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- 1a Elytrae and dorsum covered by a, more or less, complete felt of fine setae, incorporating mud and sand. Proboscis without jaws. Short and broad animals. Family Aphroditidae. P. 12. - 4
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- (1) Harmothoe violacea has 16 pairs of elytrae, but lacks radiolaria-like macrotubercles.
- (2) Harmothoe ljungmanni and H. jeffreysii have termino-ventral lateral antennae, but the palps are provided with papillae.
- (3) H. oculinarum has smooth palps, but the lateral antennae are ventral.<sup>9</sup>
- (4) 38 in original version which clearly is wrong and here corrected