

base to three-fourths of the length, and the eighth for a short space on the middle, the ninth is also yellow on a short raised portion quite at the extremity. The femora are remarkable for the abrupt and great dilatation of the apical part as compared with the basal portion; each one bears a small sharp tooth. The tibiæ are compressed and sublamine, somewhat thicker in the middle; the front one, on the inner margin about the middle of the length, with a sharp tooth.

In the male the antennæ are median in their insertion, the prorostrum is short and broad, much dilated towards the tip, deeply canaliculate for half its length; the abdomen vaguely depressed along the middle.

In the female the antennæ are inserted very near to the eyes, and the prothorax is a good deal shorter than it is in the male.

Ten specimens.

13. *Brenthus quadrilineatus*, sp. n. (Tab. III. fig. 6, ♀.)

Niger, nitidus; elytris lineis duabus elongatis flavis, prope suturam striis duabus impunctatis, duabusque punctatis, externe seriatim punctatis.

Long. 11–15 millim.

Hab. MEXICO, Toxpam (*Sallé*), Bobo (*Höge*); NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Janson*).

This insect is very closely allied to *B. clavipes*, but may be distinguished from it by the elongate yellow line on the eighth interstice, and by the less obsolete punctures on the elytra. Besides this, it is a narrower insect, with the femora much less clavate, and the tooth on the front tibia less definite; the tibiæ, too, are less laminate.

Four specimens.

14. *Brenthus sculptipennis*, sp. n.

Angustus, parum elongatus, niger; elytris linea et puncto flavis ornatis, fortius punctatis, interstitiis carinatis; tibiis anticis intus haud dentatis.

Long. 11–17 millim.

Hab. NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Belt*); PANAMA, Volcan de Chiriqui (*Champion*).

Thorax much narrowed in front, with traces of an obsolete channel on the basal part. Elytra rather depressed, narrow, with a very short yellow mark near the apex of the third interstice, and with the fourth interstice yellow from the base to two-thirds of the length, this yellow colour at the base spreading a little at the sides; the sculpture is remarkably definite and coarse, the first stria is impunctate, the second and third are punctate, the outer striæ are very coarsely punctured, so that the interstices are carinate. The front tibiæ are straighter than usual, and have no trace of a tooth on their inner edge. The femora each bear a small sharp tooth; they are moderately clavate, the more slender part broadly impressed on the outer face.

B. sculptipennis bears a considerable resemblance to the small individuals of *B. mexicanus*; it is very distinct, however, not only by the absence of sulcation on the prothorax,