

above the head is black, shining, and strongly marked, and by the arrangement of the dark spots at the base and across the middle of the tegmina. There appear to be three well-marked forms—one (var. *a*) of a brownish colour, with dark markings; another (var. *b*) of a light yellowish-grey colour, with red markings; and a third (var. *c*) of a more or less bright red colour, with the front of the pronotum just above the head yellowish. This latter, as is evident from the description, is the *H. sanguinosa* of Fairmaire. It varies in size from 8 to 10 millim. "cum tegminibus"; the yellowish-grey variety with red markings (var. *b*) is apparently confined to high altitudes, all the specimens being from places with an elevation of from 4000 to 8000 feet.

2. *Hoplophora signoreti*, sp. n. (Tab. III. figg. 23, 23 *a*.)

Lata, capite pronotoque ferrugineis, hoc unicolori, fortiter rugoso-punctato, lineis nonnullis elevatis inæqualibus lineæ dorsali elevatæ toti rubræ parallelis; tegminibus hyalinis, venis nigris vel brunneo-nigris ad basin partim flavis, maculis quibusdam nigris instructis; pedibus ferrugineis, tarsis anticis et intermediis nigro-fuscis.

A large species, with the head and pronotum entirely ferruginous, the latter strongly and rugosely punctate, especially on the dorsum, and with several uneven raised lines parallel to the dorsal line, which is raised and red throughout; humeral projections very blunt, very slightly projecting; tegmina hyaline, with the veins darker or lighter brown, partly yellowish at the base, with two black spots one above the other close to the base, and an irregular band of spots across the middle; legs ferruginous, with the anterior and intermediate tarsi black; male smaller than female, with the veins and underside darker.

♀. Long. 10 millim.; cum tegm. 14 millim.

♂. Long. 8 millim.; cum tegm. 11 millim.

Hab. MEXICO (*coll. Signoret*).

Two specimens. These are named *H. sanguinosa* in Signoret's collection, but, as Fairmaire's description manifestly does not apply to them but to the preceding species, I have separated them; his description is as follows:—"Fortement ponctué, d'un beau rouge; bord antérieur jaune, carène noire antérieurement." There is another specimen under *H. sanguinosa* in Signoret's collection, of a dark brown colour, with darker markings, and the margins of the pronotum and central line in part clear red, which may be a variety of the preceding, though I should rather refer it to the present species.

3. *Hoplophora cinerea*. (Tab. III. figg. 24, 24 *a*.)

Hoplophora cinerea, Fairm. Ann. Soc. Ent. Fr. sér. 2, iv. p. 272¹.

Hab. MEXICO¹, Jalapa (*Höge*), Atoyac in Vera Cruz (*H. H. Smith*); GUATEMALA, Teleman and Panzos in Vera Paz, Zapote, Capetillo (*Champion*).

This species is represented in our collection by a far greater number of examples than any other of the genus, and it seems to have been taken very plentifully by Mr. Champion at Teleman; it does not appear to be a common insect, to judge by other collections. *H. cinerea* may easily be known by its broad convex form, uniform brown