

Head finely punctulate, pale red. Thorax red, more or less infusate about the middle, with a short channel on the disk, and some very short impressions or scratches rather irregularly distributed over the surface; near the posterior angle is a small space on which the impressions are more closely placed than they are elsewhere. The striae on the elytra are moderately fine; the first, third, fifth, and seventh are longer than the others, and only disappear a short distance before the apex; the first stria is separated from the suture by about twice the space that intervenes between it and the second stria; the eighth stria is placed some distance internal to the shoulder, and is much abbreviated behind, its terminal portion being, moreover, broken into short isolated impressions; from the shoulder there may be traced backwards some short scratches, forming, as it were, the rudiments of a ninth stria.

The male has the front and middle tarsi rather broadly dilated, and furnished beneath with conspicuous palettes. The female is unknown.

The specimens described are badly preserved, and the colour as above given may not prove to be a very accurate interpretation.

### 5. *Copelatus solitarius*.

(♀.) Oblongo-ovalis, angustulus, ferrugineus, thorace in medio obscuro, elytris fuscis, basi apiceque cum antennis pedibusque testaceis; prothorace subtiliter striguloso obsoleteque punctulato; elytris punctulatis, striis octo impressis, harum secunda quartaque postice valde abbreviatis, ceteris elongatis.

Long.  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , lat.  $1\frac{1}{8}$  lin.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Cordova (*Sallé*).

Head red, with the vertex finely strigulose. Thorax infusate red, with the sides pale, the surface with fine, short, and distant scratches, wanting on the middle. On the wing-cases the second and fourth striae are much shorter than the others, extending only one half, or less, of the distance from the base to the apex; the first stria is about the same distance from the suture as it is from the third stria; it and the second and fourth striae are a little finer than the others; the second and fourth striae are, as it were, interpolated between the others, the interstices adjoining them being narrower than the contiguous interstices: with the exception of these two striae, the others are of nearly one length, except that the eighth is a little shorter behind than the rest. At the base the striae are a little irregular in their lengths: the third and fifth extend quite to the base; but the others only commence at short though variable distances behind it. The elytra are feebly punctate, but are entirely destitute of strigosities.

The species is described from a single female. It has not at present any near ally.

### 6. *Copelatus proximus*.

Oblongo-ovalis, angustus, fusco-piceus, capite, thorace, antennis pedibusque rufis; elytris ad basin et ad apicem testaceis, striis decem conspicuis, alternis multo brevioribus, octava tantum ad basin relicta; coxis posticis fortiter strigosis.

Long.  $2\frac{1}{4}$ , lat. 1 lin.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, San Gerónimo (*Champion*).