

thickly punctured) have each a very irregular row of closely placed rather shallow setiferous impressions.

58. **Statira nigripennis.** (Tab. II. figg. 17 ♂ ; 18 ♀ , vars.)

*Statira nigripennis*, Mäkl. Act. Soc. Fenn. x. p. 641<sup>1</sup>.

*Var. α.* The antennæ (except towards the apex), the shoulders of the elytra, the legs, and the under surface (except the venter) reddish-testaceous.

*Statira humeralis*, Mäkl. loc. cit. p. 642<sup>2</sup>.

*Var. β.* The reddish-testaceous patch at the shoulders connected by a narrow lateral stripe with a similarly coloured apical patch ; the rest as in *α*. (Fig. 17.)

*Var. γ.* The elytra testaceous, the suture for three-fourths of its length, rather broadly, and a long sublateral stripe about the middle, piceous-brown ; the rest as in *α*. (Fig. 18.)

*Var. δ.* The elytra wholly testaceous ; the rest as in *α*.

*Statira affinis*, Mäkl. loc. cit. p. 642<sup>3</sup>.

*Hab.* MEXICO<sup>1 2 3</sup> (*coll. F. Bates*), Cuernavaca in Morelos (*Sallé, Höge*).

We have received specimens of all the forms (except *δ*) of this variable species from Cuernavaca, not only from M. Sallé but also from Herr Höge. *S. nigripennis* is distinguished from the allied species by its narrow and very elongate shape, shining hairy surface, black or piceous head, reddish thorax, and (in the typical form) bluish-black or nigro-æneous elytra. The head is comparatively narrow (and owing to the long and prominent labrum appears very elongate), and has a few coarse setiferous punctures between the eyes and at the base ; the eyes are rather small and oblique ; and the antennæ are rather long, and have the apical joint in the male longer, in the female shorter, than joints 8-10 united. The thorax is convex, rather longer than broad, immarginate laterally, and has (except on the middle of the disc) a few scattered coarse punctures. The elytra are long, and finely and rather deeply punctate-striate ; the interstices are flat at the base but become convex towards the apex, and each has an irregular row of rather closely placed setiferous impressions extending from the base to the apex. The femora and tibiæ on all sides are clothed with long scattered erect hairs.

In the Sallé collection *S. nigripennis* is separated into five species, though all are from the same locality and differ in nothing except colour. *S. nigripennis* varies from 7-9 millim. in length and from  $1\frac{2}{3}$ - $2\frac{1}{4}$  millim. in breadth.

59. **Statira nigroænea.** (Tab. II. fig. 19, ♂ , var.)

Elongate, narrow, nigro-æneous, shining, the surface clothed with moderately long erect hairs. Head with scattered very coarse punctures, the eyes moderately large ; antennæ not very stout, piceous, the apical joint in the male longer, in the female less, than joints 8-10 united ; prothorax convex, about as long as broad, the sides immarginate (or obsoletely margined at the extreme base), rounded anteriorly, and moderately constricted behind, the hind angles not very prominent, the basal margin very little raised, the disc sometimes a little depressed in the middle before the base, the surface with very coarse widely