

the black fasciæ are more indented, often reduced to spots. The species of this genus are usually very little differentiated, and many of this section depend rather on colour and size than on any structural character; the absence of the red submarginal stripe near the apex seems quite constant.

We figure a specimen from Chontales.

3. *Megischyrus guatemalæ*. (Tab. II. fig. 12.)

Megischyrus guatemalæ, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 424¹.

"Ater, subnitidus, oblongus, capite thoraceque subtiliter punctulatis, elytris tenue punctato-striatis, fasciis 3 e maculis alternis conflatis sanguineis. L. c. $6\frac{1}{2}$ –7 lin."

Hab. BRITISH HONDURAS, R. Sarstoon (*Blancaneaux*); GUATEMALA¹, El Reposo, Zapote (*Champion*).

Many specimens of this species were captured by Mr. Champion at Zapote, one of which is figured on our Plate.

4. *Megischyrus sanguinolentus*. (Tab. II. fig. 14.)

Ischyrus sanguinolentus, Lac. Monogr. Erotyl. p. 97¹.

Megischyrus sanguinolentus, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. pp. 143, 424².

Hab. MEXICO, Yucatan^{1 2}, Tabasco¹; BRITISH HONDURAS, Belize (*Blancaneaux*); NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Belt, Janson*²).

5. *Megischyrus zonalis*. (Tab. II. fig. 16.)

Ischyrus zonalis, Lac. Monogr. Erotyl. p. 102¹.

Megischyrus zonalis, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 425².

Hab. BRITISH HONDURAS, R. Sarstoon (*Blancaneaux*); GUATEMALA, Zapote (*Champion*).—BOLIVIA^{1 2}; PERU, Chanchamayo.

In Crotch's collection there are three examples of this species, one from that of Guérin, and two from that of the late Mr. E. Sheppard, with which our insect perfectly agrees. A single specimen in the same collection named "*M. sicarius*" (from Reiche's collection) does not appear to me to be different; it is to be observed, however, that the variety of *M. sicarius* mentioned by Crotch under the name *M. perizonatus* is not in the Cambridge collection.

The insects I record under the name *M. zonalis* agree very well with Lacordaire's description; they may be recognized from their allies (except *M. sicarius*) by the black discal patch of the elytra having a projection nearly reaching the base. Our examples have sometimes the yellow margin obliterated in the middle of the suture; and the colour of the margin is yellow, not blood-red as in *M. discipennis*.

The figure is taken from a specimen from Zapote.