

and *salvini* Bat. at once by the form of the apex of the elytra and by the form of the penis. It is smaller than *cayennensis* F., but larger than *ignita* Chd. and *salvini* Bat. The spots on the elytra of the last named species are more triangular than in the new one.

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Something about *Cicindela vitiensis* Blanch.

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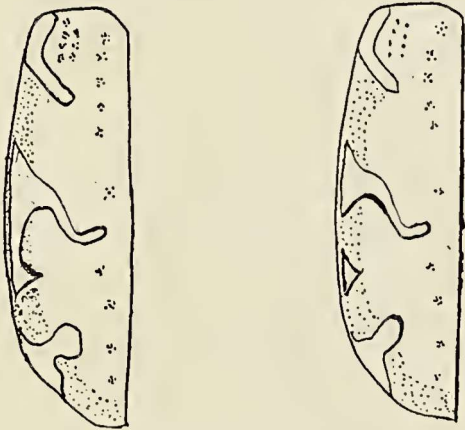
I have seen a lot of specimens of *Cicindela vitiensis* Blanch., kindly sent to me by Dr. P. J. DARLINGTON of the Museum of Comparative Zoology at Cambridge (Mass.).

The first consignment contained 20 specimens of this interesting species. It struck me that there were larger blackish specimens, and smaller shining ones. So I thought there was a possibility of being two races in the Fidji-archipelago. I therefore asked Dr. DARLINGTON to send me more material, with which request he kindly complied.

But even with 88 more specimens I did not succeed in separating them into two geographical races. Both forms are living in the same islands and one can find all transitions between them. The Fidji-archipelago moreover is not the only territory for this species. It also lives in the Samoa islands.

But what I did discover was that the dark specimens showed an inclination to reduce, the shining ones to extend the white signature on the elytra. Walter HORN named the specimens with reduced signature *imperfecta*, I will name the ones with extended white signature :

Cicindela vitiensis pallidesignata mrg.-F. nov.



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Differs from the typical form by having the white middle signature on the elytra extended along the margin to the apex without however touching the apical spot (fig. a), or by having a contracted marginal white spot between the middle signature and the apical spot (fig. b).

Often the articulations 5 and following ones of the antennae red.

Holotype ♂ and allotype ♀ from Vunisea, Fidji islands, in the collection of the Museum of Comparative Zoology at Cambridge (Mass.).

Paratypes from Vunisea, Onoi Lau and Lal-seba ? in the collection of the above mentioned Museum and in my own collection.

All the material I have seen was collected by Mr. W. M. MANN.

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Te koop. LIEFTINCK, Odonata Neerlandica I en II voor f 7.

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