

S. grumus, and in those examples I suppose to be females the head and thorax are quite obscure. Of these three small species the present is the largest, it being also more oblong than the others.

Eight examples are before me.

20. *Scymnus aspersus*. (Tab. XII. fig. 26.)

Breviter oblongus, luteus, pubescens, prothorace antice angustato, basi infusato, vel medio indeterminate fusco; elytris basi sutura, margine laterali ad medium ampliato, ante apicem desinente, punctoque discoidali nigricantibus. Long. 1 millim.

Var. Prothorace saturiore, elytris nigro-variegatis.

Hab. MEXICO, Toxpam (*Sallé*), Teapa in Tabasco (*H. H. Smith*); GUATEMALA, near the city, Dueñas (*Champion*).

This little insect seems to be very variable. The two examples from Teapa appear to have, at first sight, four spots on the elytra, but the basal ones are only prolongations of the basal black on the disk. The black colour extends down the margin as far as the posterior discoidal spot, and is there widened as if it would join it: in two examples the spot returns in the form of a vitta, leaving only a vague yellow ring on the elytra, the scutellar region being more widely suffused. The breast is pitchy. This is one of the smallest of the *Scymni*, but is scarcely so small as *S. grumus* and its allies.

Seven specimens. One from Teapa is figured.

21. *Scymnus diversus*.

Breviter oblongus, luteus, pubescens; prothorace maculis duabus anterioribus, duabus posterioribus vel tribus basalibus haud bene discretis fuscis; elytris plaga laterali pone medium provecta nigra, interdum macula parva suturali postmediana. Long. 1 millim.

Hab. GUATEMALA, San Gerónimo and Cahabon in Vera Paz (*Champion*).

This insect in form and general appearance is very like *S. aspersus*; it is, however, differently marked. The thorax in the example from San Gerónimo has four distinct nearly black spots, and the elytra have a wide lateral blotch, extending halfway across each elytron. There are indications of black markings here and there on the elytra, one of which becomes a distinct spot on the suture at about one-third from the apex.

In the example from Cahabon the thoracic spots are less distinct, but more wedge-shaped, and there is in addition a central basal spot. The body beneath and legs are yellow.

I have not been able to identify any of the following species, and we have not received any *Scymni* from Yucatan.