

Since I described this species under the name of *Myrmica lævigata* I have had an opportunity of comparing it with specimens sent by Dr. Mayr, it proves to be the "*pallidula*" of his Monograph. I have also taken three more examples of the worker on a wall at Hampstead; Mr. Parfit of Exeter has sent it to me, he found it in a hothouse; I have a suspicion that it is introduced with plants or fruits, and will not prove to be indigenous.

Subdivision 6. (DIPHLORHOPTRUM, Mayr.)

The workers very minute; the labial palpi 2-jointed; the maxillary palpi 2-jointed; antennæ of the worker 10-jointed; the club 2-jointed; antennæ of the male 12-jointed; anterior wing with one marginal, one complete submarginal, and one discoidal cell.

Sp. 12. *Myrmica fugax*, Latr.

Myrmica fugax, Latr., St. Farg., Schenck, Smith, Mayr.

Myrmica flavidula, Nyland. Addit. Alt. p. 33.

Worker.—Length 1 line. Worker: Pale yellow, smooth, shining and slightly pubescent; the abdomen sometimes with a fuscous band in the middle; the mandibles 4-toothed; the eyes minute; head very delicately punctured; the thorax slightly constricted behind; the metathorax not spined.

Female.—Length 3 lines. Nigro-fuscous, smooth, shining and slightly pilose; the mandibles, antennæ and legs pale ferruginous; the head delicately punctured, with a deeply impressed channel running from the anterior stemma to the apex of the clypeus; the clypeus with a tooth on each side of its anterior margin. The first node of the petiole with a central depression above.

Male.—Length $2\frac{1}{2}$ lines. Black, shining and pilose; the antennæ and legs fuscous; the mandibles, articulations of the legs, the mandibles and tarsi testaceous.

This species is one of those which presents a great disparity in the size of the sexes, the workers being the smallest, if we except *M. molesta*, found in this country; the difference in colour is also remarkable, the male and female being nearly black and the worker of a pale yellow. I first discovered workers of this species at Southend, three years ago; this autumn I took the female at Deal on the Sandhills. The male has not been taken in this country to my knowledge.