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New Species of Ants (Hym., Formicidæ) from the Island of Mauritius. By HORACE DONISTHORPE, F.Z.S., F.R.E.S., etc.

Family **Formicidæ.**

Subfamily *MYRMICINÆ.*

Cardiocondyla mauritia, sp. n.

♀. Head, thorax and petiole light reddish brown, legs and antennæ lighter, clubs of antennæ, post-petiole and gaster darker brown.

Head rectangular, longer than broad, sides almost straight, posterior angles rounded, posterior border almost straight, very finely granulate, and furnished with very short decumbent yellow hairs; *mandibles* small, broad, triangular, masticatory border with a short pointed tooth at base, a longer, sharper tooth at apex, and four much smaller blunt teeth between; *clypeus* triangular, somewhat convex, anterior border rounded; *frontal area* indistinct; *frontal carinæ* short and straight; *eyes* fairly large and prominent, situated considerably in front of middle of sides of head; *antennæ* 12-jointed, *scape* not reaching posterior border of head, *funiculus* with first joint longer and broader than the following eight joints, *club* large, 3-jointed, first joint narrowed and considerably shorter than second, last joint longer than the two preceding taken together. *Thorax* longer than broad, narrower than head, broadest at anterior angles of pronotum, which are rounded, but distinct; no *suture* between pro- and mesonotum; *promesonotum* somewhat flat on disc, somewhat shining and more finely punctured than head; *suture* between mesonotum and epinotum well marked; *epinotum* with dorsal surface convex and longer than declivity, which is concave, armed with two well-developed, sharply-pointed teeth; *petiole* with a raised node, rounded in profile; *post-petiole* broad, transverse, rounded above and at sides, considerably broader than node of petiole; *gaster* long oval, narrowed to apex.

Long. 2 mm.