

XXVII REPTILIA (Supplement).

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In a small collection of lizards and snakes made in the Abor country after the conclusion of the main expedition by Capt. Sir George Duff-Sutherland-Dunbar, and presented by him to the Indian Museum the following species are represented :—

Lizards.

Japalura andersoniana, Annand.,
Ophisaurus gracilis (Gray),

Snakes.

Trachischium monticola (Cant.),
Callophis maccllellandii (Reinh.).

These species were all taken between lat. $28^{\circ} 45'$ and lat. 29° N. at an altitude of about 4000 ft. By far the most interesting specimen is an adult male of the Agamid *Japalura andersoniana*. As this lizard was hitherto known only from two half-grown individuals taken in the Daffa Hills many years ago by Col. Godwin-Austen, a new description of the species has been drawn up.

Japalura andersoniana, Annandale.

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Body slender, strongly compressed.

Limbs long; hind limb reaching tip of snout or beyond; digits, especially those of the hind feet, very long and slender.

Head moderate; snout in adult distinctly longer than diameter of orbit, bluntly pointed; rostral and superciliary ridges prominent, continuous, followed behind, after a slight interval, by a prominent tubercle bearing several small scales; several prominent scales scattered on the sides of the head behind the eye; dorsal surface of the head between the eyes deeply concave; dorsal and lateral surfaces of snout slightly so, with a well defined median Y-shaped ridge on the former. No gular pouch or distinct gular fold.

Dorsal crest.—Crest on neck well developed, consisting of a fold of skin as deep as the diameter of the eye, having several vertical pleats, covered with small leaf-shaped scales and bearing a row of slightly larger lanceolate ones along its upper margin; crest on back consisting of a single row of similar scales without the fold of skin at their base.

Scales on dorsal surface of snout irregular, nearly smooth, on superciliary region larger and strongly keeled. Lateral scales on body for the most part small and not very strongly keeled, in the

middle of the sides smaller than above; a well-marked lateral longitudinal row of enlarged keeled scales extending backwards from in front of the fore limb, accompanied by a fold of skin, to a point about half way between the axilla and the groin; five obliquely vertical rows of similar scales on the upper part of each side, extending downwards and forwards from the dorsal crest; scales on dorsal surface of limbs irregular, some of them strongly keeled; those on the ventral surface strongly keeled, leaf-shaped, imbricate, larger than the lateral scales; on tail small, keeled, not strongly imbricate.

Colour dark brown, obscurely marked with a paler shade; ventral surface paler, a large patch of green or blue containing a median yellow spot on the throat of the male.

Dimensions of adult male.

Total length	.	.	235 mm.
Length of head			23 „
Breadth of head	..		15 „
Length of tail		..	160 „
Length of fore limb.	.	..	26 „
Length of hind limb.	.	.	75 „