3. Notonecta shooteri.

Notonecta shooteri, Uhler, Proc. Calif. Acad. Sci. (2) iv. p. 292 1; Kirk. Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond. 1897, p. 406 2.

Var. Notonecta melæna, Kirk. loc. cit. p. 407 3.

Hab. North America, Lower California 12.—Mexico 23 (Sallé); Guatemala, near the city (Champion).—Colombia 2.

Three males before me from Guatemala and Mexico seem to belong to this species. They are more robust than either of the following forms, approaching *N. mexicana*, from which they differ in the less convex and more widely separated eyes, the immaculate underside of the trochanters and femora, &c.

4. Notonecta undulata. (Tab. XXII. fig. 10, &.)

Notonecta undulata, Say, Descr. N. Sp. Heteropt. Hemipt. N. Am. (New Harmony, Dec. 1831) '; Complete Writings, i. p. 368 '; Uhler, Bull. U.S. Geol. Surv. (2) v. p. 239, t. 21. fig. 33 (1875) '; in Kingsley's Stand. Nat. Hist. ii. p. 252 '; Proc. Calif. Acad. Sci. (2) iv. p. 292 '; Kirk. Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond. 1897, p. 410 '.

Notonecta americana, Herr.-Schäff. Wanz. Ins. ix. p. 44, t. 294. fig. 902 7. ? Notonecta unifasciata, Guér. Bull. Soc. Zool. Acclim. iv. p. 581 (1858) 8.

Hab. North America ⁴, Canada ⁶, United States ^{1 2 3 6}, Lower California ⁵.—Mexico ^{1 2 8}, Temax in N. Yucatan (Gaumer), Tabi in Yucatan (Godman), Jalapa (Höge); Guatemala, San Gerónimo, Cubilguitz, Guatemala city (Champion).—South America to Patagonia ⁶; Antilles, Cuba ⁶, Jamaica ⁶, &c.

This appears to be the most widely distributed of the American Notonectæ, and Prof. Uhler considers that N. americana, Fabr., and N. variabilis, Fieb., are probably conspecific with it. The insects here referred to N. undulata, most of which are from Yucatan, are smaller and narrower than any of the other Central-American forms known to me, and they have the anterior half of the pronotum so closely rugulose as to appear subopaque; the eyes are flattened, and scarcely more distant behind than in N. mexicana; the fourth ventral segment is acutely keeled down the middle; the elytra have an oblique, pale stramineous, humeral patch, sometimes so extended as to leave the apex only of the corium black; the femora and trochanters are immaculate beneath. It is unnecessary to quote the full synonymy here.

5. Notonecta americana. (Tab. XXII. fig. 11, ♀.)

Notonecta americana, Fabr. Syst. Ent. p. 690 (1775) 1; Kirk. Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond. 1897, p. 408 2.

Hab. Mexico², Ciudad in Durango 8100 feet (Forrer).—South America, Chili², Valdivia²; Antilles, Cuba².

The three female specimens from N.W. Mexico here referred to N. americana, one of which has been determined by Mr. Kirkaldy, differ from the same sex of our