

posteriorly, depressed, closely and distinctly punctured throughout, the disc testaceous, the suture and lateral margin rather broadly greenish, this colour diminishing in extent posteriorly; underside and legs black, shining.

Hab. MEXICO, Omilteme in Guerrero (*H. H. Smith*).

A single example. Of comparatively large size, and distinct from any other species from our region by the colour of the elytra and the close punctuation.

38. *Systema* (?) *minuta*.

Black, above metallic blue or greenish; the antennæ (entirely or partly) and legs (the posterior femora excepted) flavous; thorax and elytra very minutely punctured, and finely wrinkled or granulate.

Length $\frac{3}{4}$ line.

Head finely granulate, without punctures, the frontal tubercles very small; antennæ extending beyond the middle of the elytra in the male, flavous, the terminal two joints often fuscous, the third joint thinner and slightly shorter than the second, the following joints equal and rather stout, gradually thickened towards the apex; thorax nearly twice as broad as long, the sides rounded, the angles scarcely distinct, the base with a more or less well marked transverse groove not extending to the sides, the surface finely granulate and scarcely perceptibly punctured; scutellum black; elytra parallel, not very convex, and scarcely more distinctly punctured than the thorax; legs flavous, the posterior femora piceous; the first joint of the posterior tarsi as long as the following three joints together; anterior coxal cavities closed.

Hab. BRITISH HONDURAS, R. Hondo (*Blancaneaux*); GUATEMALA, Zapote (*Champion*); PANAMA, Bugaba, Volcan de Chiriqui (*Champion*).

This very small species agrees in most of its characters with *Systema*, but differs from it by the short joints of the antennæ and the more transversely-shaped thorax. Some specimens have a nearly black thorax and dark blue elytra; those from British Honduras are entirely dark blue above, with an almost smooth head and thorax. Many examples were obtained by Mr. Champion in Chiriqui.

39. *Systema robusta*.

Entirely testaceous; the antennæ stout; thorax finely punctured, the basal sulcus distinct and sinuate; elytra very closely and finely punctured.

Length 4 lines.

Hab. MEXICO (*coll. Jacoby*).

This is a large and comparatively robust species. It differs from most of its congeners by the long and stout antennæ, the basal joints of which are thickened, the third longer than any of the following ones. The head is impunctate, broad, not constricted behind the eyes; the thorax is closely and finely punctured, of the usual shape, but with the basal groove sinuate at the middle and very distinctly marked; the elytra are depressed, with the basal portion somewhat swollen, extremely closely and finely punctured throughout; the underside and legs are testaceous.

A single specimen sent me by Dr. Pipitz of Graz, without nearer indication of locality.