

lunulate, with the convex side reaching the base; the fascia is complete, the portion beyond the fifth stria being much narrower than the central part; the interstices of the striæ are finely punctulate. A single specimen.

13. *Mycotretus pallidior*. (Tab. II. fig. 18.)

Ischyrus pallidior, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 428¹.

Mycotretus nigrotinctus, Crotch, loc. cit. p. 454².

Hab. MEXICO¹, Cordova (*Höge*), Toxpam, Playa Vicente, Teapa² (*Sallé*); GUATEMALA, San Isidro, Zapote, Sinanja (*Champion*); NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Janson*).

This is so evidently a *Mycotretus* that I am surprised that Crotch should have described it as an *Ischyrus*. It is, however, the same species as he has subsequently described as *Mycotretus nigrotinctus*. There is a specimen from Teapa in Sallé's collection, but it is labelled *M. bisellatus*, Chevr.; I have not found any published allusion to this MS. name, and it is, indeed, applied to a wholly different insect in the same collection. There is a variety in which the thorax wants the four transverse spots, and has only two dots to represent the mark on the front margin, but I have only seen one specimen from Toxpam so marked. The scutellum is usually black; it is, however, sometimes yellow in the middle.

Many specimens have been received of this insect.

14. *Mycotretus bistrigatus*.

Mycotretus bistrigatus, Lac. Monogr. Erotyl. p. 188¹.

Hab. MEXICO¹ (*Höge*), Toxpam (*Sallé*).

Var. Elytris nigris, basi apiceque rufis. (Tab. III. fig. 11.)

Hab. MEXICO, Parada (*Sallé*).

Varies from the type form, which has rufous elytra with a narrow black line, to one in which the black line has almost disappeared (I have not seen a variety with wholly yellow elytra); and, on the other hand, there is a variety with black elytra, with rufous marks at the base and apex. *M. bistrigatus* may, however, always be known by the black margins of the thorax, broad in front and at the base, and narrow on the sides, and by the colour of the legs.

A specimen of the variety from Parada is shown in the figure.

15. *Mycotretus nitescens*.

Mycotretus nitescens, Crotch, Cist. Ent. i. p. 445¹.

"*M. opalescenti* affinis, sed totus rufo-sanguineus, antennis clava infuscata. L. 2 lin."

Hab. MEXICO, Toxpam (*Sallé*); GUATEMALA, Las Mercedes, Pantaleon (*Champion*); PANAMA, Bugaba, Volcan de Chiriqui (*Champion*).—AMAZONS, Ega¹.