

of which, *S. obliquus*, Germ., is common to the Antillean fauna. It is easily recognized by the shape of the odoriferous orifice, which towards the outer margin is abruptly bent in a rectangular manner.

### 1. *Sphyrocoris obliquus*.

*Pachycoris obliquus*, Germ. Zeitschr. i. p. 94. 24<sup>1</sup>; H.-S. Wanz. Ins. v. p. 54. f. 491; Dall. List Hem. p. 35<sup>2</sup>.

*Homæmus obliquus*, Stål, Stett. ent. Zeit. xxiii. p. 81. 9<sup>3</sup>.

*Sphyrocoris obliquus*, Mayr, Reise der Freg. Novara, Hem. p. 26, note; Uhler, Bull. U.S. Geol. & Geog. Surv. ii. p. 273<sup>4</sup>.

*Hab.* NORTH AMERICA, Arizona<sup>4</sup>.—MEXICO<sup>3</sup>; GUATEMALA, Capetillo (*Champion*).—COLOMBIA<sup>2</sup>; MARTINIQUE<sup>1</sup>.

### 2. *Sphyrocoris elongatus*, n. sp. (Tab. II. fig. 6.)

Above ochreous, somewhat closely punctured with brown and marked with irregular dark brown fasciæ. Head with two central lines, and lateral borders for two thirds from base pitchy brown. Pronotum with a central narrow elongated oval fascia of brown punctures, and two central dark brown fasciæ, which, commencing on anterior margin a little to the left and right of the base of central lobe of the head, are continued almost longitudinally halfway across towards base, when they are suddenly deflexed and terminate near the lateral angles of the scutellum; on either side of these are two oblique fasciæ of the same colour running parallel with the lateral borders. Scutellum with the following dark brown markings:—four central irregular spots at base, the inner two much the smallest; two oblique fasciæ on each side extending from base to about centre of outer margin; two large irregular transverse fasciæ situated a little beyond centre, almost meeting on disk, where they are widest, and narrowed to where they terminate near outer margin; behind these an elongated crescentic fascia near apex. A central pale longitudinal line extending through head to apex of scutellum.

Underside of body pale ochreous, with the lateral borders broadly covered with dark punctures, which are much darker and confluent on lateral borders of sternum and head. Disk of abdomen with a few scattered punctures. Legs setose, thickly and very coarsely punctured with pitchy brown. Rostrum just passing posterior coxæ, with the two apical joints pitchy. Antennæ with the second and third joints subequal. Basal joint luteous, second and third somewhat fuscous, remaining joints wanting.

Long. 8 millim.; lat. pronot. ang. 5 millim.

*Hab.* MEXICO, Ocaña (*Coll. Dr. Signoret*).

Var. *a*.

Above pale ochreous, punctured with brown. Scutellum with the base (narrowly) and two large rounded contiguous subapical spots ferruginous.

*Hab.* MEXICO (*Mus. Berol.*).

### 3. *Sphyrocoris punctellus*. (Tab. II. fig. 5.)

*Homæmus punctellus*, Stål, Stett. ent. Zeit. xxiii. p. 81. 10<sup>1</sup>.

*Hab.* MEXICO<sup>1</sup>.

The following are the described varieties (Stål, En. Hem. i. p. 15):—

Var. *b*.

Pallidior, scutello apice minute sanguineo consperso.