

hind angles acute, the basal margin thick, moderately raised, and at the sides grooved within, the surface finely and densely punctured, the disc more sparsely so in the middle behind and there somewhat flattened; elytra with very shallow intrahumeral depression, long, widest beyond the middle, deeply striate throughout, the striae with closely packed fine transverse impressions, the interstices convex, more strongly so towards the apex, the third with about six and the fifth with three (widely scattered between the base and apex), the seventh with one (at the shoulder), and the ninth with about six (towards the apex), fine setiferous punctures, the apices obtuse; legs and under surface testaceous, the former rather stout.

Length  $11\frac{1}{4}$  millim.; breadth  $2-2\frac{2}{3}$  millim. ( $\sigma$ .)

*Hab.* PANAMA, Tolé (*Champion*).

One example only. More elongate, larger, and more robust than *S. penicillata*, and also differing thus:—The eyes are larger; the thorax is not completely margined at the sides, and the surface is less densely and less confluent punctured (finely scabrous in *S. penicillata*); the elytra have no setiferous impressions on the first interstice and very few on the third and fifth; the legs are stouter; and the posterior tibiae have not a brush of short hairs in the male. *S. tolensis* is more elongate than *S. caeruleipennis*, to which it is perhaps more nearly allied, and has larger eyes, more slender antennae, a narrower thorax, and much longer elytra, the latter with fewer setiferous impressions on the third and fifth interstices.

## 25. *Statira vilis*. (Tab. I. fig. 20, $\sigma$ .)

*Statira vilis*, Mäkl. Act. Soc. Fenn. vii. p. 592<sup>1</sup>.

*Hab.* MEXICO<sup>1</sup>, Tuxtla, Playa Vicente (*Sallé*), Jalapa, Tapachula in Chiapas (*Höge*), Atoyac, Teapa (*H. H. Smith*); BRITISH HONDURAS, R. Hondo, Belize (*Blancaneaux*); GUATEMALA, Coatepeque, El Reposo, San Isidro, Pantaleon, Zapote, Toco, Teleman, Panzos, Cahabon (*Champion*); PANAMA, Bugaba, Volcan de Chiriqui, David (*Champion*).

*Var.* Entirely piceous, the prothorax almost smooth.

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

This is a common and widely distributed species in Central America. In the form described by Mäklin the head and thorax are reddish-testaceous, the elytra black or piceous, and the legs and under surface piceous; the insect, however, is often entirely reddish-testaceous, about one third of our very numerous examples being thus coloured. *S. vilis* is a small, moderately elongate, shining species, with the eyes small, the head and thorax minutely and sparsely (sometimes more thickly) punctured, the latter obsoletely margined at the extreme base, and the elytra rather deeply punctate-striate, the third, fifth, and ninth (and sometimes the seventh) interstices each having from two to four widely scattered setiferous impressions. The apical joint of the antennae in the male equals about five, and in the female rather more than three, of the preceding joints united. Of the variety a single example only was captured.