

*gaster* slightly transverse, round oval anterior border and sides rounded. *Legs* fairly long.

*Long.* 5·8 mm.

Type in B.M. coll.

♀. Colour, sculpture and hairyness, etc., much as in ♂.

The *antennæ* are a little longer; spines on the anterior angles of *pronotum* shorter and blunter; *suture* between pro- and mesonotum deeper and wider; spines on the *epinotum* and *petiole* a little shorter and not quite so sharp; *gaster* somewhat larger and a little longer. *Wings* yellowish and covered with very fine short hairs; *ptero-stigma* and *veins* yellowish brown.

*Long.* 6·2 mm. K.B. Mission, Milne Bay, New Guinea, March, 1944.

Described from three workers: one taken by Miss L. E. Cheesman, Papua: Kokoda, 1200ft., October, 1933; the other two taken by K. V. Krombein, K.B. Mission, Milne Bay, New Guinea, April 18th, 1944, and one winged female, Milne Bay, 6th-17th March, 1944.

This species comes near to *Polyrhachis escherichi* Viehmeyer, in structure, but the sculpture, pattern of hairs, etc., are quite different. The silverish white bands on the *gaster* render the species very distinct.

*Polyrhachis (Myrmhopla) sexspinosa* Latreille, Hist. Nat. Fourmis, 1802, p. 126.

One winged ♀, Nadzab, Markham R. val., May, 1944.

*Polyrhachis (Myrmhopla) auriovestibus* Donisthorpe, Entom lxx. p. 274 (1937); Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (11), vii. p. 140 (1941).

Two winged ♀♀, Nadzab, Markham R. val.; and Maffin Bay, Dutch New Guinea, July and October, 1944.

*Polyrhachis (Myrma) rufofemorata* F. Smith, Journ. Proc. Linn. Soc. Lond. Zool. iii. p. 142 (1858).

One winged ♀, Nadzab, Markham R. val., New Guinea, May, 1944.

*Echinopla prætexta* F. Smith, Journ. Proc. Linn. Soc. Lond. Zool. v. p. 113 (1861).

Two ♂♂, K.B. Mission, Milne Bay, March 18th, 1944,