

15. **Aconophora ensata**, sp. n. (Tab. V. figg. 14, 14 a.)

Sat elongata, capite infusato, marginibus dilutioribus, ocellis distincte inter se quam ab oculis magis remotis, pronoto testaceo distincte fortiusque punctato, humeris prominulis, cornu elongato, nigro, ad basin tenuiori, ad apicem evidenter dilatato; apice prothoracis supra viso brevi minus acuto; tegminibus piceis, tertiâ parte apicali fusco-hyalinâ, et maculâ indistinctâ ad medium testaceâ, colore tamen variabili et nonnunquam dilutiori; pedibus totis ferrugineis, vel femoribus partim infuscatis; abdomine ferrugineo vel fusco-ferrugineo.

A somewhat long species, comparatively broad at the shoulders, which are prominent; head infusate, with the margins more or less distinctly lighter; ocelli distant from one another; pronotum testaceous, with strong and distinct punctuation, and with a long black horn, which is slender at the base and plainly dilated at the apex; apex of the pronotum, if viewed from above, rather short and blunt; tegmina dark, with the apical portion fusco-testaceous, more or less hyaline, and with a testaceous spot more or less indistinct in the middle, sometimes, however, they are entirely fusco-testaceous with darker markings; legs entirely ferruginous, or with the femora partly infusate; abdomen more or less dark.

Long. cum tegm. 9-10 millim.; ab humeris ad apicem cornus 4-6 millim.; lat. int. hum. 3 millim.

Hab. MEXICO (*Bilimek*, in *Mus. Vind. Cæs.*), Atoyac in Vera Cruz (*Schumann*); GUATEMALA (*Sallé*); NICARAGUA, Chontales (*Janson*); PANAMA, Bugaba, Volcan de Chiriqui (*Champion*).

The peculiar shape of the horn and the contrast in colour between the pronotum and tegmina will easily distinguish this insect. The specimens in the Vienna Museum collection are larger than the others, and may possibly belong to a different species.

A specimen from the Volcan de Chiriqui is figured.

16. **Aconophora prunitia**. (Tab. V. figg. 15, 15 a.)

Aconophora hastata, Stål, Kongl. Sv. Vet.-Ak. Handl. Band viii. 1, p. 35 (nec Fabr.)¹.

Aconophora prunitia, Butl. Cist. Ent. ii. p. 350, t. 7. fig. 19².

Hab. MEXICO¹, Oaxaca (*Sallé*²).—PERU².

Butler gives *A. hastata*, Stål, as a synonym of *A. laticornis*, which is an entirely different insect. Dr. Aurivillius has sent me a typical specimen of Stål's species, which is identical with *A. prunitia*. *A. hastata* (Fabr.) is allied to *A. lata*, and perhaps is identical with *A. nigrivitta*, Walk.; as there appear to be two species bearing the name of *A. hastata*, Butler's name must be retained.

In Signoret's collection there are two specimens labelled *A. hastata*, Stål, one of which appears to be Walker's *A. concolor*, and the other is allied to *A. pinguis*. In our collection there is a specimen from Omilteme, Guerrero, which either belongs to *A. prunitia*, or is very closely allied to it; the horn, however, is straight and level with the back of the pronotum, whereas in *A. prunitia* it forms an obtuse angle with it; the insect may belong to a new species, but is too close to *A. prunitia* to be described as distinct on one example.

A Mexican specimen is figured.