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Cryptoptera, Stål, loc. cit. p. 32.

This genus, as here constituted, contains upwards of twenty species from Central or Tropical South America. I feel, however, very doubtful as regards several of these, for they run in many cases into one another, and it will be necessary to examine a much larger amount of material than is at present available before the constitution of the genus can be finally settled; the venation of the tegmina is very distinct, two veins only proceeding from the base, and being forked near the middle at about equal distances from the base. I have included the genus Cryptoptera, Stål, under Stictopelta, as it only appears to differ in its elongate form, and certain species of Stictopelta lead up to it.

1. Stictopelta affinis.


Hab. Mexico ¹ (Sallé ² ³), Temax in North Yucatan (Gaumer).

We have received a single specimen of this species from Yucatan.

2. Stictopelta bipunctata. (Tab. IV. figg. 19, 19 a, b.)


Hab. Mexico ¹ ² ³ (Mus. Holm.), Amula in Guerrero (H. H. Smith), Cuernavaca (Bilimek, in Mus. Vind. Cas.), Oaxaca (Sallé, in Mus. Brit. ⁴).

S. adusta is a light or immature greenish-brown variety of the type-form, which is of a rich shining brown colour, with a short marginal orange patch on each side behind the shoulders. We have received one specimen of this species from Amula, which we figure.


Hab. Mexico ¹ ².

I have not seen a specimen of this insect, which is described by Fairmaire as "Tota