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OCCASIONAL NOTES.

I. DESCRIPTION OF A NEW CICADA.

Recently, while collecting in the Dorrigo, Mr. R. J. Tillyard, M.A., succeeded in capturing what proves to be a new Cicada. This was submitted to Mr. Howard Ashton, who now describes and figures it. R.E.

Division CICADATRARIA.

Sub-family GÆANINÆ.

Genus Tamasa, *Distant*.

TAMASA RAINBOWI, *sp. nov.*

(Fig. 41).

Similar in general appearance to *T. tristigma*, Germ., from which it differs in the broader and more spotted tegmina.

Body.—Olivaceous green.

Head.—The head with lateral borders of front, region of ocelli, and a line along margins of eyes, black.

Pronotum.—With double centre fascia, sub-obsolete except with posterior portions, which are united, and incisions (faintly) blackish.

Mesonotum.—With two obconical spots margined with black, a double central longitudinal fascia, and four spots before anterior angles and cruciform elevation black.

Abdomen.—With piceous markings on anterior borders of first and second segments, a blotch of same colour on lateral area of second segment, behind a patch of silvery tomentum on first segment, a series of lateral spots on third, fourth, fifth and sixth segments, and the whole of last segment piceous.

Body.—Beneath green, two longitudinal fasciæ to front, central fascia to clypeus, tip of rostrum, streaks to coxæ and fore-femora, margins and abdominal segments and anal segment piceous.

Tegmina and *Wings*.—Hyaline, venation fuscous, darker towards apices. Tegmina with anastomoses and apices of longitudinal veins to apical areas all infuscated.

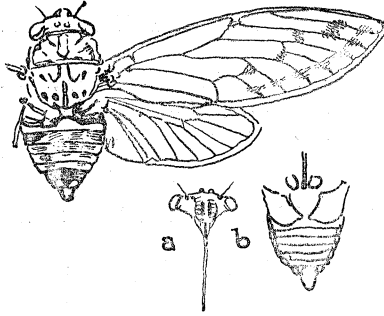


Fig. 41. *T. rainbowi*, Ashton.

Measurements.—Length of body, ♂, 24 mm.; ♀, 23 mm.;
expanse of tegmina, ♂ and ♀, 81 mm.

Hab.—Dorrigo. Two specimens, ♂ and ♀ in Australian
Museum.

HOWARD ASHTON.