

series of short linear swellings between the ripples of the integument of the anterior margin. Legs light brown. The coxæ bear two broad, rounded teeth.

I found two females of this species attached to the throat and tail of a small terrapin, known to the natives by the name of "la Sabanera." The figures and description are taken from specimens preserved in alcohol.

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1. *Oribata centro-americana*, sp. n. (Tab. XV. figg. 1, 1 a-1 f.)

Corpus globosum, supra valde convexum, nigrum, læve, nitidum, sine sculptura microscopica ulla. Dorso-vertex ab abdomine non separatus, antice sulco transverso ab rostri tecto separatum. Rostrum tectum, valde declivum, triangulare, antice late angulatum, simplex. Lamellæ breves, angustæ, apice brevi, acuto, seta mediocris longitudinis armatæ. Pseudostigmata ab desupra inspicienti non perspiciuntur. Organa pseudo-stigmatica longa, setiformia, apice paullulum incrassato. Tectopædia non conspicua. Pedes rufo-fusci, mediocris longitudinis, setulis armati, coxis, femoribus atque tibiis posticis complanatis; tarsus unguibus tribus instructus. Pteromorphæ modicæ, antice protractæ, late rotundatæ, plerumque corpori appressæ, ita ut a desupra inspicienti difficulter videantur, colore rufo-fusco, semi-pellucidæ. Laminæ genitales ab analibus valde distantes, iis minores, aream rotundato-pentagonam occupantes. Laminæ anales semilunares. Palpi nihil extraordinarii exhibent. Mandibulæ crassæ, breves, brachia chelarum dentibus quatuor obtusis armata. Maxillæ incisuram longitudinalem margini externo vicinam profundam præbent, quæ partem anteriorem marginis externi dentis instar discernit.

Long. corp. 0.9 millim.; lat. corp. 0.8 millim.

Hab. BRITISH HONDURAS, R. Hondo, R. Sarstoon, Belize (*Blancaneaux*); GUATEMALA, Antigua, Guatemala city (*Stoll*); PANAMA, Volcan de Chiriqui 2500 to 4000 feet (*Champion*).

Body globose, of a short and almost circular shape, broad and rounded behind; colour black, the legs and edges of the pteromorphæ brown; texture polished, shining; without any hairs or minute sculpture on the dorsal surface. Cephalothorax comparatively broad; rostrum simple, broadly pointed; lamellæ small and narrow, short, ending in a short acute point; from the anterior margin of the lamellæ there project two comparatively short bristles on each side. Tectopædia wanting. Pseudostigmata short, difficult to be seen from above, projecting from the angle between the basis of