

furcatis; campo marginali plus minus lato, in elytris venis valde obliquis subarcuatis, in alis venis longitudinalibus ramosis obsito. Femorum anteriorum spina genicularis in margine apicali anteriore exserta. Cerci longi.

This Tribe forms a sort of transition from the Blattinae to the Periplanetinae on account of the shape of the anal plate and the long cerci. The elytra and wings have quite the neuration of the Periplanetinae; but the last ventral segment is flat as in Blattinae, not compressed and sulcate as in Periplanetinae. The presence of narrow, tongue-like appendices on the margins of the meso- and metanotum shows a further affinity with the Periplanetinae. The Tribe Nyctoborinae is peculiar to the hot parts of America. It includes only two genera: *Nyctobora*, in which the claws are furnished with an arolium, and *Megalobatta*, which is destitute of an arolium between the claws.

### NYCTOBORA, Burm.

*Nyctibora*, Burmeister, Handbuch, ii. p. 501; Brunner de W. Syst. Blatt. p. 142.

*Nyctobora*, Saussure, Mém. Mex., Blatt. p. 65.

Statura majuscula vel mediocris. Oculi valde approximati. Pronotum corneum, subconvexum, antice quam postice magis arcuatum; in maribus parvum. Elytra et alæ, quando condite explicata, longa ac lata, campo marginali latiusculo. Pedes spinosissimi. Femora 2<sup>a</sup>, 3<sup>a</sup> spinis longis remotis in utroque margine; anteriora in margine antico spinis minoribus numerosis confertis, in margine postico spinis paucis remotis, armata. Femora insuper omnia spinis apicalibus 1:1, in anterioribus 2:1, instructa. Tarsi inter ungues aroliis magnis instructi. Abdominis segmenta ultima utrinque trigonali-producta. Lamina supra-analis ♀ leviter prominula, trigonali-rotundata, ♂ trapezina. Cerci sat longi. Pronotum et elytra griseo-sericea.

### *Synopsis specierum.*

1. Elytra et alæ ♀ ♂ condite explicata.—NYCTOBORA, Burm.
  - a. Oculi ♂ contigui.—1. *mexicana*, Sss.
  - aa. Oculi ♂ haud contigui, vel subcontigui.
    - b. Omnino fuscae; elytrorum campo marginali angustiore.
      - c. Minor, oculis ♂ paulo propioribus.—2. *azteca*, sp. n.
      - cc. Major, oculis ♂ paulo magis remotis.—[*intermedia*, Sss.]
    - bb. Pronoto utrinque flavo-limbato.—[*sericea*, Burm.]
11. Elytra et alæ ♀ ♂ truncata, cornea.—HEMINYCTOBORA, nob.
  - Nigra; alis minutis rufis.—3. *truncata*, sp. n.

### 1. *Nyctobora mexicana*, Sauss.

*Nyctobora mexicana*, Sauss. Mém. Mex., Blatt. p. 66. 12; Brunn. de W. Syst. Blatt. p. 147. 5; Sauss. Miss. Scient. Mex., Orthopt. p. 68. 1, t. 2. figg. 38, 38 b.

Media; castanea; elytris castaneo-rufescentibus. Elytra et alæ in utroque sexu complete explicatae; pronotum itaque in utroque sexu elliptico; in maribus quam in *N. azteca* minor.

♂. Long. 25–27; elytr. 32·5, latit. elytr. 11·75, pronot. 7, latit. pronot. 9·8 millim.

♀. Long. —?; elytr. 28·5, latit. elytr. 11·5, pronot. 7·6, latit. pronot. 12 millim.

*Hab.* MEXICO (*Saussure*); GUATEMALA, San Juan in Vera Paz (*Champion*).