

wider than the supraocular cover. Snout short, not pointed, with angular, nearly straight canthus rostralis. Tympanum distinct, circular, nearly four-fifths the area of the eye. Parotoid subtriangular, as large as the supraocular cover. Upper parts with numerous small tubercles, lower parts finely granular; lateral fold very indistinct. First finger longer than the second. Toes two-fifths webbed. Two small metatarsal tubercles; no tarsal fold. Brownish-grey with more or less distinct darker marbling; a whitish vertebral line; sometimes with some whitish spots on the back; whitish markings on the side, more or less confluent into a longitudinal band. A brown interorbital band, concave towards the front. Lower parts uniform whitish.

Distance of vent from snout	70 millim.
„ „ metatarsal joint	64 „
„ „ end of fourth toe	89 „

The three examples which I have referred to this species are Mexican, and come from one of our editor's collectors; unfortunately, the writing on the label has been effaced, so that collector and locality are unknown. It seems to me probable that the Central-American specimens named *Bufo sternosignatus* by Keferstein and Cope were, in fact, the present species.

I had determined our specimens as *Bufo marmoreus* (Wieg.) when I received, on loan, the types of *Bufo lateralis*, Werner, and *B. argillaceus*, Cope, by comparison of which the identity of these toads was ascertained. I am greatly indebted to Dr. Franz Werner and the authorities of the National Museum at Washington for their kindness in communicating these examples. Our figure is taken from the type of *B. lateralis*.

8. *Bufo sternosignatus*.

Bufo sternosignatus, Günth. Batr. Sal. p. 68, t. 5. fig. C; ? Keferstein, Gött. Nachr. 1867, p. 352; Wieg. Arch. f. Naturg. 1868, p. 294; ? Cope, Journ. Ac. N. Sc. Philad. viii. p. 101 (1875); Bull. U. S. Nat. Mus. no. 32, p. 11 (1887); ? Sumichrast, Bull. Soc. Zool. Fr. 1880, p. 188; Bouleng. Batr. Sal. p. 323; Brocchi, Miss. Sc. Mex., Batr. p. 78.

Hab. ? MEXICO, Tehuantepec and Coatzacoalcas R. (Cope); ? COSTA RICA (Keferstein).—COLOMBIA; VENEZUELA.

Crown of the head with a raised supraciliary ridge, which behind swells into a supratympanic ridge; no parietal branch; interorbital space but slightly concave, wider than the supraocular cover. Snout compressed, rather pointed, with sharp, slightly curved canthus rostralis. Tympanum distinct, circular, three-fifths the area of the eye. Parotoid subtriangular, of moderate size. Upper and lower parts coarsely granular; a series of larger tubercles runs from the parotoid towards the groin. First finger longer than the second. Toes two-fifths webbed; two small