

Garbe) syntypes of *M. goeldii gentilis* Sa. (MCZ), Mons. Paulo (V. dos Santos), Três Corações (E. Araujo), Varginha (T. Borgmeier, M. Alvarenga & C. A. C. Seabra) (CTB, WWK); Goiás: Anápolis (W. W. Kempf), Catalão (W. W. Kempf); Mato Grosso: Campo Grande (K. Lenko) (DZSP), Chapada (C. Amann, Ö.F.M.), Corumbá (C. R. Gonçalves) (CTB, DDSV), Jardim (R. Mueller), Rondonópolis (C. Gilbert); Pará: Belterra (C. R. Gonçalves) (DDSV, CTB), Óbidos (C. R. Gonçalves) (CTB, DDSV), Santarém (C. R. Gonçalves) (CTB, DDSV); Amazonas: Manaus (C. R. Gonçalves, K. Lenko) (CTB, DDSV). — *Females*. — Argentina, Misiones: Est. Loreto (A. A. Ogloblin) (MCZ). — Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul: Pareci Novo (B. Rambo) (CTB); Santa Catarina: Chapecó (L. Stock) (CTB), Nova Teutônia (F. Plaumann); São Paulo: Agudos (C. Gilbert, W. W. Kempf), Rio Claro (W. E. Kerr), São José dos Campos (H. S. Lopes) (CTB), São Paulo (Luederwaldt) (CTB, DZSP); Rio de Janeiro: Itatiaia (W. C. Zikán) (CTB); Minas Gerais: Carmo da Cachoeira (E. V. Bretas), Paraopeba (R. de Souza) (CTB); Goiás: Leopoldo Bulhões (R. Spitz) (CTB). — *Males*. — Brazil, Santa Catarina: Chapecó (L. Stock) (CTB), Nova Teutônia (F. Plaumann); Paraná: Castro (E. Garbe) (CTB); São Paulo: Agudos (W. W. Kempf, C. Gilbert), Juquiá (J. Lane) (CTB), Rio Claro (W. E. Kerr), São Paulo (Luederwaldt, J. N. Pupo Nogueira) (CTB, DZSP); Minas Gerais: Monlevade (E. Luja) (CTB); Goiás: Leopoldo Bulhões (R. Spitz) (CTB); Mato Grosso: Corumbá (C. R. Gonçalves) (CTB). — (All specimens in WWK unless noted otherwise).

*Synonymy*. — Following is a brief characterization of each form presently placed into synonymy of *goeldii*, with a justification for the step taken.

1. *M. goeldii* var. *schuppi* Forel, 1901, worker. — Types not seen. In the description they are said to differ from the typical *goeldii* in the stronger tuberculate sculpture principally on head and legs, in the lighter color and the slightly narrower head. According to the aforesaid characters the variety falls well within the normal range of variation of *goeldii* and does not deserve to be named.

2. *M. goeldii gentilis* Santschi, 1924, worker. — Two syntypes (MCZ) examined. These specimens stand out by the strongly developed spinulation on head, thorax and pedicel. The rather narrow and short petiole possesses antero-dorsally a pair of teeth that separate in side-view the anterior from the dorsal face. However, in all other respects these workers exhibit the essential features of *goeldii* and do not constitute a geographical race. Closest specimens in my collection hail from Óbidos, Pará State and Catalão, Goiás State, Brazil. The latter are also otherwise outstanding by the extreme development of the upright pilosity.