

1. *Halobatodes lituratus*, Stål (Pl. II. fig. 4).

*Halobates lituratus*, Stål, Öfv. af K. Vet.-Ak. Förhandl., p. 238, 1854.

” ” Stål, Eugenes Resa. Insekter, p. 264, 124, 1858.

” ” Mayr, Novara-Expedition Zool., Bd. ii. p. 177, 1866.

Ovate, widest behind the middle. Dirty yellowish testaceous, with sparse fuscous pubescence. Head, thorax, and abdomen above with brown or blackish-brown lines and spots, of which the central longitudinal line of the thorax reaches the abdomen. Dirty ochreous below. Genital segment below of the female, with a notch at the middle of the sides.

♂. Length 6, breadth 2.5, middle femur 6.5, hind femur 6 mm.

♀. Length 4.5, breadth 2.5 mm.

*Habitat*.—The Chinese Seas. I have only seen two specimens, one from the Stockholm Museum, the other from Dr. Signoret's collection, and received by him from Stål. Unfortunately the male is not perfect, and so the following description is not so complete as it might be.

♂. Ovate, widest behind the middle. Dirty yellowish testaceous, with sparse fuscous pubescence. Head with an obscure double mark between the eyes; clypeus towards the apex, and a triangular spot at base of the rostrum; antenniferous tubercles; pronotum with a short line on each side; mesonotum with a large oblique spot on each side of the centre, brown or fuscous brown. Pronotum with the front margin and a central longitudinal line; mesonotum with middle of front margin, a central percurrent longitudinal line, a short rather indistinct line on each side of the central line, and joining the oblique brown spot; a short line leaving front margin on a level with the eyes; a transverse line (wider exteriorly) crossing the central line posteriorly, in front of which a large spot (united to the central line by a slender line) gives rise to an oblique line running forwards and outwards, and forming (about the middle of the side) a loop from which it runs irregularly back along the side to the base of the middle legs, the ends of the above mentioned transverse line turned forwards, and meeting or nearly meeting the looped line, as well as a longitudinal line on the sides abbreviated at each end; sternum with a short slightly oblique streak on each side, more or less brownish or fuscous black. Abdomen above blackish, with pale golden pubescence, and a more or less wide transverse band on each segment yellowish testaceous. Last genital segment yellowish testaceous, fuscous black at base and apex. Under side of thorax and abdomen dirty ochreous. Rostrum ochreous, apex of the third and all of the fourth joint shining piceous black. Legs yellowish testaceous, with fuscous pubescence. Front legs with a small spot on outside of coxæ, femora with the base exteriorly very narrowly, a wide streak on the outer side not reaching base or apex, a shorter streak on the inner side, which reaches (by a prolongation below) the apex, as well as the apex itself, piceous black; tibia and