

different from the dull blue colour of that species, and the punctuation of the thorax is rather more scanty. There is but little difference in the punctuation of the elytra; the legs are brassy-black in colour.

16. **Rhynchites pusillus**, sp. n. (Tab. I. fig. 18.)

Niger, supra subcyaneus, tenuiter pubescens, sat nitidus; prothorace dense fortiterque punctato, elongato; elytris seriatim sat fortiter punctatis, interstitiis minus angustis.

Long. cum rostro $2\frac{1}{2}$ millim.

Hab. PANAMA, Bugaba (*Champion*).

This species is in sculpture rather similar to *R. confertus*, but differs in its dark blue-black colour and in the longer and more slender thorax. At first sight it is still more like the European *R. nanus*, but the thorax is longer and narrower and much more densely punctate. From *R. guatemalensis* the species is chiefly distinguished by the very dense punctuation of the thorax, and by the less obsolete punctuation of the elytra. Two examples.

17. **Rhynchites thesaurus**, sp. n.

Auratus, nitidus, tenuissime pubescens; rostro, antennis, pedibus, pectore abdomineque nigro-subæneis; prothorace elongato, crebrius fortiter profundeque punctato; elytris seriatim fortiter punctatis, interstitiis latis, haud omnino planis.

Long. cum rostro vix $2\frac{1}{2}$ millim.

Hab. MEXICO, Teapa in Tabasco (*H. H. Smith*).

This insect is very closely allied to *R. debilis*, but it does not agree in colour or punctuation with it or with any other species of the group; and, besides this, it has the vertex less sparingly and obsoletely punctate. The punctuation of the elytra on the disc is not obsolete. The only two examples received have a short rostrum; yet I fancy they are of opposite sexes, as there are some slight differences in the form and punctuation of the thorax, as well as a small distinction in the length of the front part of the rostrum.

18. **Rhynchites chiriquensis**, sp. n.

Læte cyaneus, nitidiusculus, pedibus æneis, rostro anterieus antennisque nigricantibus; parce obsoleteque punctatus, fere lævigatus.

Long. cum rostro $2\frac{1}{2}$ millim.

Hab. PANAMA, Volcan de Chiriqui 4000 feet (*Champion*).

Of this distinct and beautiful little insect we have received only one example, probably a female. It differs from all the other allied species by the diminished sculpture, more polished surface, and beautiful colour. The rostrum is long and slender, about equal in length to the head and thorax; shining black in front, behind the antennæ ænescent, the vertex cyaneous. Antennæ small, slightly brassy. Thorax