

that of the European *S. marginata*, only the second posterior cell is more ventricose in the middle, and more attenuated at the base. A single male, indifferently preserved.

N.B.—*S. elongata*, like *S. americana*, has comparatively a more slender body, longer legs, and antennæ than *S. marginata*. *Subula fulviventris*, Bigot (Mexico), for which Bigot has introduced the genus *Macroceromys*, has still longer antennæ; in other respects the definition of this genus shows nothing to distinguish it from *Subula*; by adopting it we should be embarrassed as to which of the two genera to assign our *Subula elongata*, as it is midway between the others in regard to the length of the antennæ.

For *Subula*, which is preoccupied (Mollusca, 1817), Prof. Rondani has proposed the name *Xylomyia*. I think, however, that a change in a name of such old standing involves much more inconvenience than its retention.

SARGUS.

Sargus, Fabricius, Entom. System. Suppl. p. 566 (1798).

1. *Sargus* —?

Hab. PANAMA, Bugaba (*Champion*). A single male.

Belongs to the group of green, metallic species, with a dark bronze-coloured abdomen; the hind margins of the abdominal segments paler, and beset with a fulvous, appressed pubescence, and segments 1 and 2 coarctate. A number of the existing descriptions agree more or less with this specimen, and I cannot say whether there are several closely allied species, or whether the same species is subject to variation; probably both alternatives are true. *S. lucens*, Loew, Centur. vii. 11 (Cuba), has “alæ fusæ,” while in my specimen they are, at most, “fuscescentes.” The same remark applies to the description of *S. clavatus*, Walk. List &c. v. p. 93 (Para), the wings of which are described as “blackish.” *S. alchidas*, Walk. List &c. iii. p. 517 (Jamaica), differs apparently only in the colour of the halteres. *S. contractus*, Walk. List &c. v. p. 319, and *Macrosargus tenuiventris*, Bigot, Ann. Ent. Soc. Fr. 1879, p. 225 (both from the Amazon River), must be closely allied to the above-quoted species. These species (at least in my specimens of *S. lucens*, Loew, and *M. tenuiventris*, Bigot) have contiguous eyes in the male sex.

2. *Sargus concinnus*, sp. n., ♂ ♀.

Thorax red above; scutellum and metanotum dark metallic; abdomen with the first and second segments pale yellow, the others metallic purplish-blue, with more or less distinct yellow hind margins. Length 11–12 millim.

Hab. GUATEMALA, San Gerónimo (*Champion*).—BRAZIL, Villa Nova, Amazon River (*Bates*).

Face blackish, the proboscis yellow; antennæ reddish-yellow, the scapus paler, beset with short black pile; arista slender, reddish at the base; lower part of the front swollen, of a dingy yellowish colour; the rest of the front and the vertex metallic blue, with greenish