

ON ONE NEW SPECIES OF TERMITE DISCOVERED IN JAPAN.

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SUMMARY

Twelve species of termites have been recorded in Japan so far, but now I report that I have discovered one more new species. It is named Glyptotermes Nakajimai Morimoto. The species is in the same genus as Glyptotermes brevicaudatus and Glyptotermes chinpingensis. The shape of a soldier of this new species is similar to the former and that of a winged adult is similar to the latter. Also some resemblance can be found to brevicaudatus, reported from Borneo. This new species was discovered at Shiroyama in Tokushima City, Shikoku; and afterwards found and collected also in Miyazaki, Kagoshima and Oita Prefectures. Consequently, it is necessary to re-examine specimens recorded up to now as Glyptotermes brevicaudatus.