

proper. The species are larger in size, though scarcely equal to the smaller forms of *Megischyrus*; and the colour is very different, being usually a beautiful blood-red, with bluish elytra banded with yellow.

The species all inhabit Central or South America.

1. *Callischyrus venustus*.

Ischyrus venustus, Lac. Monogr. Erotyl. p. 109¹.

Callischyrus venustus, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 434².

Hab. MEXICO, Yucatan^{1 2}.—SOUTH AMERICA, Colombia^{1 2}.

This species has not been met with by any of our collectors. Specimens labelled Yucatan are, however, not uncommon in collections.

2. *Callischyrus amœnus*. (Tab. II. fig. 25.)

Lybas amœnus, Guérin, Rev. Zool. 1841, p. 155¹.

Ischyrus amœnus, Lac. Monogr. Erotyl. p. 107² (nec Atlas Gen. Col.).

Callischyrus amœnus, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 435³.

Hab. MEXICO^{1 2 3}, Jalapa, Trapiche (*Höge*), Orizaba (*Sallé*); COSTA RICA, Irazu (*Rogers*).

This very beautiful and well-known species appears to be not at all uncommon where it occurs in Mexico. The capture of two specimens by Rogers in Costa Rica is certainly a remarkable fact, and shows that many species may be more widely distributed than is generally supposed; these examples only differ from typical ones in having the apex of the elytra wholly blood-red in colour, instead of being marked with red and black.

An Orizaba specimen is figured.

Obs.—The figure in the Genera Col. Atlas, t. 131. f. 6, is not that of a specimen of this species, but appears to be taken from a specimen of *C. candezei*; the antennæ are imaginary, and do not represent those of any allied species.

3. *Callischyrus candezei*. (Tab. II. fig. 24.)

Callischyrus candezei, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 434¹.

Hab. GUATEMALA¹ (*Sallé*), Totonicapam, Capetillo, Calderas, San Gerónimo, Purula (*Champion*).

Resembles *C. amœnus*, but is easily to be recognized by the two black spots on the thorax, by the black epipleuræ of the elytra, and by the apex of the latter being wholly black.

MYCOTRETUS.

Mycotretus, Lacordaire, Monogr. Erotyl. p. 132 (1842) (Dej. Cat.; Chevr.).

Mycotretus is distinct from *Ischyrus* as now restricted by the eyes being finely