

in having the prothorax more closely foveato-punctate in both sexes; the elytra irregularly striate towards the sides anteriorly, relatively shorter and more narrowly acuminate at the apex in the female, and with subangular humeri in the male. The markings, which are easily abraded, are somewhat different from those of *N. auropictus*, the prothoracic vittæ being placed further inwards and the streak on the elytra duplicated towards the base; the striæ, too, are more irregular on the disc.

## 2. *Naupactopsis auropictus*, sp. n. (Tab. XIII. figg. 1, ♂; 2, ♀.)

Elongate, rather convex, narrow, and subelliptic (♂), broad and subpyriform (♀), black or piceous, the legs varying in colour from black to ferruginous; clothed with minute brown, cinereous, or coppery scales, the prothorax with a narrow stripe on each side of larger, imbricate, whitish, green, cupreous, or golden scales which is often interruptedly continued down the disc of each elytron, the flanks of the latter and the larger punctures of the upper surface frequently bearing similar metallic scales; the surface also set with small, decumbent, scattered pallid setæ. Head and rostrum densely, finely punctate, the rostrum slightly longer than broad, feebly or obsoletely carinate down the middle, the nasal plate short, the inter-ocular fovea small; antennal scape reaching beyond the eyes, the latter large and depressed. Prothorax about as long as broad, rounded at the sides, in the ♂ scarcely narrower at the apex than at the base, in the ♀ broader behind and subtransverse, truncate at the base, narrowly sulcate down the middle; impressed with scattered irregular foveiform punctures intermixed with a fine dense interstitial punctuation. Scutellum small. Elytra oblong-oval in ♂, broader, widened to the middle, and more abruptly acuminate in ♀, the humeri obtuse, the apices feebly mucronate, the disc usually with two or three scattered shallow irregular depressions; coarsely punctate-striate, the striæ regular at the base, the interstices densely punctulate, narrow and uneven in ♂, broad and sometimes flat in ♀.

*Var.?* The prothorax with a broad submarginal vitta, which is continued down the disc of the elytra to the apex, and a broad stripe along the lower margin of the latter, densely clothed with greenish (♂) or golden-cupreous (♀) scales; the legs in great part ferruginous.

Length  $9\frac{1}{2}$ –15, breadth  $3$ – $6\frac{1}{5}$  millim. (♂ ♀.)

*Hab.* MEXICO, Las Vigas in Vera Cruz (*Höge*), Oaxaca (*Mus. Brit.*, *Höge*), Tepansa-coalco, Parada, Jacale (*Sallé*), Omilteme in Guerrero (*H. H. Smith*).

A very variable insect, and the sexes dissimilar in form. The seriate punctures on the elytra are larger, scattered, and foveiform in the more rugose examples, and often bear a few metallic scales, like those on the submarginal vittæ of the prothorax. The penis-sheath of the male is broad, somewhat pointed at the tip. The second joint of the funiculus is somewhat elongated in the female. A long series of both sexes has been sent us by Höge. The variety? is represented by a pair obtained from M. Donckier labelled "Mexico."

## 3. *Naupactopsis sitonoides*, sp. n. (Tab. XIII. fig. 3, ♀.)

Oblong-oval, moderately convex, dull, nigro-piceous; densely clothed with small coppery-brown scales, with whitish scales intermixed, these latter becoming more numerous on the head, along the sides of the prothorax, and on the humeri and sides of the elytra, the surface also set with short, curled, scattered hairs. Head and rostrum densely, rugulose punctate, the rostrum about as broad as long and obsoletely carinate to the small inter-ocular fovea; antennæ comparatively short, the scape barely reaching the posterior margin of the eyes, the latter widely separated and not prominent. Prothorax broader than long, rounded at the sides, narrowed in front, and truncate at the base; rather coarsely, closely punctate, and with a fine, dense, interstitial punctuation. Scutellum small. Elytra somewhat convex, much