

Banks records two specimens from Mexico which he doubtfully refers to this species.

5. *Scytodes mexicana*.

Scytodes mexicanus, Banks, Proc. Calif. Acad. Sci. (3) i. p. 210, t. 13. fig. 1¹.

Hab. MEXICO, Mexico city (*Banks*¹).

6. *Scytodes perfecta*.

Scytodes perfecta, Banks, Proc. Calif. Acad. Sci. (3) i. p. 210, t. 13. fig. 2¹.

Hab. MEXICO (*Banks*¹).

To judge from Banks's description and figure, this species is quite distinct from *S. longipes*, Luc.

Subfam. LOXOSCELINÆ.

Colulus present between the anterior spinners. Anterior row of eyes very strongly recurved; lateral eyes almost in contact. Tarsal claws two, set on a short onychium. Clypeus oblique, porrected. External side of mandible finely striate. Inner side of femur of palpus set with one short stridulatory spine. Mandibles with a membranous lip on the outer side at the apex. Palpus of female without a claw or claw-like appendage at the apex. Anterior margin of maxillæ strengthened by a chitinous rim, finely serrulate. Carapace compressed, convex, not raised behind. Central thoracic groove very deep and well marked. Body and legs clothed with fine hairs.

The eight or ten species falling into this subfamily are closely allied and widely distributed. The habits of the spiders are somewhat like those of *Scytodes*. They live under stones and bark of trees or in the crevices of the walls of houses or any other convenient cranny. The web is white, flocculent, and adhesive, irregularly spread over the inside of the retreat, the cocoon being attached to one or other side of the domicile. They crouch at the entrance of the den and venture out a little distance at night, rapidly retreating if alarmed.

LOXOSCELES.

Loxosceles, Lowe, Zool. Journ. v. p. 321, tab. supp. 48 (1831).

Omosites, Walckenaer, Ann. Soc. Ent. Fr. ii. p. 438 (1833) (sec. E. Simon).

Scytodes, Walckenaer, Ins. Apt. i. p. 273 (1837) (ad part. sec. E. Simon).

Type of *Loxosceles*: *Scytodes rufescens*, Duf. *Hab.* Madeira, in domibus.

1. *Loxosceles rufipes*. (Tab. IV. figg. 7, 7 a-j, ♀; 8, ♂.)

Scytodes rufipes, Lucas, in Guérin's Mag. Zool. class. viii. t. 6 (1834)¹.

? *Scytodes omosites*, Walck. Ann. Soc. Ent. Fr. ii. p. 440²; Ins. Apt. i. p. 273 (1837)³.

Hab. MEXICO²; GUATEMALA¹ (*Sarg*).—GUIANA³.

There is very little doubt that the specimens of *Loxosceles* taken by Sarg in