

ies it differs in greater length of seg. 2 of the funicle of the female and worker, in the pink color of the gaster of the queen, in the light tan or yellow thorax of the male and in the relatively larger eye of the female and wider sagitta of the male. In Creighton's monograph of New World species of *Solenopsis* (1930) it runs to the subgenus *Diplorhoptrum*, in which is also found *molesta* Say.

The name *rosella* refers to the rose pink abdomen of the queen, and means literally "the little rosy one." Types are in the writers collection.

Apparently this is an ant that is found only by digging six inches or deeper in coarse moist sand at high beach level. Probably its nests are rather permanent attachments of the more extensive nests of larger species. It is so small in the worker caste that it may be able to travel through the coarse sand it inhabits without making very definite galleries.