

As far as at present known, this genus is restricted to Tropical America. The species much resemble the *Hypolithi* of the Old World in form and sculpture, and are distinguishable almost solely by the edentate mentum.

1. *Athrostictus sericatus*. (Tab. III. fig. 25.)

Athrostictus sericatus, Bates, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1878, p. 592¹.

"Latior, oblongus, niger, omnino punctulatus, breviter erecte fulvo-pubescent; antennis, palpis et tarsis obscure rufescentibus; thorace transversim quadrato, postice vix angustato, angulis anticis haud prominulis, posticis fere rectangulis, lateribus paullulum arcuatis; elytris læte aureo-sericeo relucens, fortiter striatis, interstitiis densissime punctato-granulatis; corpore subtus nigro nitido, opalescente, punctulato.

"Long. 6½ lin. ♀."

Hab. MEXICO, Vera Cruz (*Boucard*¹, *Höge*), Cordova, Playa Vicente (*Sallé*), Las Vigas, Jalapa (*Höge*), Tehuantepec (*Sumichrast*); SALVADOR (*Sallé*); GUATEMALA, Yzabal (*Sallé*), Senahu (*Champion*); NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Janson*).

Closely allied to *A. chlænioides* (Dejean) of Venezuela.

2. *Athrostictus opalescens*.

Athrostictus opalescens, Bates, Proc. Zool. Soc. 1878, p. 592¹.

"Oblongus, piceus, breviter erecte pubescens; labro, palpis, antennis et pedibus rufo-fulvis; capite et thorace nitidis, elytris opalescenti-micantibus; capite postice punctulato; thorace quadrato, lateribus fortiter arcuatis, angulis posticis fere rotundatis, basi late subrugose punctulatis; elytris apice leviter sinuatis, exarato-striatis, interstitiis minute crebre granulatis, 3° et 5° indistincte seriatim punctatis; corpore subtus nigro, læte opalescente; metasterno punctulato.

"Long. 4 lin. ♂ ♀."

Hab. PANAMA (*Salvin*).

Apparently closely allied to *A. paganus* (*Hypolithus paganus*, Dejean); but the absence of allusion to the strong iridescent gloss in Dejean's description forbids the conclusion that the species is really the same.

AMBLYGNATHUS.

Amblygnathus, Dejean, Sp. Gén. Col. iv. p. 62.

A genus closely allied to *Selenophorus*, but sufficiently distinguished by its extremely broad epistome, the anterior margin of which is arcuated, and by the mandibles being, to an unusual extent, concealed by the labrum in repose. It is confined to Tropical America; six species only have as yet been described.

1. *Amblygnathus mexicanus*.

Selenophoro flavipedi simillimus, at differt præter characteres genericos, thoracis angulis, posticis omnino rotundatis, elytrorumque interstitiis planis et striola scutellari elongata. Niger, opalescens, antennis, palpis pedibusque fulvis, labro fulvo vel fusco fulvo-marginato; thorace lateribus arcuatis, angulis posticis