

Eupalea and *Oryssomus*. I regard the genus here as much more nearly allied to the latter than to *Poria*.

Nine species of *Eupalea* have been described; of these two or three are allied rather nearly to *E. picta*, the only species that has yet occurred in Central America; the rest by their markings resemble certain *Psylloboræ*, which have a reticulate pattern; all are peculiar to North or South America. Recently Mr. Blackburn has rather doubtfully referred an Australian insect to the genus; but it is probable that the position cannot be maintained. The claws in *Eupalea* are very distinctly bifid, and the thorax is margined at the base by a fine line. The antennæ are rather long and have a laxly formed three-jointed club.

1. *Eupalea picta*. (Tab. XI. fig. 22.)

Coccinella (*Epilachna*) *picta*, Guérin, Iconogr. du Règn. Anim., Ins. p. 319¹.

Eupalea picta, Muls. Spec. Col. Trim. sécur. p. 890²; Crotch, Rev. Coccin. p. 291³.

Hab. MEXICO^{1 2 3}, Jalapa (*Höge, Flohr*).

Var. elytrorum maculis parum distinctis.

Hab. GUATEMALA, San Gerónimo (*Champion*).

A single specimen captured at San Gerónimo by Mr. Champion is almost unicolorous, but this is probably only due to immaturity. The insect seems to be pretty common at Jalapa, an example from which locality is figured.

ORYSSOMUS.

Oryssomus (Reiche), Mulsant, Spec. Col. Trim. sécur. p. 939 (1850); Crotch, Rev. Coccin. p. 292; Chapuis, Gen. Col. xii. p. 218.

Oryssomus was proposed by Reiche for the species which occurs in our region as well as in South America, where it was first detected. The thorax completely covers the head and is translucent in front. The head has the eyes coarsely faceted, not cut out as in *Eupalea*; the antennæ are short, their basal joint large and hatchet-shaped, the last four or five forming a large connate hatchet-club.

The genus thus differs in many important aspects from *Eupalea*, but nevertheless by the form of the thorax, and by the depressed oblong body and elytra, is clearly allied to it and was properly placed immediately following it by Crotch. Six species were added by him, five of which are Chilian and one Brazilian.

1. *Oryssomus subterminatus*. (Tab. XI. figg. 23; 23 *a*, antenna.)

Oryssomus subterminatus (Reiche), Muls. Spec. Col. Trim. sécur. p. 939¹; Crotch, Rev. Coccin. p. 292²; Chapuis, Gen. Col., Atlas, t. 134. fig. 3³.

Hab. BRITISH HONDURAS, Belize (*Blancaneaux*); GUATEMALA, San Juan, La Tinta,