

A single specimen. *A. smithi* is well distinguished by its metallic æneous colour and the strong and regularly punctured striæ of the elytra.

17 (A). *Aphthona purpurea*.

Dark purplish, above metallic purplish, the antennæ black; thorax transverse, closely punctured; elytra moderately strongly punctate-striate; legs fulvous.

Length $1\frac{1}{4}$ line.

Oblong-ovate, convex; the head metallic blue or purplish, with a few punctures, the frontal elevations transverse, distinct, the clypeus margined with flavous, the labrum piceous; antennæ rather robust, black, the apex of the basal joint, and the second joint entirely, flavous, the third joint very little shorter than the fourth, this and the following joints widened at the apex, the last two joints slender and cylindrical; thorax twice as broad as long, the sides rounded and narrowly margined, the surface of a metallic blue colour, strongly and remotely punctured, with an obsolete transverse depression near the base; scutellum black; elytra with a basal depression, purplish, regularly and rather strongly punctate-striate; underside obscure dark bluish or purplish; legs flavous, the posterior femora obscure purplish.

Hab. PANAMA, Bugaba in Chiriqui (*Champion*).

One specimen. Somewhat allied in shape and punctuation to *A. robusta*, Jac., but differing in the metallic purplish colour and the strongly punctured thorax.

18 (A). *Aphthona amulensis*.

Narrow, subparallel, black; the basal joints of the antennæ and the anterior tibiæ, more or less, flavous; thorax transverse, bluish-black, impunctate; elytra very finely and obsoletely punctured, bluish-black.

Length 1 line.

Head broad, bluish-black, entirely impunctate, the frontal tubercles and carina obsolete; antennæ rather robust, more than half the length of the body, the lower five joints flavous, the others black, the second joint stout, short, the following two joints more slender, but not longer than the second; thorax twice as broad as long, the sides rounded at the middle, the angles blunt, not produced, the surface smooth, impunctate, bluish-black, the base with a slight transverse depression at the sides only; elytra of the same colour as the thorax, exceedingly minutely punctured; underside black; the tibiæ more or less, the tarsi entirely, fulvous; prosternum very narrow; the first joint of the posterior tarsi as long as the following three joints united.

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

The transverse, impunctate thorax and the minutely punctured elytra in connection with the system of coloration principally distinguish *A. amulensis* from its congeners. It is also of much more elongate parallel shape than is usual in this genus.

20. *Aphthona fulvitaris*.

Oblong, very convex, black, the basal joints of the antennæ (the first excepted) and the tarsi fulvous; thorax transverse, strongly and remotely punctured; elytra strongly and closely punctate-striate.

Length $\frac{3}{4}$ –1 line.

Head impunctate at the vertex, shining, the frontal tubercles strongly raised and rather broad, dark fulvous or piceous, the labrum included; antennæ scarcely half the length of the body, the first joint (its apex excepted), and the last six also, black, the other joints fulvous, the first and second joints very robust, the following three equal, short, the terminal joints gradually widened; thorax twice as broad as long, the sides perfectly straight, the anterior angles very oblique, thickened, and forming a sharp tooth, the surface convex, very strongly and remotely punctured, the posterior margin slightly rounded; elytra very convex,