

Very close to *D. thoracicus*; in the male the thorax is widest in front a very little below the angles (in *D. thoracicus* the widest part is below the middle); the legs are not nearly so long, and the hairs on the tarsi in the male are black; the antennæ are shorter, especially the third to the fifth joints; the elytra are less distinctly punctured, and have their apices acuminate and rounded. The legs and underside vary in the degree of depth of pitchy-red colour.

I have described this species from specimens from British Honduras, where it appears to be very abundant. The specimens from Mexico pertain, I believe, to the same species, and are very difficult to separate from *D. teredilis*, with which it was found by Herr Höge.

16. *Dasydactylus picipes*.

Niger, subænescens, nitidus, subtus cum pedibus piceus; capite prothoraceque parcius sat fortiter punctatis; elytris distincte punctato-striatis, interstitiis punctulatis; prosterno leviter exciso, apice bimucronato. Long. 8–10 millim. ♂ ♀.

Mas prothorace convexiore, lateribus medio rotundatis; pedibus anticis longioribus, femoribus intus subasperatis, tarsis nigro-hirtulis.

Hab. GUATEMALA, Cerro Zunil, Dueñas (*Champion*).

Smaller than *D. nitidus*, and, in addition to the prosternum being channelled and excised at the apex, differing from it as follows:—The thorax is shorter, and in the male widened in the middle rather than near the base (which is accordingly more constricted), and covered with more distinct but more scattered punctures; the interstices of the elytra are less thickly and less serially punctured, the striæ themselves being more strongly punctate. Many specimens were captured at Cerro Zunil by Mr. Champion, and what appears to be the same species occurred in some numbers at Dueñas.

17. *Dasydactylus teredilis*.

Nigro-piceus, nitidus, corpore subtus pedibusque dilutius piceis plus minusve infuscatis; antennis tarsisque nigris; capite prothoraceque parcius minute punctatis; elytris punctato-striatis, interstitiis sublævibus, apicibus acuminatis et minute denticulatis; prosterno exciso. Long. 6–7 millim. ♂.

Mas prothorace valde convexo; femoribus anticis asperatis, tarsis nigro-hirtulis.

Hab. MEXICO, Jalapa, Cordova, Teapa in Tabasco (*Höge*), Toxpam (*Sallé*); GUATEMALA, Capetillo, Chiacam (*Champion*).

One of the smaller species evidently composing a series very nearly allied and hard to separate. The males of *D. teredilis* have the thorax very wide and convex, the middle of the thorax being the widest part of the insect; the antennæ of moderate length, *i. e.* about as long as the head and thorax together, the third to the seventh joints subequal and longer than wide. The front legs are long, but the middle pair is shorter than in some species of the genus; and their femora appear to be smooth in the males.