This insect has much the appearance of such species of *Homalota* as *H. testaceipes*, Heer. According to the series before me, it varies somewhat in size and in colour, more especially in the colour of the wing-cases, which sometimes have only a small pale humeral spot, while in other cases the yellow colour extends itself in a vague manner over the greater part of the wing-case.

4. *Diestota foveata.*

Fusco-rufa, capite abdominisque apice nigricantibus, antennarum articulō basali pedibusque rufis; antennis brevibus, apiocem versus incassatis; prothoracē fātītā transverso, basī in medio profunde foveolāta; abdominis segmentīs basālibus sat crebre punctatis.

Long. 2 millim.

*Hab.* Guatemala, Cerro Zunil 4000 to 5000 feet (*Champion*).

Third joint of antennae a good deal shorter than the second, fourth rather small, fifth to tenth transverse; terminal joint large. Head nearly black. Prothorax very strongly transverse, twice as broad as long, with a conspicuous depression in front of the scutellum. Elytra greatly longer than the thorax, closely and finely punctate. Hind body with the two or three basal segments rather sparingly punctate, the penultimate segments almost without punctuation.

This insect is similar to *D. sperata*, but is of less depressed and less parallel form, with the head a little different in shape (the narrowing of it behind not commencing so close to the eye), the antennae shorter, and the hind body less closely punctate.

Only a single individual has been found.

5. *Diestota proxima.*

Angustula, subparallelē, dense punctulata et pubescens, nigra, elytris fuscis; abdomen rufus, segmentīs quarto et quinto nigbris, apice cum pedibus testaceis; antennēs fere gracilibus, fuscis, articulo basali dilutiore.

Long. 2½ millim.

*Hab.* Mexico, Las Vegas (*Flohr*).

Antennae not elongate, but rather slender; third joint elongate, equal to second; fourth to tenth similar to one another in length, but each slightly broader than its predecessor; the first of these rather longer than broad, the last decidedly transverse; terminal joint elongate. Thorax black, strongly transverse, slightly rounded at the sides and but little narrowed behind, very densely punctate. Elytra densely and very finely punctate. Hind body with the basal segments closely and distinctly punctate, the sixth segment nearly impunctate.

In the male the seventh dorsal plate of the hind body has in the middle four parallel slender teeth, and at each outside another tooth, which differs only very slightly from the mesial teeth.

Although I have seen but a single individual of this species, and although it is extremely similar to the variable *D. sperata*, I have no doubt that *D. proxima* is distinct. The thorax of *D. proxima* is less transverse, and is black in colour, and the fourth joint of the antennae is more elongate.