

A SKELETON OF A NEW ARRANGEMENT OF THE FAMILIES,
SUBFAMILIES, TRIBES AND GENERA OF THE ANTS,
OR THE SUPERFAMILY FORMICOIDEA.

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Of the *ten* superfamilies recognized in my classification of the Hymenoptera, all have been classified down to genera except the Ants, or superfamily IV, Formicoidea, a very large and most difficult complex, and rendered even more difficult by the extraordinary number and diversity of the sexes, there being sometimes several different forms to a single species.

It has now been several years since I began working on this great complex to bring it in harmony with the other superfamilies classified, and my labours are nearly completed, as I only await the arrival of certain exotic genera to perfect some of the generic tables. The work fills several hundred pages of manuscript, and will make a large volume in itself, too large to be published in any entomological journal or magazine, and as the completed work cannot be published before next year, I desire to put on record a skeletonized epitome of the arrangement, selecting for that purpose the CANADIAN ENTOMOLOGIST, in which the classification of other of the superfamilies were published.

It will be noticed that I recognize as valid genera nearly all of the subgenera of Mayr, Forel and Emery, and that I restore the genera *Monacis*, Roger, and *Hypoclinea*, Mayr, suppressed by Emery and Forel as synonyms of *Dolichoderus*, Lund. All three are good genera. *Dolichoderus*, Lund, is not found in the United States, and our species so-called belong to *Hypoclinea*, Mayr. *Monacis*, Roger, I know only from Mexico.

Superfamily IV.—FORMICOIDEA.

Family XLIII.—*Dorylidae*.

Subfamily I.—*Ecitoninae*.

Tribe I.—*Ecitonini*. Genera: *Eciton*, Latr.; *Acamatus*, Emery; and *Mayromyrmex*, Ashm., n. g. (Type *Labidus Fargeaudi*, Shuck., So. Am.); also *L. morosus*, Smith, Mex.

Tribe II.—*Ænictini*. Genera: *Ænictus*, Shuck., and *Ooceraca*, Roger.

Subfamily II.—*Dorylinae*.

Tribe I.—*Ænictogitonini*. Genus *Ænictogiton*, Emery.

Tribe II.—*Dorylini*. Genera: *Alaopone*, Emery; *Rhogmus*, Shuck.; *Dichthadia*, Gerst.; *Typhlapone*, Westw.; *Dorylus*, Fabr.; ?*Sphinctomyrmex*, Mayr; *Shuckardia*, Emery; *Probolomyrmex*, Mayr; *Cheliomyrmex*, Mayr.