

In this species the fifth elytral stria is only half the length of the others and deeply hollowed out near its base, followed directly by an equally developed convexity; it is further united to the following stria (called by Suffrian the eighth), and encloses a smooth space something like a hatchet with two blades. The species varies from light yellow to brown, and is closely allied to *C. rimosus*, but distinguished by the fine punctuation of the thorax and the different directions of the punctuated striae. I have also examined the specimen in the Berlin Museum.

### 21. *Cryptocephalus insolidus*.

*Cryptocephalus insolidus*, Suffr. Monogr. vii. p. 29.

Yellowish brown; thorax scarcely punctured, with a narrow black posterior margin; elytra with narrow dark lines, following the striae, the latter with the sixth and seventh rows interrupted, the eighth curved inwards.

Length  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lines.

*Hab.* MEXICO.

### 22. *Cryptocephalus maculipennis*.

*Cryptocephalus maculipennis*, Suffr. Monogr. vii. p. 30.

Rufous; margins of the thorax and two oblique narrow spots at its base flavous; elytra distantly but deeply subgeminately punctate-striate, flavous, each elytron with five transversely placed spots at the base (the inner two of which are linear), three others behind the middle, and two near the apex brown.

Length  $2\frac{1}{2}$ –3 lines.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Orizaba, Cuernavaca (*Sallé*).

### 23. *Cryptocephalus atrofasciatus*. (Tab. IV. fig. 2.)

Below flavous; thorax fulvous, the margins and two oblique basal spots obscure flavous; elytra deeply punctate-striate, flavous, each elytron with three deeply dentate black transverse bands.

Length ♂  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , ♀  $3\frac{1}{2}$  lines.

♂. Head with a few deep punctures, flavous, with a central fulvous spot; antennae nearly as long as the body, all joints from the fifth very slender and elongate, the first four and part of the fifth joints flavous, the rest black; thorax much narrowed towards the apex, posterior margin not lobed in the middle and moderately rounded, surface very minutely punctate, fulvous, the margins and two more or less distinct oblique basal spots flavous; scutellum black; elytra deeply and closely punctate-striate, the fifth stria connected with the eighth by a short transverse row of punctures, representing the sixth and seventh row, the latter two interrupted below the shoulder and limited by two transverse smooth elevated spaces, behind which there is a continuation of the fifth and sixth rows, represented by a few punctures only; interstices near the lateral margins distinctly longitudinally costate; the colour is the same as that of the thorax or lighter flavous; a deeply bilobed transverse band at the base of each elytron, another one, immediately below the middle, distinctly toothed near the suture, and a third, apical band sometimes interrupted, deep black; all these bands extend from the lateral margin across the sutural one, the former as well as the latter being also black; underside flavous; legs fulvous with lighter marks, the posterior thighs extending quite as far as the elytra; prosternum acutely bidentate.

*Var.* The black of the elytra predominating so much as to enclose three transverse rows of yellow spots more or less interrupted by the black interstices; the apex also yellow.

♀. Much larger; the basal and apical black elytral bands represented, the former by five, the latter by two elongate spots; posterior thighs much shorter than the abdomen; last abdominal segment with a profoundly impressed smooth fovea.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Cuernavaca (*Sallé*).