

NEW COLEOPTERA FROM THE SOUTH-WEST.—II.

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The new species in the writer's collection selected for description in the following pages are representatives of the genera *Cymatodera* and *Hydnocera*, of the *Cleridæ*, and have been now chosen in order that their publication may be as nearly contemporaneous as possible with the recent descriptions of new species by Mr. Schaeffer and Dr. Skinner, whose articles have aroused some present interest in this family.

Cymatodera delicatula, n. sp.—Very small, similar in most respects to *puncticollis*. Brown, antennæ and legs uniformly rufotestaceous, front of head, apical and basal margins of prothorax and apex of elytra gradually paler; elytra with a broad, antemedian yellowish transverse fascia, which is not at all narrowed at the suture. Antennæ stout, nearly half the length of the body, joints 2-4 subequal and smaller than those following, outer joints subcylindrical, gradually wider apically, but not at all triangular; last joint longer, obtusely pointed. Eyes very prominent, especially in the ♂, in which they are separated on the front by a distance scarcely greater than their own vertical diameter. Head and prothorax very minutely sparsely punctate, the latter much wider at apex than at base; basal constriction strong, apical constriction moderate, width at middle subequal to that at apex. Elytra at base nearly twice as wide as the base of the prothorax, humeri rectangular, sides slightly diverging posteriorly, striæ consisting of quite coarse perforate punctures, which become finer at apex; intervals as wide as the punctures near the suture, becoming narrower at sides; each with a row of fine distant punctures; pubescence fine, rather long, suberect, the alternate interspaces with widely-spaced, longer, somewhat stouter, erect hairs, which are most conspicuous on the third.

Length, 3.2-4.2 mm.

Male.—Fifth ventral with posterior margin scarcely visibly emarginate; the sixth broadly feebly arcuato-emarginate from side to side; last dorsal rounded and feebly notched.

Female.—As in *puncticollis*.

Described from a single pair sent me by Mr. Beyer, by whom they were taken at Santa Rosa, Lower California. This species is closely related to *puncticollis*, but appears to be distinct in its somewhat less coarsely punctate elytral striæ, broader, complete transverse fascia, colour