | 183850 | do | 110 | 29 | 20.0 | 27.9 | 13.9 | 5.8 | 11.8 | 16.7 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183851 | do | 120 | 7.5 | 20.5 | 28.4 | 14.2 | 5.9 | 12.1 | 17.1 | 4.9 | 1) 0. |
| B. E. A.: L. a. ansorgei. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kishmu | 183896 | Male | 130 | 0.5 | 20.2 | 29.9 | 14.7 | 6.6 | 12.4 | 18.2 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Do | 183902 | do | 130 | 99 | 22.3 | 29.9 | 15.3 | 6.2 | 13.7 | 18.3 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183898 | Female. | 125 | 81 | 22.2 | 30.3 | 15.3 | 6.4 | 13.3 | 18.3 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183899 | do | 130 | : | 22.5 | 31.7 | 15.7 | 6.3 | 13.3 | 19.0 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Do | 183900 | do | 132 | | 20.2 | 31.4 | 15.8 | 6.3 | 13.1 | 18.9 | 5.5 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183901 | do | 125 | E | 22.1 | 30.3 | 15.4 | 6.1 | 12.8 | 18.6 | 5.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183906 | qo | 125 | | 22.1 | 30.2 | 15.1 | 6.4 | 12.6 | 18.8 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Kaimosi | 183910 | | 120 | 65 | 20.9 | 29.8 | 14.4 | 5.7 | 12.5 | 18.7 | 5.2 | Little worn. |
| Nzoia River | 163519 | | 150 | 7.4 | 22.6 | 31.5 | 15.4 | 6.7 | 13.4 | 19.7 | 5.4 | Moderately worn. |
| 1)0 | 163517 | Female. | 160 | | 23.9 | 33.0 | 16.8 | 7.1 | 13.8 | 21.2 | 5.9 | Much worn. |
| (Tganda: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kabula Muhro | 165213 | Male | 154 | 73 | 22.3 | 32.3 | 16.2 | 7.0 | 13.6 | 20.6 | 5.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Hoima | 165215 | qo | 138 | | 22.9 | 31.1 | 15.9 | 6.9 | 13.4 | 19.8 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Mnyouri Jardin | 165211 | do | 141 | 80 | 22.8 | 32.4 | 15.8 | 9.9 | 13.2 | 19.8 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Lado: L. a. pyrrhus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 1 164823 | do | 136 | 7.2 | 91.9 | 30.9 | 14.8 | 6.7 | 12.7 | 18.8 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 165209 | do | 137 | 70 | 21.8 | | | 6.7 | | 19.2 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 165210 | do | 138 | 65 | 23.8 | 30.5 | 15.2 | 6.5 | 13.0 | 18.7 | 5.5 | Do. |
| Do | 165207 | Female | 118 | 1-9 | 21.8 | 28.5 | 14.3 | 6.3 | 12.2 | 17.7 | 5.4 | Little worn. |
| D0. | 165208 | qo | 129 | 29 | 22.7 | 30.3 | 15.1 | 6.5 | 13.2 | 18.8 | 5.2 | Moderately worn. |
| | | - | | | | | | | - | - | | |

1909. Lophuromys rubecula Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 551. December. (Elgonyi, Mt. Elgon, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Lophuromys aquilus Roosevelt, African Game Trails. Amer. ed., pp. 472, 477; London ed., pp. 484, 489.

1914. Lophuromys sp. Cockerell, Miller, and Printz, Zool. Anz., vol. 44, p. 437. June 23.

Specimens.—Two hundred and fifty-three, from the following localities:

UGANDA: Kampala, 6, including 4 in alcohol (Loring); Kikanda,

1 (Loring); Kisingo, 1 (Loring); Nkyanuna, 1 (Loring).

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, 23, including 5 in alcohol (Heller); Engare Narok River, 5 (Loring, Heller); Fort Hall, 1 (Loring); Guas Ngishu Plateau, north of Ravine Station, 3 in alcohol (Heller); Kaimosi, 29, including 18 in alcohol (Heller); Kakumega, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Kisumu, 3 (Heller); Lukosa River, 2 (Heller); Mount Kenia, west side, 100, including 26 in alcohol (Loring, Heller, Mearns); Naivasha 52, including 3 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Nyeri, 7, including 3 in alcohol (Loring); Nzoia River, 4, including 3 in alcohol (Heller); Oljoro O Nyon River, 2 (Heller); Ravine, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Sirgoit Lake, 3 in alcohol (Heller); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 2 in alcohol (Mearns); Wambugu, 5, including 1 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Mount Kilimanjaro, 1 (Abbott)

There appear to be no constant characters by which this form may be further divided into geographical races. A suitable series of specimens from the type locality of aquilus is still lacking, and until this is obtained it will be impossible to determine with certainty the status of Dollman's Lophuromys zena. Every feature of the typespecimen of aquilus can be matched in some specimen from British East Africa, however, and these latter do not vary geographically among themselves to any appreciable extent. Allowing for slight variations in tail and body measurements by different collectors and the usual differences of pelage due to wear and fading the species seems remarkably constant in both external and cranial characters from Kilimanjaro to Albert Nyanza. There is some difference in the size of the teeth in various specimens, but aside from what appears to be a slight reduction with altitude it amounts to little. I can not see the slightest difference between specimens from the type locality of zena and those from the Guas Ngishu Plateau, Kavirondo and Uganda, which should represent Dollman's Lophuromys rubecula. At first sight the Kaimosi and Lukosa Riverskins appear darker than usual, but as a matter of fact fresh, clean skins from Kenia and Naivasha match them almost precisely. The color of the hind foot varies greatly in the relative amount of dark and light area, but dark feet and light mottled feet are not confined to any one region. The same may be said of the intensity of color of the belly.

Breeding records noted on specimen labels are as follows: Nyeri, September 16, two large embryos; Aberdare Mountains, October 9, one and two large embryos.

Common in Rift Valley, on the top of the Aberdares, and in the Kenia forest. Go up to timber line, but are not found in the deep forest, save about the edges of the streams. Very fond of brush. Do not go out on the grassy plains. Usually, but not strictly, nocturnal; and in the cold, foggy uplands, as on the Aberdares, become diurnal.

LOPHUROMYS AQUILUS MARGARETTÆ Heller.

Plate 30.

1912. Lophuromys aquilus margarettæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 7. July 5. (Mount Gargues, Mathews Range, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Twenty-seven, including 6 in alcohol, as follows: British East Africa: Mount Gargues (Heller).

This well marked form is chiefly conspicuous for its dark coloration and the absence of speckling on the lower back and rump. The skulls average smaller then in true aquilus and the tail is relatively longer.

See measurements, page 109.

LOPHUROMYS ANSORGEI ANSORGEI de Winton.

1896. Lophuromys ansorgei de Winton, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1896, p. 607. (Mumia's, Kavirondo, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Lophuromys ansorgei Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimens.—Thirty, from localities as follows:

UGANDA: Butiaba, 3, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Hoima, 3, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Kabula Muliro, 1 (Loring); Kikonda, 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kisingo, 1 odd skull (Loring); Lialo, 1 (Loring); Mnyouri Jardin, 1 (Loring).

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 1 (Heller); Kibabe, Kisumu, 3 in alcohol (Heller); Kisumu, 13 (Heller); Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, 2 (Heller).

There is considerable difference in color between the series from Kisumu and Kaimosi, and those from other localities. Just what this means it is impossible to decide without more material. The Kisumu skins are very much like the colored plate of the type specimen of ansorgei, while those from a point on the Nzoia River equally near the type locality are considerably lighter in color, with reddish sides and a deeper colored belly. All of the Uganda skins are much like the Nzoia River specimens in color, and differ from the figure of the type and from the Kisumu skins by their lighter colored flanks. There appear to be some slight skull differences between the Kisumu specimens and the Uganda and Nzoia River material; but there are hardly

¹ Roosevelt and Heller, Afr. Game Trails, Appendix B, Amer. ed., p. 477. 1910.

enough specimens to be sure that these are really constant. I am almost sure that two well-marked subspecies are here represented—the Uganda and Guas Ngishu form, and the dark Kavirondo Gulf race. The type of ansorgei is doubtless somewhat intermediate but nearest the Kavirondo form.

LOPHUROMYS ANSORGEI PYRRHUS Heller.

Plate 30.

1911. Lophuromys pyrrhus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56. No. 17, p. 10. February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado Enclave; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Nine, including 3 in alcohol and 1 odd skull, as follows: LADO: Rhino Camp (Loring).

This form is closely related to true *ansorgei* but averages brighter and richer colored, with much more intensely colored underparts. The skulls appear to average smaller, but there is not a really old specimen in the series, so the limits of its growth are unknown. This race seems to be restricted to the western side of the Nile.

Genus URANOMYS Dollman.

1909. Uranomys Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8. vol. 4, p. 551. December. (U. ruddi.)

The single specimen of this genus collected by the Smithsonian African expedition has been made the type of a new species.

URANOMYS UGANDÆ Heller.

Plate 31.

1911. Uranomys ugandæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56. No. 17. p. 12. February 28. (Kikonda, Uganda; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, the type. Uganda: Kikonda (Loring).

Genus BEAMYS Thomas.

1909. Beamys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 107. August. (B. hindei.)

This rare pouched rat is known only from the coast region of British East Africa, inland to Kilimanjaro; and from Nyasaland.

BEAMYS HINDEI Thomas.

1909. Beamys hindei Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 108. August. (Taveta, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Thirteen, including one in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Mazeras (Heller).

Heller found the cheek pouches of some of these specimens well filled with seeds.

For measurements of specimens see opposite page.

Measurements of specimens of Beamys hindei from Mazeras, B. E. A.

| Upper tooth Condition of molar row, teeth. | 5.1 Moderately worn. | 5.0 Do. | 5.3 Do. | 5.2 Do. | 5.0 100. | 5.2 Do. | | 4.8 Much worn. | 5.3 Moderately worn. | 5.3 Do. | 5.3 Do. | 5.1 Do. |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|---------|----------|---------|------|----------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Mandi- ble. | 20.1 | 91.0 | 22.6 | 19.7 | 20.4 | 20.5 | 22.8 | 22.0 | 20.0 | 20.8 | 22.0 | 20.3 |
| Inter- orbital breadth. | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 4.8 | 5.1 | ±. ∞ | 5.2 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 5.2 |
| Mastoid breadth. | 12.2 | 12.4 | 12.9 | 12.4 | 12.1 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 12.7 | 12.4 | 13.2 | 12.8 | 12.1 |
| Zygo- matic breadth. | 15.5 | 15.0 | 17.6 | 15.6 | 15.5 | 17.2 | 17.6 | 16.1 | 15.9 | 16.3 | 16.8 | 15.1 |
| Skull: Condylo- basal length. | 31.8 | 32.1 | 35.2 | 31.2 | 31.9 | 34.2 | 35.8 | 34.0 | 32.1 | 33.6 | 35.0 | 31.7 |
| Ear. | 21 | 20 | 2.1 | 22 | 21 | 22 | 21 | 21 | 22 | 21 | 21 | 30 |
| Hind foot. | 22.0 | 21.0 | 21.5 | 21.5 | 21.0 | 23.0 | 22.0 | 21.0 | 20.5 | 22.0 | 21.0 | 21.0 |
| Tail verte- bræ. | 117 | 114 | 135 | 118 | 125 | 128 | 140 | | 124 | 126 | 129 | 120 |
| Head and body. | 130 | 125 | 1.40 | 126 | 125 | 140 | 140 | 130 | 125 | | | |
| Sex. | Male | do | do. | do | do | do | do | Female. | do | do | do. | do |
| °o Z | | E | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | | 83107 | | | | | | | |

Genus SACCOSTOMUS Peters.

1846. Saccostomus Peters, Ber. Königlich Akad. Berlin, 1846, p. 258. (S. campestris.)

1903. Eosaccomys Palmer, Science, new. ser., vol. 17, p. 873. (S. campestris.)

The three species of pouched rats of the genus *Saccostomus* known from British East Africa are closely related to South African forms, and doubtless will prove to be geographical races of some earlier named species when the group is carefully monographed.

For measurements of specimens of Saccostomus see page 115.

SACCOSTOMUS MEARNSI Heller.

Plate 32.

1910. Saccostomus mearnsi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54 [No. 1924], p. 3. February 28. (Changamwe, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Saccostomus mearnsi Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473; London ed., p. 485.

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

British East Africa: Changamwe (Mearns).

Doctor Mearns records the "iris very dark brown, almost black; toes flesh color."

SACCOSTOMUS UMBRIVENTER Miller.

Plate 32.

1910. Saccostomus umbriventer Miller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54 [No. 1925], p. 1. February 28. (Njoro Osolali, Sotik, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Saccostomus umbriventer Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479; London ed., pp. 485, 490.

Specimens.—Eight, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Kabalolot Hill, Sotik, 1 (Heller); Njoro Osolali, 3 (Loring); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 1 (Heller); Telek River, Sotik, 3 (Heller).

SACCOSTOMUS ISIOLÆ Heller.

Plate 31.

1912. Saccostomus isiolæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 14.

July 5. (Isiola River, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa;
type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Twenty-nine, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Isiola River, 20 (Heller); Lower Nyuki, Northern Guaso Nyiro, 1 (Heller): Mayo River, Laikipia Plateau, 1 (Heller); Turah Water, Northern Guaso Nyiro, 7 (Heller).

One female contained four embryos, another six, on July 1.

Measurements of specimens of Succostomus.

| of molar | у worn. | ly worn. | ly worn. | y worn. y worn. |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Condition of molar teeth. | Moderately worn. | Considerably worn. Do. Much worn. | Considerably worn. Do. | Moderately worn. Considerably worn. Moderately worn. Do. Do. Do. Do. |
| Upper tooth row, alveoli. | & & | 6.0 | 6.0 | 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 |
| Mandi- ble. | 20.4 | 20.6 21.3 | 21.0 | 21.8 20.4 20.4 20.6 20.6 20.7 20.3 |
| Length of nasals. | 13.9 | 16.3 | 15.6 | 15.6 14.1 14.1 13.9 14.0 14.0 |
| Mastoid breadth. | 13.2 | 13.5 | 13.0 | 14.1 14.3 14.1 13.7 13.9 13.8 13.6 |
| Zygo- matie breadth. | 16.4 | 15.9 17.0 17.3 | 16.9 | 17.8 17.9 17.1 17.0 18.2 17.0 17.0 17.3 |
| Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | 32.2 | 32.2 32.9 | 32.0 | 32.8 33.1 32.7 32.6 31.6 31.3 31.8 |
| Hind foot, dry, without claws. | 22.0 | 20.5 | 19.0 | 21.5 22.3 21.2 21.2 21.3 20.4 19.8 |
| Tail verti- bræ. | 73 | 53 60 55 | . 54 | 69 72 72 70 70 66 68 |
| Head. | 156 | 188 | 130 | 130 132 133 135 135 135 125 125 |
| Sex. | Male Female . | Male Femaledo | do | Maledododo |
| No. | 1 162882 | 162610 162611 1 162612 | 181732 | 183689 183690 1 181803 183678 183679 183684 183684 183705 |
| Form and locality. | B, E. A.: Changamwe. Do S. unbriventcr. | B. E. A.: Southern Guaso Nylro Njoro Osolali | Kabalolot Hill Telek River. S. isiotx. | B. C. A.: Islola River. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Mayo River. |

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Genus ACOMYS Geoffroy.

1838. Acomys I. Geoffrov, Ann. Sci. Nat., Paris, ser. 2, vol. 10, p. 126. (A. cahirinus,)

The spiny mice of this genus appear to be very local in distribution and large parts of East Africa are unrepresented by specimens. In some favorable localities, as in the Northern Guaso Nyiro district, three, if not four, distinct species are found in one vicinity and the animals are abundant.

For detailed measurements of specimens see pages 119-121.

ACOMYS WITHERBYI de Winton.

1901. Acomys witherbyi DE Winton, Novit. Zool., vol. 8, p. 400. December 31. (El Kowa, Sudan; type in British Museum.)

1905. Acomys witherbyi Schwann, Novit. Zool., vol. 12, p. 4. January.

Specimen.—One, as follows:

SUDAN: Naikhala (Rothschild).

Dr. Glover M. Allen ¹ has suggested the probable identity of this species with *Acomys cineraceus* Heuglin and Fitzinger, described from Doka, eastern Sennar, between the Atbara and the Rahad Rivers.

ACOMYS HYSTRELLA Heller.

Plate 31.

1911. Acomys hystrella Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 13. February 28. (Nimule, Uganda; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Thirty-seven, from localities as follows:

UGANDA: Ledgus, 5 in alcohol (Loring); Nimule, 32, including 9 in alcohol and 16 odd skulls (Loring).

ACOMYS IGNITUS IGNITUS Dollman.

1910. Acomys ignitus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 229. August. (Voi, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Thirty-two, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 5, including 4 in alcohol (Mearns); Maji-ya-chumvi, 2 (Heller); Mariakani, 4, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Mazeras, 9, including 4 in alcohol (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 6, including 3 in alcohol (Heller); Voi, 6 (Heller).

Doctor Mearns notes of an adult male from Changamwe: "Iris very dark brown." At Voi on October 28, Heller found females with one and two large embryos: at Mariakani, January 1, with one embryo; and at Mtoto Andei, April 6, one very large embryo which is preserved in alcohol.

ACOMYS IGNITUS KEMPI Dollman.

1911. Acomys kempi Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 125

July. (Chanler Falls, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type
in British Museum.)

1914. Acomys i[gnitus] kempi Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 14, p. 487. December.

¹ Bull. Mus Comp. Zool. Harvard, vol. 58, p. 329. July, 1914.

Specimens.—Fifty-two, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Archer's Post, 4, including 1 in alcohol and 2 odd skulls (Heller); Chanler Falls, 1 (Percival); Isiola River, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Kara River, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Lakiundu River, 21, including 10 in alcohol and 3 odd skulls (Heller); Longaya Water, Marsabit Road, 2 (Heller); Marsabit Road, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Merele Water, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Mount Gargues, 9, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 6, including 2 in alcohol (Heller, Percival); Quoy, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Salt River, 3 (Percival); Sandai, 1 (Percival).

Included in the above series are several specimens which have been identified by Dollman as belonging to his Acomys pulchellus. described from the same type locality as Acomys ignitus kempi. The specimens are unquestionably the rather immature examples of kempi, and it seems probable that such a specimen was made the type of pulchellus. There is an extraordinary difference in size of skulls in this species between young adults and old adults. Skulls which have the teeth worn so that all pattern is obliterated still have the basal suture open, and the skull apparently grows throughout the life of the animal. It would seem strange that out of all the specimens of this group of Acomys from the Northern Guaso Nviro in our collection all the oldest should be kempi and all the youngest specimens pulchellus. The series contains specimens showing all ages from those in which the last molar is not in place to very old individuals with the teeth almost worn away; and I am well satisfied that all belong to one species. The oldest specimens have heavier and longer spines than young or subadult animals. Mr. Heller examined the type-specimens of kempi and pulchellus in London and noted that the teeth were almost unworn in the type skull of pulchellus, while the type of kempi was old with much more worn teeth.

Two females from Marsabit Road, July 20 and 21, contained embryos; in one a single fetus, in the other, two fetuses.

ACOMYS IGNITUS MONTANUS Heller.

1914. Acomys ignitus montanus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 12. June 24. (North slope of Mount Marsabit, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Two, as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Marsabit (Percival).

The type was trapped at an altitude of 4,600 feet on the north slope; the paratype is from the south slope of the mountain. These

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 127. July, 1911.

specimens are without skulls, but the skins indicate a large, dark colored form related to kempi.

ACOMYS PERCIVALI Dollman.

1911. Acomys percivali Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 126.

July. (Chanler Falls, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Ninety-one, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Longaya Water, Marsabit Road, 2 in alcohol (Heller); Merele River, Marsabit Road, 38, including 13 in alcohol and 5 odd skulls (Heller); Mount Gargues, 23, including 11 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 22, including 9 in alcohol (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 6 (Heller).

Specimens were trapped on the summit of Mount Lololowki, at 6,000 feet. Breeding records are as follows: Northern Guaso Nyiro, October 4, two large embryos; Mount Gargues, September 3, two embryos; and a single embryo each from two females on Marsabit Road, July 28 and 30.

ACOMYS WILSONI WILSONI Thomas.

1892. Acomys wilsoni Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 10, p. 22.

July. (Mombasa, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Acomys wilsoni Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473. London ed., p. 485.

Specimens.—Eighteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Changamwe, 1 in alcohol (Mearns); Mariakani, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mazeras, 1 (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 2 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 13, including 6 in alcohol (Heller).

ACOMYS WILSONI ABLUTUS Dollman.

1911. Acomys ablutus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 127.
July. (Nyama Nyango, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa;
type in British Mus.)

1914. Acomys w[ilsoni] ablutus DOLLMAN, Ann and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 14, p. 487. December.

Specimens.—Fourteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Archer's Post, 4, including 3 in alcohol (Heller); Isioli River, 6, including 2 in alcohol and 1 odd skull (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 4 in alcohol (Heller).

Heller found four embryos in a female collected at Archer's Post, July 5; and one embryo in a female captured near the Isiola River, July 1. Four embryos seem to be an unusually large number for mice of this genus.

¹ According to Lönnberg, Kungl. Sv. Vet. Akad. Handl., vol. 48, No. 5, p. 96, 1912, this is another name for Neuman's camp, or "Neuman's Boma" of some maps, situated on the Northern Guaso Nyiro River near the mouth of the Isiola.

Measurements of East African specimens of Acomys.

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|--------------------|-----------|---------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail ver- tebræ. | Tail ver- foot, dry, tebræ. without claws. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Mandible. | Upper tooth row, | Condition of molar teeth. |
| A. hystrilla. | | | | | - | | | | | | | |
| Uganda: | | | | | | | | | | | | : |
| Nimule | 165217 | Male | 106 | 82 | 15.6 | 25.4 | 13.5 | 11.1 | 4.6 | 15.8 | 4.5 | Considerably worn. |
| | 165218 | do | 106 | 95 | 15.9 | 25.3 | 12.8 | 10.8 | 4.4 | 15.0 | 4.6 | Moderately worn. |
| D0 | 165221 | do | 104 | 92 | 15.5 | 25.3 | 12.8 | 11.0 | 4.6 | 15.1 | 4.5 | Do. |
| Do | 1 16 1521 | Female | 111 | 81 | 15.9 | 26.2 | 13.4 | 11 0 | 4.7 | 15.4 | 4.7 | Much worn, |
| Do | 165216 | do | 109 | 78 | 15.9 | 25.6 | 13.4 | 11.0 | 4.4 | 16.0 | 4.8 | Do. |
| D_0 | 165219 | do | 86 | 26 | 15.8 | 21.0 | 12.4 | 10.9 | 4.5 | 15.2 | 4.5 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 165220 | do | 106 | 26 | 15.7 | 23.8 | 12 6 | 10.8 | 4.5 | 14.4 | 4.4 | Little worn. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. i. ignitus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mtoto Andei | 181750 | do | 110 | | 15.5 | 27.3 | 14.8 | 12.0 | 4.9 | 16.4 | 4.1 | Much worn. |
| Voi | 182885 | Male | 115 | 82 | 15.7 | 27.0 | 13.8 | 11.6 | 4.8 | 15.9 | 4.2 | Do. |
| D0 | 182886 | do | 105 | 87 | 15.6 | 26.2 | 13.9 | 11.6 | 4.5 | 15.4 | 4.2 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 182887 | do | 100 | 83 | 15.4 | 25.4 | 13.5 | 11.3 | 4.6 | 14.8 | 4.2 | Do. |
| Do | 182888 | do | 80 | 72 | 15.5 | 22.9 | 12.4 | 10.8 | 4.4 | 13.9 | 4.2 | Little worn. |
| $D\mathbf{o}$ | 182889 | Female | 110 | 88 | 15.7 | 27.0 | 14.3 | 11.5 | 4.8 | 15.8 | 4.3 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 182890 | do | 110 | 06 | 15.4 | 26.8 | 13.8 | 11.6 | 2.8 | 15.6 | 4.3 | Do. |
| Maji-ya-ehumvi | 182892 | Male | 106 | 92 | 15.9 | 27.3 | 13.6 | 11.5 | 4.7 | 16.0 | 4.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Mazeras | 182895 | Female. | 110 | 81 | 15.4 | 26.3 | 13.8 | 11.7 | 4.7 | 15.1 | 4.4 | D0. |
| Do | 182896 | do | 112 | 74 | 16.1 | 27.3 | 13.9 | 12.2 | 5.0 | 16.4 | 4.8 | Do. |
| | | | | | 1 Marrie | | | | | | | |

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Measurements of East African specimens of Acomys—Continued.

| Condition of molar teeth. | | Much worn. | Considerably worn. | Do. | Moderately worn. | Considerably worn. | Do. | Do. | Much worn, | Little worn. | Moderately worn. | | | | | | | Much worn. | Moderately worn. | Do. | Do. | Do. | Do. | Considerably worn. | Do, |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|---------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------|----------|---------------|-----------|----------------------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------|--------------------|--------|
| Upper tooth row, alvoeil. | | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 4.2 | | | | | | | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.6 |
| Inter- orbital Mandible. oreadth. | | 15.2 | 14.4 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 15.2 | 15.7 | 15.3 | 16.2 | 14.7 | 14.0 | | | | | | | 14.6 | 14.3 | 14.6 | 13.8 | 15.3 | 15.8 | 15.2 | 16.0 |
| Inter- orbital breadth. | | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 8.4.8 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 4.5 | | | | : | | | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 4.9 |
| Mastoid breadth. | | 11.4 | 10.8 | 12.3 | 11.0 | 11.4 | 11.5 | 11.2 | 11.7 | 10.9 | 10.6 | | | | | | | 10.3 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 10.4 | 11.2 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 10.9 |
| Zygo- matlc breadth. | | 13.6 | 13.2 | 13.1 | 13.0 | 13.4 | 13.8 | 13.4 | 14.3 | 12.8 | 12.4 | | | | | | | 12.8 | 13.0 | 13 3 | 12.5 | 13.3 | 13.5 | 13.2 | 14.0 |
| Skull: Condylo- basal length. | | 25.7 | 24.3 | 25.7 | 24.8 | 26.3 | 26.3 | 25.8 | 27.1 | 23.8 | 24.5 | | | | | | | 24.4 | 24.3 | 24.4 | 24.4 | 25.3 | 25.2 | 25.4 | 26.5 |
| Hind foot, dry, without claws. | | 15.8 | 14.8 | 15.5 | 14.8 | 16.0 | 15.6 | 15.8 | 15.5 | 15.2 | 15.0 | | | . 16.0 | 15.6 | | | 13.8 | 13.8 | 14.1 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 14.5 | 14.0 | 13.5 |
| Tail ver- tebræ. | | 94 | 84 | 93 | 88 | 95 | 94 | 82 | 06 | 94 | 100 | | | 97 | 92 | | | 95 | 72 | 83 | 52 | 91 | 83 | 88 | |
| Head and body. | | 100 | 95 | 103 | 100 | 102 | 110 | 95 | 100 | 100 | 100 | | | 16 | 06 | | | 95 | 95 | 92 | 06 | 26 | 100 | 102 | 82 |
| Sex. | | Маве | Female. | Маве | do | do | Female. | Маве | do | do | Female. | | | Маје | Female | | | Male | do | do | do | Female | Male | do | do |
| No. | | 183932 | 182931 | 182910 | 182915 | 182916 | 182909 | 182928 | 182929 | 182918 | 182917 | | | 182900 | 1 182901 | | | 182979 | 182955 | 182961 | 182964 | 182960 | 182965 | 182970 | 182976 |
| Form and locality. | A. i. kempi. B. E. A.: | Northern Guaso Nyiro | Do | Lakiundu River | Do | Do | Do | Mount Gargues | Do | Marsabit Road | Do | A. i. montanus. | B. E. A.: | Mount Marsabit | Do | A. percivali. | B. E. A.: | Northern Guaso Nyiro | Mount Gargnes | Do | Do | Do | Mount Lololokwi | Do. | Do |

| 2 Do. | Much worn. | Do. | Do. | | | Moderately worn. | Do. | Considerably worn. | Little worn. | Considerably worn. | Moderately worn. | Do. | Do. | Do. | | | Do. | Do. | Do. | Mu |
|-----------------|------------|----------------|--------|----------------|-----------|------------------|--------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|--------|---------|----------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|----------|----------------|
| 4.2 | ÷- | 4.3 | 4.1 | | | 3.9 | | 4.2 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 3, 7 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | | | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 |
| 14.6 | 14.1 | 14.6 | 14.4 | | | 13.7 | 13.5 | 13.6 | 13.3 | 13.7 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 14.3 | | | 13.2 | 12.6 | 12.8 | 12.8 |
| 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.3 | | | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.3 | | | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.1 |
| 10.7 | 10.3 | 10.6 | 10.5 | | | 9.8 | 9.6 | 8.6 | 9.6 | 8.6 | 9.8 | 10.1 | 9.6 | 9.9 | | | 10.1 | 9.3 | 9.2 | 9.7 |
| 13.2 | 12.3 | 12.9 | 13.0 | | | 11.9 | 12.0 | 12.5 | 11.7 | 12.0 | 12.2 | 12.3 | 12.3 | 11.8 | | | 11.4 | 11.4 | 11.5 | 11.3 |
| 24.8 | 24.3 | 24.7 | 21.1 | _ | | 22.6 | 22.4 | 23.9 | 22.1 | 22.8 | 23.5 | 23.2 | 23.6 | 24.1 | | | 21.4 | 21.2 | 21.5 | 22.4 |
| 13.7 | 13.2 | 13.3 | 13.0 | | | 13.4 | 12.8 | 12.5 | 12.3 | 12.3 | 12.8 | 12.6 | 12.3 | 13.3 | | | 12.0 | 12.0 | 11.8 | 11.5 |
| 88 | | Ŧ | | | | 57 | 55 | 55 | 46 | 45 | | 20 | 23 | 51 | | | 40 | 43 | 43 | 46 |
| 95 | | 16 | 86 | | | 06 | 06 | 92 | *2 | 06 | 85 | 06 | 06 | 82 | | | 83 | 82 | 80 | 95 |
| 182973 Female | Mato | 182330 Female. | qo | | | 181748 Male | do | 181745 Female. | do | 181761do | Male | 182984do | Female | Male | ~ | | op | 182988 Female | 182989do | do |
| 182973 | 100001 | 1823350 | 182945 | | | 181748 | 181749 | 181745 | 181746 | 181761 | 182986 | 182984 | 182983 | 182985 | | | 182987 | 182988 | 182989 | 182990 |
| Do | D. | 700 | Do | A. w. wilsoni. | В. Е. Л.: | Mtoto Andei | Do | Do | Do | Do | Mariakani | Mount Sagalla. | Do | Mazeras | A. w. ablutus. | B. F. A.: | Isiola River | Do | Do | Archor's Post. |

Genus DASYMYS Peters.

1875. Dasymys Peters, Mon.-ber. K. Preuss. Akad. Berlin, 1875, p. 12. (D. gueinzii.)

The swamp rats of the genus *Dasymys* are animals which do not seem to be common in collections. At least our collectors failed to take them in such satisfactory series as usual with many other murines. When collections are made throughout eastern and central Africa and it becomes possible to monograph the group in a satisfactory manner, most of the forms listed below will doubtless prove to be geographic races of *Dasymys incomtus* Sundevall.

For measurements of specimens see page 124.

DASYMYS HELUKUS HELUKUS Heller.

Plate 33.

1910. Dasymys helukus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54, [No. 1924], p. 2. February 28. (Sirgoit, Guas Ngishu Plateau, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Dasymus helukus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 478; London ed., pp. 485, 490. (Part.)

Specimens.—Fifty-five, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 50, including 9 in alcohol (Heller); Kibabe, Kisumu, 1 (Heller); Nzoia River, 1 (Heller); Sirgoit, 3, including 1 in alcohol (Heller).

The skins in this series are remarkably uniform in color. Heller notes three sucking young with a female collected at Kaimosi, January 29.

DASYMYS HELUKUS SAVANNUS Heller.

Plate 34.

1911. Dasymys savannus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 14. February 28. (Fort Hall, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.--Fifteen, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Archer's Post, 1 (Heller); Fort Hall, 1 (Loring); Isiola River, 1 (Heller); Kapiti Plains, 1 (Loring); Lakiundu River, 3 (Heller); Mount Kenia, west slope, 8, including 6 in alcohol (Heller, Loring).

The material representing this pale reddish form is far from satisfactory. I suspect that more specimens will show the advisibility of separating a new subspecies from north of Mount Kenia. No specimen in the series matches the type in color or skull characters, but some of the skins from the Lakiundu River are the extremes of reddish coloration. The males in this small series are all of a grayish brown, much as in males and females of true helukus, while the females are all of the reddish type. The material is hardly extensive enough to prove that this is a regular sexual coloration. In other forms the sexes are indistinguishable in color.

DASYMYS HELUKUS NIGRIDIUS Hollister.

Plate 34.

1916. Dasymys helukus nigridius Hollister, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 66, No. 10, p. 2. October 26. (Lake Naivasha, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Twenty-six, as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Range, 1 (Heller); Lake Naivasha, 25, including 6 in alcohol and 3 odd skulls (Loring, Mearns).

This large, dark form is conspicuously different in coloration from its much paler geographical neighbors, D. h. helukus and D. h. savannus. The single specimen from the Aberdares, while slightly smaller than Naivasha skins, is fully as dark and is quite unlike the more reddish or brownish-gray specimens of savannus from the western slopes of Mount Kenia. It was collected at an altitude of 7,000 feet.

The skull of Dasymys helukus nigridius averages somewhat larger than skulls of either Dasymys h. helukus or D. h. savannus, with higher sinciput, heavier rostrum, and greater interorbital breadth. The teeth are also larger. Skins of young animals, about one-half grown, are especially dark as compared with the young of D. h. savannus of corresponding age. The subspecies is further conspicuous for its very long and silky fur.

Loring found three large embryos in a female collected at Naivasha Station, August 20.

DASYMYS ORTHOS Heller.

Plate 34.

1911. Dasymys orthos Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 13. February 28. (Butiaba, Albert Nyanza, Uganda; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1914. Dasymys sp. Frick, Ann. Carnegie Mus., vol. 9, p. 8, pl. 1. June 6.

Specimens.—Three, from localities as follows:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 1 (Loring). Uganda: Butiaba, 2 (Loring).

DASYMYS BENTLEYÆ MEDIUS Thomas.

1906. Dasymys medius Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 18, p. 143.

August. (Mubuku Valley, East Ruwenzori, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

1910. Dasymys medius Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. London, vol. 19, p. 514. March.

Specimen.—One, as follows:

UGANDA: Mubuku Valley, East Ruwenzori (Dent).

Measurements of Specimens of Dasymys.

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|----|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|-------------|---------|--------|--------|--------------------|----------|--------|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|------------------|
| | Condition of molars. | Moderately worn | Do. | Do. | Do. | Do. | Do. | Considerably worn. | Do. | Do. | Moderately worn. | | Considerably worn. | Do. | Do. | Moderately worn. | Considerably worn. | | Moderately worn. | Do. | Do. | Considerably worn. | Do. | Do. | Moderately worn. |
| | Lower tooth row (alveoil). | 7 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 7.4 | | 7.3 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.1 | | 7.1 | 7.5 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 7.6 |
| | Upper tooth row (alveoli). | 7 4 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 7.7 | 7.4 | | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.1 | | 7.6 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 7.9 | 8.0 |
| | Inter- orbital breadth. | 4 4 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.5 | | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.4 | | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.7 |
| | Length of nasals. | 4.3 | 13.1 | 14.1 | 13.4 | 13.5 | 13.1 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 13.6 | 13.6 | | 14.6 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 13.2 | 14.8 | | 13.7 | 12.9 | 13.9 | 14.5 | 13.9 | 14.6 | 13.8 |
| | Zygo- matic breadth. | 19.7 | 18.5 | 19.3 | 18.7 | 18.2 | 18.8 | 19.0 | 19.1 | 18.5 | 18.9 | | 18.5 | 19.2 | 18.9 | 18.5 | | | | 18.7 | 19.2 | 20.0 | 19.6 | 20.4 | 20.1 |
| | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | 37.7 | 34.7 | 36.8 | 36.4 | 35.5 | 36.2 | 36.7 | 35.6 | 36.0 | 36.1 | | 37.5 | | 37.9 | 35.4 | | | • | 36.7 | 38.2 | 38.4 | 37.1 | 37.9 | 38.4 |
| | Hind foot from dry skin. | 32 | 30 | 32 | 30 | 39 | 31 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 28 | | 30 | 30 | 31 | 30 | 30 | | 32 | | | 33 | 31 | | 83 |
| | Tail verte- bræ. | 143 | 131 | 151 | 155 | 136 | 152 | 144 | 150 | 155 | 154 | | 146 | 140 | 145 | 152 | 156 | | 150 | | | 164 | 140 | | 162 |
| | Head and body. | 185 | 160 | 180 | 165 | 150 | 150 | 171 | 145 | 160 | 145 | | 156 | 163 | 162 | 150 | 158 | | 165 | | | 164 | 172 | | 176 |
| | Sex. | Male | do | do | do | do | do | do | Female . | do | do | | Female. | Male | do | Female. | do | | Male | do | do | Female. | do | do | do |
| | No. | 1 162889 | 161465 | 164464 | 183152 | 183159 | 183165 | 183173 | 183155 | 183158 | 183171 | | 1 164471 | 164463 | 183181 | 183180 | 183179 | | 162449 | 162454 | 162455 | 162448 | 162452 | 162463 | 1 162465 |
| | Form and locality. | B. E. A.: D. h. helukus. Sirgoit | Do | Nzola River | Kaimosi | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | B. E. A.: D. h. savannus. | Fort Hail. | Mt. Kenia | Archer's Post | Lakiundu River. | Do | B. E. A.: D. h. nigridius. | Nai vasha | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do |

| | | | Do. | | Considerably worn, |
|--------------------|----------|----------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.0 | | 7: |
| Laboratory age. | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.1 | | 7.4 |
| | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.4 | | 4.5 |
| Surveyed Selection | 14.0 | 13.4 | 12.6 | | 14.2 |
| Number of district | 18.3 | 18.2 | 17.1 | | 18.7 |
| | 36.3 | 35.2 | | | 36.9 |
| , | 32 | 31 | 29 | - | 53 |
| | 156 | 145 | 138 | | 137 |
| | 160 | 138 | 137 | | 144 |
| | 4 Male | Female . | do | | Male |
| | 1 164824 | 165237 | 165238 | | 172920 |
| D. crthos. | Butiaba | Do | Lado: Rhino Camp | D. b. medius. | Uganda: Ruwenzori |

Genus PELOMYS Peters.

1852. Pelomys Peters, Mon.-ber. K. Preuss. Akad. Berlin, p. 275. (P. fallax.)

The creek rat seems to be uncommon in most parts of British East Africa. No member of the restricted genus *Pelomys* was collected by the Smithsonian African Expedition, but while on the Rainey Expedition Mr. Heller found the following species abundant in the Taita Mountains.

PELOMYS FALLAX IRIDESCENS Heller.

Plate 35.

1912. Pelomys fallax iridescens Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 12. July 5. (Mount Mbololo, Taita Mountains, British East Africa, altitude 5,000 feet; type in U.S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Fifty-five, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Mbololo, 37, including 10 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 13, including 4 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Umengo, 2 (Heller); Voi, 3 (Heller).

There is great variation in color among skins of this form from a single locality. In some the iridescent greenish tint is very conspicuous over the entire upperparts. The opposite extreme from this condition is with almost no green in the make-up of the coloration above and with the subterminal rings of the longer hairs Sudan-brown rather than yellowish-buff, giving the animal a very different general appearance. There is a continuous growth of skull throughout life, and specimens with the teeth so much worn that all trace of the cusps is lacking still have the basi-sphenoid suture open.

For measurements of specimens see page 126.

Genus MYLOMYS Thomas.

1906. Mylomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 18, p. 224. September. (M. cuninghamei.)

This poorly characterized genus perhaps should not be recognized as distinct from *Pelomys*, with which it is closely related.

Measurements of specimens of Pelomys and Mylomys.

| Locality. | No. | Sox. | Head and body. | Tall verte- bræ. | Hind foot. | Ear. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Mandi- ble. | Upper tooth row. | Lower tooth row. | Condition of molar teeth. |
|--------------------------|----------|---------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| . Pelomys f. iridescens. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Mbololo. | 1 181801 | Male | 140 | 140 | 32 | 18 | 33, 3 | 18.2 | 21.7 | 7.0 | 6.9 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183648 | dc | 140 | 145 | 32 | 18 | 32.3 | 17.3 | 20.9 | 7.1 | 6.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183653 | do | 140 | 154 | 32 | 18 | 33.3 | 18.1 | 20.5 | 7.0 | 6.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183658 | do | 150 | 150 | 32 | 18 | 34.0 | 18.3 | 21.3 | 7.1 | 6.7 | Do. |
| Do | 183663 | do | 160 | : | 32 | 20 | 35.7 | 18.5 | 21.6 | 7.2 | 6.7 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183641 | Female. | 130 | 135 | 31 | 17 | 31.7 | 17.1 | 19.7 | 6.8 | 6.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183647 | do | 145 | 145 | 32 | 18 | 33.8 | 17.7 | 21.5 | 7.2 | 6.9 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183649 | do | 145 | 150 | 31 | 18 | 33.6 | 17.8 | 21.3 | 6.8 | 6.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183651 | do | 130 | 133 | 30 | 17 | 31.3 | 16.8 | 19.9 | 6.8 | 6.6 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183652 | do | 135 | 139 | 31 | 18 | 32.7 | 17.8 | 21.2 | 7.0 | 7.0 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183659 | do | 140 | 143 | 32 | 17 | 33.2 | 18.2 | 21.2 | 6.7 | 6.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183660 | do | 140 | 150 | 33 | 17 | 32.4 | 17.3 | 20.7 | 7.1 | 6.7 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183662 | do | 145 | 143 | 32 | 18 | 32.4 | 17.3 | 21.2 | 7.1 | 6.8 | Considerably worn. |
| Mount Sagalla | 183667 | Male | 150 | 164 | 33 | 18 | 33.9 | 18.0 | 21.3 | 7.2 | 7.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183671 | do | 135 | 156 | 32 | 19 | 33.2 | 17.6 | 20.8 | 6.9 | 6.7 | Do. |
| Do | 183674 | do | 155 | 165 | 32 | 19 | 35.1 | 18.6 | 22.3 | 7.4 | 7.0 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183668 | Female. | 145 | 153 | 31 | 18 | 32.3 | 17.4 | 20.2 | 7.0 | 6.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183670 | do | 145 | 159 | 33 | 18 | 33.4 | 17.8 | 21.0 | 7.1 | 6.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183672 | do | 130 | 143 | 33 | 17 | 31.5 | 16.8 | 20.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | Little worn. |
| Do | 183673 | op | 155 | 158 | 32 | 18 | 35.3 | 18.9 | 22.9 | 7.3 | 7.0 | Much worn. |
| Mount Umengo | 183665 | Male | 150 | 154 | 32 | 19 | 34.4 | 17.9 | 21.8 | 6.8 | 6.9 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183664 | Female. | 140 | 146 | 32 | 18 | 33.4 | 17.5 | 20.9 | 7.3 | 6.9 | Do. |
| Voi | 183675 | Male | 145 | 158 | 83 | 20 | 35, 1 | 18.4 | 21.3 | 7.2 | 6.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183677 | do | 160 | 158 | æ | 8 | 36.4 | 18.7 | 22.8 | 7.0 | 7.0 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183676 | Female. | 150 | 152 | 32 | 19 | 33.7 | 18.0 | 21.2 | 6.9 | 6.8 | Moderately worn. |

| | 8.3 7.8 Do. | 7.9 7.8 Do. | 8.1 8.0 Do. | 7.8 T.8 Do. | 7.8 Little worn. | 8.1 7.8 Much worn. | 8.0 Moderately worn. | 7.9 7.8 Do. | 8.0 7.8 Do. | 7.5 Considerably worn. |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|
| | 21.2 | 20.0 | 21.3 | 22.1 | 19.1 | 22.3 | 20.3 | 20.6 | 20.4 | 21.7 |
| _ | 18,2 | 17.3 | 17.0 | 17.4 | 15.6 | 18.2 | 16.6 | 16,5 | 17.5 | 17.3 |
| | 34.1 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 34.9 | 30.3 | 34.8 | 32.9 | 32.7 | 32.3 | 32.7 |
| | 61 # | 19 | 18 | | 19 | 20 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 19 |
| | 33 | 34 | 32 | 33 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 33 | 30 |
| | 153 | 175 | 191 | 168 | 147 | 165 | 157 | 155 | 163 | |
| | 170 | 158 | 155 | 162 | 131 | 165 | 145 | 145 | 152 | 155 |
| | Male | .do | do | do | Female. | do | do | do | 3 Male | Female. |
| | 1 162881 | 183598 | 183603 | 183607 | 183600 | 183602 | 183604 | 183608 | 183613 | 182612 |
| | Nzoia River | Kaimosi | Do | Do. | Do | Do | D_0 | Do | Kakumega | Do |

MYLOMYS ROOSEVELTI (Heller).

Plate 33.

1910. Pelomys roosevelti Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54 [No. 1924], p. 1. February 28. (Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Pelomys roosevelti ROOSEVELT, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479; London ed., pp. 485, 490.

Specimens.—Eighteen, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 15 (Heller); Kakumega, 2 (Heller); Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, 1 (Heller).

Specimens from Kaimosi have slightly longer tails and darker colored feet than the type from Nzoia River, but the difference is not great and there is only the one specimen from the type locality. the Kaimosi series are several very young specimens. The youngest, in which the last molars have not yet erupted, are colored above very much like the fully adult but are dark cinnamon buff below, the hairs with ground color dark gray, very different from the clear whitish belly of the adult. Older juveniles, after all the teeth are in place but quite unworn, are much duller above and are becoming more as in the older specimens below the throat, breast, and posterior underparts are decidedly whitish. Slightly older specimens, with the teeth showing a little wear, are very much faded out, of a dull bleached brown above, but with the entire underparts in fresh coat like that of the adults.

For measurements of specimens see accompanying table.

Genus ARVICANTHIS Lesson.

1842. Arvicanthis Lesson, Nouv. Tabl. Mamm., p. 147. (A. niloticus.)

1843. Isomys Sundevall, K. Svenska Akad. Handl., 1842, p. 219. (A. niloticus.)

The unstriped grass rats of the restricted 1 genus Arvicanthis are well represented in the collections from nearly all the districts of East Africa covered by our expeditions. The animals seem to be abundant everywhere and good series of specimens of most of the known forms were taken.

For measurements of specimens of Arvicanthis see pages 132-135.

ARVICANTHIS TESTICULARIS TESTICULARIS (Sundevall).

1843. Isomys testicularis Sundevall, K. Svenska Akad. Handl., 1842, p. 221. (Bahr el Abiad, Sudan.)

1905. Arvicanthis testicularis Schwann, Nov. Zool., vol. 12, p. 4.

Specimens.—Thirteen, from the following localities:

SUDAN: Kerma, 1 (Rothschild); Khartoum, 10, including 3 in alcohol (Heller, Loring); Merowe, 1 (Rothschild); Shereik 1 (Rothschild).

ARVICANTHIS TESTICULARIS JEBELÆ Heller.

Plate 35.

1911. Arvicanthis jebelæ Heller. Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 9.
February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado Enclave; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1911. Arvicanthis testicularis jebelæ Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 338. September.

Specimens.—Thirty-three, from localities as follows.:

LADO: Rhino Camp, 32, including 8 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 1 (Loring).

The single specimen from Gondokoro is indistinguishable from the lighter colored skins in the series collected west of the Nile. At both Rhino Camp and Gondokoro distinct forms of the dark-bellied Arvicanthis abyssinicus group are also found. These latter are sharply separated by the Nile and it would therefore not be surprising if a better series from Gondokoro made it possible also to distinguish a form of testicularis, separate from the Lado subspecies, on the east side of the river.

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS CENTROSUS Hollister.

Plate 35.

1911. [Arvicanthis] rubescens Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 10. February 28. (Part, specimens from Rhino Camp, Lado; not of Wroughton.)

1916. Arvicanthis abyssinicus centrosus Hollister, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 66, No. 10, p. 1. October 26. (Rhino Camp, Lado; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Sixteen, including two in alcohol, from:

Lado: Rhino Camp (Loring, Mearns).

This subspecies of Arvicanthis abyssinicus is readily distinguished from Arvicanthis testicularis jebelæ Heller, which occupies the same region in the Lado Enclave, by its much darker color, above and below,

¹ See Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 18, pp. 67-70. July, 1916.

and by its shorter tail. In its blackish coloration it much resembles certain specimens of A. abyssinicus nubilans of the Kisumu Province, British East Africa, but its distribution is separated from the range of that form by the Uganda A. a. rubescens, which occupies the eastern side of the Nile system from Ankole to southern Sudan (Mongalla 1).

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS RUBESCENS Wroughton.

909. Arvicanthis abyssinicus rubescens Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist. ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 538. December. (Kibero, Unyoro, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

1910. Arvicanthis abyssinicus rubescens Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473; London, ed., p. 485.

1911. [Arvicanthis] rubescens Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 10. February 28. (Part; specimens from Gondokoro, Uganda.)

Specimens.—Seventeen, from localities as follows:

UGANDA: Butiaba, 1 (Loring); Gondokoro, 9, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Hoima, 1 (Loring); Kampala, 3 (Loring); Kisingo, 2 including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Nimule, 1 in alcohol (Heller).

There is considerable variation in color among the specimens representing this form, but on the average they are lighter and more reddish than any specimens of the neighboring subspecies in Lado and about Kavirondo Gulf. The Nile appears to be an effective barrier between this form and the much darker subspecies of Lado.

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS NUBILANS Wroughton.

1909. Arvicanthis abyssinicus nubilans Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4. December. (Kisumu, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Forty-five, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 23, including 5 in alcohol (Heller, Turner); Kakumega, 2 (Heller); Kisumu, 18, including 3 in alcohol (Heller, Turner); Nzoia River, 1 (Heller); Sirgoit Lake, 1 in alcohol (Heller).

This is a very slightly characterized form, averaging a little darker than A. a. rubescens. The amount of variation between specimens from Kisumu and Kaimosi is, however, almost as great as between the race as a whole and rubescens, and I much doubt if a conscientious reviser, working with suitable series of specimens, will recognize more than one form in the Nyanza region. I have been able to find only one character on which to justify the separation of the two subspecies, the slightly larger molar teeth of nubilans. This difference is pronounced when comparison is made between rubescens and specimens of nubilans from Kisumu, but much less so if specimens of the latter from Kaimosi are used.

Heller found five embryos in a female collected at Kaimosi January 23.

¹ Recorded by Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 461. October, 1911.

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS NAIROBÆ Allen.

1909. Arvicanthis nairobæ Allen, Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., vol. 26, p. 168, March 19. (Nairobi, British East Africa; type in Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., New York.)

1909. Arvicanthis abyssinicus nairobæ Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 537. December.

1910. Arvicanthis abyssinicus nairobæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473 and 478; London ed., pp. 485 and 490.

Specimens.—Eighty-seven, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 7 (Loring); Fort Hall, 14, including 2 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Juja Farm, 44, including 3 in alcohol and 8 odd skulls (Loring, Mearns); Lake Naivasha, south end, 4 (Loring, Mearns); Nairobi, 1 (Mearns); Nyeri, 1 (Loring); Ulukenia Hills, 16, including 6 in alcohol (Loring).

Specimens collected near the south end of Lake Naivasha are practically indistinguishable from the Nairobi and Juja Farm skins. The range of nairobæ extends also west to the Engare Narok River, thus separating in this region the subspecies præceps and pallescens, on the north and south. Lönnberg has recorded, on Dollman's identification of a specimen, Arvicanthis abyssinicus præceps from Fort Hall. Specimens in our excellent series from Fort Hall are in every way similar to nairobæ rather than to præceps, and the record of præceps from Fort Hall, based on a single specimen, is doubtless erroneous.

Loring found two females at Juja Farm, May 16, with six fetuses each. Mearns records from the same locality one female with six large fetuses, May 23, and one with three fetuses, May 24.

Roosevelt and Heller say of this species:2

The commonest mouse in B. E. A. on the plains. Outnumbers any other species. Found everywhere in grass and brush, but not in deep forest. Often lives in shallow burrows round the bases of thorn-trees, from which its well-marked runways radiate into the grass. Strictly diurnal. Often seen running about in bright sunlight. Never found in traps at night.

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS PRÆCEPS Wroughton.

1909. Arvicanthis abyssinicus præceps Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 4, p. 538. December. (Naivasha, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Seven, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Mayo River, Laikipia, 3 (Heller); Naivasha Station, 4, including 1 in alcohol and 1 odd skull (Loring, Mearns).

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS PALLESCENS Dollman.

1914. Arvicanthis rumruti pallescens Dollman, Abstract Proc. Zool. Soc. London, No. 131, p. 25. April 14. (Loita Plains, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

¹ Kungl. Svenska Vet. Akad. Handl., vol. 48, No. 5, p. 99. 1912.

² African Game Trails, Appendix B, p. 478. 1910.

Specimens.—Forty-seven, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Loita Plains, 1 (Heller); Njoro Osolali, 1 (Loring); Sotik, 4 in alcohol (Heller); Southern Guaso Nyiro, River, 41, including 21 in alcohol (Loring, Heller, Mearns).

Loring found one female with three fetuses, and two with five

fetuses each, on the Southern Guaso Nyiro, June 15.

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS VIRESCENS Heller.

Plate 36.

1914. Arvicanthis abyssinicus virescens Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 11. June 24. (Voi, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, the type:

British East Africa: Voi (Heller).

Dollman, in his synopsis of the forms of this group, included specimens from Voi with Arvicanthis abyssinicus neumanni Matschie, described from Burunge, Irangi, south of Mount Kilimanjaro. Heller examined the type of neumanni in the Berlin Museum, before describing virescens, and made the following manuscript notes on it:

Type A 5593, & young. Burungi, G. E. A., coll. O. Neumann; alcoholic; skull removed, but not cleaned. Head and body, 93; tail, 90; hind foot, 24; ear, 15. Immature, teeth not worn. Color buffy, without much annulation of darker color; underparts whitish; feet and tail buffy like sides. Skull: condyloincisive length, 26.5; basilar length, 22.5; zygomatic breadth, 15.0; nasals, 9.5 x 3.5; interorbital width, 4.8; upper tooth row, 5.4; diastema, 7.1.

ARVICANTHIS ABYSSINICUS CHANLERI Dollman.

1911. Arvicanthis chanleri Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 130. July. (Chanler Falls, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Museum).

Specimens.—Thirty-one, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Engare Ndare River, Northern Guaso Nyiro, 1 (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 29, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); North Loroghi Mountains, 1 (Percival).

This subspecies was trapped on Mount Lololokwi in the upper forest, near the summit, at 6000 feet altitude. It is clearly a subspecies of abyssinicus, and is rather closely related to A. a. nairobæ. Heller found a specimen of this animal in the stomach of a secretary-bird on Mount Lololokwi.

ARVICANTHIS SOMALICUS REPTANS Dollman.

1911. Arvicanthis reptans Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, p. 129. July. (Nyama Nyango, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in British Mus.)

1912. Arvicanthis somalicus reptans Lönnberg, Kungl. Svenska. Vet. Akad. Handl., vol. 48, No. 5, p. 99.

¹ Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 8, pp. 348-349. September, 1911.

Measurements of specimens of Arvicanthis.

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| Locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail ver- tebræ. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Length of nasals. | Length of Length of nasals. mandible. | Upper tooth row (alveoli). | Lower tooth row (alveoli). | Condition of molars. |
| A. t. testicularis. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sudan: Kerna | 141506 | Famala | 1.12 | | 1 00 | 1 | c L | ç | 8 | | 4 | : |
| L'hartonm | 165114 | Mala | OLT | | | 0.71 | 7.0 | 12.0 | 20.2 | 9.9 | 9.7 | Moderately worn. |
| The state of the s | \$11ca1 | Male | <u>ج</u> | 121 | 32.1 | 16.1 | 4.9 | 12.6 | 19.7 | 6.7 | 6.0 | Do. |
| 7.0 | 165115 | do | 162 | 145 | 33.6 | 16.9 | 5.3 | 13.1 | 21.3 | 6.5 | 6.4 | Do. |
| J.0. | 165116 | do | 150 | 140 | 32.8 | 16.9 | 5.0 | 13.3 | 20.4 | 8.9 | 6.5 | Do. |
| D0. | 165117 | Female | 160 | 148 | 32.8 | 17.0 | 5.8 | 12.5 | 20.3 | 6.9 | 6.4 | Much worn. |
| πο | 165118 | qo | 143 | 138 | 30.7 | 16.5 | 5.2 | 11.7 | 18.8 | 6.7 | 6.4 | Moderately worn. |
| A. t. jchelx. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lado: | | | | | | • | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 164826 | Male | 140 | 150 | 31.2 | 16.7 | 4.9 | 12.4 | 19.7 | 6.8 | 9.9 | Do. |
| D0 | 164851 | do | 132 | 132 | 30.3 | 15.8 | 5.0 | 11.3 | 19.6 | 6.9 | 6.8 | Do. |
| Do | 165120 | do | 153 | 152 | 32.3 | 16.3 | 5.4 | 13.8 | 20.7 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 100. |
| Do | 165139 | do | 135 | 136 | 33.1 | 17.6 | 5.5 | 14.1 | 20.6 | 6.4 | 6.3 | Much worn, |
| Do | 165123 | Female. | 145 | 131 | 30.8 | 17.1 | 5.1 | 12.3 | 19.9 | 6.3 | 6.3 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 165127 | do | 152 | 142 | 31.3 | 16.9 | 5.1 | 11.6 | 20.7 | 6.7 | 6.7 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 165128 | qo | 147 | 136 | 31.4 | 17.0 | 4.8 | 12.8 | 20.6 | 6.4 | 6.3 | Do. |
| 1)0 | 165136 | qo | 122 | 133 | 29.8 | 16.5 | 4.6 | 11.5 | 19.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | Do. |
| 170 | 165137 | qo | 137 | 130 | 30.3 | 16.3 | 4.9 | 12.4 | 19.6 | 6.2 | 6.3 | Little worn. |
| Do | 165140 | qo | 146 | 140 | 31.2 | 17.0 | 5.4 | 12.7 | 20.3 | 6.8 | 6.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Cganda: Gondokoro | 165142 | qo | 127 | 135 | 30.0 | 16.7 | 5.0 | 11.8 | 19.8 | 6.4 | 6.2 | Do. |
| A. a. centrosus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lado: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ithlino Camp | 165162 | Male | 145 | 130 | 32.8 | 17.1 | 5.5 | 12.8 | 21.2 | 7.1 | 6.8 | Do. |
| 1)0- | 165165 | qo | 153 | 128 | 33.8 | 18.0 | 5.5 | 13.6 | 21.7 | 7.1 | 8.9 | Do. |
| D0 | 1 165167 | qo | 129 | 114 | 31.2 | 16.5 | 8.4 | 11.7 | 20.5 | 6.9 | 7.0 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Do | 165170 | | 144 | 131 | 33.8 | 17.8 | 5.3 | 13.2 | 21.3 | 6.8 | 6.8 | |
|----|--------|---------|-----|-----|---------|------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|--------------------|
| | 165160 | Female. | 130 | 123 | 31.5 | 17.0 | 6.9 | 12.3 | 20.7 | 7.1 | 7.3 | |
| : | 192291 | do | 137 | 120 | 32.2 | 17.5 | 5.2 | 12.2 | 21.3 | 8.9 | 6.8 | Moderately worn. |
| | 165166 | do | 141 | 134 | 32.4 | 16.8 | 4.8 | 12.7 | 21.3 | 8.9 | 6.8 | Little worn. |
| | 165168 | do | 149 | 135 | 32.7 | 17.4 | 5.0 | 13.2 | 21.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | Moderately worn. |
| | 165169 | do | 142 | 126 | 31.5 | 16.2 | 4.8 | 11.5 | 20.3 | 7.2 | 7.2 | Do. |
| : | 165171 | do | 129 | 113 | 31.3 | 16.5 | 5.1 | 11.7 | 20.2 | 8.9 | 6.5 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 165150 | Male | 146 | 124 | 31.2 | 16.3 | 4.6 | 12.4 | 19.6 | 6.8 | 6.3 | Do. |
| | 165156 | Female | 150 | 122 | 33.4 | 18.0 | 5.2 | 13.2 | 21.1 | 6.9 | 6.5 | Mu |
| : | 165157 | do | 131 | 119 | 30.1 | 16.1 | 5.1 | 11.1 | 19.7 | 6.7 | 6.4 | Considerably worn. |
| | 165148 | Male | 156 | 127 | 32.2 | 17.4 | 5.0 | 13.1 | 20.0 | | 6.4 | Moderately worn. |
| | 165147 | Female. | 144 | 119 | 31.6 | 17.4 | 5.2 | 11.8 | 20.5 | 6.5 | 6.5 | |
| | 165149 | Male | 151 | 123 | 32.6 | 17.2 | 5.6 | 12.6 | 20.0 | 6.5 | 6.1 | Do. |
| | 165144 | Female. | 150 | 117 | 31.1 | 17.3 | 4.7 | 11.5 | 20.2 | 6.5 | 6.3 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 183036 | Male | 155 | 118 | 34.5 | 18.2 | 5.0 | 13.0 | 22.2 | 6.8 | 6.5 | Do. |
| | 183040 | do | 155 | 112 | 33.0 | 17.8 | 5.1 | 13.8 | 20.7 | 6.4 | 6.4 | |
| : | 183043 | do | 155 | 110 | 34.1 | 18.3 | 5.2 | 13.2 | 21.6 | 6.9 | 6.5 | Do. |
| | 183044 | do | 150 | 114 | 33.0 | 17.8 | 4.9 | 12.3 | 19.9 | 9.9 | 6.5 | |
| : | 183038 | Female. | 140 | 115 | 31,8 | 16.5 | 4.6 | 12.2 | 20.3 | 6.9 | 6.5 | Do. |
| | 183042 | do | 150 | 110 | 37.8 | 17.6 | 4.8 | 12.8 | 20.7 | 8.9 | 9.9 | |
| : | 183047 | do | 150 | 109 | 32.2 | 17.7 | 5.0 | 12.7 | 21.6 | 6.5 | 6.8 | |
| | 183051 | do | 150 | : | 32.3 | 17.3 | 4.5 | 12.5 | 20.2 | 6.2 | 6.4 | Considerably worn. |
| | 183025 | Male | 145 | : | 32.1 | 17.6 | 4.8 | 12.3 | 20.5 | 7.0 | 6.8 | Do. |
| | 183027 | do | 135 | 122 | 33.0 | 18.2 | 4.7 | 12.8 | 21.9 | 7.1 | 6.9 | Do. |
| | 183030 | do | 150 | : | 33.4 | 18.2 | 5.4 | 13.4 | 21.7 | 7.1 | 6.7 | Do. |
| : | 183055 | do | 120 | : | 33.4 | 18.0 | 5.0 | 12.9 | 21.5 | 7.1 | 6.8 | Moderately worn. |
| | 183031 | Female. | 135 | 112 | 32.4 | 17.9 | 4.9 | 12.3 | 21.3 | 7.2 | 6.6 | Do. |
| | 183035 | do | 145 | 116 | 32.0 | 17.3 | 4.5 | 12.2 | 20.2 | 8.9 | 6.6 | Do. |
| : | 197969 | qo | | : | 33.4 | 17.9 | 4.9 | 13.0 | 21.8 | 7.1 | 7.0 | Do. |
| | | | | 1 | 1 Type. | | | | | | | |

Measurements of specimens of Arvicanthis-Continued.

| D0. | 162618 | Female. | 132 | 108 | 29.2 | 16.0 | 4.8 | 11.7 | 19.4 | 6.0 | 5.7 | Moderately worn. |
|---------------------------------|----------|---------|-----|-----|-------|------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|--------------------|
| Do | 162625 | do | 122 | 106 | 28. 2 | 15.8 | 4.6 | 11.3 | 18.4 | 6.2 | 6.1 | Do. |
| Do | 162630 | do | 135 | 104 | 30.4 | 16.9 | 4.8 | 12.8 | 20.0 | 6.1 | 5.7 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 162631 | do | 137 | 110 | 30.2 | 16.5 | 4.7 | 12.2 | 19.5 | 6.2 | 6.1 | Do. |
| A. a. virescens. B. E. A.: Voi. | 1 183922 | Male | 125 | 103 | 30.4 | 16.6 | 4.8 | 11.9 | 20.0 | 6.3 | 5.9 | Moderately worn. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Lololokwi | 182995 | do | 135 | 102 | 30.8 | 16.9 | 5.0 | 12.8 | 20.2 | 6.5 | 6.4 | Much worn. |
| 1)0 | 182996 | do | 120 | 105 | 29.8 | 16.5 | 4.9 | 12.0 | 19.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 182998 | qo | 122 | 102 | | 15.8 | 4.7 | 11.1 | 18.9 | 6.3 | 6.2 | Do. |
| Do | 182999 | do | 126 | | 31.1 | 16.8 | 5.3 | 12.9 | 20.5 | 9.9 | 6.3 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183015 | do | 120 | 110 | 31.3 | 16.8 | 5.1 | 12.2 | 20.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 182991 | Female. | 110 | 06 | 27.6 | 15.7 | 4.8 | 11.2 | 18.0 | 6.3 | 6.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 182992 | do | 120 | 96 | 29.4 | 16.0 | 4.8 | 11.3 | 19.2 | 6.2 | 6.0 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183000 | do | 120 | 102 | 28.0 | 15.5 | 4.4 | 10.8 | 18.5 | 6.4 | 6.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183005 | do | 120 | 109 | 29.3 | 15.8 | 4.7 | 11.8 | 19.3 | 6.4 | 6.4 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Lololokwi | 183017 | qo | 113 | | 26.9 | 15.4 | 4.0 | 9.01 | 17.8 | 5.7 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Laklundu River | 183068 | Male | 125 | 124 | 28.6 | 15.8 | 4.5 | 11.1 | 17.9 | 0.0 | 5.7 | Do. |
| Do | 183075 | do | 120 | 104 | 27.3 | 15.4 | 4.4 | 10.6 | 17.8 | 0.9 | 5.7 | Do. |
| Do | 183077 | do | 124 | 116 | 28.3 | 16.3 | 4.5 | 12.2 | 18.3 | 5.9 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183072 | Female | 110 | 113 | 26.9 | 14.8 | 4.5 | 11.3 | 17.2 | 0.0 | 5.8 | Do. |
| Do | 183076 | do | 110 | 108 | 26.1 | 14.9 | 4.2 | 10.9 | 17.0 | 6.1 | 5.9 | Little worn. |
| Archer's Post | 183083 | Male | 122 | 103 | 28.0 | 16.0 | 4.7 | 11.1 | 17.9 | 5.9 | 5.7 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183084 | Female. | 128 | 112 | 28.6 | 15.6 | 4.7 | 10.9 | 18.3 | 5.8 | 5.7 | Moderately worn. |
| Isiola River | 183065 | Male | 112 | 93 | 26.5 | 14.8 | 4.4 | 10.8 | 17.4 | 5.4 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183063 | Female. | 125 | | 27.4 | 15.4 | 4.1 | 10.6 | 17.8 | 5.8 | 5.4 | Do. |
| Lorian Swamp. | 183060 | Male | 110 | | 26.5 | 14.8 | 4.5 | 10.5 | 17.4 | 5.8 | 5,5 | Do. |
| Do | 183061 | do | 106 | 103 | 26.4 | 14.4 | 4.4 | 10.3 | 17.8 | 5.7 | 5.4 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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Specimens.—Thirty-four, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Archer's Post, 6, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Isiola River, 7, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Lakiundu River, 14, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Lorian Swamp, 2 (Percival); Mount Lololokwi, 1 (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 1 in alcohol (Cuninghame); Orr Valley, Mount Nyiro, 2 (Percival); South of Mount Nyiro, 1 (Percival).

This small species is found in the same localities with the much larger Arvicanthis abyssinicus chanleri, but the difference in the size of the skulls is so great that there should be no confusion in determining specimens.

Genus LEMNISCOMYS Trouessart.

- 1881. Lemniscomys Trouessart, Bull. Soc. Scient. Angers, vol. 10, pt. 2, p. 124. (L. barbarus.)
- 1912. Lemniscomys Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59. No. 16, pp. 11-12. July 5. (Part.)
- 1916. Lemniscomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 18, pp. 68-69.

 July.

This genus of striped grass rats as recognized by Thomas includes those species of the old genus Arvicanthis which have the fifth finger much shortened, with a nail instead of a claw. The East African species belong to three distinct groups. The griselda (dorsalis) group includes forms distinctly marked by a single median dorsal stripe. The forms of the striatus (pulchellus) group are marked by numerous rows of light spots, frequently blended. In the last group, including subspecies of barbarus, there are numerous uninterrupted lines running lengthwise over the entire upperparts.

LEMNISCOMYS GRISELDA MACULOSUS (Osgood).

- 1910. Arvicanthis dorsalis maculosus Osgood, Field Mus. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 3, p. 17. April 7. (Voi, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)
- 1910. Arvicanthis dorsalis maculosus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 473; London, ed., p. 485.
- 1910. Arvicanthis dorsalis phæotis Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 429. October. (Mazeras, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Twenty-seven, from the following localities:.

British East Africa: Changamwe, 15, including 8 in alcohol (Mearns); Maji-ya-chumvi, 2 (Heller); Mount Mbololo, 5 (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 3 (Heller); Mtoto Andei, 2 (Heller).

The differences given by Thomas in separating the Mazeras subspecies from *maculosus* prove to be too slight and too inconstant to warrant the recognition of a form from this region. The grayest specimens in our coast series are all rather young animals with the

Measurements of specimens of the Lenniscomys griselda group.

| Tail vertic bree. 140 147 135 | Skull: Zvgo- longth. matic basal breadth. [4.3] 30.4 [14.8] 30.8 [15.6] 30.8 [15.6] 31.1 [15.6] 30.8 [15.3] | 65.1 14.3 4.7 15.6 14.4 17.7 15.5 1 15.6 4.6 14.4 17.7 15.2 15.5 15.5 15.5 15.5 15.5 15.5 15.5 | Length of nasals. 13.3 11.8 11.8 11.9 11.5 | Length of man-dible. 19.3 18.6 19.0 18.7 | | Lower tooth row, (alveoli). | Condition of molars. |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Malo 140 Female. 123 Male 130do 120 | | | 13.3 11.8 12.4 11.9 12.7 11.5 | 19.3 18.6 19.0 18.7 | 4.9 | | |
| Malo 140 Female. 123 Male 130do 120 | • • • | | 13.3 11.8 12.4 11.9 11.5 11.5 | 19.3 18.6 19.0 18.7 | 6.4 | | |
| Malo 140 Female. 123 Male 130do 120 | | | 13.3 11.8 12.4 11.9 12.7 11.5 | 19.3 18.6 19.0 18.7 | 6.4 | | |
| Female. 123 Male 130do 120 | | | 11.8 12.4 11.9 12.7 11.5 | 18.6 19.0 18.7 | | 9 | Much worn |
| Male 130 | | | 12.4 11.9 12.7 11.5 | 19.0 | 7 9 | | Moderately worn |
| do | | | 11.9 12.7 11.5 | 18.7 | 6.3 | 2,0 | Considerably worn. |
| Comolo | | | 12.7 | | 6.3 | 6.0 | Do |
| r emane . | | | 11.5 | 19.0 | 6.5 | 6.4 | D0. |
| Male | | | 11.5 | 19.7 | 6,3 | 6.3 | Do. |
| qo | | 4; | | 17.9 | 5.8 | 5.9 | Moderat y worn, |
| 183090do 130 140 | | | 13.0 | 19,8 | 6.4 | 6.2 | Considerably worn. |
| 183086 Fernale 120 133 | | 2 4.7 | 12.7 | 19, 2 | 6,3 | 0.0 | Do. |
| 183089do 125 139 | | | 12.6 | 19, 1 | 6.0 | 5,0 | Do. |
| 183034 Male 130 140 | 30.6 | 15.5 5.2 | 12.9 | 19.0 | 6.3 | rg 8 | Little worn. |
| 183095do 130 138 | 30.5 | 15.4 4.4 | 13.3 | 19, 4 | 6.3 | 5,9 | Do. |
| 163620do 122 140 | | | | | | | 5 |
| 163618 Female. 122 140 | | | | | | | |
| 163621do 132 148 | 000000000000000000000000000000000000000 | - | | | • | 0 | |
| 163622do 133 137 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | - | | | | | | |
| Male | 31.0 | 15.0 5.0 | 12.7 | 19.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | Moderately worn |
| do | 14.6 | 6 5.0 | 11.5 | 18, 7 | 5.9 | 5.8 | Little worn. |
| 141 131 141 | | | | | | | |

¹ Type; see remarks on page 138.

teeth little worn, and all of the specimens from Taita Hills are much older, with the teeth showing more wear. There are several specimens from Changamwe and from the Taita Hills which are virtually indistinguishable in color. The color of the ears is alike in both series.

For the use of the specific name griselda in place of dorsalis, see

a paper in 1916 by Thomas.1

Measurements of specimens of the subspecies of *Lemniscomys* griselda are given on page 137.

LEMNISCOMYS GRISELDA MEARNSI Heller.

1914. Lemniscomys dorsalis mearnsi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 63, No. 7, p. 12. June 24. (Fort Hall, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.).

Specimens.—Three, as follows:

British East Africa: Fort Hall (Loring).

This is a well marked subspecies, distinguished from L.g. maculosus by its much richer color. The skull measurements given in the original description are very misleading as they were taken from a skull of the much larger Arvicanthis abyssinicus nairobæ (U. S. N. M., 163601, from Nyeri), mismatched with the skin of dorsalis from Fort Hall which was selected by Heller as the type-specimen of mearnsi. The original field label on the skull plainly corrects the obvious error, but the skull really belonging with the type skin can not be found. Measurements of the skulls of two male topotypes are given in the table on page 137.

LEMNISCOMYS MACCULUS MACCULUS (Thomas and Wroughton),

1910. Arvicanthis macculus Thomas and Wroughton, Trans. Zool. Soc. Lond., vol. 19, p. 515. March. (Mokia, S. E. Ruwenzori, Uganda; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Ten, from the following localities:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 2 (Loring).

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 1 (Loring); Kabula Muliro, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kisingo, 2 (Loring); Nimule, 1 in alcohol (Heller).

British East Africa: Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Heller).

This species, which apparently differs from Lemniscomys striatus massaicus only in its smaller size, has a wide distribution in the northern Victoria Nyanza region; but although there are large series of Lemniscomys in the collection from British East Africa, no specimens of macculus appear from east of the Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau. It would therefore seem that macculus is essentially a species of central Africa. Throughout its range it is found associated with massaicus, and as the two species are of exactly the same color, each exhibiting the same wide variations in this character, it is readily separated only by the small size of the hind foot and by the

smaller skull. My first idea was to consider these small specimens merely dwarfs of the larger species, massaicus, but from the fact that no specimens exactly intermediate in size between the two are found among adult examples, and taking into consideration the restricted range of the smaller animal while the larger form in some of its subspecies ranges across the whole continent, I am forced to the theory that macculus is a distinct species. Mr. Thomas has recorded the two species from the same localities, and has named a subspecies of macculus from the Welle area, Congo, a region where the larger species is abundant. The specimens from Rhino Camp, Lado, might, theoretically, be supposed the same as the Welle River form, but I am unable to distinguish them from the Uganda examples of macculus. In describing his Arvicanthis pulchellus micropus from Lado, Heller² apparently meant to name this small form, but in selecting his typespecimen he chanced to take an example of the larger species, which I am unable to distinguish from Lemniscomys striatus massaicus. The hind foot measurement of his type as given in the original description is erroneous. It is stated to be 23 millimeters, but the foot actually measures, dry and without claws, 24.5, while the collector's field measurement with claws was 27 millimeters. The hind foot in specimens I refer to macculus measures, dry, from 21 to 23 millimeters. Five of the specimens referred by Heller to micropus, including the single skin from Gondokoro, I have placed under macculus.

For measurements of specimens see page 140.

LEMNISCOMYS STRIATUS MASSAICUS (Pagenstecher).

Plate 36.

1885. Mus (Lemniscomys) barbarus L. var. massaicus Pagenstecher, Jahrb. Hamb. Wiss. Anst., vol. 2, p. 45; Nat. Mus. Hamburg Ber., 1884, p. 45. (Lake Naivasha, British East Africa.)

1910. Arvicanthis pulchellus massaicus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 478 ("masaicus"); London ed., pp. 485, 490 ("masaicus").

- 1911. Arvicanthis pulchellus micropus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 9. February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)
- 1912. Lemniscomys pulchellus spermophilus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 11. July 5. (Mt. Gargues, Mathews Range, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—One hundred and three, from the following localities: LADO: Rhino Camp, 19, including 2 in alcohol and 7 odd skulls.

UGANDA: Hoima, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Kampala, 1 (Loring); Kisingo, 3, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Ledgus, 1 in alcohol (Loring).

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 7, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Engare Ndare River, 1 (Heller); Guas Ngishu

² Smithsonian Mise. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 9. Feb. 28, 1911.

¹ Arvicanthis macculus akka, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 16, p. 479. Dec., 1915.

Measurements of specimens of the Lemniscomys striatus group.

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|-------------------------|----------|-------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Form and locality, | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail ver- tebræ. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth, | Length of Length of nasals. mandible. | | Upper tooth row (alveoli). | Lower tooth row (alveoli). | Condition of molars. |
| Lado: L. m. macculus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 165188 | Female | 86 | 108 | 23.2 | 11.8 | 4,3 | 9,4 | 14.0 | 00 | 7 4 | I ittle worn |
| Do | 165189 | qo | 109 | 124 | 25.7 | 12.7 | 4.5 | 11.1 | 15.4 | 5.0 | 8.4 | Moderately worn. |
| Gondokoro | 165172 | do | 26 | 107 | 24.2 | 12.6 | 3.9 | 10.2 | 15.2 | 4.9 | 4 7 | o.C. |
| Kisingo | 165174 | Male | 111 | 102 | 24.8 | 12.9 | 4.4 | 9.8 | 15.7 | 5.0 | 5.0 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 165178 | do | 122 | 118 | 27.0 | 13.3 | 4.6 | 10.3 | 16.7 | 2.0 | 8.8 | Much worn. |
| Kabula Muliro | 165206 | Female. | 112 | 113 | 25.8 | 13.0 | 4.7 | 10.0 | 16.0 | 4.9 | 4.5 | Do. |
| B. E. A.: N. Zola Kiver | 163631 | op | 95 | 94 | 23.8 | 12.3 | 4.4 | 10.0 | 14.5 | 5.0 | 4.8 | Little worn. |
| Lado: L. s. massuicus. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp | 165180 | Male | 119 | 140 | 27.3 | 13.4 | 4.9 | 11.9 | 16.8 | 7.0 | 0 4 | Moderatolaramona |
| Do | 165183 | do | 107 | 142 | 26.5 | 13.5 | 4.6 | 11.8 | 15.8 | 5,2 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 165187 | do | 118 | 135 | 27.3 | 14.0 | 4.9 | 11.8 | 16.7 | 5.2 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 165190 | • | 112 | 130 | 26.0 | 13.5 | 5.0 | 10.2 | 15.7 | 5.2 | 5.0 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 1 164825 | | 114 | 125 | 25.7 | 13.0 | 4.8 | 10.7 | 15.9 | 5.2 | 8.4 | Do. |
| D0 | 165182 | op | 66 | 134 | 25.0 | 13.2 | 4.9 | 9.8 | 15.2 | 5.0 | 5.0 | Do. |
| 0.0 | 165184 | qo | 122 | 134 | 27.6 | 14,4 | 4.7 | 11.6 | 17.2 | 5.3 | 5.1 | Much worn. |
| D0 | 165185 | do | 118 | 133 | 27.3 | 13.7 | 4.7 | 10.9 | 16.8 | 5.4 | 5.1 | Moderately worn, |
| Uganda: | 165186 | op | 115 | 147 | 25.7 | 13.8 | 4.9 | 11.0 | 15.5 | 5.3 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Houma | 165177 | Male | 116 | 134 | 26.7 | 13.6 | 4. 00 | 11.2 | 16.0 | | | É |
| Kisingo | 165175 | Female | 123 | 141 | 28.0 | 14.6 | 0.4 | 11 6 | 17.6 | 2 6 | , c | ; A A |
| Kampala | 165173 | Male | 103 | 115 | 24.9 | 13.2 | 0.4 | 11.5 | 15.8 | 4 0 | 7 0 | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | |) | • | ř | ° CC |
| Kaimosi | 183815 | do | 118 | | 27.6 | 14.2 | 5.0 | 11.7 | 16.7 | 5.2 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | | 183817 [do] | 115 | | 28.2 | 13.8 | 4.6 | 11.5 | 16.6 | 5.2 | 5.2 | Do, |
| | | | | | | | | | | • | | |

| Do | 183818 | do | 120 | 150 | 28.2 | 14.1 | 5.0 | 11.5 | 10.1 | 5.0 | 5.1 | Considerably worn. |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|-----------|-----|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------|--------------------|
| Do | 183824 | do | 125 | 141 | 27.8 | 14.0 | 5.0 | 11.8 | 16.5 | 5, 1 | 5.1 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183816 | | 112 | 136 | 26.2 | 13.9 | 4.8 | 10.7 | 16,1 | 5.0 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183819 | do | 115 | 131 | 26, 6 | 13.8 | 4.6 | 10.5 | 16.0 | 4.8 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Naivasha | 162689 | | 113 | 128 | 27.6 | 14.2 | 4.8 | 11.8 | 16.2 | 5.3 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 162690 | do | 114 | 134 | 27.3 | 13.9 | 4.9 | 11.8 | 16.2 | 4.9 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 162692 | | 101 | 137 | 27.0 | 13. 2 | 4.5 | 11.4 | 16.4 | 5.1 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 162706 | do | 130 | 147 | 28.6 | 14.4 | 4.8 | 12.2 | 17.2 | 5.1 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Do | 162691 | Female. | 107 | 117 | 25.9 | 13.4 | 4.9 | 10.7 | 15.9 | 5.2 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Do | 162709 | | 109 | 116 | 26.3 | 13.9 | 4.6 | 11.3 | 16.8 | 5.4 | 5.3 | Little worn. |
| Engare Narok River | 162685 | Male | 126 | 151 | 29.0 | 14.7 | 5.1 | 11.8 | 17.1 | 5.4 | 5.3 | Much worn. |
| D0 | 162683 | Female | 113 | 138 | 27.7 | 13.8 | 4.8 | 12.2 | 16.9 | 5.2 | 5.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 162684 | do | 121 | 143 | 28.2 | 14.6 | 5.0 | 12.0 | 17.0 | 5.4 | 5.3 | Much worn. |
| Oljoro O Nyon River | 162678 | do | 135 | | 27.1 | 14.0 | 4.8 | 11.8 | 17.0 | 5.2 | 5.2 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 162682 | cp | 116 | 135 | 27.3 | 13.7 | 4.7 | 12.3 | 16.5 | 5.1 | 5.0 | Much worn. |
| Mount Gargues. | 183840 | | 120 | | 27.4 | 13.6 | 4.7 | 11.3 | 16.6 | 5.3 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183841 | do | 108 | 140 | 26.3 | 13.6 | 4.6 | 10.5 | 15.9 | 5.4 | 5.2 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 183842 | | 118 | 150 | 27.6 | 13.9 | 4.7 | 11.3 | 16.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | Do. |
| Do | 183834 | do | 113 | 137 | 26.0 | 13.1 | 4.9 | 10.6 | 16.2 | 5.2 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Do | 183835 | do | 112 | 132 | 27.0 | 13.8 | 5.0 | 11.5 | 16.7 | 5.4 | 5.3 | Do. |
| Do | 184191 | do | 105 | 120 | 26.3 | 14.4 | 5.0 | 10.5 | 16.6 | 5.1 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Do | 2 181800 | Fomule | 120 | 139 | 28.1 | 14.3 | 4.9 | 11.3 | 17.8 | 9.9 | 5,4 | Considerably worn. |
| L. s. ardens. | | | | | | | - | | | | | |
| B. E. A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Juja Farm | 161764 | do | 130 | 125 | 28.8 | 15.8 | 5.2 | 12.5 | 17.6 | 5.4 | 5.2 | Do. |
| . Kamiti | 163635 | do | 122 | 127 | 27.0 | 13.4 | 4.5 | 11.3 | 16,4 | 5.1 | 5.3 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 163634 | do | 129 | 135 | 28.1 | 13.7 | 4.9 | 11.8 | 16.7 | 5.3 | 5.0 | Do. |
| Fort Hall. | 163642 | Male | 118 | 122 | 27.5 | 14.3 | 4.6 | 11.2 | 16.7 | 5.3 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 163658 | do | 128 | 134 | 28.1 | 13.8 | 4.8 | 11.8 | 17.3 | 5.4 | 5.1 | Moderately worn. |
| Do. | 163657 | Fernale | 109 | 126 | 26.5 | 13. 4 | 4.9 | 11.8 | 16.8 | 5.3 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Wambugu | 163654 | Male | 127 | 152 | 28.4 | 13.6 | 4.8 | 12.3 | 17.3 | 5.4 | 5, 2 | Do. |
| Do | 163652 | Female | 116 | 136 | 26.6 | 14.0 | 5.0 | 11:1 | 16.3 | 5.2 | 4.9 | Do. |
| Nyeri | 163648 | Male | 110 | 128 | 25.2 | 13.0 | 4.5 | 11.3 | 15.9 | 5.1 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Type of Arvicanthis pulchellus micropus Heller. | canthis pu | lchellus micro | ipus Hell | er. | T # | ² Type of Lemniscomys pulchellus spermophilus Heller. | niscomys p | ulchelluss | permophilu | s Heller. | | |

1 Type of Arvicanthis pulchellus micropus Heller.

Boma, 1 (Heller); Isiola River, 1 (Heller); Kaimosi, 19, including 6 in alcohol (Heller); Kakumega, 2 (Heller); Kibabe, Nandi Hills, Kisumu, 1 (Heller); Kisumu, 1 (Heller); Lake Naivasha, 12, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Lukosa River, 3 (Heller); Mission, Kisumu, 1 (Heller); Mount Gargues, 13, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Kenia, west slope at 7,000 feet, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Naivasha Station, 10 (Loring, Mearns); Oljoro O Nyon River, 3 (Loring, Heller); Telek River, Sotik, 1 (Heller).

As will be noted from the above list of localities, this species has an extraordinarily extensive range in East Africa, much larger than most species of small mammals known from the region. While there is considerable variation in color and size it does not seem to have geographical significance, and I am unable to divide the form in any satisfactory way. The specimens from the vicinity of Kavirondo Gulf average darker than any other large lot but the difference after all is slight. The specimens from Lado, including the type of Lemniscomys pulchellus micropus (Heller) are perhaps slightly lighter in color than the average run of specimens from British East Africa, but they can be matched almost exactly by skins in the Naivasha series (type locality of massaicus) and the difference is entirely too little to recognize as of subspecific value. It may, as a matter of fact, be seasonal, as the Lado series was collected in January, while most of the East African material was taken at other seasons. The Mount Gargues series, allowing for the particularly fresh condition of pelage, is certainly indistinguishable from typical massaicus. The species seems to be one of very constant average coloration. Thomas, in writing of specimens of striatus from the Upper Congo, has said:

Allowing for their variation in color according to freshness of fur, there seems remarkably little difference between these specimens and the E.-African A. massaicus, on the one hand, and true W.-African A. striatus, including A. pulchellus, on the other.

I can only distinguish our West African material by its slightly richer color, and specimens from Liberia and Cameroons are, as Mr. Thomas states, remarkably like the skins from British East Africa.

As shown in the tables of measurements, there is virtually no difference in size between specimens from all parts of the range. Additional measurements of the hind foot in large series of massaicus, give the following averages: Lado and Uganda, 25.2 millimeters; British East Africa, excepting Mount Gargues, 26.1; Mount Gargues, 25.7. These measurements were taken without claws, from the dry skin. The measurement of the hind foot of the type specimen of "micropus," as printed in the original description is erroneous. It is there given as 23 millimeters, but the foot dry without claws actually measures 24.5, and the collector's field measurement, with claws, is 27 millimeters.

Measurements of specimens of the Lemniscomys barbarus group.

| r Condition of molars. | | 4.9 Moderately worn. | 000 | 5.2 Do. | 4.8 Little worn. | 4.7 Moderately worn. | 5.0 Do. | 4.9 Do. | 4.8 Do. | 4.8 Do. | 4.9 Much worn. | 4,8 Moderately worn. | 5.1 Much worn. | 4.8 Considerably worn. | | 5.0 Do. | | | | 4.9 Much worn. | 4.8 Moderately worn. | 4.8 Do. |
|------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|--------|---------|------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------|------------------|------------------------|---------|
| Lower tooth row (alveoli) | | | 4; | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Upper tooth row (alveoli). | | 5, 1 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 5.1 | | 5.2 | | | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Length of Length of nasals. mandible. | | 14.9 | 15.1 | 15.7 | 14.1 | 15.0 | 15,4 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 14.0 | 15.7 | 15.2 | 16.2 | 15.0 | | 15.8 | | | 14.8 | 16.0 | 14.7 | 15.3 |
| Length of nasals. | | 9.8 | 10.2 | 10.5 | | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 10.7 | 9.5 | 11.4 | 9.8 | 10.5 | 10.0 | | 10.8 | | | 10.5 | 10.8 | 9.8 | 10.5 |
| Inter- orbital breadth. | | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | | 4.3 | | | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| Zygo- matic breadth. | | 12.8 | 11.7 | 12.6 | 11.9 | 12.5 | 12.6 | 12.6 | 12.7 | 11.6 | 12.8 | 12.3 | | 12.5 | | 13.5 | | | 13.3 | 13.1 | 12.7 | 13.2 |
| Skull: Condylo- basal length. | | 24.8 | 24.0 | 25.2 | 23.9 | 24.3 | 25.2 | 24.5 | 24.7 | 22.8 | | 24.5 | | 24.4 | | 25.2 | | | 24.4 | 26.2 | 23. 4 | 24.8 |
| Tail ver- tebræ. | | 129 | 118 | 112 | 120 | 125 | 124 | 122 | 133 | . 116 | | 125 | | 115 | | 109 | | | 113 | 114 | 112 | 113 |
| Head and body. | | 106 | 102 | 102 | 88 | 94 | 96 | 26 | 26 | 96 | Ш | 103 | 112 | 104 | | 106 | | | 100 | 100 | 95 | 100 |
| Sex. | | Male | do | do | Female. | do | do | do | do | do | do | do | do | do | | Female . | | | Male | do | do | Female. |
| No. | | 165195 | 165201 | 165202 | 162191 | 165193 | 165194 | 165196 | 165198 | 165200 | 165203 | 165204 | 165205 | 165192 | | 162884 | | | 181737 | 181739 | 181740 | 181738 |
| Form and locality. | Lado: | Rhino Camp | D0. | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Uganda: Gondokoro | $L.\ b.\ albolinears.$ | B. E. A.: Ulukenia Hills | L. b. convictus. | B. E. A.: | Mtoto Andei | Do | Do | Do |

Breeding records are furnished by the following collector's notes on embryos, taken from specimens prepared: Isiola River, June 30, four embryos; Kaimosi, January 24, two embryos; Kakumega, February 17, two embryos; Lake Naivasha, July 13, three embryos; Lake Naivasha, July 17, four embryos.

For measurements of specimens of this and the following subspecies of *Lemniscomys striatus* see pages 140-141.

LEMNISCOMYS STRIATUS ARDENS (Thomas).

1892. Mus barbarus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 460. (Not of Linnæus.)

1910. Arvicanthis pulchellus ardens Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 313. September. (Rombo, Mount Kilimanjaro, German East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Fifty-two, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Fort Hall, 13, including 3 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Juja Farm, 3, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Kamiti, Athi Palins, 7, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Nairobi, 1 (Mearns); Nyeri, 1 (Loring); Saba Saba, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Taveta, 1 in alcohol (Abbott); Thika River, 6, including 3 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Ulukenia Hills, 1 (Loring); Wambugu, 11, including 4 in alcohol (Loring).

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Mount Kilimanjaro, 6, including 4 in

alcohol (Abbott).

This geographical race is separated from true massaicus by the more reddish average coloration. While many examples of each race are indistinguishable, the lots as a whole are of quite different color. The richest colored examples are from Wambugu and Fort Hall. There is a great range of individual variation in the intensity of the reddish suffusion.

LEMNISCOMYS BARBARUS ZEBRA (Heuglin).

1864. Mus zebra Heuglin, Nov. Act. Acad. Caes. Leop., vol. 31, Abhandl., No. vii, p. 10. ("Lande der Req-Neger, Djur und Bongo," Sudan.)

Specimens.—Twenty, from localities as follows:

Lado: Rhino Camp, 17, including 5 in alcohol (Loring).

UGANDA: Gondokoro, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Nimule, 1 in alcohol (Heller).

For measurements of specimens of this and other subspecies of *Lemniscomys barbarus* see page 143.

LEMNISCOMYS BARBARUS ALBOLINEATUS (Osgood).

1910. Arvicanthis barbarus albolineatus Oscoop, Field Mus. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 11. February. (Ulukenia Hills [Lukenya Mountain], British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

1910. Arvicanthis barbarus albolineatus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer.

ed., p. 473; London ed., p. 485.

Specimen.—One topotype:

British East Africa: Ulukenia Hills, Athi Plains (Loring).

Measurements of specimens of Rhabdomys p. diminutus.

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|---------------------|--------|---------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail ver- tebræ. | Skull: Condylo- basal length. | Zygo- matic breadth. | Inter- orbital breadth. | Length of nasals. | Length of Length of nasals. mandible. | Upper tooth row (alveoh) | Lower tooth row (alve-di). | Condition of molars. |
| B, E, A.: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Naivasha | 162718 | Male | 105 | | 25.7 | 13.8 | 4.1 | 9.8 | 15.8 | 4.9 | 8.5 | Moderately worn. |
| η0 | 162721 | do | 111 | 87 | 25.7 | 13.3 | 4.2 | 80.00 | 14.8 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 150, |
| Do | 162728 | do | 119 | | 25.1 | 13.1 | 4.0 | 9.4 | 15.3 | 4.8 | 4.6 | Do. |
| Do | 162723 | do | 108 | 94 | 24.1 | 12.1 | 4.0 | 8.8 | 11.8 | 4.9 | 4.8 | Little worn. |
| Do | 162737 | do | 112 | 87 | 24.9 | 13.0 | 4.1 | 9.4 | 15.0 | 5.5 | 4.9 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 162723 | Female. | 113 | 26 | 26.4 | 13.8 | 4.4 | 9.0 | 16.2 | 4.8 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 162730 | do | 121 | f6 | 25.2 | 13.0 | 4.0 | 9.1 | 15.8 | ₩. ₩. | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 162739 | do | 120 | 92 | 26.2 | 13.3 | 3.9 | 9.5 | 15.9 | 5.1 | 5.1 | Do. |
| Guas Ngishu Plateau | 161161 | Mule | 110 | 87 | 21.2 | 13.0 | 4.3 | 8.3 | 15.1 | 4.7 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 164169 | Female. | 105 | 9.4 | 23.9 | 12.5 | 3.9 | 8.3 | 14.2 | 4.8 | 2.8 | Do. |
| Do | 164162 | do | 105 | 06 | 24.4 | 12.7 | 4.1 | 8.8 | 14.9 | 4.9 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Aberdare Mountains | 164159 | Male | 122 | 87 | 25.9 | 13.8 | 4.2 | 9.4 | 16.3 | 5.1 | 5.1 | Much worn. |
| Do | 183098 | cp | 103 | 08 | 24.2 | 12.2 | 4.0 | 8,4 | 14.5 | 44. | 4.7 | Moderately worn, |
| Do | 183097 | Female. | 108 | 92 | 25.2 | 13.8 | 4.1 | oc∶ oo | 15.2 | 4.8 | 4.8 | Considerably worn. |
| Do | 183099 | qo | 98 | | 23.3 | 12.7 | 3.9 | 8.8 | 13.9 | 4.6 | 4.5 | Much wora. |
| D0 | 183100 | do | 110 | 68 | 25.0 | 12.9 | 4.2 | 9.3 | 15.3 | 2.5 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Nyeri | 161168 | Male | 115 | 85 | 21.6 | 12.3 | 4.0 | 8.2 | | 4.8 | | Little worn. |
| ηο | 161170 | do | 112 | -84 | 24.0 | 12.3 | 4.1 | 8.9 | 14.9 | 4.8 | 4.8 | Moderately worn. |
| Do | 164182 | do | 124 | 82 | 25.7 | 12.8 | 4.2 | 9.3 | 15.2 | 4.8 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 161166 | Female. | 115 | | 24.7 | 12.5 | 3.9 | 8.8 | 15.8 | 4.8 | 4.5 | Do. |
| D0 | 164173 | do | 98 | 7.4 | 23.0 | 11.6 | 3.9 | 7.4 | 14.0 | 4.6 | 4.5 | Little worn. |
| Do | 161183 | do | 124 | 95 | 26.5 | 13.4 | 4.1 | 9.3 | 15.6 | 4.8 | 4.5 | Much worn. |
| Mount Kenia. | 164185 | do | | | 23.9 | 12.0 | 4.0 | 8.4 | 15.0 | 5.1 | 4.9 | Moderately worn. |
| D0 | 164187 | do | 120 | 96 | 26.3 | 13.2 | 4.3 | 9.5 | 16.5 | 5.0 | 4.8 | Do. |
| 1)0 | 161190 | do | 121 | 87 | 25.1 | 12.7 | 4.2 | 8.8 | 15.1 | 5.1 | 4.8 | Do. |
| Do | 161191 | do | 106 | 85 | 23.6 | 11.6 | 80.00 | 8.2 | 15.2 | 4.8 | 4.9 | Do. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |

LEMNISCOMYS BARBARUS CONVICTUS (Osgood).

1910. Arvicanthis barbarus convictus Osgood, Field Mus. Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 10. February. (Voi, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

Specimens.—Five, including 1 in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Mtoto Andei (Heller).

Genus RHABDOMYS Thomas.

1916. Rhabdomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 18, p. 69. July. (R. pumilio.)

The group of species of the old genus Arvicanthis including pumilio and its allies has been recognized by Thomas as a distinct genus. The forms all have four dark stripes on the back and a normal fifth finger with claw.

RHABDOMYS PUMILIO DIMINUTUS (Thomas).

1892. Isomys pumilio diminutus Thomas, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1892, p. 551. (Mianzini, east of Lake Naivasha, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Arvicanthis punilio diminutus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473 and 479; London ed., pp. 485 and 490.

Specimens.—Eighty-seven, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, 7, including 1 in alcohol (Heller); Guas Ngishu Plateau, 30 miles north of Ravine, 5, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Laikipia, 1 in alcohol (Heller); Mount Kenia, 19, including 4 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Naivasha Station, 28, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Nyeri, 27, including 4 in alcohol (Loring).

Loring found two females each with five large fetuses at Nyeri, September 16; and one at the same place, September 17, with three fetuses. Most of the Mount Kenia specimens are from the West Kenia Forest Station at 7,500 feet altitude, but Doctor Mearns caught one specimen at 10,000 feet on Kenia, and Heller found the species common on the summit of the Aberdare Range. Specimens from Nyeri and Mount Kenia average slightly more reddish than the Naivasha skins, but the difference is insignificant and may be seasonal, as the Naivasha specimens were collected in July and early August while the Kenia material was taken in September and October. For measurements see page 145.

Genus OTOMYS Cuvier.

1823. Otomys Cuvier, Dents Mamm., p. 168. (O. irroratus.)

1831. Otomis Bonaparte, Giorn. Arcad. di Sci. Lett. Art., Roma, vol. 53, p. 193. 1918. Otomys Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 9, vol. 2, p. 207. September. (Revision of superspecific groups.)

In listing the swamp rats in the collection I have followed the arrangement of Dollman, which seems quite satisfactory so far as our

¹ On the Swamp-Rats (Otomys) of East Africa, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 15, pp. 149-170. January, 1915.

material is concerned. In cases where alcoholic specimens are from localities represented by good series of skins and skulls, it has seemed unnecessary to remove the skulls. Such specimens have been identified with the series of skins and skulls taken by the same collector at the same time and place.

For measurements of specimens of the swamp rats of the genus

Otomys see table, pages 150-151.

OTOMYS THOMASI THOMASI Osgood.

1910. Otomys thomasi Osgood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 9. February. (Molo, British East Africa; type in Field Mus., Chicago.)

Specimen.—One, as follows:

British East Africa: Guas Ngishu Plateau, 20 miles north of Ravine (Heller).

OTOMYS THOMASI SQUALUS Dollman.

1915. Otomys thomasi squalus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 15, p. 155. January. (Mount Kinangop, Aberdare Range, British East Africa, 12,000 feet; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Twenty-one, including seven in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, summit, 10,500 to 11,000 feet (Heller).

Two females collected on October 11 contained one large embryo

each.

OTOMYS ORESTES Thomas.

1900. Otomys irroratus orestes Thomas, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1900, p. 175. (Teleki Valley, Mount Kenia, at 13,000 feet, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Otomys irroratus orestes Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

Specimens.—Sixteen, as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Kenia (Loring, Mearns).

These specimens were trapped on the western side of the mountain at altitudes of 10,700, 13,500, and 13,700 feet. The last upper molar has six lamine in all specimens except one (No. 164329) in which there are distinctly seven, the last very small. This specimen is unquestionably *orestes*, however, as it agrees with the other specimens of the series in color, size, and the peculiar arched appearance of the skull, as opposed to *O. tropicalis*. It is the most aged specimen in the series.

OTOMYS DOLLMANI Heller.

Plate 37.

1912. Otomys orestes dollmani Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 5. July 5. (Mount Gargues, Mathews Range, British East Africa, 7,000 feet; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Seven, including one odd skull, as follows:

British East Africa: North Creek, Mount Gargues, at 6,000 feet (Heller).¹

¹ Stated 7,000 feet in original description but specimens are all labeled 6,000 feet.

This form while agreeing with Otomys orestes of Mount Kenia in having only six laminæ in the last upper molar differs so greatly in other characters that it should not be considered a subspecies of orestes unless actual intergrading specimens are found. It is much darker in color, has a considerably longer tail, and the skull lacks almost entirely any appearance of the highly arched interorbital region or wide spreading zygomata of orestes. The skull is in fact almost exactly like skulls of the tropicalis group except for small size and the lamina formula.

OTOMYS TROPICALIS TROPICALIS Thomas.

1902. Otomys irroratus tropicalis Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 10, p. 314. October. (Western slope of Mount Kenia, 10,000 feet, British East Africa; type in British Mus.)

Specimens.—One hundred and six, including 43 in alcohol, as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Kenia, west slope (Loring, Mearns). These specimens were collected at altitudes ranging from 7,500 feet up to 13,700 feet.

About half a dozen specimens from this large series have eight lamine in the last upper molars; the additional lamina small and subcircular. There is considerable variation in specimens of the swamp rat which I have here placed under tropicalis, but I have been unable to sort the material out into two forms. I have mistrusted at times during work on the genus that there is a form represented in the Kenia material which is related to Otomys thomasi squalus of the Aberdare range. In the Aberdares the two groups, thomasi and tropicalis, are perfectly distinct and easily separated, however, a condition which does not exist on Kenia unless I have been confused by mismatched skulls in the Kenia collection.

Mearns records the color of the iris in O. tropicalis as hazel brown and the mammæ as two pairs, inguinal, close together.

OTOMYS TROPICALIS ELGONIS Wroughton.

1910. Otomys irroratus elgonis Wroughton, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 207. February. (Elgonyi, Mt. Elgon, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

Specimens.—Fifty, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Aberdare Mountains, summit at 11,000 feet, 4 (Heller); Changongorra, Aberdare Mountains, 5 (Heller); Eldoma Ravine, 12 miles north of Ravine Station, 8, including 7 in alcohol (Heller); Guas Ngishu Plateau, 30 miles north of Ravine, 4 (Heller); Kaimosi, 17, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Kakumega, 1 (Heller); Mount Kenia, west side at 7,000 feet, 1 (Heller); Naivasha Plains, base of Aberdare Mountains, 1 (Heller); Nyeri, 10 miles east,

1 (Heller); Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, 8, including 4 in alcohol, (Heller).

The range of this dark form meets that of typical tropicalis on the lower levels of Mount Kenia. A specimen from 7,000 feet on the west side of the mountain is clearly referable to elgonis, while skins from 7,500 feet are placed with tropicalis. Specimens from the summit of the Aberdares are slightly less richly colored than are skins from lower down, but otherwise the series is remarkably uniform in its deep coloration, and skins from the Kakumega and Kaimosi regions are not distinguishable in color from skins collected at the eastern base of the Aberdares. Kaimosi specimens average slightly smaller than specimens from other parts of the range of the form.

A female collected at Kaimosi, January 27, contained one embryo; one collected at Changongorra, October 10, two embryos; and one from the same locality at the same time, one large embryo.

OTOMYS ANGONIENSIS ELASSODON Osgood.

1892. Otomys irroratus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 464. (Not of Brants.)

1910. Otomys angoniensis elassodon Osgood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 10. February. (Naivasha, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

Specimens.—Twenty-two, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Lake Naivasha, 1 (Loring); Mayo River, Laikipia, 15 miles north of Nyeri, 3, including 2 in alcohol (Heller); Nairobi, 1 in alcohol (Mearns); Naivasha Station, 10, including 2 in alcohol (Loring); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 1 in alcohol (Cuninghame); Nyeri, 2 (Loring).

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Mount Kilimanjaro, 4 (Abbott).

Kilimanjaro specimens seem inseparable from specimens collected at Naivasha. The alcoholic specimens from Nairobi and from the Northern Guaso Nyiro River are both young and not determinable with certainty, but appear to belong to this form, which has been recorded from these localities.

OTOMYS NYIKÆ CANESCENS Osgood.

1910. Otomys nyikæ canescens Oscood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 2, p. 10. February. (Kijabe, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.)

Specimens.—Sixteen, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 8 (Loring, Heller); Engare Ndare River, 2 (Heller); Njoro O Nyiro River, 1 (Heller); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 2, including 1 in alcohol (Loring); Ulukenia Hills, 3, including 1 in alcohol (Loring).

Heller records three embryos in a female collected at the Engare

Ndare River, June 29.

Measurements of specimens of Otomus from East Africa.

| • | | | Measure | Measurements of specimens of Otomys from East Africa, | specimen | us of Oto | mys Jrom | rast Af | rica. | | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail verte- bræ. | Hind foot,1 | Skull: Condy- lobasal length. | Zygo- matie breadth. | Height from sinciput to alveolar border of m^3 . | Greatest breadth of nasals. | Inter- orbital constric- tion. | Length of upper tooth row, crowns. | Observations, |
| O. t. thomasi. | 164290 | Female. | 162 | 88 | 30 | 38.3 | 20, 5 | 13.6 | 7.3 | 80.00 | 8,2 | Teeth considerably worn. |
| O. t. squalus. | 9 | , | 1 | 6 | Š | 8 | | | t | | | |
| A berdare Mountains | 184024 | Male | 150 | 96 | 9, % | 36.5 | 21.1 | 12.6 | 7.8 | 4. 4 5. 1 | 9 ° % | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Do | 184035 | • • | 155 | 93 | 27 | 37.0 | 19.6 | 13.0 | 7.0 | 3.0 | | Do. |
| Do | 164280 | Female. | 175 | 94 | 29 | 36.5 | 19.3 | 11.3 | 7.2 | 4.2 | 8.6 | Do. |
| Do | 184030 | do | 170 | 06 | 26 | 36.4 | 20.3 | 12.0 | 7.1 | 4.4 | 8.3 | Teeth considerably worn. |
| Do | 184033 | do | 150 | 78 | 25 | 35.2 | 19,5 | 12.5 | 6.7 | 4.3 | 8.2 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Do | 184039 | do | 170 | 92 | 27 | 37.7 | 19.6 | 12.2 | 7.4 | 4.3 | 9.0 | Do. |
| O. orestes. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Kenia | 164313 | Male | 151 | 20 | 30 | 33.4 | 18.1 | 11.4 | | 3.9 | 7.4 | Teeth little worn. |
| Do | 164329 | do | 175 | 22 | 30 | 36.4 | 19.7 | 13.0 | 6.5 | 3.9 | 8.5 | Tecth considerably worn. |
| Do | 164333 | Female . | | | | 33.1 | 16.8 | 11.4 | 6.4 | 3.8 | 7.2 | Teeth little worn. |
| Do | 164357 | do | 163 | 65 | 28 | | 18.5 | 12.0 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 7.9 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Do | 164358 | do | 168 | 99 | 30 | 32.8 | 17.5 | 12.1 | 6.2 | 3.9 | 7.0 | Teeth little worn. |
| O. dollmani. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Gargues | 2 181790 | Male | 150 | 88 | 25 | 34.2 | 17.8 | 10.8 | 6.5 | 4.2 | 7.2 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| Do | 184042 | do | 120 | 105 | 27 | 35.0 | 17.8 | 10.8 | 6.8 | | 7.2 | Do. |
| Do | 184041 | Female. | 140 | 91 | 26 | 32.1 | | 9.0 | 6.3 | 4.3 | 6.9 | Teeth little worn. |
| Do | 184043 | do | 138 | 88 | 25 | 31.2 | 16.2 | 6.6 | 6.2 | 4.0 | 6.9 | Do. |
| Do | 184044 | do | 150 | 95 | 25 | 34.4 | 17.9 | 10.9 | 6.7 | 4.1 | 7.7 | Teeth considerably worn. |
| Do | 184046 | do | 140 | 85 | 23 | 32.7 | 16.9 | 10.3 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 7.0 | Teeth moderately worn. |
| O. t. tropicalis. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Kenia | 164291 | Male | 175 | 92 | 33 | 36.7 | 17.5 | 11.5 | 8.9 | 4.0 | 800 | Do. |
| Do | 164352 | do | 178 | 08 | 34 | 39.8 | 20.1 | 12.8 | 7.9 | 4.2 | 8.7 | Do. |
| Do | 164353 | do | 174 | 98 | 33 | 38.9 | 19.9 | 12,5 | 7.3 | 4.1 | 8,5 | Do. |
| Do | 164360 | do | 184 | 87 | 32 | 38.7 | | 13, 2 | 7.4 | 4.5 | 9,1 | Teeth considerably worn. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |

² Type.

| 8.5 Teeth moderately worn. | | Te | 6 Do. | | 8 Do. | | 9 Do. | | 7 Teeth moderately worn. | 4 Teeth considerably worn. | 1 Teeth moderately worn. | 5 Teeth considerably worn. | 2 Do. | | 9 Do. | | | 8.0 Teeth moderately worn. | | 0 Do. | 1 100. | | 9 Do. | | | 2 Do. | | 5 Teeth considerably worn. | 5 Teeth moderately worn. | | 4 Teeth considerably worn. | 3 Teeth moderately worn. | |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|----------------|---------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|----------------|--------------------|----------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| ∞° | 8.9 | 9.0 | ∞. | | οċ | ∞° | 7.9 | 8.6 | 7.7 | 8,4 | 8.1 | 8.5 | 8,2 | ∞ | oó | ∞ | | ∞° | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.1 | ×. | 7.9 | 7. | oć. | ×. | | 80 | 8.5 | 80.30 | 8.4 | 8.3 | 7.6 |
| 4.5 | 4.1 | 4.5 | 3.8 | | 4.9 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | | 4,4 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.5 | | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.4 |
| 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.8 | 7.0 | | 80.3 | 8.0 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.5 | | 7.9 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.0 | 7.7 | 8.6 | 7.1 | 8,8 | | 8.0 | 8.1 | 8.0 | 8.4 | 7.4 | 7.7 |
| 11.6 | 11.8 | 13.2 | 12.1 | | 13.2 | 13.3 | 12.2 | 12.6 | 11.0 | 11.7 | 11.2 | 11.4 | 11.1 | 12.8 | 12.0 | 12.6 | | 13.3 | 12.9 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 13.4 | 12.3 | 13.6 | 12.4 | 13.1 | | 12.6 | 12.3 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 11.6 | 11.5 |
| 20.1 | | | | | 21.0 | 20.9 | 18.6 | 20.1 | 18.8 | 18.9 | 18.5 | 18.5 | 18.7 | 21.4 | 18.9 | 19.7 | | 20.3 | 20.4 | 19.8 | 20.1 | 20.5 | 19.4 | 20.4 | 19.4 | 19.7 | | 18,8 | 19, 0 | | 19.5 | 19.0 | 18.0 |
| 37.0 | 38.3 | 40.0 | 37.3 | | 41.3 | 41.2 | 38, 5 | 39, 5 | 36.4 | 38.2 | 36.7 | 36.2 | 36,0 | 40.1 | 38.9 | 40.1 | | 38.3 | 37.9 | 37.9 | 38.6 | 39.0 | 37.5 | 40.4 | 37.1 | 38.7 | | 35.8 | 35.7 | | 36.4 | 34.9 | 33.9 |
| 32 | 32 | 33 | 31 | | 33 | 34 | 32 | 34 | 27 | 27 | . 28 | 26 | 26 | 53 | 28 | 27 | | 28 | 31 | 30 | 30 | 31 | 31 | 31 | | | | 28 | 28 | 25 | 29 | 30 | 28 |
| 102 | 83 | 96 | 88 | | 102 | 86 | 92 | 86 | 95 | 66 | 86 | 83 | | 102 | 92 | 83 | | | 66 | 80 | 95 | 7-6 | 100 | 98 | | | | 88 | 26 | 75 | 83 | | 81 |
| 170 | 181 | 182 | 182 | | 202 | 180 | 175 | 180 | 165 | 160 | 170 | 160 | 168 | 170 | 170 | 170 | | 170 | 171 | 172 | 182 | 182 | 173 | 185 | : | : | _ | 169 | 162 | 165 | 175 | 161 | 164 |
| do | Female. | do | do | | Male | Female. | do | Male | do | op | do | Female. | do | Male | do | Female . | | Male | do | do | Female. | do | do | do | Male | do | | Female. | do | do | Male | do | Female . |
| 164365 | 164361 | 164372 | 164375 | | 164282 | 164286 | 164287 | 164281 | 184003 | 184004 | 184017 | 184014 | 184016 | 184036 | 184038 | 184037 | | 184002 | 162346 | 162349 | 162340 | 162341 | 162350 | 162351 | 37374 | 37375 | | 162330 | 162337 | 184000 | 162327 | <u> </u> | 164328 |
| | | | | O. t. elgonis. | Guas Ngishu Plateau | | | | | | | Do | Do | Naivasha Plain | Aberdare Mountains | Do | O. a. classodon. | Laikipia | Naivasha Station | | | | | Do | Mount Kilinanjaro | Do | O. n. canescens. | Southern Guaso Nyiro | Engare Narok River | Engare Ndare River | Njoro O Nyiro River | Ulukenia Hills | Do |

1 Hind foot measurements taken by collectors and not always comparable one series with another,

Family GRAPHIURIDÆ.

Genus GRAPHIURUS Smuts.

1832. Graphiurus Smuts, Enum. Mamm. Capensium, p. 32. (G. capensis=G. ocularis.)

Two distinct species-groups of dormice are found in the collections from eastern equatorial Africa, and are readily distinguishable by size of skull. The larger forms appear to be subspecies of the South African *Graphiurus murinus* and the smaller forms all closely resemble *Graphiurus parvus*.

GRAPHIURUS MURINUS GRISEUS Allen.

Plate 37.

1912. Graphiurus microtis griseus G. M. Allen, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., vol. 54, p. 440. April. (Northern Guaso Nyiro River, British East Africa; type in Mus. Comp. Zoöl. at Harvard.)

1912. Graphiurus murinus johnstoni Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 2. July 5. (Mount Gargues, Mathews Range, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus. Not Graphiurus johnstoni Thomas, 1897.)

Specimens.—Twelve, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Burgunett River, Meru Road, 1 (Heller); Isiola River, 3 (Heller); Lesiweru River, Meru Road, 1 (Heller); Mount Gargues, 3 (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 3 (Heller); Nyuki River, 1 in alcohol (Heller).

This form of *Graphiurus murinus* is very much like *G. m. saturatus*, but is grayer in color. The specimen from Lesiweru River is distinctly intermediate between *griseus* and *raptor*; it has the skull and large auditory bullæ of *griseus* with the color of the Kenia subspecies. Through the kindness of the authorities of the Museum of Comparative Zoölogy I have been able to borrow the type-specimen of *Graphiurus microtis griseus* Allen, and thus by actual comparison to prove the identity of this form with Heller's "*Graphiurus murinus johnstoni*," the name of which was already preoccupied by the *Graphiurus johnstoni* of Thomas.

GRAPHIURUS MURINUS RAPTOR Dollman.

1910. Graphiurus raptor Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 96. January. (West slope of Mount Kenia, British East Africa, at 11,000 feet; type in British Museum.)

1910. Graphiurus raptor Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed. p. 472; London ed., p. 484.

1914. Graphiurus sp. Cockerell, Miller, and Printz, Zool. Anz., vol. 44, p. 435. June 23.

Specimens.—Twenty-nine, as follows:

British East Africa: West side of Mount Kenia at 8,500, 10,000 and 10,700 feet, 29, including 1 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns).

This high mountain subspecies is easily distinguished from the neighboring forms by its cinnamon gray coloration and small auditory

bullæ. Intergradation with *Graphiurus murinus griseus* is shown by specimens from Meru Road, listed under *griseus*, and doubtless takes place at various points on the lower slopes of the mountain.

GRAPHIURUS MURINUS SATURATUS Dollman.

1910. Graphiurus microtis saturatus Dollman, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 5, p. 204. February. (South face of Mount Elgon, British East Africa, at 9,000 feet; type in British Museum.)

1910. Graphiurus parvus Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 472, 476; London ed., pp. 484, 488. (Part: reference to Sotik; not Graphiurus

parvus of True.)

Specimens.—Forty-three, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Engare Narok River, 1 (Loring); Kabalolot Hill, Sotik, 1 (Heller); Kaimosi, 21 (Heller); Kisumu, 1 (Heller); Lake Naivasha, south side, 1 (Mearns); Mount Kenia, west side at 7,000 feet, 1 (Heller); Naivasha Station, 10 (Loring); Nzoia River, Guas Ngishu Plateau, 1 (Heller); Oljoro O Nyon River, 2 (Heller, Loring); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 4 (Loring).

This dark-colored subspecies of murinus has a wide range in western British East Africa. Specimens from the Southern Guaso Nyiro and Sotik seem indistinguishable from skins and skulls from Kaimosi and the Guas Ngishu Plateau. The specimen from the west side of Mount Kenia at 7,000 feet is in some respects peculiar and may represent another race, still undescribed. It has a skull decidedly larger than the average for saturatus, with wider rostrum and higher braincase. The coloration is hardly matched in the series of saturatus and is especially dark and rich on the underparts. The auditory bullæ are large. The specimen is clearly best referred to saturatus, rather than to raptor or griseus, and Dollman has already recorded saturatus from this vicinity. No specimen in our large series of saturatus, or indeed of any other East African form of Graphiurus, approaches it in the dimensions of the skull.

GRAPHIURUS MURINUS ISOLATUS Heller.

1892. Eliomys murinus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 459. (Not of Desmarest.)

1912. Graphiurus murinus isolatus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 3. July 5. (Mount Umengo, Taita Mountains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Nineteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Mbololo, 5 (Heller); Mount Umengo, 11, including 1 in alcohol (Heller).

GERMAN EAST AFRICA: Mount Kilimanjaro, 3 (Abbott).

This dark colored subspecies resembles G. m. saturatus externally, but the skull is easily separated from skulls of saturatus by the much smaller bullæ. On Mount Umengo Heller found three females pregnant as follows: November 11, two embryos; November 12, three embryos; November 13, four embryos. Doctor Abbott obtained the

Kilimanjaro specimens at an altitude of 5000 feet. The label of one of his female skins has written on it the following notes: "Taken, with the male, from a nest containing four young ones; nest globular, about 5 inches in diameter, with hole in side; situated in a bush 5 feet from ground. Nest made of grass and strips of banana fronds, lined with fine grass."

The four alcoholic specimens from Kilimanjaro listed by True in 1892 can not now be found in the collection.

GRAPHIURUS PARVUS PARVUS (True).

Plate 37.

1893. Eliomys parvus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 16, p. 601. October 25. (Tana River, between the coast and Hameye, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1909. Eliomys parvus Lyon and Osgood, Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus., No. 62, p. 159. January 28.

Specimens.—Four, from the following localities:

British East Africa: Engare Ndare River, Northern Guaso Nyiro, 2 (Heller); Jambeni Mountains, 1 in alcohol, skull removed (Chanler); Tana River, 1 (Chanler and von Höhnel).

The dormouse described by Dollman ² from Nyama Nyango, Northern Guaso Nyiro, as *Graphiurus brockmani internus*, seems likely to prove inseparable from *Graphiurus parvus parvus*.

GRAPHIURUS PARVUS DOLLMANI Osgood.

1910. Graphiurus parvus dollmani Osgood, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Zool. ser., vol. 10, No. 3, p. 15. April 7. (Ulukenia Hills, British East Africa; type in Field Mus. Nat. Hist.)

Specimens.—Three, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Mount Mbololo, 1 (Heller); Mount Sagalla, 2 (Heller).

These specimens have been compared with the type of dollmani, lent by the authorities of the Field Museum, and seen inseparable. The skulls of dollmani are larger than skulls of typical parvus. The Sagalla specimens, both females, are marked on the labels as caught in the mud nest of a swallow on the under side of a large rock, in roof of a cave; each contained four embryos, November 18.

GRAPHIURUS PERSONATUS Heller.

Plate 38.

1911. Graphiurus personatus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 17, p. 2. February 28. (Rhino Camp, Lado Enclave; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, the type, from—

Lado: Rhino Camp (Loring).

This dormouse is closely related to *G. parvus* and will doubtless prove to be only a geographical race of that older-named form.

¹ Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 459. 1892.

² Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 9, p. 318. March, 1912.

Measurements of adult specimens of Graphiurus.

| 1 | Measurem | ents of ac | $dult s_{j}$ | pecim | ens oj | Grap | hiur | is. | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail vertebræ. | Hind foot, dry. | Skull: Condylobasal length. | Zygomatic breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Interorbital breadth. | Upper tooth row. | Length of mandible. |
| G. m. griseus. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Lololokwi | 182850 | Female | 82 | 77 | 15.8 | 21.8 | 12.2 | 12.1 | 4.5 | 3.1 | 12.4 |
| Mount Gargues | 1 181787 | Male | 92 | 80 | 16.8 | 25.3 | 14.4 | 12.9 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 13.3 |
| Do | 182848 | do | 90 | 76 | 15.5 | 23.6 | 14.5 | 12.9 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 13.9 |
| Do | 182849 | Female | 88 | 74 | 15.8 | 23.3 | 14.0 | 12.7 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 13.3 |
| Isiola River | 182882 | Male | 95 | 80 | 15.9 | 25.1 | 14.2 | 12.9 | 4.5 | | 13.7 |
| Do | 182883 | Female | 80 | 72 | 15.6 | 21.8 | 12.8 | 12.4 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 12.4 |
| Meru Road | 182875 | do | 96 | 70 | 16.3 | 23.8 | 14.3 14.7 | 12.9 12.9 | 4.6 4.6 | 2.9 | 13.5 13.0 |
| Northern Guaso Nyiro | 2 8244 | Male | 82 | 79 | | 24.8 | 14.7 | 12.9 | 4.0 | 5.5 | 15.0 |
| G. m. raptor. | | | | | | | | | | | 11.0 |
| Mount Kenia | 164254 | Male | 102 | | 17.3 | 24.2 | 14.4 | 12.5 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 14.2 |
| Do | 164260 | do | 89 | 77 | 16.8 | 24.1 24.8 | 14.4 | 12.7 13.3 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 13.9 13.9 |
| Do | 164267 164272 | do | 103 101 | 78 89 | 16.0 | 24. 7 | 14.3 | 12.4 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 14.5 |
| Do | 164274 | do | 104 | 79 | 17.4 | 24.6 | 15.3 | 13.2 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 13.9 |
| Do | 164253 | Female | 96 | 74 | 16.7 | 23.7 | 14.3 | 12.4 | 4.5 | 3.1 | 13.4 |
| Do | 164257 | do | 95 | 89 | 16.4 | 24.2 | 14.1 | 12.6 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 13.9 |
| Do | 164258 | do | 96 | 78 | 16.9 | 24.0 | 13.7 | 12.5 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 13.7 |
| Do | 164268 | do | 86 | 74 | 16.6 | 22.7 | 13.1 | 12.1 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 13.3 |
| G. m. saturatus. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kaimosi | 182859 | Male | 100 | | 16.6 | 24.7 | 15.1 | 12.6 | 4.5 | 3.4 | 14.1 |
| Do | 182862 | do | 100 | 80 | 17.2 | 24.9 | 14.7 | 12.8 | 4.2 | 3.3 | 13.8 |
| Do | 182863 | do | 92 | | 16.7 | 24.3 | 15.2 | 12.6 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 14.5 |
| Do | 182871 | do | 90 | 83 | 15.5 | 23.3 | 14.4 | 12.6 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 12.9 |
| Do | 182872 | do | 90 | | | 23.3 | 13.8 | 12.9 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 13.4 |
| Do | 182866 | Female | 92 | | 16.4 | 23.5 | 14.0 | 13.1 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 13.9 |
| Do | 182870 | do | 92 | 81 | 15.5 | 23.5 | 14.3 | 12.7 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 13.6 |
| Nzoia River | 164276 | do | 85 | 80 | 16.1 | 22.7 | 13.5 | 12.3 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 12.7 |
| Naivasha | 162244 | Male | 94 | 74 | 15.8 | 24.8 | 14.4 | 12.7 12.3 | 4.7 | 3.0 3.0 | 14.2 13.7 |
| Do | 162243 164275 | Female | 95 105 | | 16.4 | 24.4 | 15.8 | 13.3 | 4.4 5.3 | 3.4 | 14.6 |
| West side Kenia Oljoro O Nyon | 1 | do | 95 | 84 | 16.3 | 24.5 | 14.7 | 12.7 | 4.5 | 3.4 | 14.3 |
| Do | 162228 | Female | 82 | | 16.3 | 21.8 | 12.3 | 12.1 | 4.4 | 3.4 | 12.3 |
| Engare Narok | 162233 | do | 83 | • 77 | 15.6 | 22.2 | 13.5 | 12.0 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 13.7 |
| Southern Guaso Nyiro | | Male | 89 | 60 | 15.4 | 23.7 | 14.4 | 12.8 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 13.4 |
| Do | 1 | Female | 91 | 70 | 14.4 | 23.0 | 14.3 | 12.5 | 4.6 | 3.2 | 13.1 |
| Do | 1 | do | 93 | 76 | 16.0 | 23.2 | 14.1 | 12.7 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 13.3 |
| Do | 162231 | do | 86 | 80 | 16.6 | 23.1 | 14.0 | 12.6 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 13.7 |
| Kabalolot Hill | 181734 | do | 95 | | 16.3 | 24.0 | 14.7 | 13.1 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 12.7 |
| G. m. isolatus. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Mbololo | 182836 | Male | 100 | | 18.1 | 24.8 | 15.2 | 12.8 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 14.0 |
| Do | 1 | Female | 100 | 85 | 17.3 | 24.6 | 15.1 | 13.1 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 14.0 |
| Do | 182838 | do | 95 | 82 | 18.2 | 24.0 | 14.7 | 12.7 | 4.7 | 3.5 | 13.9 |
| Mount Umengo | i | Male | 100 | | 17.9 | 25.2 | 15.1 | 12.9 | 4.8 | 3.5 | 14.3 |
| Do | } | do | 95 | 82 | 18.0 | 24.3 | 14.7 | 12.8 | 4.6 | 3.5 | 14.0 |
| Do | | do | 90 | 81 | 18.2 | 24.3 | 14.7 | 13.1 | 4.6 | 3.5 | 14.5 |
| Do | 1 | Female | 95 | 90 | 17.8 | 04.5 | 1 | 10.4 | 4.5 | 3.6 | 12.0 |
| Do. | 182839 | do | 1 | 88 | 18.3 | 24.5 | 14.5 | 12.4 | 4.8 | 3.6 | 13.8 |

¹ Type of Graphiurus murinus johnstoni Heller.

Type of Graphiurus microtis griseus Allen; Mus. Comp. Zool. at Harvard.
 Type of Graphiurus murinus isolatus Heller; measurements of skull from original description, skull now lost.

Measurements of adult specimens Graphiurus-Continued.

| Form and locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail vertebræ. | Hind foot, dry. | Skull: Condylobasal length. | Zygomatic breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Interorbital breadth. | Upper tooth row. | Length of mandible. |
|-----------------------|----------------|---------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| G. m. isolatus—Contd. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mount Umengo | 182840 | Female. | 92 | 82 | 17.4 | 23.3 | 14.3 | 12.5 | 4.8 | 3.6 | 13.8 |
| Do | 182846 | do | 98 | | 17.7 | 25.1 | 15.5 | 12.9 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 14.7 |
| Do | 182847 | do | 90 | 76 | 16.7 | 23.5 | 15.0 | 12.8 | 4.9 | 3.5 | 13.7 |
| Mount Kilimanjaro | 19729 35247 | do | 98 | | | 25.5 | 15.2 | 12.6 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 15.0 |
| G. p. parvus. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tana River | 1 36056 | Female | • • • • • • | | | 21.0 | 13.0 | 11.5 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 11.2 |
| Jambeni Mountains | 62244 | do | | | 13.9 | 20.4 | 12.4 | 11.4 | 3.8 | 2.7 | 11.4 |
| Engare Ndare River | 182877 | do | 1 | 63 | 13.5 | 21.2 | 12.3 | 11.7 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 11.1 |
| Do | 182876 | do | 80 | 75 | 13.9 | 21.4 | 12.7 | 11.6 | 3.9 | 2.5 | 12.2 |
| G. p. dollmani. | | b. | | | | | | | | | |
| Ulukenia Hills | 2 16722 | do | 83 | 77 | 14.8 | 21.8 | 13.5 | 12.0 | 3.9 | 2.7 | 12.8 |
| Mount Sagalla | 182879 | do | 85 | 80 | 14.8 | 22.6 | 13.3 | 11.8 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 13.0 |
| Do | 182880 | do | 80 | 75 | 14.2 | 21.7 | 13.2 | 12.1 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 13.0 |
| G. personatus. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rhino Camp, Lado | 1 164867 | do | 82 | 63 | 14.0 | 21.3 | 13.2 | 12.0 | 4.0 | 2.7 | 12.4 |

¹ Type.

² Type; Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Chicago.

Family PEDETIDÆ.

Genus PEDETES Illiger.

1811. Pedetes Illiger, Prodr. Syst. Mamm. et Avium, p. 81. (P. cafer.)

The East African "jumping hare" is specifically distinct from *Pedetes cafer* of South Africa. The three well-marked forms known from British East Africa are local representatives of one species and all differ from *cafer* by having a very shallow depression in the anterior palatine region of the skull. The forms of this animal are doubtless very local in distribution. They are all very much alike externally, but are easily separated by the characters of the skull.

For measurements of specimens of Pedetes see page158.

PEDETES SURDASTER SURDASTER Thomas.

Plates 3, 4, 5.

1902. Pedetes surdaster Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 7, vol. 9, p. 440.

June. (Morendat, Naivasha Province, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Pedetes surdaster Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479, 486; London ed., pp. 485, 490, 497. (Part; reference to Naivasha specimens.)

Specimens.—Fifty-three, including six odd skulls and seven fetuses, from:

British East Africa: Naivasha Station, 53 (Loring, Mearns, T. Roosevelt.)

The excellent series of 40 perfect skins and skulls of this form well illustrates the uniformity of specimens taken in one vicinity. The type locality of the species, Morendat, is given on the map prepared by the Public Works Department as about 10 miles west of Naivasha Station and these specimens are therefore virtual topotypes and possibly came from the actual type colony. All pregnant females contained a single fetus each.

Loring's interesting notes on this animal, from Appendix C, Roosevelt's African Game Trails, say:

Very common at Naivasha station where their burrows were numerous on a sandy flat practically in the town, and many were taken within a hundred yards of the station. They are nocturnal, although one instance came under my observation where a springhaas was seen on a dark day to run from one bu row to another. By hunting them on dark nights with the aid of an acetylene light we were able to secure a good series of skins. When the light was flashed on them, their eyes shone like balls of fire the size of a penny, and it was not uncommon to see from two to five and six within the radius of the light at one time. They were usually flashed at a distance of about a hundred yards, and as the light drew near they would watch it, frequently bobbing up and down. Often they hopped away to right or to left, but very seldom did their fright carry them into their burrows unless a shot was fired; in fact even then we sometimes followed up one of their companions and secured it. Some allowed us to approach within 10 feet before moving, and then off they would go in great bounds, but I was never able in the dim light to see whether or not their tails aided them in jumping. I once shot a fox [Otocyon] from a cluster of eyes that I am positive were those of springhaas; this together with the fact that the stomachs of all the foxes killed contained termites and insects, leads me to believe that these two animals are more or less congenial. Doctor Mearns saw a springhaas sitting with its tail curled around to one side of its body, similar to the position often assumed by a house cat.

PEDETES SURDASTER CURRAX Hollister.

Plates 39, 40.

1918. Pedetes surdaster currax Hollister, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 68, No. 10, p. 3. January 16. (Kabalolot Hill, Sotik, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimen.—One, the type—

British East Africa: Kabalolot Hill (Heller).

This is a pale form of *surdaster* with a long tail and with a greater mastoid development in the skull than is found in the other East African races of the "jumping hare." The single specimen was collected by the Rainey Expedition in 1911.

PEDETES SURDASTER LARVALIS Hollister.

Plates 3, 4, 5.

1910. Pedetes surdaster Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., p. 486; London ed., p. 497. (Part; reference to Ulukenia Hills.)

1918. Pedetes surdaster larvalis Hollister, Smithsonian M sc. Coll. vol. 68, No. 10, p. 2. January 16. (Ulukenia Hills, Athi Plains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Six, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Nairobi, 1 skull (Mearns); Ulukenia Hills, 5, including 2 fetuses (Loring).

Although skins of this race are only very slightly paler than skins of true surdaster from Naivasha, the skulls are readily distinguished by constant characters. A profile view of the skull presents an evenly rounded outline from the mastoids to the nasals; whereas in the Naivasha form the braincase is much higher and the depression in the frontals much lower so that the upper outline in profile presents a very uneven line, much raised posteriorly and with a decided depression over the lachrymal region. The rostral and orbital regions of the skull are much deeper in the Athi Plains form than in typical surdaster from Naivasha; and the suture between the frontals and parietals is almost straight across the skull with only a slight anteriorly rounded convexity, while in the large series of nearly 50 skulls of typical surdaster this suture presents a distinct and usually sharply pointed salient into the frontals.

Measurements of East African specimens of Pedetes.

| Locality. No. Sex. Pu | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Naivasha Station 162178 Male 395 428 151 72.7 53.7 19.9 32.3 42.5 Do 162187 .do 400 430 147 73.5 53.7 20.0 32.3 43.6 Do 162188 .do 385 430 150 74.9 52.0 19.2 32.2 43.0 Do 162193 .do 395 405 154 74.5 54.5 20.8 32.7 44.4 Do 162198 .do 385 430 150 72.4 55.1 21.3 32.3 43.4 Do 162199 .do 396 444 152 72.4 55.5 20.3 33.0 43.8 Do 162209 .do 380 435 153 72.1 54.0 20.7 32.1 43.7 Do 162202 .do 400 430 159 74.3 54.6 21.7 33.1 | Upper tooth row, crowns. | Mastoid breadth, | of skull of orbits.2 | Greatest breadth of nasals. | Zygomatic breadth. | Skull: Condylobasal length. | foot, claws. | Tail vertebræ. | Head and body. | Sex. | No. | Locality. |
| Do. 162187 .do. 400 430 147 73.5 53.7 20.0 32.3 43.6 Do. 162188 .do. 385 430 150 74.9 52.0 19.2 32.2 43.0 Do. 162193 .do. 385 405 154 74.5 54.5 20.8 32.7 44.4 Do. 162198 .do. 385 430 150 72.4 55.1 21.3 32.3 43.4 Do. 162199 .do. 396 444 152 72.4 56.5 20.3 33.0 43.8 Do. 162200 .do. 380 435 153 72.1 54.0 20.7 32.1 43.7 Do. 162202 .do. 400 430 159 74.3 54.6 21.7 33.1 44.7 Do. 162207 .do. 393 430 151 74.9 56.5 19.5 32.5 | | | | | | | | | | | | P. s. surdaster. |
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| Do. 162198 .do. 385 430 150 72.4 55.1 21.3 32.3 43.4 Do. 162199 .do. 396 444 152 72.4 56.5 20.3 33.0 43.8 Do. 162200 .do. 380 435 153 72.1 54.0 20.7 32.1 43.7 Do. 162202 .do. 400 430 159 74.3 54.6 21.7 33.1 44.7 Do. 162203 .do. 393 430 151 74.9 56.5 19.5 32.5 43.7 Do. 162207 .do. 407 430 151 74.9 56.5 19.5 32.5 42.7 Do. 162169 .do. 390 420 145 72.3 52.8 19.7 31.2 43.2 Do. 162169 .do. 390 420 152 73.3 55.9 19.3 30.5 | 14.9 | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Do. 162167 Female. 390 420 145 72.3 52.8 19.7 31.2 43.2 Do. 162169 .do. 395 425 155 73.3 55.0 20.3 31.7 42.5 Do. 162170 .do. 390 400 152 73.1 55.9 19.3 30.5 41.9 Do. 162175 .do. 382 405 149 70.4 54.0 20.0 31.1 42.2 Do. 162182 .do. 390 425 153 73.5 56.8 19.9 31.4 43.5 Do. 162190 .do. 400 152 71.7 55.0 20.0 31.6 42.5 Do. 162192 .do. 395 405 448 71.9 52.8 19.7 31.7 41.9 | 15.9 | 43.7 | 32.5 | 19.8 | 54.8 | 73.9 | 154 | 430 | 393 | do | 162203 | Do |
| Do. 162169 .do. 395 425 155 73.3 55.0 20.3 31.7 42.5 Do. 162170 .do. 390 400 152 73.1 55.9 19.3 30.5 41.9 Do. 162175 .do. 382 405 149 70.4 54.0 20.0 31.1 42.2 Do. 162182 .do. 390 425 153 73.5 56.8 19.9 31.4 43.5 Do. 162190 .do. 400 152 71.7 55.0 20.0 31.6 42.5 Do. 162192 .do. 395 405 448 71.9 52.8 19.7 31.7 41.9 | 14.9 | 42.7 | 32.5 | 19.5 | 56.5 | 74.9 | 151 | 430 | 407 | do | 162207 | Do |
| Do. 162170 .do. 390 400 152 73.1 55.9 19.3 30.5 41.9 Do. 162175 .do. 382 405 149 70.4 54.0 20.0 31.1 42.2 Do. 162182 .do. 390 425 153 73.5 56.8 19.9 31.4 43.5 Do. 162190 .do. 400 152 71.7 55.0 20.0 31.6 42.5 Do. 162192 .do. 395 405 448 71.9 52.8 19.7 31.7 41.9 | 14.9 | 43.2 | 31.2 | 19.7 | 52.8 | 72.3 | 145 | 420 | 390 | Female. | 162167 | Do |
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| Do | 15.6 | 42.2 | 31.1 | 20.0 | 54.0 | 70.4 | 149 | 405 | 382 | do | 162175 | Do |
| Do | 15.8 | 43.5 | 31.4 | 19.9 | 56.8 | 73.5 | 153 | 425 | 390 | do | 162182 | Do |
| | 15.1 | 42.5 | 31.6 | 20.0 | 55.0 | 71.7 | 152 | | 400 | | 162190 | |
| Do 162194 do 380 395 148 73 6 52 9 19 7 32 4 42 1 | 15.2 | 41.9 | 31.7 | 19.7 | 52, 8 | 71.9 | 448 | 405 | 395 | do | 162192 | Do |
| | 15.6 | 42.1 | 32.4 | 19.7 | 52.9 | 73.6 | 148 | 395 | 380 | do | 162194 | Do |
| Do | 15.2 | 42.8 | 31.6 | 19.4 | 54.2 | 73.0 | 153 | 430 | 390 | do | 162204 | Do |
| P. s. currax. | | | | | | | | | | | | P.s. currax. |
| Kabalolot Hill | 15.9 | 46.1 | 33.6 | 19.0 | 55.7 | 75.3 | 157 | 480 | 400 | Male | 3 181762 | Kabalolot Hill |
| P. s. larvalis. | | | | | | | | | | | | P. s. larvalis. |
| Ulukenia Hills | 15.1 | 45.4 | 34.2 | 19.5 | 53.8 | 72.4 | 151 | 392 | 353 | Female . | 163303 | Ulukenia Hills |
| Do | 16.3 | 45.4 | 36.2 | 21.7 | 55.2 | 78.2 | 159 | 427 | 370 | do | 3 163304 | Do |
| Do | 16.1 | 45.1 | 34.8 | 20.1 | 52.3 | 76.2 | 157 | 451 | 383 | do | 163915 | Do |

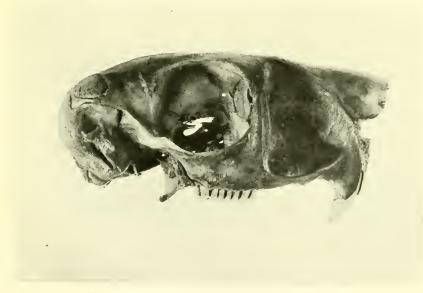
 $^{^{\}mbox{\tiny 1}}$ Taken in this case to the most anterior point of premaxillary bone.

² From median anterior alveolar line to highest point on crown directly above lachrymal bone.

³ Type.

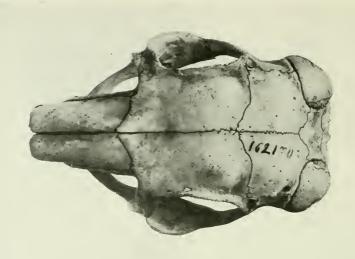


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PEDETES SURDASTER LARVALIS HOLLISTER. TYPE.

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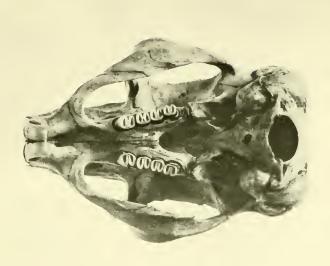


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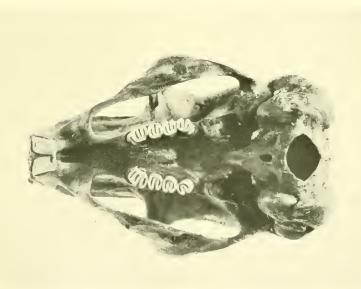


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PEDETES SURDASTER LARVALIS HOLLISTER. TYPE.

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Family BATHYERGIDÆ.

Genus HETEROCEPHALUS Rüppell.

1842. Heterocephalus Rüppell, Mus. Senckenberg, vol. 3, Heft 2, p. 99. (H. glaber.)

In addition to the species of the naked mole-rat known from Somaliland and Abyssinia, three forms have been described from British East Africa. These species or subspecies have been based on single specimens or very small series. After study of a suite of twelve specimens from one general region—the Northern Guaso Nyiro—I find that the characters used to separate these forms from Heterocephalus glaber are all accounted for by individual variation. Skulls of Heterocephalus are subject to a remarkable amount of variation. (See pls. 6 and 7) In the series of specimens mentioned the differences in size (usually accounted for by age); the variations in the form and position of the posterior border of the bony palate, in the shape, size, and relative position of the palatine foramina, and in the development of the coronoid process are great, and cover virtually all of the conditions described of the type-specimens of the named forms from British East Africa. Remarkable variations in relative size and shape of the molariform teeth are apparent in every specimen, and as great variation is present in width and bulk of the incisors. One skull in the collection, from Archer's Post on the Northern Guaso Nviro, agrees almost to the slightest detail in every measurement but one with the type skull of glaber as described by Thomas. The single case of discrepancy in size is in the breadth of palate inside m^2 and there is every reason to suspect that a mistake has been made in recording that measurement in Mr. Thomas's account. Without a suitable series of authentic skulls of glaber it will of course be impossible to settle the matter but it seems best to disregard the names applied to specimens from northern British East Africa until such actual comparison can be made. The type localities of the three names in question are sufficiently close together so that, considering the uniform conditions of local environment necessary to the life of the animal, it is reasonable to suspect that only one form is represented. Mr. Heller compared this series of skulls with the material in London and has noted on the label of one of the larger specimens (No. 184171) that it is identical with skulls of glaber from Somaliland; and on the label of one of the smaller skulls (No. 184176) that this specimen is identical with the type skull of ansorgei. Rüppell's figure of the type skull of glaber and the outline drawing of the same specimen published by Thomas in 1885² do not agree in essential details, and it is probably safest not to trust either for fine specific comparisons.

¹ Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1885, p. 848.

² Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1885, pl. 54, fig. 5.

HETEROCEPHALUS GLABER Rüppell.

Plates 6, 7.

1842. Heterocephalus glaber Rüppell, Mus. Senckenberg, vol. 3, Heft 2, p. 99. (Schoa, Abyssinia; type in Senckenberg Museum, Frankfort.)

1903. Heterocephalus ansorgei Thomas, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1903, vol. 2, p. 336. (Between Ngomeni and Kenani, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1912. Heterocephalus stygius G. M. Allen, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 54, p. 444. April. (Neuman's Boma, Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in Mus. Comparative Zoölogy, Harvard University.)

1912. Heterocephalus glaber progrediens LÖNNBERG, Kungl. Sv. Vet. Akad. Handl., vol. 48, No. 5, p. 102. (Thornbush country north of Northern Guaso Nyiro, British East Africa; type in R. Nat. Hist. Mus., Stockholm.)

Specimens.—Thirteen, from localities as follows:

ITALIAN SOMALI: Lugh, 1 in alcohol (Bottego).

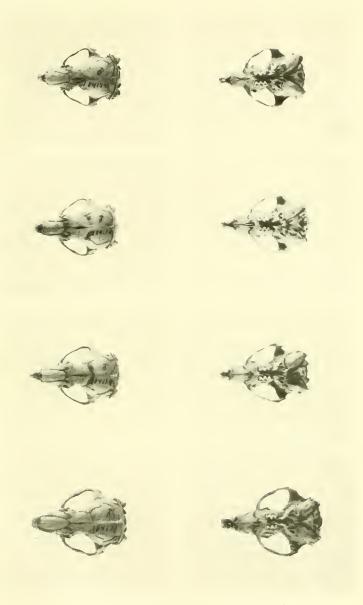
British East Africa: Archer's Post, 3 (Heller); Lakiundu River, 1 (Heller); Longaya Water, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Merelle Water, Marsabit Road, 6, including 4 in alcohol (Heller); Northern Guaso Nyiro River, 30 miles east of falls, 1 (Percival).

In Heller's field journal of the Rainey Expedition I find the following interesting notes on naked rats:

Longaya Water: This morning near camp I saw several of the Heterocephalus throwing dirt out of their burrows. Little puffs of sand were coming out at intervals. The animal could not be seen and was apparently below the mouth of the burrow. This was about 8 a. m., and at 9 a. m. I again went out to snare some, but found them all quiet. They are apparently active only in the early morning. At sundown more were seen working. Went out at 9 p. m. with the headlight but found none at work where holes were numerous. Caught one during the night in a trap. Merelle Water: At 5 p. m. I saw several Heterocephalus throwing sand out of the burrows. I stood over one of the holes and watched. The animal pushed the dirt to the entrance with his head, then turned about and with his hind feet threw the dirt out, in a rapid puffy fashion, vertically, so that in falling it made a funnel-shaped pile about the hole. While he was thus throwing out the earth his tail could be seen wagging back and forth. Archer's post: As we were approaching camp I saw one of the naked mole rats throwing out sand in the bright sunshine. They seem [after all] to have no definite time for work.

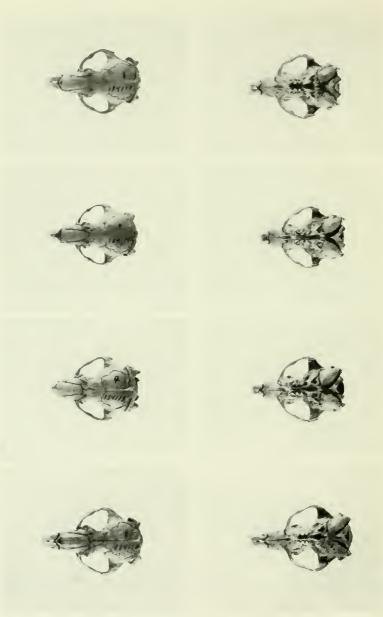
Measurements of specimens of Heterocephalus glaber from British East Africa.

| Locality. | No. | Sex. | Head and body. | Tail. | Hind foot. | Skull: Occipito- nasal length. | Condylobasal length. | Zygomatic breadth. | Mastoid breadth. | Upper tooth row, crowns. | Mandible. | Lower tooth row, crowns. |
|--------------------|--------|---------|----------------|-------|------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Archer's post | 184171 | Male | 108 | 46 | 21 | 21.5 | 24.2 | 18.2 | 13.1 | 3.3 | 20.4 | 3.4 |
| Do | 184172 | do | 98 | 46 | 21 | 20.2 | 22.4 | 15.7 | 12.5 | 3.2 | 18.4 | 3.6 |
| Do | 184177 | Female. | 100 | 47 | 21 | 19.9 | 22.4 | 17.2 | 12.7 | 3.5 | 18.8 | 4.0 |
| North Guaso Nyiro. | 184170 | do | 98 | 50 | 19 | 20.9 | 23.7 | 17.8 | 12.9 | 3.2 | 20.3 | 3.6 |
| Lakiundu River | 184173 | Male | 90 | 43 | 20 | 19.0 | 20.3 | 15.6 | 12.2 | 3.3 | 17.4 | 3.9 |
| Longaya Water | 184174 | do | 95 | 43 | 19 | 18.9 | 21.2 | 16.0 | 12.6 | 3.3 | 17.4 | 3.7 |
| Merelle Water | 184175 | Female. | 105 | 50 | 22 | 20.3 | 22.7 | 17.4 | 12.5 | 3.2 | 19.4 | 3.6 |
| Do | 184176 | do | 95 | 50 | 21 | 19.4 | 21.5 | 16.2 | 11.9 | 3.4 | 18.2 | 3.9 |



SKULLS OF HETEROCEPHALUS GLABER, ADULT MALES.

FOR EXPLANATION OF PLATE SEE PAGE 171.



SKULLS OF HETEROCEPHALUS GLABER, ADULT FEMALES.

FOR EXPLANATION OF FLATE SEE FACE 171.

Genus HELIOPHOBIUS Peters.

1846. Heliophobius Peters, Mon.-ber. Akad. Berlin, 1846, p. 259. (H. argenteo-cinereus.)

1890. Myoscalops Thomas, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 448. (To replace Heliophobius on supposition that it was preoccupied by Heliophobus Boisduval, 1829.)

The blesmols of this genus are in need of a careful systematic revision. For the present it seems best to use for our specimens the name proposed by Heller for the Kapiti Plains species. Although this name may be antedated by others, at present of doubtful status, it unquestionably applies to the form, and should not be replaced without due consideration.

HELIOPHOBIUS KAPITI (Heller).

Plate 38.

1909. Georychus kapiti Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54, part 4, p. 469.

September 24. (Potha, Kapiti Plains, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

1910. Myoscalops kapiti Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479, 486; London ed., pp. 485, 490, 497.

Specimens.—Forty-three, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Kapiti Plains, 8 (Loring); Kiambu, 1 (Loring); Loita Plains, 19 (Heller); Narosurra River, 2 (Turner); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 3 (Loring); Telek River, 5 (Heller); Tsavo, 1 (Turner); Ulukenia Hills, 4 (Loring).

All of the specimens of *Heliophobius* from British East Africa in the United States National Museum collection appear to belong to a single form. The skin and skull from Tsavo are indistinguishable from specimens from Kapiti Plains and other localities and do not approach in any manner *Heliophobius spalax* ¹ of Taveta. A single skin in the series (No. 181638 from Loita Plains) has a white nose; otherwise all are without abnormal markings of any kind.

The status of two forms of *Heliophobius* described from "East Africa" by Gray in 1864 has never been settled. These were based on specimens collected by Speke, the types of which are in the British Museum. One, *H. albifrons*, has a large white frontal spot; the other, *H. pallidus*, is of a peculiar pale and possibly albinistic color.

On the Loita Plains, May 26, Heller found female blesmols with two and three embryos each. The members of the Smithsonian African Expedition found numerous skulls of *Heliophobius* in owl pellets on the Kapiti Plains.

¹ Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 315. September, 1910.

² Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1864, pp. 123, 124.

³ Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 8, vol. 6, p. 316. September, 1910.

Family HYSTRICIDÆ.

Genus HYSTRIX Linnæus.

1758. Hystrix Linnæus, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, vol. 1, p. 56. (H. cristata.)

In addition to the porcupine from Lamu, British East Africa, included in our collection and listed below, the following forms have recently been described from eastern Equatorial Africa: Hystrix galeata ambigua Lönnberg,¹ Kibonoto, Kilimanjaro; Hystrix africæ-australis prittwitzi Müller,² Tabora, south of Victoria Nyanza, German East Africa; Hystrix galeata conradsi Müller,³ Muansa, south shore of Victoria Nyanza, German East Africa; Hystrix galeata lademanni Müller,³ Kondoa Irangi, German East Africa; Hystrix galeata lönnbergi Müller,⁴ Mount Kilimanjaro; Hystrix stegmanni Müller,⁵ Kissenji, northeast of Lake Kivu, German East Africa; and Hystrix galeata somalensis Lönnberg,⁶ near Njoro, north of Northern Guaso Nyiro River, British East Africa. Dollman has recorded Hystrix africæ-australis Peters from the Amala River, southwestern British East Africa.

HYSTRIX GALEATA Thomas.

1893. Hystrix galeata Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 11, p. 230.

March. (Lamu, British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Hystrix galeata Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479; London ed., pp. 485-491.

Specimens.—Three, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Lake Naivasha, 2 (K. Roosevelt); Maji-ya-chumvi, 1 (Heller).

Some quills of the porcupine, picked up by Doctor Mearns at 6,500 feet on the west side of Mount Kenia, are also in the collection. The Maji-ya-chumvi specimen, which might be taken as representing true galeata, is young, with only two cheek teeth in place. One of the Naivasha specimens is somewhat older, with three cheek teeth, but with the premolar unchanged and with the basal suture open; while the other Naivasha skull shows the specimen to be an old, but not aged, individual. All are males. The skulls of these three animals are therefore not fairly comparable, but there is no reason to suspect that the Naivasha specimens might represent a separate race. Skins and quill markings of the two younger specimens are very much alike.

¹ Sjostedts Kilimandjaro-Meru Exped., Mamm., p. 29. 1908.

² Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1910, p. 311.

³ Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1910, p. 314.

Sitz.-ber. Ges. nat. Freunde Berlin, 1910, p. 315.

⁵ Archiv. für Naturgeseh., 1910, vol. 1, p. 186.

⁶ Kungl. Svenska Vet. Handl., vol. 48, No. 5, p. 109. 1912.

⁷ Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1914, p. 317.

Family THRYONOMYIDÆ.

Genus THRYONOMYS Fitzinger.

1827. Aulacodus Temminck, Mon. Mamm. vol. 1, p. 245. (T. swinderianus. Not Aulacodus Eschscholtz, 1822.)

1867. Thryonomys Fitzinger, Sitz.-ber. Akad. Wien, vol. 56, p. 141. (T. semi-palmatus.)

1896. Triaulucodus Lydekker, Geogr. Hist. Mamm. pp. 91, 240 (pro Aulacodus Temminck).

Representatives of both the large and small cane rats of this genus are included in the collection; but the material is altogether inadequate, and no opinion can be ventured on the relationships of the forms or on their systematic value.

THRYONOMYS SWINDERIANUS (Temminck).

1827. Aulacodus swinderianus Temminek Mon. Mamm., vol. 1, p. 248. (Africa; type in Leyden Museum.)

1892. Aulacodus swinderianus True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 468.

Specimen.—One skin and skull, as follows:

British East Africa: Taveta, 1 (Abbott).

The skull of this specimen, and old adult, basal suture obliterated, sex unknown, measures: Greatest length, 104 millimeters; condylobasal length, 91.2; zygomatic breadth, 70.3; greatest width of rostrum, 29.7; greatest width of nasals, 20.4; greatest length of nasals, 35.5; upper tooth row, crowns, 19.2.

THRYONOMYS PUSILLUS Heller.

Plate 41.

1912. Thryonomys gregorianus pusillus Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 17. July 5. (Ndi, Taita Hills, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Seven, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Maji-ya-chumvi, 5, including 3 embryos in alcohol (Heller); Ndi, 2, including 1 odd skull (Heller).

Females from Ndi, November 3, and Maji-ya-chumvi, December 12, each contained three embryos. A small specimen, about the size of a house rat, was captured at the latter place on December 10. Heller's field notes say that the species lives in grassy veldt, in holes; and on the edges of scrub thickets. Measurements of the type skull (young adult female with basal suture open) and of a similar female from Maji-ya-chumvi: Greatest length, 71.7, —; condylobasal length, 65.8, —; zygomatic breadth, 43.7, —; greatest width of rostrum, 17.3, 16.9; greatest width of nasals, 11.8, 11.9; greatest length of nasals, 23.6, 24.8; mandible, 50.3, 52.5; upper tooth row, crowns, 14.9, 14.2.

THRYONOMYS GREGORIANUS (Thomas).

1894. Aulacodus gregorianus Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 13 p. 202. February. (Luiji Reru River, Konu, Kikuyu British East Africa; type in British Mus.)

Specimen.—One skin and skull, as follows:

British East Africa: Kaimosi, 1 (Turner).

Mr. Turner has noted on the label that this specimen was captured on a grassy hill near Kaimosi, December 10, 1913.

Order LAGOMORPHA.

Family LEPORIDÆ.

Genus LEPUS Linnæus.

1758. Lepus Linnæus, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, vol. 1, p. 57. (L. timidus.)

The East African hares are readily separated into several well-marked forms. In no case does our material show two forms occupying the same territory and it would seem probable that complete collections will prove that all the British East African hares, with the exception of *L. raineyi*, are races of some earlier named species, probably of *Lepus capensis*.

LEPUS ISABELLINUS Cretzschmar.

1828. Lepus isabellinus Cretzschmar, Atlas Reise nörd. Afrika von Eduard Rüppell, p. 52. (Desert southwest from Ambukol, Sudan; type in Frankfort Museum.)

1905. Lepus isabellinus Schwann, Novit. Zool., vol. 12, p. 5. January.

Specimens.—Two, from—

SUDAN: Naikhala (Rothschild).

LEPUS TIGRENSIS Blanford.

1869. Lepus tigrensis Blanford, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 4, vol. 4, p. 330.

November. (Takonda and Adabagi, Abyssinia; "types in British Museum.") 1

Specimens.—Two, from—

ERITREA: Agordat (received from W. F. H. Rosenberg).

LEPUS RAINEYI Heller.

Plate 42.

1912. Lepus raineyi Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 18. July 5. (Longaya Water, 30 miles south of Mount Marsabit, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Eight, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Kara Water, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Lakiundu River, 3 (Heller); Longaya Water, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller); Mount Lololokwi, 1 (Heller); Quoy Water, Marsabit Road, 1 (Heller).

¹ Blanford, Observations on the Geology and Zoology of Abyssinia, p. 276. London, 1870.

This long-eared, buff and black hare, with a distinct grayish rump patch, is readily distinguishable from the hares of the capensisvictoriæ group. It is confined to the region north of Mount Kenia, where it is known from the southern side of the Northern Guaso Nyiro River northward to Mount Marsabit. Heller found single embryos in females from Lakiundu River, July 10, and Longaya Water, July 21.

Heller reports this hare as abundant in the open sandy desert country about Marsabit. He says it relies upon its pale coloration, rather than cover, for protection, differing in this respect from the hares of the highlands of British East Africa to the southward.

LEPUS CAPENSIS ABBOTTI Hollister.

Plate 43.

1892. ?Lepus capensis True, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 15, p. 468. (Not of Linnæus.)

1918. Lepus capensis abbotti Hollister, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 31, p. 35. May 16. (Plains east of Mount Kilimanjaro, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Three, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Maji-ya-chumvi, 1 (Heller); plains east of Mount Kilimanjaro, 1 (Abbott); Useri River, 1 (Abbott).

This subspecies of the Cape hare more nearly resembles the typical form of South Africa than do some of the intermediate races. It is closely related to *Lepus capensis crawshayi*, but can be distinguished in fresh pelage by the more ochraceous tone of the buff hair rings above; more ochraceous, less blackish, shoulders and sides of neck; deeper ochraceous nape-patch, throat-patch, sides, and limbs; and browner ears. The young example from Maji-ya-chumvi, in juvenile coat, is decidedly darker (more ochraceous, less gray) than young of *crawshayi* in corresponding pelage, and has a much deeper colored nape and throat.

LEPUS CAPENSIS CRAWSHAYI de Winton.

1899. Lepus crawshayi de Winton, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, p. 416. (Neugia Kitwi, 1 British East Africa; type in British Museum.)

1910. Lepus victoriæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479; London ed., pp. 485, 491. (Part.)

1918. Lepus capensis crawshayi Hollister, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 31, p. 35. May 16.

Specimens.—Twenty-eight, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Juja Farm, 1 (Mearns); Kapiti Plains, 7 (Mearns, Loring); Naivasha Station, 1 (Loring); Omboni River, 1 (Heller); Plains west of Mount Kenia, 8, including 1 in alcohol (Loring, Mearns); Sir Alfred Pease's Farm, 1 (Mearns); Ulukenia Hills, 9, including 2 in alcohol and 2 odd skulls (Loring, Mearns).

¹ East of the Athi River and northeast of Maclakos.

Measurements of specimens of Lepus.

| Sudan: Naikhala. Do. Eritrea: Agordat. Do. L. tigrensis. Agordat. Do. L. raineyi. B. E. A.: Marsabit Road | No. 141511 141511 122538 122539 182746 | Sex. Male Female. | Head and body. 425 420 460 | Tail. 90 90 90 | | | Skull: Occipi- tonasal length. 85.8 88.2 | Condy- Zygo- lobssal matic length, breadth. 75.8 38.2 72.4 | Zygo- matic readth. 38.2 | | | 9 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | Great- est breadth of nasals. ? | Maxillary Looch rooch Ilary Looch Ilary Il | Mandi-bular boular row, alveoli. |
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| 30.0 | 28.7 | : | 28.3 | 28.5 | 30.3 | 29.0 | 28.6 | 28.4 | 28.5 | 28.4 | 27.4 | 29.3 | 29.5 | | 30.5 | 28.0 | 28.8 | 30.2 | 29.8 | 29.5 | 27.9 | 30.7 | | 29.1 | 29. 2 | | 26.9 |
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| 41.4 | 39.9 | 40.9 | 39.0 | 40.1 | 39.9 | 39.8 | 40.3 | 37.7 | 39.9 | 39.7 | 38.5 | 41.2 | 39.4 | | 42.9 | 39.9 | 40.9 | 43.0 | 42.0 | 40.4 | 38.8 | 42.9 | | 41.1 | 39.3 | | 38.5 |
| 78.0 | 72.0 | : | 75.0 | 75.2 | 72.9 | 73.8 | 75.2 | 0.92 | 75.2 | 72.9 | 75.0 | 73.8 | 78.3 | | | 75.1 | 77.0 | 78.8 | 75.9 | 73.2 | 71.6 | 83.0 | | 80.0 | 79.4 | | 76.0 |
| 84.8 | 83.0 | : | 81.8 | 83.8 | 81.3 | 81.6 | 84.6 | 86.3 | 82.0 | 78.7 | 81.8 | 82.3 | 87.1 | | 86.5 | : | 85.5 | 88.1 | 84.0 | : | 78.6 | 93.2 | | 89.5 | 88.7 | | 86.8 |
| 88 | 88 | 94 | 16 | 82 | 98 | 86 | 68 | 85 | 93 | 66 | 86 | 92 | 92 | • | 98 | 95 | 100 | 94 | 96 | 92 | 94 | 76 | | 78 | 83 | | 81 |
| 113 | 118 | 114 | 117 | 115 | 109 | 110 | 111 | 114 | : | | : | | 112 | | 110 | 116 | 120 | 120 | 112 | 124 | 122 | 120 | | 105 | 115 | | |
| 73 | 105 | 105 | 92 | 91 | 85 | 92 | 102 | 102 | : | : | : | : | 92 | | 2.0 | 105 | 114 | 106 | 06 | 101 | 130 | 135 | | 110 | 95 | | |
| 451 | 450 | 455 | 460 | 420 | 442 | 424 | 423 | 435 | : | : | : | : | 470 | | 580 | 455 | 200 | 449 | 428 | 453 | 465 | 520 | | 460 | 490 | | : |
| do | do | do | Male | do | do | Female. | do | do | Male | do | Female. | do | op | | Male | do | do | Female. | do | do | op | op | | Female. | do | | |
| 163673 | | 162160 | 161703 | <u> </u> | | 163663 | 163665 | 161702 | 162158 | 162159 | 162150 | 162151 | 162157 | | 181766 | 162156 | 162161 | 162153 | 162154 | 162155 | 162162 | 162163 | | 1 181809 | 163661 | | 164841 |
| Do | Ombom River | Naivasha | Juja Farm | Ulukenia Hills | | | | E Kitanga | | Do | Dt | Do | Do | L B. E. A.: L. v. victorix. | Telek River | Southern Guaso Nyiro | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | Do | E V A . L. v. kakumegæ. | a River | | L. microtis, | Uganda: Ledgus |

Mearns notes one small fetus in a female collected at Sir Alfred

Pease's Farm, May 9.

In full, fresh pelage this is a richly colored hare, much darker than raineyi or victoria, and less rufous or ochraceous than abbotti or kakumegæ. Only a few skins are in the best pelage, the majority of the specimens showing considerably the effects of wear and fading. Specimens in juvenile coat are pale brownish gray, but those in the post-juvenile pelage are darker than many adults. As with most hares, these latter may be distinguished from the adults by the peculiar fine streaking of the post-juvenile coat. Some adults, in old pelage but not yet showing much wear, are very gray in color, differing markedly from the darker, fresh-coated animals. There is great uniformity in the skulls throughout the entire series, and I do not detect any subspecific differences between skins from the extremes of distribution for the race. No evidences of direct intergradation with L. victoriæ or with L. raineyi are to be found from our material. Contrary to the general opinion, I do not think that the ranges of these species overlap, and I would not be surprised if victoriæ eventually proved to be a subspecies of Lepus capensis, grading into crawshayi or abbotti.

LEPUS VICTORIÆ VICTORIÆ Thomas.

1893. Lepus victoriæ Thomas, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., ser. 6, vol. 12, p. 268.
October. (Nassa, Speke Gulf, Victoria Nyanza, German East Africa;
type in British Museum.)

1910. Lepus victoriæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479;

London ed., pp. 485, 491. (Part.)

Specimens.—Fourteen, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Deep Dale, Sotik, 1 (Heller); Kabalolot Hill, 2 (Heller); Oljoro O Nyon River, 1 (Loring); Southern Guaso Nyiro River, 9, including 1 odd skull (Loring, Mearns, Heller); Telek

River, Sotik, 1 (Heller).

This is a distinctly larger hare than Lepus capensis crawshayi. It does not, so far as our material shows, range east of the Rift Valley. I suspect that it is a subspecies of Lepus capensis and that intergrading specimens will be found between it and crawshayi or abbotti. The characters of the incisor teeth, commonly used to distinguish victoriæ from crawshayi, are average only, and are not to be relied upon in every case. Compared with Lepus capensis crawshayi, the Victoria hare is a much less brightly colored animal, less gray or less blackish according to the condition of the pelage. Our specimens are a very uniformly colored lot, but there is considerable variation in

¹ See de Winton, Proc. Zool. Soc. London, 1889, pp. 416, 417; Lönnberg, Kungl. Sv. Vet. Akad. Handl. vol. 48, No. 5, p. 111. 1912.

size of the skull. As usual in the genus the largest specimens are old females.

LEPUS VICTORIÆ KAKUMEGÆ Heller.

Plate 44

1910. Lepus victoriæ Roosevelt, African Game Trails, Amer. ed., pp. 473, 479; London ed., pp. 485, 491. (Part.)

1912. Lepus kakumegæ Heller, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 16, p. 19. July 5. (Lukosa River, Kakumega Forest, British East Africa; type in U. S. Nat. Mus.)

Specimens.—Four, from localities as follows:

British East Africa: Guas Ngishu Plateau, 1 odd skull (Heller); Lukosa River, 1 (Heller); Sirgoit Lake, 2, including 1 odd skull (Heller).

A dark, or rather more richly colored race of Lepus victoriæ, with much shorter ears. The Sirgoit Lake skin is somewhat intermediate between this form and typical victoriæ, but clearly goes best with kakumegæ. This is probably a connectant subspecies between victoriæ and microtis. Hares from Uganda and the upper Nile are greatly needed in collections.

LEPUS MICROTIS Heuglin.

1865. Lepus microtis Heuglin, Nov. Act. Acad. Caes. Leop., vol. 32, pt. 1, p. 32. (Lat. 6°-8° N., long. 29°-31° E., Bahr-el-Gazal, Sudan.)

Specimen.—One head with skull from—

UGANDA: Lagos, near Ledgus, 1 (Loring).

The status of Lepus microtis Heuglin has never been determined, but there seems little reason to suspect that it represents anything except the short-eared forest hare of the upper Nile, which doubtless intergrades through kakumegæ into Lepus victoriæ. The single specimen in the collection, imperfect as it is, helps little to settle the question except that it proves the presence of a hare of this type in extreme northwestern Uganda. The Ledgus specimen may not represent typical microtis, but the form represented will doubtless prove nearer to that subspecies than to the obviously related Lepus victoriæ kakumegæ.

Order TUBULIDENTATA.

Family ORYCTEROPIDÆ.

Genus ORYCTEROPUS Geoffroy.

1796. Orycteropus Geoffroy, Mag. Encycl., vol. 2, p. 290. (O. afer.)

The aard-vark is rarely collected by East African travelers, and no specimens were brought home by either of the larger expeditions.

ORYCTEROPUS ÆTHIOPICUS Sundevall.

1843. Orycteropus æthiopicus Sundevall, Kongl. Vet.-Akad. Handl., 1842, p. 236. (Sennar, Sudan.)

Specimen.—One skin and skull, as follows:

Abyssinia: Adis Ababa, 1 (Philip).

The skull of this specimen measures: Total length, 213; condylobasal length, 213; zygomatic breadth, 79; median length of nasals, 88.4; greatest breadth of nasals, 44; interorbital breadth, 57.4; postorbital constriction, 43.7; palatal length, 132; length of mandible, 186; entire upper tooth row, 65.8; entire lower tooth row, 42.2.

EXPLANATION OF PLATES.

The skulls illustrated in these plates were all photographed natural size. The scale as given is in most cases correct, but allowance should be made for very slight variations from the size of the actual specimens which sometimes exist in plates made by the photographic process.

Plate 1.

Map of Eastern Equatorial Africa.

Plate 2.

East African maned rat (Lophiomys ibeanus) photographed from living specimen in the National Zoological Park. (From Baker, Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 59, No. 9, pl. 1, 1912.) Much reduced.

PLATE 3.

Skulls of *Pedetes*, lateral view, natural size.

Upper figure. Pedetes surdaster surdaster. Adult female; Cat. No. 162170; Naivasha Station, British East Africa.

Lower figure. Pedetes surdaster larvalis. Adult female; Cat. No. 163304; Ulukenia Hills, British East Africa. Type-specimen.

Skulls of Pedetes, dorsal view, natural size.

Upper figure. Pedetes surdaster surdaster. Adult female; Cat. No. 162170; Naiyasha Station, British East Africa.

Lower figure. Pedetes surdaster larvalis. Adult female; Cat. No. 163304; Ulukenia Hills, British East Africa. Type-specimen.

Plate 5.

Skulls of *Pedetes*, ventral view, natural size.

Upper figure. Pedetes surdaster surdaster. Adult female; Cat. No. 162170; Naivasha Station, British East Africa.

Lower figure. Pedetes surdaster larvalis. Adult female; Cat. No. 163304; Ulukenia Hills, British East Africa. Type-specimen.

PLATE 6.

Skulls of Heterocephalus glaber, adult males, from north of Mount Kenia; dorsal and ventral views, natural size.

Cat. No. 184174. Longaya Water. Cat. No. 184173. Lakiundu River.

Cat. No. 184172. Archer's Post.

Cat. No. 184171. Archer's Post.

Plate 7.

Skulls of Heterocephalus glaber, adult females, from north of Mount Kenia; dorsal and ventral views, natural size.

Cat. No. 184177. Archer's Post.

Cat. No. 184176. Merelle Water.

Cat. No. 184175. Merelle Water.

Cat. No. 184170. Northern Guaso Nyiro.

PLATE 8.

Skull of type-specimen of Sciurus undulatus True. adult male; Cat. No. 19005. Natural size. (=Heliosciurus undulatus undulatus.)

PLATE 9.

Skull of type-specimen of *Heliosciurus rufobrachiatus shindi* Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 182768. Natural size. (=*Heliosciurus undulatus shindi*.)

PLATE 10.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Left. Heliosciurus multicolor madogæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164828. Right. Paraxerus kahari Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 164203. (=Paraxerus ochraceus kahari.)

PLATE 11.

Skull of type-specimen of *Protoxerus stangeri bea* Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181786. Natural size.

PLATE 12.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Left. Tatera varia Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 162249. (= Tatera böhmi varia.) Right. Tatera pothæ Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 161716. (= Tatera vicina pothæ.)

(From Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, pl. 1. 1910.)

PLATE 13.

Skull of type-specimen of *Tatera nigricauda percivali* Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 183945. Natural size.

PLATE 14.

Skull of type-specimen of *Lophiomys thomasi* Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181789. Natural size.

PLATE 15.

Skull of type-specimen of *Tachyoryctes rex* Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 163088. Natural size. (From Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 56, No. 9, pl. 3. 1910.)

PLATE 16.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Dendromus mesomelas percivali Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181791. (=Dendromus insignis percivali.)

Middle figures. Dendromus whytei capitis Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181792. Lower figures. Dendromus lineatus Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164816.

PLATE 17.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Dendromus nigrifrons True. Adult female; Cat. No. 35263.

Middle figures. Dendromus spectabilis Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 164815.

(=Dendromus nigrifrons spectabilis.)

Lower figures. Steatomys athi Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 162883.

PLATE 18.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Left. Zelotomys hildegardeæ vinaceus Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181798. Right. Thamnomys dolichurus littoralis Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181799. (= Thamnomys surdaster littoralis.)

PLATE 19.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Left. Enomys hypoxanthus vallicola Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 162614. (=Enomys bacchante vallicola.)

Right. Epimys kaiseri centralis Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 165035. (=Rattus kaiseri helleri Hollister.)

PLATE 20.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Left. Thannomys loringi Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 161904. (=Rattus nigricauda loringi.)

Right. Mus peromyscus Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 161905. (=Rattus tullbergi peromyscus.)

(From Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 52, part 4, pl. 56. 1909.)

PLATE 21.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Epimys kaiseri turneri Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 183395. (=Rattus kaiseri turneri.)

Middle figures. Epimys endorobæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 162888. (=Rattus denniæ.)

Lower figures. Epimys taitx Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181797. (=Rattus taitx.)

PLATE 22.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Epimys alleni kaimosæ Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181794. (=Rattus stella kaimosæ.)

Middle figures. Epimys niveiventris ulæ Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 162887. (=Rattus fumatus fumatus.)

Lower figures. Mustana True. Adult female; Cat. No. 36055. (=Rattus tana.)

PLATE 23.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Epimys coucha ismailiæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 165108. (=Rattus coucha ismailiæ.)

Middle figures. Rattus coucha tinctus Hollister. Adult male; Cat. No. 183294.

Lower figures. Epimys coucha neumani Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181795. (=Rattus coucha neumani.)

PLATE 24.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Leggada naivashæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 162885. (= Mustriton triton.)

Middle figures. Epimys panya Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 161886. (=Rattus coucha panya.)

Lower figures. Epimys coucha durumæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181796. (=Rattus coucha durumæ.)

PLATE 25.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size.)

Mus musculoides emesi Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164819. (= Mus emesi.)

Mus bellus enclavæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164818.

Mus bellus gondokoræ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164820.

Mus bellus petilus Hollister. Adult male; Cat. No. 162397.

PLATE 26.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Mus gratus sungaræ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 163487. (=Mus gratus gratus.) Mus gratus soricoides Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 183544. Mus tenellus acholi Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164817.

Mus wamæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 161777.

PLATE 27.

Skull of type-specimen of *Cricetomys gambianus raineyi* Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181804. Natural size.

PLATE 28.

Skull of type-specimen of *Cricetomys gambianus enguvi* Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181805.

PLATE 29.

Skull of type-specimen of *Cricetomys gambianus osgoodi* Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181806.

PLATE 30.

Skulls of typ&specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Mus aquilus True. Adult male; Cat. No. 34723. (=Lophuromys aquilus.)

Middle figures. Lophuromys pyrrhus Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164823. $(=Lophuromys\ ansorgei\ pyrrhus.)$

Lower figures. Lophuromys aquilus margarettæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181793.

PLATE 31.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Acomys hystrella Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 164821. Middle figures. Uranomys ugandæ Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164822. Lower figures. Saccostomus isiolæ Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181803.

PLATE 32.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Left. Saccostomus umbriventer Miller. Adult female; Cat. No. 162612. Right. Saccostomus mearnsi Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 162882. (From Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54, No. 1925, pl. 1. 1910.)

PLATE 33.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Left. Pelomys roosevelti Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 162881. (= Mylomys roosevelti.)

Right. Dasymys helukus Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 162889. (From Smithsonian Misc. Coll., vol. 54, No. 1924, pl. 1. 1910.)

PLATE 34.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Dasymys savannus Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 164471. (=Dasymys helukus savannus.)

Middle figures. Dasymys helukus nigridius Hollister. Adult female; Cat. No. 162465.

Lower figures. Dasymys orthos Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164824.

PLATE 35.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Pelomys fallax iridescens Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181801. Middle figures. Arvicanthis jebela Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 164826. (=Arvicanthis testicularis jebela.)

Lower figures. Arricanthis abyssinicus centrosus Hollister. Adult male; Cat. No. 165167.

PLATE 36.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Lemniscomys pulchellus spermophilus Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181800. (=Lemniscomys striatus massaicus.)

Middle figures. Arvicanthis pulchellus micropus Heller. Adult female; Cat. No 164825. (=Lemniscomys striatus massaicus.)

Lower figures. Arvicanthis abyssinicus virescens Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 183922.

PLATE 37.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Eliomys parvus True. Adult female; Cat. No. 36056. (=Graphiurus parvus.)

Middle figures. Graphiurus murinus johnstoni Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181787. (=Graphiurus murinus griseus.)

Lower figures. Otomys orestes dollmani Heller. Adult male; Cat. No. 181790. (=Otomys dollmani.)

PLATE 38.

Skulls of type-specimens (natural size).

Upper figures. Graphiurus personatus Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 164827. Lower figures. Georychus kapiti Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 161708. (=Heliophobius kapiti.)

PLATES 39-40.

Skull of type-specimen of *Pedetes surdaster currax* Hollister. Adult male; Cat. No. 181762. Natural size.

PLATE 41.

Skull of type-specimen of $Thryonomys\ gregorianus\ pusillus\ Heller.$ Young adult female; Cat. No. 181807. Natural size. (= $Thryonomys\ pusillus$.)

PLATE 42.

Skull of type-specimen of *Lepus raineyi* Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181808. Natural size.

PLATE 43.

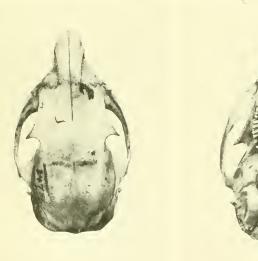
Skull of type-specimen of *Lepus capensis abbotti* Hollister. Adult female; Cat. No. 34779 (skin No. 19014). Natural size.

PLATE 44.

Skull of type-specimen of Lepus kakumegæ Heller. Adult female; Cat. No. 181809. Natural size. (=Lepus victoriæ kakumegæ.)









HELIOSCIURUS UNDULATUS (TRUE). TYPE. FOR EXPLANATION OF PLATE SEE PAGE 172.







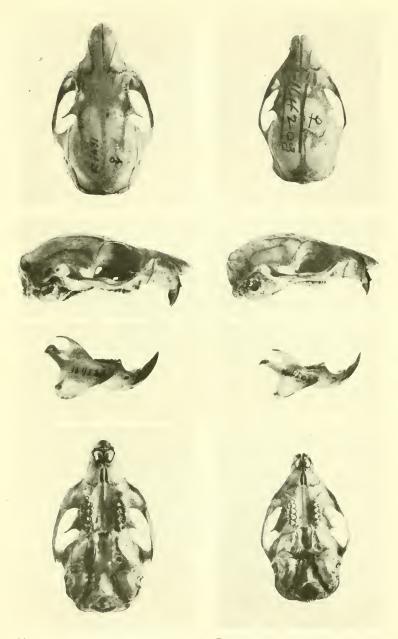




HELIOSCIURUS UNDULATUS SHINDI HELLER. TYPE.

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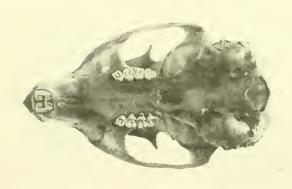
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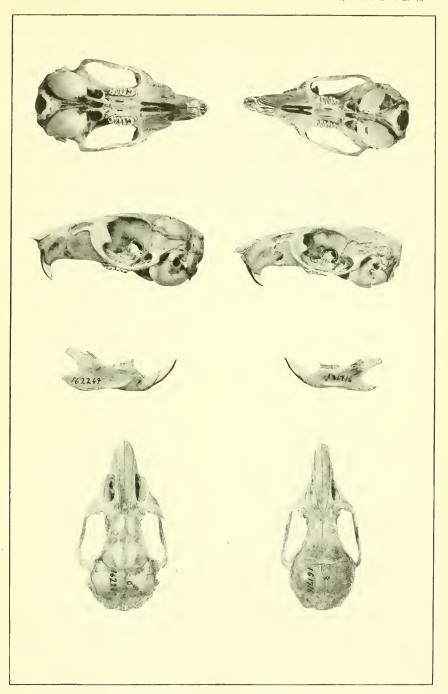




PROTOXERUS STANGERI BEA HELLER. TYPE.

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TYPE.

TATERA BOHMI VARIA HELLER. TATERA VICINA POTHAE HELLER. TYPE.



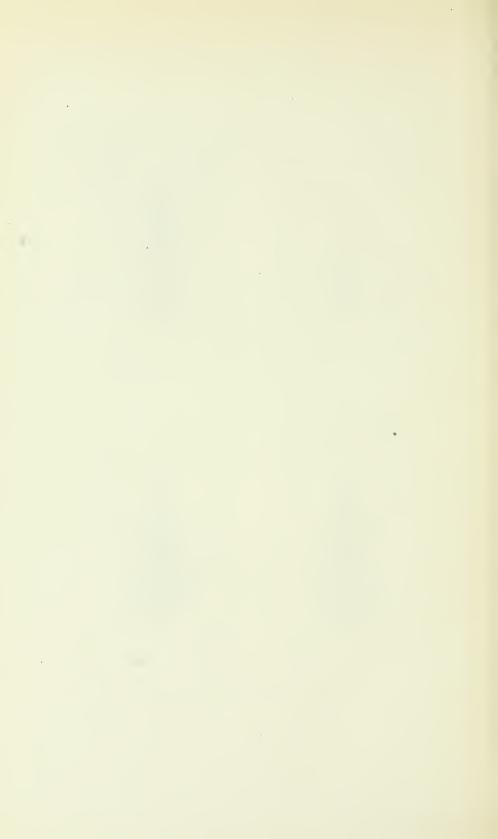


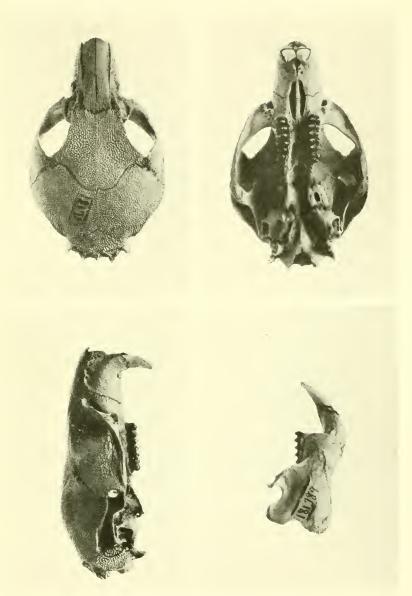






TATERA NIGRICAUDA PERCIVALI HELLER. TYPE. FOR EXPLANATION OF PLATE SEE PAGE 172.

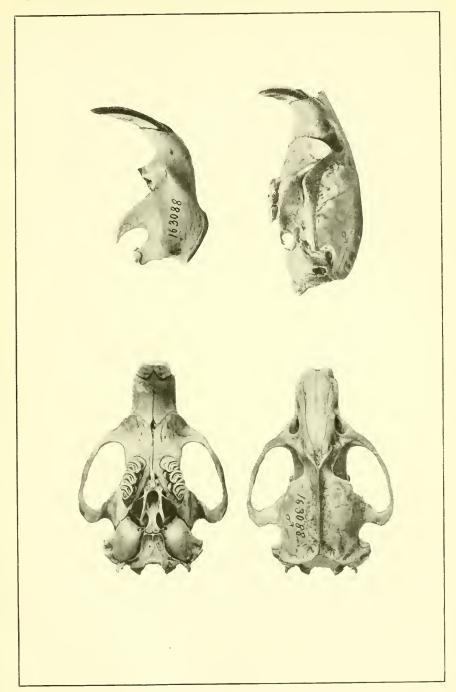




LOPHIOMYS THOMASI HELLER. TYPE.

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TACHYORYCTES REX HELLER. TYPE.

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DENDROMUS INSIGNIS PERCIVALI HELLER. TYPE.





DENDROMUS WHYTEI CAPITIS HELLER. TYPE.







DENDROMUS LINEATUS HELLER. TYPE.

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DENDROMUS NIGRIFRONS TRUE. TYPE.







DENDROMUS NIGRIFRONS SPECTABILIS HELLER. TYPE.



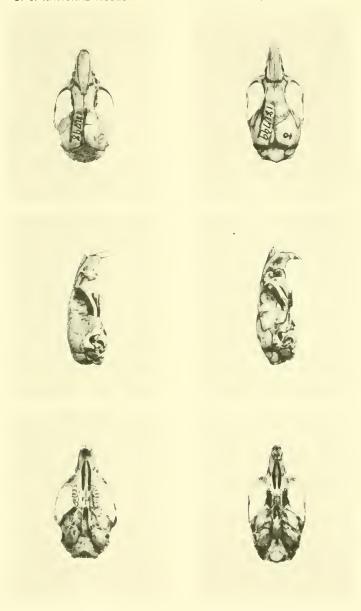




STEATOMYS ATHI HELLER. TYPE.

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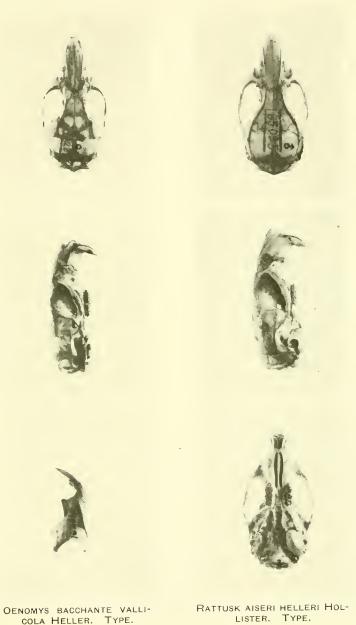


CEUS HELLER. TYPE.

ZELOTOMYS HILDEGARDEAE VINA- THAMNOMYS SURDASTER LITTO-RALIS HELLER. TYPE.

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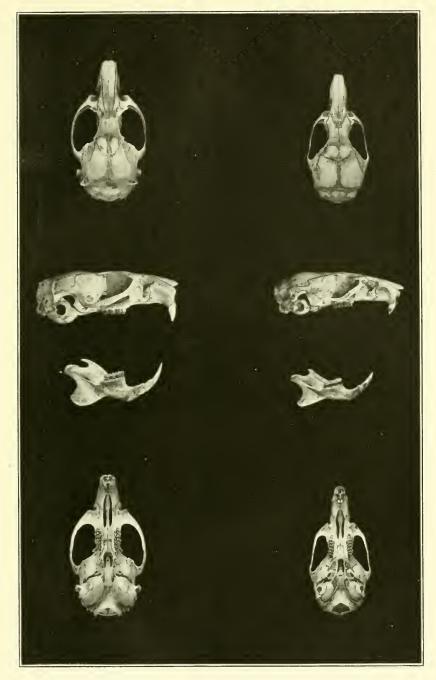




COLA HELLER. TYPE.

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RATTUS NIGRICAUDA LORINGI (HELLER). RATTUS TULLBERGI PEROMYSCUS (HELTYPE. LER). TYPE.

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RATTUS KAISERI TURNERI HELLERI. TYPE.







EPIMYS ENDOROBAE HELLER. TYPE.







RATTUS TAITAE (HELLER). TYPE.

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RATTUS STELLA KAIMOSAE (HELLER). TYPE.







EPIMYS NIVEIVENTRIS ULAE HELLER. TYPE.







RATTUS TANA (TRUE). TYPE.
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RATTUS COUCHA ISMAILIAE (HELLER). TYPE.







RATTUS COUCHA TINCTUS HOLLISTER. TYPE.







RATTUS COUCHA NEUMANI (HELLER). TYPE.

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LEGGADA NAIVASHAE HELLER. TYPE.









RATTUS COUCHA PANYA (HELLER). TYPE.







RATTUS COUCHA CURUMAE (HELLER). TYPE.

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MUS EMESI HELLER. TYPE.







MUS BELLUS ENCLAVAE HELLER. TYPE.







MUS BELLUS GONDOKORAE HELLER. TYPE.







MUS BELLUS PETILUS HOLLISTER. TYPE.

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MUS GRATUS SUNGARAE HELLER. TYPE.







MUS GRATUS SORICOIDES HELLER. TYPE.







MUS TENELLUS ACHOLI HELLER. TYPE.

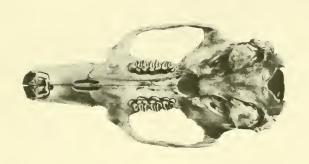






MUS WAMAE HELLER. TYPE. FOR EXPLANATION OF PLATE SEE PAGE 174.





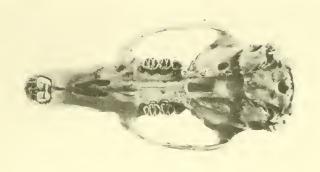




CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS RAINEYI HELLER. TYPE.

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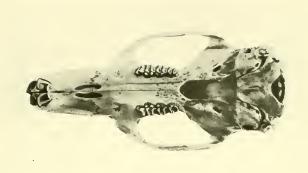




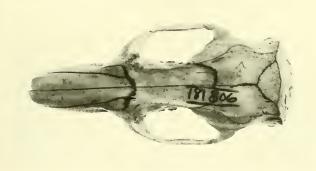
CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS ENGUVI HELLER. TYPE.

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CRICETOMYS GAMBIANUS OSGOODI HELLER. TYPE. FOR EXPLANATION OF PLATE SEE PAGE 174.









LOPHUROMYS AQUILUS (TRUE). TYPE.







LOPHUROMYS ANSORGEI PYRRHUS HELLER. TYPE.







LOPHUROMYS AQUILUS MARGARETTAE HELLER. TYPE.

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ACOMYS HYSTRELLA HELLER. TYPE.









URANOMYS UGANDAE HELLER. TYPE.



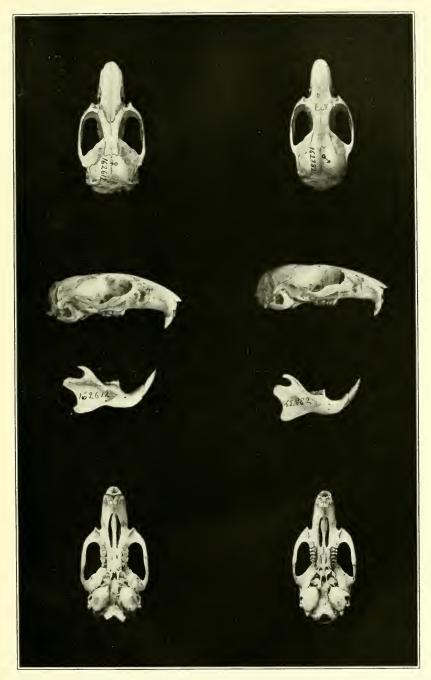




SACCOSTOMUS ISIOLAE HELLER. TYPE.

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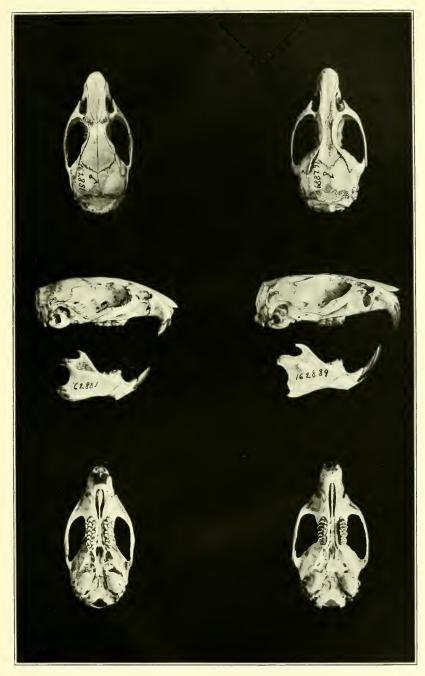




SACCOSTOMUS UMBRIVENTER MILLER. SACCOSTOMUS MEARNSI HELLER. TYPE.

TYPE.





MYLOMYS ROOSEVELTI (HELLER). DASYMYS HELUKUS HELLER. TYPE.

TYPE.





DASYMYS HELUKUS SAVANNUS HELLER. TYPE.



DASYMYS HELUKUS NIGRIDIUS HOLLISTER. TYPE.



DASYMYS ORTHOS HELLER. TYPE.

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PELOMYS FALLAX IRIDESCENS HELLER. TYPE.









ARVICANTHIS TESTICULARIS JEBELAE HELLER. TYPE.









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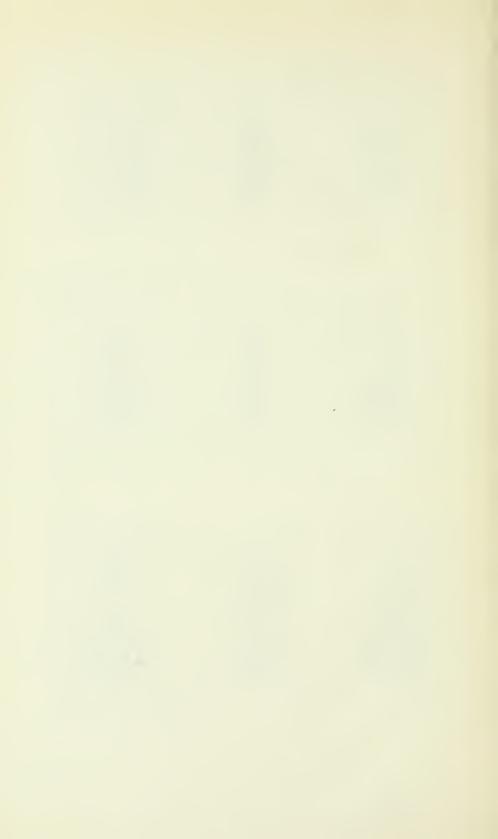






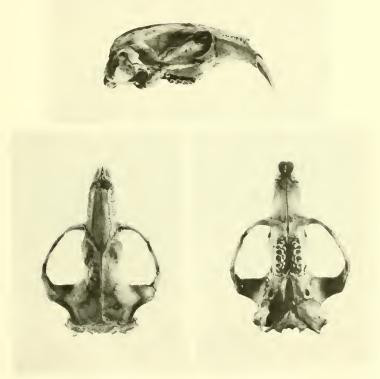
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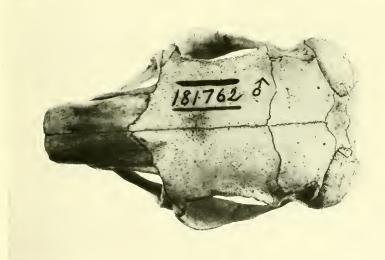


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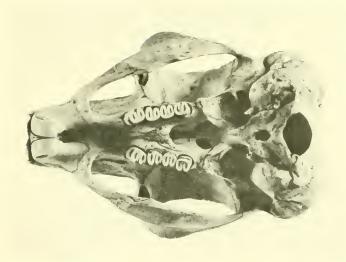


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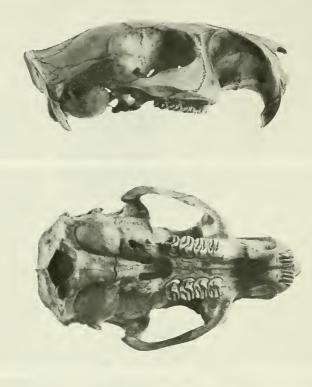


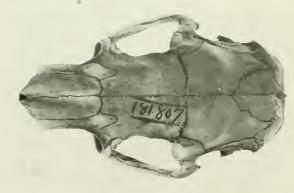




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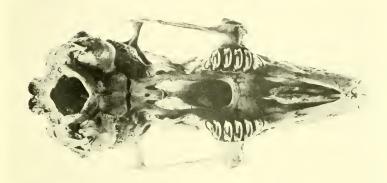


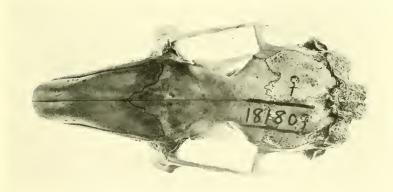


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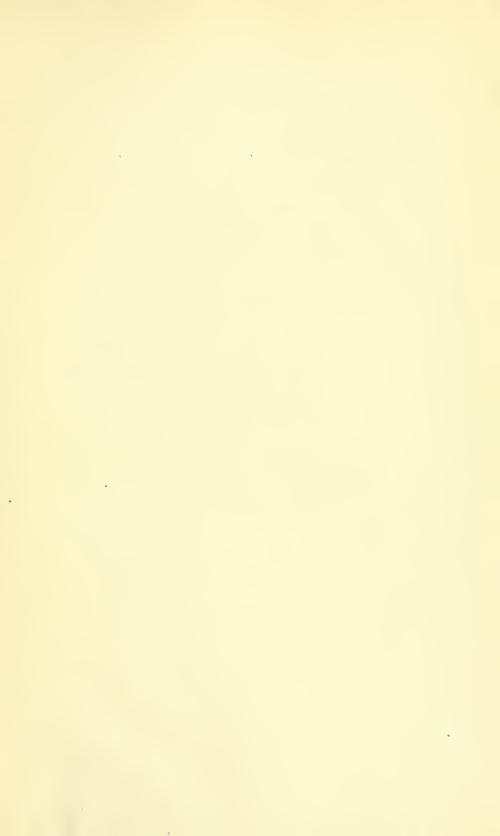
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