

*Leptogenys (Lobopelta) elongata* (Buckley) Wheeler, Biol. Bull., Vol. II., No. 1, Oct., 1900, p. 2, 7, Fig. 4. ♂ ♀ ♂; Trans. Tex. Acad. Sci., Vol. IV., Pt. II., No. 2, 1902, p. 9

WORKER. — Length 5–6.5 mm.

Head slender, excluding the mandibles, longer than broad, somewhat broader in front than behind. Eyes moderate, flattened, situated a little in front of the middle of the sides of the head. Mandibles slender, nearly two thirds as long as the head, gradually increasing in breadth as far as their apical third, forming a sharp, toothless blade and thence narrowing more suddenly to the acute, curved tip. Clypeus prolonged forward in the middle to a rather acute point and with a prominent median keel; lateral emarginations distinct but not very deep. Frontal furrow extending back a little beyond a line connecting the posterior orbits of the two eyes. Antennæ slender; scapes extending about one third their length beyond the posterior corner of the head. First and third funicular joints subequal, decidedly shorter than the second joint; joints 4–11 subequal, shorter than joints 1 and 3. Thorax elongate, its dorsal surface horizontal, meso- and epinotal regions laterally compressed; depression behind the small mesonotum short but rather deep. Basal surface of epinotum twice as long as the sloping declivity, which is somewhat flattened and transversely marginate below and behind. Petiole in profile as high as the thorax, somewhat higher behind than in front and nearly as long as high; anterior, dorsal and posterior surfaces flattened; the dorsal and posterior meeting at a somewhat sharper angle than the anterior and dorsal surfaces. There is a distinct tooth at the anterior, ventral border of the petiole. Seen from above this segment is pyriform, twice as broad behind as in front, with flattened sides and rounded dorsal surface. Gaster slender, somewhat deeper than the petiole, distinctly constricted between the first and second segments. Sting prominent. Legs long and slender; claws with long pectination.

Mandibles smooth and shining, the former with a few scattered punctures and faint traces of striation; the latter thin and submembranaceous along its anterior border and obliquely rugose on the sides. Head, thorax and petiole subopaque, rather densely and uniformly covered with shallow punctures. Region between the eyes and clypeus longitudinally rugose. Gaster shining, very sparsely and finely punctate.

Body and appendages clothed with delicate, grayish yellow pubescence; the head, thorax and abdomen also with sparse, grayish yellow hairs, which are long and projecting on the clypeus and terminal segments of the gaster.

Deep red; edges of mandibles and thoracic sutures somewhat blackened. Antennæ and legs a little paler than the trunk; tip of gaster, sting, anterior border of the clypeus and the spines of the tibiæ, yellow.

FEMALE. — Length 6.5–8 mm.

Apterous and decidedly ergatoid in form, indistinguishable from the