

shining from the insertion of the antennæ forwards; while in the male it is less cylindrical, and only becomes shining in front. The prothorax is a good deal narrowed in front, not so long as it is wide at the base, with the punctures rather distant and very ill-defined; it has a short obsolete channel at the base on the middle.

4. **Apion dissimilipes**, sp. n.

Parum elongatum, nigrum, peropacum, parcius minute griseo-setosum; antennis tibiisque sordide subfuscis; rostro minus gracili; prothorace transverso, transversim bis subconstricto, parce punctato; elytris brevibus, profunde sulcatis.

Long.  $1\frac{2}{3}$  millim. absque rostro.

Mas tarsis intermediis articulo basali subtus mucrone armato.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, near the city, San Gerónimo (*Champion*).

Rostrum in the male rather thick and about as long as head and thorax, in the female rather more slender and elongate; the eyes are small and very little prominent, placed very near the thorax; the antennæ are short, inserted quite as far in front of the eyes as the width of the interocular space, they are of a dark fuscous colour, with the club black. The thorax is rather broad and short, a good deal narrowed in front, very dull, with distant, rather large punctures, and in front of the scutellum a minute canaliculiform fovea. Elytra with the sculpture deep, the interstices narrow, convex. Under surface with no condensation of setæ on the breast or beneath the orbits.

Two pairs of this species were obtained; the peculiar structure of the basal joint of the middle tarsus will enable it to be identified with certainty so far as the male sex is concerned.

5. **Apion nitidirostre**, sp. n.

Breve, coleopteris subglobosis, nigrum, nitidum, nudum; rostro gracili, polito; prothorace parce obsolete punctato; elytris striatis.

Long.  $1\frac{3}{5}$  millim.

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

Rostrum in the male as long as head and thorax, in the female a little longer; free from sculpture and very shining; eyes convex, placed very near the thorax, the interval between them moderately wide; antennæ inserted very near to the eyes. Thorax short, greatly narrowed in front, sparingly and obsoletely punctate, without impression in front of the scutellum. Elytra short, broad and convex, finely striate. Legs short.

A species not closely allied to any other from our region; the very shining rostrum, with antennæ inserted near the base, the sublævigata thorax, and the finely striate elytra are sufficient to distinguish it. Only three specimens have been obtained.