

Worker  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lines. In general colouring, like the female, but paler, the thorax being pale testaceous like the legs.

Hab. New Zealand.

In my own Collection.

The only species of ants which I have seen from New Zealand are one belonging to the genus *Myrmica*, one forming the genus *Orectognathus*, and the species here described belonging to the genus *Formica*; it was found near Port Littleton by a relative of mine resident at that place.

*Pompilus raptor.*

*P. niger, abdomine nitido, alis fuscis fasciâ ante apicem flavâ.*

*Female.*—Black; the anterior wings with a broad yellow fascia near their apical margins. Head with the clypeus transverse, and, as well as the base of the mandibles, sprinkled with a few rigid setæ; the tips of the mandibles ferruginous; the face and cheeks covered with silvery pile. The sides of the thorax, the legs and metathorax with a silvery silky reflection; the posterior margin of the prothorax curved; the metathorax somewhat obliquely truncate; the tibiæ exteriorly, and the tarsi, thickly set with short acute spines; the thorax has a thin fuscous pubescence above, that on the sides and beneath is cinereous; wings dark fuscous, with an orange-yellow fascia on the anterior pair, the width of the marginal cell, and from thence crossing the wing nearly to its posterior border. Abdomen shining, with a bright silvery silky reflection beneath, and at the posterior lateral angles of the first and second segments.

Length 9 lines.

Hab. Australia. (The neighbourhood of Sydney.)

In my own Collection.

*Pompilus molestus.*

*P. niger, pube cinerâ sericâ vestitus, alis fuscis fasciis duabus flavis; antennis, tibiis tarsisque ferrugineis.*

*Female.*—Black, and thinly covered with a silky cinereous pile; the antennæ ferruginous, with three or four of the apical joints black; the mandibles rufo-piceous at their apex; the vertex, and the pro- and mesothorax with rufo-fuscous reflection; the posterior margin of the prothorax curved; the tibiæ and tarsi dull, ferruginous and sparingly set with short acute spines; the wings fuscous, with two broad yellow fasciæ on the superior pair, their base sub-hyaline; the posterior wings sub-hyaline, with a fuscous