

Creek) and on New Providence (Nassau, Fort Charlotte, West Bay) Islands.

23. *Pheidole punctatissima* Mayr subsp. *annectens* subsp. nov.

*Soldier*. — Similar in color to *Ph. anastasioi* Emery of Costa Rica, but differing in the shape of the postpetiole, which is broader and has more acute lateral conules in the Bahaman form, as I find by comparing it with a type of *anastasioi* received from Prof. Emery. In *annectens* the conules are in the middle and not in front of the middle of the segment, as in the subsp. *insulana* described below. Head, thorax, and pedicel reddish yellow; mandibular teeth, clypeus, and anterior margin of head black; antennæ and legs yellow. Hairs on the body long and abundant, suberect; rather short and inconspicuous on the legs and antennæ.

*Worker*. — Much darker in color than the worker of *anastasioi*: head and thorax dark brown, gaster paler; antennæ and legs yellow.

*Female* (deâlated). — Postclypeal portion of head opaque, with the longitudinal rugæ extending back nearly to the occiput. Pronotum very finely rugose and subopaque, the rugæ being somewhat concentric about a point in the middle line near the anterior edge. Paraptera subopaque, finely striated. Scutellum smooth and shining, sparsely and coarsely punctate, transversely rugose behind. Epinotum opaque on the sides and very coarsely and longitudinally rugose; between the spines densely punctate. Spines robust, acute, about as long as they are broad at the base. Node of petiole high, compressed, and transverse; produced on either side in the middle to form a rather blunt conule. Its upper surface is transversely rugose. Whole of first gastric and posterior edges of succeeding segments opaque, very finely punctate. Head, thorax, and petiole ferruginous red; gaster dark brown, with the anterior and posterior corners of the first segment and the posterior edges of all the segments reddish yellow; antennæ and legs pale yellow. Hairs covering the body and legs moderately long and abundant, suberect.

Several small colonies of this subspecies were found under stones and palmetto logs at Mangrove Key on the eastern coast of Andros Island.

24. *Pheidole punctatissima* Mayr subsp. *insulana* subsp. nov.

*Soldier*. — Agrees with Mayr's description of *Ph. punctatissima* except in coloration and the shape of the postpetiole. Body dark brown; mandibles red, with black teeth; clypeus, anterior third of head, antennæ, legs, and petiole yellow. Extreme posterior portion of head smooth and shining. Epinotal spines directed upwards and very slightly backwards. Postpetiole on either side produced into an acute conule, which is distinctly in front of the middle of the segment. According to Mayr's description, the postpetiole of *punctatissima* has more obtuse lateral angles. Hairs on head, gaster, and legs long, suberect.

*Worker*. — Resembles the worker of the preceding species in color.