

punctures are more clearly defined; the striæ are also more distinct. On the side, below the shoulder, there are two small brassy green finely punctured impressions close together; and about the middle, a little more removed from the margin, there is another similar spot. The sculpture on the underside is altogether less strong; the prosternal process and metasternum are similarly impressed, but nearly smooth, with comparatively few punctures.

Some specimens have a more coppery tint than the others; and the sculpture varies slightly.

The male has the apical segment of the abdomen slightly but distinctly emarginate, with the angles dentiform; the female has this segment more narrowed and rounded at the apex.

## 2. *Dicerca æneovaria*. (Tab. I. fig. 14.)

*D. æneæ* affinis et similis, nigra; thorace cupreo-punctato, elytris plagis transversis guttisque æreis variegatis, apice truncato, quadrispinoso.

Long.  $9\frac{1}{2}$ – $11\frac{1}{2}$  lin.

*Hab.* MEXICO, near the city (*Höge*).

Allied to *D. ænea*, but less convex, of blacker ground-colour, much less closely sculptured, &c. It is still closer to *D. inconspicua*; the thorax is the same, and has a very narrow median smooth line. The chief difference is in the sculpture of the elytra. The striæ are rather more impressed (especially near the suture); the raised parts are black; the impressions (and punctures) are brassy bronze, and occupy more of the surface than the black smooth parts: three impressions on each elytron (although somewhat confused) are particularly noticeable; the first is below the shoulder, the second rather behind the middle, the third is some distance from the apex; all three commence on the margin, and extend to about the third stria from the suture: besides these there are numerous other irregular bronzy spots, the apical region being almost entirely taken up with them. The apex of each elytron is slightly obliquely truncated; the sutural angle is very acute; and the outer angle is dentiform.

## 3. *Dicerca propinqua*. (Tab. I. fig. 12.)

*D. æneæ* affinis et sat similis; thorace angustiore; elytris nitidioribus, fortiter punctato-striatis, ad apicem angustatis, productis, humeris prominulis.

Long. 10 lin.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Juquila (*Boucard, coll. Sallé*).

Very close to the preceding, but with the thorax rather narrower, somewhat straight at the sides, and only a little sinuate before the posterior angles. The elytra have the shoulders more prominent; and the apex is more narrowed and prolonged; the apex of each is obliquely truncated; and both the sutural and external angles of the truncature are more distinctly dentiform. The thorax is very strongly