

shining, impunctate, or nearly so. Prothorax above transversely striolated, laterally obliquely striolated, except on the oblique broad furrow, which is only striolated on the sides. Mesonotum strongly transversely striolated, the centre marked with large coarse punctures. Scutellum impunctate in the centre, the sides with large punctures. Mesopleuræ shining, bearing large, round, clearly separated punctures. Metapleuræ with a large, shining, impunctate, oblique depression (narrow at the base), the **Λ**-shaped projecting part behind it rugosely punctured; in front of this latter is another large, shining, impunctate space. Metanotum strongly punctured, the punctures more widely separated at the sides; there is a wide furrow on either side, which does not reach the base. Petiole striolated as in the allied species, as long as the following three segments united. The apical segments are finely aciculated, and have a few minute punctures, and laterally bear at the apex a sparse fringe of pale fulvous hair. Hind coxæ irregularly striolated, shining. Hind femora shagreened; the basal tooth a little longer and stouter than the apical one: there are four teeth between these (of which the basal one is the longest and the second the stoutest), and four teeth behind the large apical one (the first the largest, the others becoming gradually smaller). The thickened apical part of the hind tibiæ is shagreened. The metatarsus is about one third longer than the other two joints united; at the apex and on the second joint is a thick brush of fulvous hair. The body and legs are sparsely covered with long pale hair; the anterior tibiæ and tarsi thickly pilose.

2. **Megischus niger.** (Tab. XVIII. fig. 19, ♀.)

Megischus niger, F. Smith, Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond. 1862, p. 44 (♀)¹.

Hab. GUATEMALA, Panzos and Teleman in Vera Paz (*Champion*); PANAMA (*Stretch*¹).

This is probably only a form of *M. annulator*. Compared with the Guatemalan specimens of the latter, it has the body darker, the eyes with scarcely any red, and the wings not suffused with fuscous; the body and legs are less pilose, and the puncturing on the pleuræ is much less distinct.

3. **Megischus ruficeps.** (Tab. XVIII. fig. 9, ♀.)

Niger, capite rufo; alis fere hyalinis, ♀.
Long. 19 millim.; terebra 25 millim.

Hab. PANAMA, Volcan de Chiriqui 2500 to 4000 feet (*Champion*).

Antennæ very slender, about two thirds the length of the body; the scape thick, twice the length of the second joint; the third joint as long as the scape, and shorter than the fourth joint; the flagellum bears a few hairs. Head deeply rugosely striolated, except behind the eyes; palpi very long, black; tips of the mandibles black, striolated. Prothorax above in front coarsely transversely striolated; behind finely striated. Mesonotum irregularly transversely striolated. Scutellum shining, impunc-