

2. *Mastostethus nigrocinctus*.

Megalopus nigrocinctus, Chevr. Col. Mex. cent. i. no. 77¹; Lacord. Mon. p. 617.

Megalopus variabilis, Dej. Cat. 3rd ed. p. 385.

Hab. MEXICO, Almolonga (*Höge*), Cordova¹; GUATEMALA, Zapote (*Champion*); NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Belt*).

Lacordaire has enumerated six varieties of this species. Amongst the specimens from Guatemala a good many have the elytral black band reduced to four small transversely placed spots, while in others even these are entirely wanting. This species may be best distinguished from *M. balteatus* by the much more distant and also finer punctuation of the elytra, which is constant in the numerous specimens I have examined.

3. *Mastostethus cingulatus*.

Mastostethus cingulatus, Lacord. Mon. p. 618.

Hab. MEXICO.

4. *Mastostethus bilobus*.

Mastostethus bilobus, Lacord. Mon. p. 619.

Hab. MEXICO, Tabasco; BRITISH HONDURAS, R. Sarstoon (*Blancaneaux*); GUATEMALA, Panima in Vera Paz (*Champion*).

The red underside, head, and margin of the thorax are the principal characters which distinguish this species from *M. nigrocinctus*. The colour of the legs varies from black to rufous. One specimen, from Vera Paz, is, with the exception of the black elytral marks, entirely of a rufo-testaceous colour.

5. *Mastostethus duplocinctus*.

Mastostethus duplocinctus, Clark, Cat. Phyt. App. p. 71.

Hab. MEXICO.

6. *Mastostethus tricinctus*.

Mastostethus tricinctus, Lacord. Mon. p. 626.

Hab. MEXICO.—COLOMBIA.

7. *Mastostethus fraternus*. (Tab. II. fig. 11.)

Mastostethus fraternus, Baly, Cist. Ent. ii. p. 128¹.

Hab. NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Belt*).—BRAZIL¹.

The Nicaraguan specimens before me agree in every respect with the Brazilian type. Mr. Baly has pointed out the difference between this species and *M. bicolor*. I may further add that the anterior margin of the black part of the elytra is rather