

At first sight this is very similar to *P. letourneuri*. The following points of difference indicate, I believe, specific rank:—The thorax is shorter and has a less even surface; it is not so evenly rounded in front; the head is reddish between the eyes; and the antennæ are longer; the scutellum is red, and the suture itself not black at the base; but there is a short black streak on each side of it from the scutellum; the elytra are more convex, and their alternate interstices not raised, excepting the humeral and discoidal ones at the base. In some specimens the thorax exhibits transverse oblique rugosities, one of which forms a sulcus united with the channel of the disk near the base.

### 17. *Plateros rubricatus*.

Ochraceo-rufus, antennis, palpis, abdomine pedibusque (basi excepta) nigris, elytris interstitiis alternis elevationibus. Long. 10 millim.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, Chacoj, La Tinta, Pancina (*Champion*).

This species is also a very close ally of *P. letourneuri*, and is, indeed, still nearer to it in form than is *P. ochraceus*. It is, however, clearly a distinct species. The head, thorax, and scutellum are entirely of the brick-red colour of the thorax; and the whole of the sterna, with the coxæ, trochanters, base of the femora, and even the first segment of the abdomen are also red. The thorax, moreover, is not so even as in *letourneuri*; it exhibits six depressions in addition to the basal channel—two on each side, and one on each side of the channel, somewhat suggesting an approach to a true *Eros*.

### 18. *Plateros mexicanus*.

Nigro-fumosus, prothoracis margine laterali et frontali elytrorumque humeris ochraceo-rubris vel roseis; elytris punctato-striatis, interstitiis alternis elevationibus. Long.  $6\frac{1}{2}$ –8 millim. ♂ ♀.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Cordova (*Sallé, Höge*).

This species belongs to the first division of the genus, in which the elytra are moderately widened behind. The only species yet described which it resembles is *P. bourgeoisi*. It is scarcely more than half the size of that species; the elytra are not so black, and the red portions are more nearly pink; the disk is black, but never reaching the front margin, nor is there any central red line. The thoracic channel is open behind, and the base elevated, but not strongly in the middle. The antennæ are more pubescent than in *P. bourgeoisi*; and the head is sometimes reddish above the mandibles, which are red.

### 19. *Plateros roseicollis*.

Niger, prothorace elytrorumque humeris tenuiter roseis, his interstitiis alternis modice elevatis. Long. 8–10 millim. ♀.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Jacale (*Sallé*).