

pressed surface longitudinally striated. Pronotum as long as broad, with rather flattened sides, rounded above and at the humeri. Mesonotum semicircular, broader than long. Epinotum with the base sloping backward, twice the length of the declivity into which it passes through a rounded obtuse angle. Petiole stout, with short peduncle and thick node, the latter rising rather abruptly in front. Seen from above it is as broad as long, with rounded sides and posterior border and straight anterior border; the sides almost submarginate, the ventral surface with a very small acute, downwardly directed spine near its anterior end. Postpetiole nearly a third again as broad as the petiole, broader than long, narrowed and constricted anteriorly, its sides posteriorly and its dorsal surface convex and rounded. Gaster rather large, of the usual shape. Fore femora dilated and somewhat flattened and rhomboidal; hind femora somewhat swollen.

Mandibles opaque, striatopunctate apically, smoother at the base; remainder of the body smooth and shining; anterior half of head finely and rather densely punctate and subopaque, punctures on the remainder of the body sparse and very fine.

Hairs pale yellow, very sparse, erect, rather evenly scattered over the head, thorax and abdomen; pubescence very fine and dense on the gaster but apparently lacking elsewhere.

Yellow; teeth and borders of mandibles, postpetiole, and gaster, except at last segment, brown; the second and third segments of the gaster darker. Legs somewhat paler than the head and thorax.

A single specimen taken by Mr. August Busck at Port of Spain. I describe this and the following species as new because they are distinctly different from any of the forms of which I have seen specimens or descriptions.

#### ***Pseudomyrma auripes*, new species**

FEMALE (deälated).—Length, about 8 mm.

Head subrectangular, about one-sixth longer than broad, slightly narrowed in front, with rounded sides and posterior corners and nearly straight posterior border, in profile somewhat flattened in the frontal region. Mandibles stout, flattened, with a pronounced protuberance, or knee, in the outer border near the base; apical border with two strong terminal and no basal teeth. Clypeus carinate in the middle, broadly notched on each side, the median lobe long and narrow with acute corners. Frontal carinae rather long and not closely approximated; frontal groove very fine and indistinct. Eyes rather flat, only about one-third as long as the sides of the head. Antennal scapes short, thickened distally, reaching only to the margins of the cheeks when placed transversely; first funicular joint one and one-half times as long as broad, remaining joints, except the last, twice as broad as long, except the second joint which is less abbreviated. Thorax long, narrower through the wing-insertions than the head. Epinotum in profile with the base but little longer than the declivity. Petiole short, scarcely twice as long as broad, the peduncle very indistinct, the node evenly rounded, broadest just behind the middle, bluntly submarginate above on the sides below and anteriorly with a large, flattened, hook-like, downwardly and backwardly directed spine. Postpetiole about one-fourth broader than the petiole, broader than long, hemispherical, not constricted anteriorly but evenly convex and rounded dorsally and laterally. Its ventral surface is also convex and bears a small,