

patch (angulated within) and some irregular markings at the sides beyond the middle, at the base, and along the suture flavous; the antennæ piceous, with the three basal joints testaceous; the legs piceous, the tibiæ, the tarsi, and the base of the femora testaceous; the upper surface clothed with very fine, pallid, sericeous pubescence, the elytra also with scattered intermixed longer hairs, apparently arising from small bare spots. Head, prothorax, and scutellum densely, very minutely punctate; antennæ moderately long, joints 2 and 3 short, subequal, 4-11 gradually decreasing in length; prothorax short, rapidly narrowing from the base, slightly dilated at the sides; elytra broadly explanate and acutely margined at the sides, densely, minutely punctate, with distinct, scattered, intermixed coarser punctures, and indications of a fine impressed line near the suture.

Length 3, breadth 2 millim.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, Torola and Paso Antonio (*Champion*).

Two examples, both from the low country bordering the Pacific Ocean. This peculiar species approaches *O. obliqua*, but it is very much smaller, and the general shape is more rounded. The elytra have asymmetrical markings; the longer hairs, which are easily abraded, appear to arise from very small bare spots; the intermixed coarser punctures are quite distinct. The thorax is less explanate at the sides than in *O. obliqua* and its allies.

### 6. *Ora nigricornis*.

Oval, rather depressed, shining; fulvo-testaceous, the antennæ black, with the three basal joints testaceous; legs testaceous, the tarsi infusate, the posterior femora reddish; the upper surface finely pubescent. Head, prothorax, and scutellum thickly, very finely punctate; antennæ moderately long, slender, joint 3 small, about as long as 2, 4-11 elongate, the outer joints slightly decreasing in length; prothorax slightly explanate and acutely margined at the sides, very short, rapidly narrowing from the base; elytra flattened on the disc, slightly explanate and acutely margined at the sides, thickly, finely, uniformly punctate, the punctuation coarser than that of the prothorax, and with indications of a fine impressed line near the suture.

Length 4, breadth  $2\frac{1}{2}$  millim.

*Hab.* PANAMA, Bugaba (*Champion*).

This species agrees with *O. discoidea* and its allies in the form of the hind coxæ and also in the explanate margins of the elytra; but differs from them in the more coarsely punctured elytra, without trace of intermixed coarser impressions. It is smaller, narrower, and less depressed than *O. discoidea*. One example, probably quite mature.

### SCIRTES.

*Scirtes*, Illiger, Mag. vi. p. 301 (1807); Guérin, Spec. et Icon. gén. des Anim. Art. livr. i. no. 3, p. 1 (1843); Tournier, Dascillides du Bassin Léman, p. 83; Horn, Trans. Am. Ent. Soc. viii. p. 101.

The numerous species here referred to *Scirtes* agree in the following characters:—Posterior coxæ quite contiguous along the median line, extending over the intercoxal process of the abdomen, very abruptly dilated inwards, the inner portion forming a subquadrate plate; middle coxæ separated by a narrow lamina; prothorax and elytra (except in *S. oblongus*) narrowly margined. They have the long upper spur of the