This species is considerably smaller than *S. politus*, and has a less slender and elongate thorax, and the dark colour on the wing-cases leaves the hind margin pale.

Mr. Champion procured a series of a dozen examples, all of which agree very closely, as do also the two exponents from Nicaragua.


*Elongatus, haud depressus, politus, nitidus, rufo-testaceus; elytris plaga fuscescente, ad marginem apicalem pallidis; tarsi posterioribus tenuioribus.*

*Long. 3½ millim.*

*Hab. Mexico, Vera Cruz (Höge); Guatemala, Champerico (Champion).*

This insect is very closely allied to *S. politus*, from which it differs by the more slender hind tarsi, and the fact that the fuscescent patch on the elytra leaves the hind margin pale; this is also the case in *S. discoidalis*, but that species has the head and thorax less elongate, and the legs less elongate, with comparatively thicker hind tarsi.

The six examples from Guatemala agree closely; but the two from Mexico are of rather larger size, and may not perhaps be the same species, though I cannot at present detect any other distinctive character.

19. Scopæus apiicipennis. (Tab. XIV. fig. 7.)

*Elongatus, haud depressus, politus, nitidus, fere impunctatus, fusco-rufus; elytris nigris, angulo apicali externo flavo-guttato; femoribus fuscis, tibis tarsiisque testaceis; abdomine dimidio apicali nigrante.*

*Long. 3½ millim.*

*Hab. Guatemala, near the city, San Gerónimo, Panajachel, Coatepeque (Champion); Panama, San Feliz (Champion).*

Antennæ rather slender, very slightly thicker externally, the penultimate joint scarcely so long as broad. Head black or dark red, more or less infuscate, very shining, a little narrowed behind, the eyes prominent. Thorax elongate, much narrowed behind and still more strongly in front, the colour scarcely so dark as that of the head. Elytra shining black, longer than the thorax, with a definite pallid yellow mark at the outer angle extending inwards but not quite reaching the suture. Basal segments of the hind body infuscate red, with griseous pubescence; the apical segments nearly black. This species is very closely allied to *S. politus*, though readily distinguished by the differences in colour. The Colombian *S. pulchellus* has, according to Erichson's description, a similar coloration, except that the legs are entirely pallid; and the thorax is said to be more narrowed behind than in front.

The examples procured are not numerous, and vary a little in the colour of the femora, and in the red parts of the body being more or less tinted with piceous or fuscosus colour.

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