

Also very close to the two preceding species, and is of the same form and general characters. The thorax is coarsely and irregularly punctured, the punctures crowded together, and smaller at the side. There is no distinct smooth patch on each side of the disk; and the median smooth line is scarcely raised. The elytra have the suture flattened, especially at the base; the scutellar costa and the base of the first costa are confounded with the smooth sutural area; the first stria is consequently only distinct posteriorly; this and the second and third are flattened, and are of a purple colour; the fourth costa is slightly raised, and is included in the coppery margin. The apex of each elytron is obliquely truncate as in *B. piliventris*; but the external angle is not so dentiform. The abdomen has the middle of all the segments and the whole of the second, third, and fourth segments very sparingly and very finely punctured; the basal segment is moderately thickly punctured at the sides.

### 5. *Buprestis picta*.

Elongata, fusiformis, convexa, parum nitida, ænea aureo tincta; thorace crebre punctato, medio linea lævi, angulis anticis rufo-ochraceis, posticis incurvatis; elytris punctato-striatis, interstitiis evidenter punctatis, singulis lineis duabus ochraceis ornatis.

Long. 6 lin.

*Hab.* MEXICO (*coll. Brit. Mus.*).

A species closely resembling *B. lineata*, Fabr., in general form, colour, and appearance, but with the thorax of the same form as in *B. hæmorrhoidalis*, Herbst; *i. e.* the posterior angles are not divergent, but rather turned inwards. The thorax is strongly and closely punctured, with a distinct smooth median line. The striæ of the elytra are not quite so strong as in *B. lineata*; and the punctuation on the interstices is also less strong.

### CINYRA.

*Cinyra*, Lap. & Gory, Mon. ii. 1837, p. 157.

*Leptia*, Dejean, Cat. 1837, p. 89.

Species of this genus are recorded from Cuba, Mexico, Brazil, and Cayenne. One (*C. spilota*, Hope) is from Australia; but, being known to me only from description, I am unable to say whether it belongs properly to this genus or not.

### 1. *Cinyra costulata*. (Tab. I. fig. 20).

*Buprestis* (*Cinyra*) *costulata*, Lap. & Gory, Mon. ii. p. 159, t. 39. f. 220.

*Leptia polystigma*, Chevr. Silb. Rev. v. p. 78.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Vera Cruz (*Sallé*).

### 2. *Cinyra frontalis*. (Tab. I. fig. 19.)

Elongata, angusta, nitida, nigro-ænea; thorace subparallelo, fortiter punctato, canaliculo mediano bene impresso integro; elytris multicostatis, striis punctatis et in striis punctis plurimis majoribus albo-tomentosis, apice quadridentato.

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

*Hab.* MEXICO, Cordova (*Sallé*).