

front of the scutellum. The grooves of the elytra are deep, and are deeply punctate, the interstices being only about as broad as the sulci. There is but little setosity on the under surface, and the middle coxæ are closely approximate. The mucro on the front tibia is very conspicuous, being directed strongly inwards.

35. **Apion paradoxum.** (Tab. III. fig. 10.)

Apion paradoxum, Gerst. Stett. ent. Zeit. 1854, p. 274¹.

♂. Angustulum, nigrum, subnitidum, parcissime minute setosum; rostro cylindrico, sat elongato; prothorace conico, rugoso-punctato; elytris profunde sulcatis, interstitiis convexiusculis; tibiis intermediis dilatatis, facie posteriore longe pilosa; femoribus posterioribus incrassatis.

Long. 2½ millim. absque rostro.

Hab. MEXICO¹, Chilpancingo in Guerrero 4600 feet in June (*H. H. Smith*).

Antennæ long and slender, the basal joint elongate, inserted slightly behind the middle of the rostrum; this latter cylindrical, somewhat longer than the head and thorax; eyes rather large and convex, placed but little away from the thorax, the interval between them only moderately wide. Thorax long and narrow, much narrowed in front, densely and coarsely punctured, with an abbreviate channel in front of the base in the middle. Elytra convex and narrow, deeply sulcate. Middle tibiæ dilated and flattened, their posterior face clothed with long, dense, pallid hair. Hind femora greatly incrassate.

Only one example of this extraordinary insect was obtained by Mr. Smith. Gers-täcker described the species from a unique example, also of the male sex.

36. **Apion murinum.**

Apion murinum, Gerst. Stett. ent. Zeit. 1854, p. 241¹.

Hab. MEXICO (*mus. Berol*¹).

As I cannot at all determine from the description to what species this is allied, I place it at the end of this division, though the antennæ are said to be inserted close to the eyes.

DIVISION B.

Legs variously coloured, but never entirely black. Species 37–86.

The species placed at the commencement have the antennæ inserted at the base of the rostrum very near to the eyes; those at the end of the division have the antennæ inserted near the middle of the rostrum.

37. **Apion chalceum.**

Apion chalceum, Gerst. Stett. ent. Zeit. 1854, p. 240¹.

Hab. MEXICO (*mus. Berol*¹).