

latter, *H. errans*, Lec., being closely related to the Indian insect. The funiculus is distinctly 7-jointed in *H. pubescens*, but in the American forms known to me the second joint is very short and difficult to detect.

### 1. *Himatium rugicolle*, sp. n. (Tab. I. fig. 26.)

Elongate, narrow, depressed, subopaque, ferruginous; thickly clothed with rather coarse, semierect, curled, blunt, ochreous setæ, those on the elytra uniseriately arranged down each interstice. Head between the eyes, and the rostrum also, densely, rugulose punctate. Prothorax longer than broad, gradually narrowing forwards, feebly constricted in front, narrower than the elytra; densely, shallowly, confluent punctate, a smoother bare space in the centre at the apex excepted. Elytra moderately long, with rows of oblong, coarse punctures, separated by flat, rugulose interstices, which are of about the same width as the punctures. Legs short and stout.

Length 2, breadth  $\frac{3}{5}$  millim.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, Capetillo (*Champion*).

One specimen. Extremely like the N.-American *H. errans*, Lec. (examples of which, and of *H. conicum*, Lec., have been sent me by Mr. Barber), but smaller, the prothorax considerably narrower than the elytra and not so coarsely punctured, the elytra with the seriate punctures more scattered and the interstices quite flat.

## CATOLETHRUS.

*Catolethrus*, Schönherr, Gen. Curc. iv. p. 1077 (1838); viii. 2, p. 285; Wollaston, Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond. 1873, pp. 437, 474, 557, 617.

♂. *Phacegaster*, Wollaston, loc. cit. pp. 437, 476, 559.

This is one of the most easily recognized Cossonid genera inhabiting Tropical America, all the species\* having the inner dorsal striæ of the elytra deeply impressed and divergent on the apical declivity (fig. 27 *b*)—a form of sculpture suggestive of that of various Scolytidæ. *Phacegaster*, Wollaston, was based upon the male of *Catolethrus nasalis*, Boh., this insect, like *C. fallax*, having the rostrum flattened at the base and much broader than in the same sex of *C. longulus*, the peculiar femoral and ventral characters ascribed to it being present in the type (♂) of the genus *Catolethrus*, *C. longulus*. The female of *Phacegaster nasalis* (= *Catolethrus læviusculus*, Woll.) is a typical *Catolethrus*. The species captured by myself in Central America were found in sappy wood, particularly, I believe, of Musaceous plants. The four forms may be grouped thus:—

Rostrum subcylindrical in both sexes, slender in ♀. [CATOLETHRUS.]

Elytra with the sides indeterminately refescent and the sutural region darker; prothorax sparsely punctured; first ventral segment deeply excavate and 4-foveate in ♂ . . . . .

*longulus*, Boh.

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\* The Tahitian and other forms referred to it belong elsewhere.