posterior margin slightly, but truncately, ampliated at base of scutellum, and with a bisinuate transverse carination between and a little in front of the lateral angles. Scutellum with a central longitudinal carination. Corium with the lateral margins subparallel; cuneus longer than broad. Rostrum mutilated.

## 1. Vannius rubrovittatus, n. sp. (Tab. XXIV. fig. 11.)

Body above very pale brownish ochraceous; basal joint of antennæ, inner area of eyes, lateral margins of the pronotum, scutellum (excluding basal angles), a subclaval fascia, a curved transverse fascia on apical third of corium, and a large quadrate spot at base of cuneus rosy red. Legs pale obscure ochraceous, the apices of the femora somewhat darker. Abdomen beneath more or less fuscous; sternum irregularly shaded with reddish or fuscous. Second, third, and fourth joints of the antennæ obscure ochraceous, second and third with their apices greyish white. Corium, especially the costal margin, distinctly pilose. Long.  $3\frac{1}{2}$ —4 millim.

Hab. Guatemala, Las Mercedes, Cerro Zunil (Champion); Panama, Volcan de Chiriqui 2000 to 3000 feet (Champion).

Found by beating the withered leaves of the banana, Musa, sp. (Champion).

## MONALONION.

Monalonion, Herrich-Schäffer, Wanz. Ins. ix. p. 168 (1853); Walk. Cat. Het. vi. p. 47 (1873).

This genus possesses many well-marked characteristics to prevent it being confused with any of the other genera here enumerated. The head is very broad and anteriorly deflexed, the sulcation is broad and subfoveate, the basal joint of antennæ very short and stout, remaining joints much more slender, gradually weakening, and distinctly and strongly pilose. The cuneus is much longer than broad.

Monalonion is found throughout the length of the Neotropical Region, to which it appears to be confined.

Frequently found in the withered leaves of the banana, Musa, sp. (Champion).

## a. Posterior tibiæ straight.

## 1. Monalonion annulipes. (Tab. XXIII. fig. 25, var.)

Monalonion annulipes, Sign. Ann. Soc. Ent. de Fr. sér. 3, vol. vi. p. 500'.

Hab. Mexico 1 (Deppe, Mus. Berol.); Guatemala, San Gerónimo (Champion); Panama, Bugaba, Volcan de Chiriqui 2000 to 3000 feet (Champion).

With the series of specimens now before me, including a typical specimen sent by Dr. Signoret, I cannot but consider this to be a most variable and protean species. The head and antennæ are always black, the last having the base, or sometimes nearly the whole, of the first joint more or less yellowish; the pronotum varies from black with the margins brownish (as described by Signoret) to either wholly black or completely ochraceous; the corium also varies in a similar manner. The character, however, which is constant, and in my view always indicates this protean species, is the annulated posterior femora.

A Mexican variety belonging to the Berlin Museum is here figured.