

Erotylidæ. And the same remark applies to the South-American genus *Micaria*, which at present has not been found in Central America.

Mulsant has described several species, but, according to Crotch, five of these are but varieties of one. They are insects of great beauty and variety, and above the average size.

1. *Seladia nigricollis*.

Selasia nigricollis, Muls. Spec. Coll. Trim. sécur. p. 217¹.

Seladia nigricollis, Muls. Monogr. Coccin. p. 155²; Crotch, Rev. Coccin. p. 304³.

Var. *Seladia visceralis*, Muls. Monogr. Coccin. p. 155⁴.

Hab. MEXICO¹⁻⁴, Jalapa (*Höge*), Toxpam, Cordova (*Sallé*).

A considerable series of specimens were obtained by Höge. The variety *S. visceralis* appears to differ only by having the abdomen red; none, however, of the examples sent by Höge are of this form.

2. *Seladia augustiniana*.

Seladia augustiniana, Muls. Monogr. Coccin. p. 155¹; Crotch, Rev. Coccin. p. 304².

Hab. MEXICO^{1 2} (*Sallé*), Jalapa (*Höge*).

3. *Seladia beltiana*. (Tab. XI. fig. 14.)

Rufo-testacea; antennis, palpis, geniculis, tibiis tarsisque nigris; elytris albido-flavis, maculis duabus magnis, limbo laterali et sutura tenuiter (hac ad apicem in macula dilatata) nigris. Long. 7·5 millim.

Hab. NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Belt*).

Head and thorax reddish ochreous, the sides of the latter whitish, a little reflexed, and subdiaphanous. The scutellum, the body, and femora are ochreous; the tibiæ, tarsi, and knees are black. The elytra are of a very pale yellow, each with the extreme edge and suture black; the sutural marking expands suddenly at the apex, forming a pear-shaped spot, and on each elytron is a large black spot near the base, equally distant from the base and margin and suture, and of which the apical side is nearly straight; and another somewhat transverse spot near the apex, of which the inner edge is straight, thus leaving a distinct yellow cross on the elytra taken together. The whole upper surface is very smooth and shining, nor are distinct punctures visible anywhere. The abdomen is rather paler, especially towards the apex, than the rest of the body. This species is allied to *S. augustiniana*, but the colour of the body is different.

Two specimens obtained by the late Mr. Belt, one of which we figure, are all I have seen.

4. *Seladia alboguttata*. (Tab. XI. figg. 15; 16, var.)

Sanguineo-rufa; antennis, palpis, tibiis, tarsis, prothoracis maculis duabus in margine antico, et duabus alteris basalibus, his sæpe conjunctis, nigris; elytris nigris, singulis maculis duabus basalibus, tribus fasciam medianam prebentibus, et una subapicali obliqua, albis. Long. 5-7 millim.

Var. α . Elytrorum maculis rubidis.

Var. β . Elytris albis nigro-limbatis, maculis duabus magnis sæpe conjunctis apiceque nigris. (Fig. 16.)