

narrowing from a little below the base, the obliquely truncated humeri almost in a line with the sides of the prothorax, the basal margin sharply raised; deeply punctate-striate, the interstices punctulate and almost flat. Mesosternum subvertical, with a narrow transverse depression between the coxæ limited in front by an arcuate ridge. Metasternum shallowly depressed down the middle. Legs very long, slender; femora unidentate, the anterior pair sometimes unarmed, the intermediate and posterior pairs carinate externally; knees with a sharp spine.

Length  $5-7\frac{1}{10}$ , breadth  $2\frac{1}{3}-3\frac{2}{5}$  millim. ( $\sigma$   $\varphi$ .)

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, Las Mercedes, Pantaleon, Zapote, Teleman (*Champion*).—SOUTH AMERICA, Cayenne, Amazons (*Mus. Brit.*).

Six specimens from Guatemala, two from Cayenne, and one from the Amazons. This species is very like a *Mnemynurus*, but it has a shorter rostrum.

## 2. *Hoplocopturus nigripes*, sp. n. (Tab. IV. figg. 4, 4 a, b.)

Subovate, black, the antennæ ferruginous; above thickly clothed with narrow scales: the anterior half of the prothorax and a line behind the eyes carmine-red, the space between them white, the prothorax with a narrow fascia near the base, extending down the median lobe, and the elytra with the base, two undulate fasciæ, and an oblong patch on the suture at the apex, also white, the rest of the upper surface blackish, the two blackish elytral fasciæ extending downwards on to the side-pieces of the metasternum; the under surface closely set with coarser, oval, white scales, the legs with piliform, white scales. Head broad, closely punctate, the eyes separated by a narrow space; rostrum reaching the middle of the metasternum, rugulose and carinate at the base. Prothorax nearly twice as broad as long, obliquely narrowing from the base, the anterior constriction indistinct; densely punctate. Elytra short, rounded-triangular, blunt at the apex; punctate-striate, the interstices rugulose, flat. First ventral segment broadly depressed down the middle in the  $\sigma$ . Legs moderately long, the posterior femora extending beyond the apex of the abdomen; anterior and intermediate femora obsolete, the posterior femora distinctly, unidentate; anterior knees feebly, the others sharply, dentate.

Length 3, breadth  $1\frac{1}{2}$  millim.

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

Two specimens. This insect resembles *Mnemynurus longispinis*, but it has the rostrum and legs shorter and blacker, the eyes less approximate, the prothorax shorter, the elytra with sharply-defined, complete, light and dark fasciæ, the latter extending downwards on to the sides of the metasternum. The head is much broader than in *H. leptopus*, *H. varipes*, and *H. armatus*.

## 3. *Hoplocopturus quinquevittatus*, sp. n. (Tab. IV. figg. 5, 5 a; 5 b, mesosternum.)

Elliptic, flattened above, shining, black, the antennæ ferruginous; the head with a line around eyes, the prothorax with five narrow vittæ (the outer ones scarcely visible from above), and the elytra with the basal margin, the suture, two undulate transverse fasciæ on the disc, and a narrow streak at the apex of the seventh interstice, yellowish-white, the rest of the vestiture of the upper surface sparse and blackish; the under surface and legs with yellowish-white scales, the ventral segments 1-4 with a broad space down the middle, 1 and 2 also with a space at the sides, and 5 entirely, infusate or bare. Eyes extremely large, very narrowly separated. Rostrum rugulose and carinate at the base. Joint 2 of the funiculus as long as 3-7 united. Prothorax much broader than long, narrowing from the base, feebly constricted in front; closely, rather coarsely punctate, the punctures on the middle of the disc transverse. Elytra oblong-cordate; deeply punctate-striate, the interstices almost flat, rather sparsely, minutely punctate. Meso- and metasternum depressed between the middle coxæ, the mesosternal depression limited