

and venter without tubercles; those on the legs and head small.

Mandibles at the base opaque and finely striated, shining at the tips and especially along the dental border; remainder of body opaque, not distinctly punctate.

Hairs brownish, short, hook-shaped, arising from the tubercles, well-developed both on the body and appendages.

Dull ivory yellow; femora and tibiæ somewhat paler and more whitish; antennal funiculi, mandibles and tarsi reddish; mandibular teeth black; clypeus brown; a dark brown line or series of spots extending from the clypeus to the occiput, a brown spot on each side of the vertex and at the posterior end of each antennal scrobe; one on each side of the pronotum and also on the mesopleuræ. The first gastric segment above has a large dark brown spot at the base and a still larger one at its posterior end, the two being connected by a slender median and two broader lateral longitudinal stripes. The venter of the first segment has three large dark brown spots, which are confluent at the base, the median being much the largest and covering most of the sclerite.

*Female* (déalated). Length 4.5 mm.

Very similar to the worker. The antennal scapes are shorter. The pale ground color of the body is more brownish, but the dark markings are similar. The mesonotum has a median longitudinal dark brown band, expanding behind, the epinotal declivity a large transverse spot of the same color below the spines and the sides of the petiole and postpetiole are dark brown. The markings of the gaster are like those of the worker but somewhat more pronounced.

Described from numerous specimens taken by Miss ANNA TAYLOR and Mr. S. F. M. FLOYD at Kartabo, British Guiana. The nest was in clay, the entrance being a peculiar funnel-like structure about an inch in diameter and shaped somewhat like a human ear.

This species is obviously most closely related to the Guatemalan *T. intermedius* FOREL, of which I possess specimens from Manatee, British Honduras (J. D. JOHNSON) and Buena Ventura, Isthmus of Tehuantepec (A. PETRUNKEWITCH), but is easily distinguished by its decidedly shorter antennal scapes, narrower mandibles and very different coloration.

121. *Trachymyrmex abortivus* sp. nov.

*Worker*. Length 2 mm.

Allied to *humilis* WHEELER and *irmgardæ* FOREL. Head subrectangular, fully as broad as long, a little narrower in front than behind, with nearly straight posterior border,