

so rare that they are represented in the collections amassed by our Editors by only one or two specimens of each species. They all have the head more or less deeply constricted behind the eyes, the hind angles of the head more or less free, and the vertex in the middle more or less elevated or divided, thus increasing the apparent depth of the constriction of the neck. In this latter point the species form a strong contrast with *Arrhenodes*. They differ much among themselves in the form of the head and position of the eyes—*E. elegans* coming, in these respects, nearest to the typical species, *E. pictus*.

### 1. *Episphales interruptolineatus*.

*Arrhenodes interruptolineatus*, Gyll. in Schönh. Gen. Curc. v. p. 477<sup>1</sup>.

*Episphales interruptolineatus*, Power, Pet. Nouv. Ent. ii. p. 241 (1878)<sup>2</sup>.

*Hab.* MEXICO (*Chevrolat*<sup>1</sup>).

This insect is compared with *Eupsalis minutus* by Gyllenhal, and said to be longer and narrower. It is referred by Power<sup>2</sup> to *Episphales*. If this be correct we do not seem to have received an example of the species. The female only has been described. There is no insect bearing this name in the Sallé collection.

### 2. *Episphales lacordairei*.

*Episphales lacordairei*, Power, Pet. Nouv. Ent. ii. p. 241<sup>1</sup>.

*Hab.* MEXICO<sup>1</sup> (*Mus. Brux.*).

We appear not to have received a specimen of this species, so far as it is possible to judge from the brief description.

### 3. *Episphales rugicollis*, sp. n. (Tab. II. fig. 5.)

Fusco-niger, supra parum nitidus, thorace densissime rugoso; elytris fortissime punctato-sulcatis, ad basin et ultra medium flavo-signatis.

Long. 25 millim.

*Hab.* MEXICO (*Sallé*).

Of this remarkable Brenthid we have received only a single example, a male. Pro-rostrum slender, in general form like that of *Orychodes*, and asperate above in a similar manner; antennæ stout, rather short, the terminal joint very acuminate; metarostrum very coarsely rugose; eyes small, globular; angles of head very free. Thorax broad, dull, with a faint metallic tinge, extremely densely rugose. Elytra short and broad, next the suture with one impunctate, or nearly impunctate, groove, elsewhere with very large punctures placed very regularly, and with all the intervals between them quite small; the fourth and fifth interstices have each a small yellow mark at the base, and there is a fascia of short yellow marks beyond the middle. Beneath shining; head and metarostrum extremely coarsely rugose; base of abdomen broadly impressed.