

sides parallel, rounded at the apex, and slightly emarginate at the base.

*Hab.*—St. Paulo (Brazil).

In the British Museum; from Mr. Bates' collection.

#### 8. *Cryptocerus basalis*.

Female.—Length  $5\frac{1}{2}$  lines. Shining black; head very finely punctured; thorax and nodes of the peduncle of the abdomen much more strongly so; the base and apex of the abdomen finely punctured. Head convex above, as broad as long; the margins before the eyes raised, anteriorly emarginate in the middle; a circular fossulet in the middle towards the anterior margin; two small tuberculate spines at the posterior margin, about one-third of the width of the margin apart; the lateral angles acute. Thorax a little longer than the head; the anterior margin transverse, nearly straight, being very slightly arched; the lateral angles acute, subspinose; gradually narrowed to the metathorax; the metathorax transverse above and with the lateral margins produced into an acute angle or tooth; the posterior margin emarginate; the truncation concave, smooth and shining. Abdomen oblong-ovate, emarginate at the base and having on each side a marginal, large, subovate, yellow macula; the disk of the abdomen very smooth and shining.

In the British Museum.

*Hab.*—Brazil (Chontales).

#### 9. *Cryptocerus discocephalus*, Smith.

Female.—Length  $3\frac{1}{2}$  lines. Dark reddish-brown, the abdomen of a lighter tint. Head concave above, oblong, dish-shaped and punctured. Thorax about the same length as the head, covered with shallow punctures; obliquely truncate towards the head, the margin of the truncation raised; the sides, before the wings, nearly parallel; behind the wings narrowed to the metathorax; the metathorax transverse, with the lateral margins slightly rounded, the lateral angles acute; wings fusco-hyaline; the legs bright red-brown. Abdomen oblong, emarginate at the base, very finely shagreened; the nodes of the peduncle rugulose, the first subovate, the second transverse, with a tooth at the lateral angles of the base.

*Hab.*—Villa Nova and Santarem, Brazil; St. Vincent.