

*S. jansonii*. The specimens from Teapa vary a good deal among themselves, the thorax in some of them being white, without markings, in others with a more or less developed spot on the base, with its apex sometimes reaching the front margin; all these, with one exception, have the head white, deeply sunk in the thorax.

### 17. *Scymnus granum*.

Breviter ovatus, suborbicularis, niger, parce pubescens, pedibus rufis, subtiliter punctatus. Long. 1 millim.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, Dueñas (*Champion*).

The two specimens of this minute insect agree in being wholly black, with the legs red and the mouth-organs testaceous; the puncturing is just visible under a Coddington-lens; the pubescence is greyish, sparse, and irregularly upright. The outline is tolerably uniform; the thorax has rather straight sides, narrowing in front, and with prominent front angles. It is less shining than the following species (*S. grumus*), without being opaque.

In dealing with such very small insects in an obscure genus it is, I think, better to abstain from attempting to describe details which can only be established on longer series, and to give only such characters as are apparent and may enable other specimens from the same locality to be recognized.

### 18. *Scymnus grumus*.

*S. grano* iterum similis et affinis, perparum major et nitidior; niger, nitidus, capite, pedibus, abdominis elytrorumque apicibus tenuiter pallidis, parce pubescens, prothorace lato, antice haud multo angustiore. Long. 1.2 millim.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, Capetillo (*Champion*).

A little larger than *S. granum*, and especially more shining; the pubescence is apparently a good deal rubbed off, but the surface is smoother. The head is clear yellow, and the legs are very pale, as is the abdomen, with the exception that the basal portion is black in an indeterminate degree, but extending over two segments.

A specimen from Zapote perhaps belongs to the same species.

### 19. *Scymnus corpusculus*.

*S. grano* similis et affinis, oblongus, niger, nitidus, parce pubescens; capite, prothoracis lateribus, pedibus elytrorumque apicibus tenuiter pallide rufis, feminae corpore obscuriore. Long. 1.5 millim.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Atoyac in Vera Cruz (*H. H. Smith*).

Rather more densely pubescent than *S. granum*, more parallel in form, and more shining. The thorax is as wide in front as behind, and with acute, though depressed, front angles. The head and sides of the thorax are red, and the front margin of the latter is very narrowly pitchy-red in some examples. The puncturing is very fine, scarcely visible under a Coddington-lens. The abdomen appears not to be red, as in