on the side of each epinotal spine there is a distinct longitudinal swelling or ridge on the epinotum. Petiole very slender, three times as long as broad, sides of the node parallel, the peduncle somewhat narrower when seen from above; in profile the lower surface is evenly concave, the anterior tooth minute; the dorsal surface with a low regularly rounded, knoll-like node. Postpetiole small, about 1½ times as broad as the petiole, as broad as long, square when seen from above, with prominent anterior angles; in profile the lower surface is flattened, the upper convex, especially in front. Gaster with distinct anterior angles. Sting well developed.

Mandibles opaque, striated and with a few coarse punctures. Clypeus subopaque, its whole surface longitudinally rugose. Head subopaque in front and on the sides, shining behind, on the former regions densely and rather finely reticulate-rugose; the rugæ with a distinct longitudinal trend except on an opaque patch above each eye, where the rugæ are evenly reticulate. The shining portion of the head is traversed by clean-cut longitudinal rugæ much farther apart than on the front and crown and interspersed with a few coarse punctures; posterior angles of head delicately reticulate. Thorax subopaque; pronotal region more shining, foveolate-reticulate on the whole dorsal surface; pleuræ more coarsely reticulate-rugose, with pronounced longitudinal trend in a few of the rugæ, especially in the upper meso-and lower metapleuræ. Petiole and postpetiole subopaque, rather evenly foveolate-reticulate. Gaster smooth and shining.

Hairs moderately abundant, snow-white; clavate on the crown of the head, thorax, pedicel and gaster; a little longer on the pedicel and gaster and somewhat more reclinate. Hairs on the legs and antennæ sparse, non-clavate, appressed and inconspicuous.

Black or very dark-brown. Mandibles, joints 3-9 of the antennæ, neck, ventral surface of petiole and postpetiole reddish-yellow. Legs reddish-yellow, except the middle of the coxæ, femora, tibiæ and last tarsal joint, which are black.

Female.—Length 3.5–3.75 mm.

Clypeus and head more coarsely longitudinally rugose and more opaque than in the worker. Thorax subopaque; neck delicately reticulate-rugose; pronotum transversely and irregularly rugose; mesonotum, paraptera and scutellum traversed by dense, parallel, clean-cut, longitudinal rugæ. Epinotum delicately and somewhat concentrically reticulate-rugose; armed with two inconspicuous swellings in the place of the spines; pleuræ longitudinally rugose. Petiole and postpetiole like those of the worker, the node of the former relatively lower; post-