

are very short, the scapes when turned backward scarcely reaching beyond the middle of the head, slender, terete and curved at the base, somewhat thickened apically. Club about as long as the remainder of the funiculus, the terminal joint thicker and somewhat longer than the two preceding joints together; joints 2—8 distinctly broader than long. Thorax, especially the pronotum, robust, the latter transverse, with prominent humeri, the dorsal surface strongly convex antero-posteriorly, more nearly straight from side to side. Mesonotum descending almost vertically to the mesoëpinal constriction, on each side with a distinct, compressed and moderately acute tooth. Epinotum small and low, the base very short, shorter than the declivity, the spines acute, longer than broad at their bases and nearly as long as the space between their bases, directed upward and somewhat outward and backward. Petiolar node compressed anteroposteriorly, seen from behind rectangular above, with straight, entire superior border. Postpetiole more than twice as broad as the petiole and much broader than long, its sides produced as rather long, acute spines. Gaster very broadly elliptical, flattened, very much smaller than the head. Legs stout, the femora and tibiæ somewhat thickened.

Shining; mandibles smooth, sparsely punctate, striated at the base. Clypeus smooth in the middle, obscurely rugulose on the sides. Head with the anterior  $\frac{3}{4}$  longitudinally rugose, the rugæ being rather feeble, especially on the flat, scrobe-like areas, the posterior half of the head with coarse piligerous punctures, or foveolæ. Pro- and mesonotum smooth and shining, pleuræ and epinotum feebly rugulose-punctate. Petiole and base of postpetiole subopaque, finely and densely punctate. Gaster and legs shining, very finely shagreened, with sparse, piligerous punctures.

Hairs yellow, rather abundant but not very long, uniformly clothing the body and appendages. Pubescence not apparent.

Brownish ferruginous; head darker; mandibles still darker; gaster, legs and antennæ paler and more yellowish; scapes infuscated at the base; anterior border of clypeus black.

*Worker.* Length 1.2—1.3 mm.

Head subrectangular, very slightly longer than broad, slightly narrowed in front and behind, the posterior border feebly but distinctly emarginate in the middle. Eyes small, in front of the median transverse diameter of the head; antennal scapes reaching to its posterior corners. Mandibles and clypeus of the usual shape, the latter rather flat. Pronotum narrower and more hemispherical than in the soldier, without