

1. **Melanodermus tartareus.** (Tab. V. fig. 6.)*Ochlerus tartareus*, Stål, Stett. ent. Zeit. xxiii. p. 98. 54<sup>1</sup>.*Melanodermus tartareus*, Stål, En. Hem. ii. p. 13. 2<sup>2</sup>.*Hab.* MEXICO <sup>1 2</sup> (*coll. Sign.*).—COLOMBIA ?<sup>2</sup>.

The figure is from a typical specimen from the collection of Dr. Signoret.

## BROCHYMENA.

*Brochymena*, Amyot & Serville, Hist. des Hém. p. 106 (1843); Stål, Öfv. Vet.-Ak. Förh. 1867, p. 525.

This is a Nearctic genus, which has extended to the Neotropical Region as far as Central America.

The abdomen is marked with a longitudinal furrow, the membranal veins are irregular; and a good character, as pointed out by Stål, is “*metastethio spiracula segmenti primi ventris tegente.*”

1. **Brochymena myops.***Brochymena myops*, Stål, En. Hem. ii. p. 16. 1<sup>1</sup>; Uhler, Bull. U.S. Geol. & Geog. Surv. vol. ii. p. 283<sup>2</sup>; Proc. Bost. Soc. Nat. Hist. vol. xix. p. 373, excl. syn.<sup>3</sup>*Halys quadripustulata*, Herrich-Schäffer, Wanz. Ins. vii. p. 57, fig. 729, excl. syn.*Hab.* NORTH AMERICA, Alabama <sup>3</sup>, N. Carolina <sup>3</sup>, Louisiana <sup>1 2</sup>, Texas <sup>2</sup>, New Mexico <sup>2</sup>. —MEXICO <sup>1</sup>.

This species is here inserted on the authority of the late Prof. Stål.

2. **Brochymena quadripustulata.***Cimex 4-pustulatus*, Fabr. Syst. Ent. p. 704. 39; Goeze, Ent. Beitr. ii. p. 238. 8; Fabr. Spec. ii. p. 347. 55; Mant. ii. p. 285. 64; Ent. Syst. iv. p. 100. 81.*Cimex quadripustulatus*, Gmel. Syst. Nat. i. 4, p. 2140. 209.*Halys 4-pustulata*, Fabr. Syst. Rhynch. p. 182. 9.*Halys serrata*, Palis. Beauv. Ins. p. 187, Hém. pl. 11. f. 8.*Halys pupillata*, H.-S. Wanz. Ins. iv. p. 104, f. 453; vii. p. 58<sup>1</sup>.*Brochymena serrata*, A. & S. Hist. des Hém. p. 107. 1; Dall. List Hem. i. p. 188. 3, excl. syn. Fabr. et Wolffii (Stål) <sup>2</sup>.*Brochymena quadripustulata*, Stål, En. Hem. ii. p. 16. 2<sup>3</sup>.*Hab.* NORTH AMERICA, Wisconsin <sup>3</sup>, Georgia <sup>1 2</sup>; MEXICO (*coll. Sign.*), Oaxaca (*coll. Dist.*).

Amyot and Serville give as habitat of their synonym of this species, “*Royaumes d'Oware et de Benin,*” which is clearly incorrect.

Prof. Stål gives the relative lengths of the lobes of the head as a sectional character for dividing the species of this genus. This seems, however, an untrustworthy character; for with this species two specimens in my own collection vary in this respect, and