Hab. Atlantic Coasts and Rivers from Florida to Brazil, and also in the West-Indian Islands:
  Mexico; Gulf of Mexico; Surinam; Amazons; Rio Janeiro; Cuba; Martinique.

Here described from six specimens (including the type of *A. mexicanus*) from Mexico and Surinam, from 230 to 500 mm. in total length.

*Gobioides peruanus*, Steind., 1880, from Peru and Ecuador, will probably be found in the Pacific Coast streams of Central America. The body is more slender and the head longer than in *G. broussonetii*, whilst the outer series of teeth is much stronger.

**Fam. 4. CARANGIDÆ.**

A large family of the tropical and temperate seas, represented in the fresh-water fauna of Central America by a single species.

**SCOMBROIDES**, Lacep., 1800.


Body ovate or fusiform, compressed; scales lanceolate or linear. Mouth rather large, oblique, little protracile; teeth somewhat small, pointed, in narrow bands in the jaws; vomerine and palatine teeth present. Spinous dorsal of a few short spines, connected by membrane at the base only; soft dorsal

![Scombroides palometia](image)

long, more or less elevated anteriorly and with the posterior rays much branched and semi-detached as finlets. Anal similar to soft dorsal, preceded by two spines separate from the rest of the fin. Pectoral short, asymmetrical; ventrals with 15 rays, close together, below the base of the pectorals, with the inner ray attached to the abdomen by membrane. Caudal peduncle slender; caudal fin widely forked.

**Hab.** Tropical Seas (one species only from fresh-water lakes of Tropical America).