

♀. Nigra, nitida, fortius et crebrius quam in *G. championi* punctata, elytris utrinque striis punctatis geminatis tribus.

Long. 35–48 millim. ♂ ♀.

Hab. COSTA RICA (*Sallé, Van Patten*), Volcan de Irazu 6000 to 7000 feet, Rio Sucio (*Rogers*).

Seventeen examples.

DYNASTES.

Dynastes, Kirby, Trans. Linn. Soc. xiv. p. 568 (1825); Burmeister, Handb. der Ent. v. p. 256; Lacordaire, Gen. Col. iii. p. 444.

Theogenes, Burmeister, Handb. der Ent. v. p. 254 (1847).

Four species have been described of this genus, comprising the grandest forms of the Dynastidæ group; all are American, the two belonging to the northern continent being, however, scarcely more than local forms of one stock.

1. *Dynastes hercules*.

Scarabæus Hercules, Linn. Syst. Nat. i. p. 541; Mus. Lud. Ulr. p. 3; Oliv. Ent. i. 3, p. 6, t. 1. f. 1 (♂), t. 23. f. 1 (♀); Burm. Handb. der Ent. v. p. 257¹.

Scarabæus scaber, Linn. Mus. Lud. Ulr. p. 17 (♀).

Scarabæus Alcides, Fabr. Mant. Ins. i. p. 3; Oliv. Ent. i. 3, t. 1. fig. 2 (♂ minor).

Scarabæus Perseus, Oliv. Ent. i. 3, t. 1. f. 3 (♂ minor).

Hab. GUATEMALA (*Champion*); NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Belt*); COSTA RICA (*Van Patten*); PANAMA, Bugaba, Dolega in Chiriqui (*Champion*).—TROPICAL SOUTH AMERICA¹; WEST INDIES¹.

This species is apparently very rare in Central America. In Guatemala and the State of Panama Mr. Champion only obtained fragments of male examples.

2. *Dynastes hyllus*. (Tab. XX. figg. 17, 17a, ♂.)

Dynastes hyllus, Chevr. Guér. Mag. Zool. 1843, Col. Mex. p. 33, t. 111 (♂), t. 112 (♀)¹.

Dynastes Iphiclus (Panz.), Burm. Handb. der Ent. v. p. 259².

Hab. MEXICO^{1 2}, Toxpam, Oaxaca (*Sallé*), Jalapa (*Höge*), Acapulco (*Baron*); GUATEMALA (*Sallé*), Escuintla (*Conradt*).

A male minor from Oaxaca is figured.

MEGASOMA.

Megasoma, Kirby, Trans. Linn. Soc. xiv. p. 566 (1825); Gemminger & Harold, Cat. Col. iv. p. 1268.

Megalosoma, Burmeister, Gen. quæd. Ins. fasc. 7. c. tab.; Handb. der Ent. v. p. 273.

The range of the gigantic beetles constituting this genus is the same as that of *Dynastes*, except that they do not appear to occur in the West India Islands. Eight species are described.