

rounded. Antennæ 11-jointed; scape reaching midway between the eye and the posterior angle of the head; first funicular joint not longer than joints 2-3 together; terminal joint distinctly longer than the two preceding joints of the club. Thorax long, subcylindrical, somewhat narrowed behind, dorsally flattened, its anterior angles rounded; promesonotal and mesoëpinotal sutures both distinct, a slight but distinct constriction at the latter. Epinotal spines rather short and blunt, compressed, in many specimens tooth-like and hardly longer than broad at the base, directed backward in a line with the dorsal surface of the epinotum, in no case longer than their distance apart at the base. Petiole from above oblong, not more than $1\frac{1}{2}$ times as long as broad, the node in profile with evenly concave anterior and somewhat depressed but convex posterior slope. Postpetiole trapezoidal, distinctly broader than long, its anterior angles prominent, anterior border distinctly broader than the posterior, dorsal surface hemispherical in profile.

Mandibles shining, coarsely punctate. Median impressed surface of clypeus smooth and shining, lateral surfaces longitudinally rugose. Head opaque, longitudinally reticulate rugose, the rugæ being most distinctly longitudinal on the front, vertex and cheeks. Thorax opaque, covered with reticulate rugæ which have a decidedly longitudinal trend on the dorsal and lateral surfaces of the pronotum and on the dorsal surface of the epinotum and the mesopleuræ. On the mesonotum the reticulation resolves itself into an area of even, close-set foveolæ. Pedicel opaque, the petiole sculptured like the mesonotum, the postpetiole somewhat smoother and almost punctate. Gaster smooth and shining.

Hairs whitish; those on the head, thorax and pedicel short, rigid and subclavate, on the gaster longer and thinner; on the antennæ and legs delicate, appressed.

Color dark-brown, almost black; small joints of the funiculus, the metatarsi, bases of femora, trochanters, ventral surface of pedicel, and in many specimens also the sutural regions of the thorax, yellow or pale-brown. In some specimens (immature?) nearly the whole thorax and the whole of the tibiæ are yellow.

Female (deâlated).—Length 3.75-4 mm.

Apart from the distinctively sexual characters, the female differs from the worker in the following characters: The reticulate rugosity of the head is more decidedly longitudinal, the rugæ running back regularly to the occiput without deviation at the ocellar region. Mesonotum, scutellum and pleuræ traversed by distinct longitudinal rugæ,