

Mandibles as in ♂, but smaller, minutely denticulate. Clypeus convex in centre, the anterior border depressed. Frontal carinæ short, almost parallel. Eyes prominent, placed in centre of the sides, and equal in length to one-half the side of the head. Head as long as broad, as broad in front as behind, the occiput rounded. Antennæ 13-jointed, the scape equals the first and second joints together, all joints very long, diminishing in length to the apical.

Pronotum high and arched, the Mayrian furrows visible but faint, the scutellum very prominent, longitudinally incised. Epinotum evenly convex, the declivity slightly flattened.

Petiole from above nearly twice as long as broad, slightly broader behind, in front there is a small projection on each side. In profile it rises gradually to its highest point, which is one-third from the posterior border, but it is only about one-sixth higher than in front.

Postpetiole narrow in front, longer and narrower than the first segment of gaster, which is broader than long and only slightly broader behind. Legs and antennæ long and slender.

Shining; mandibles finely striate with a few minute punctures; scapes superficially striate. Whole of head and thorax closely and coarsely rugose-punctate, more densely than in the ♂; the declivity of epinotum transversely rugose. Legs almost entirely smooth and shining. Upper surface of petiole transversely ridged, the sides reticulate-rugose. Postpetiole transversely striate above, the apical border and sides reticulate; the first two segments of gaster finely and evenly longitudinally striate.

1 ♂. Locality as for the ♀.

### √√ *Rhytidoponera PRONOTALIS*, sp. n.

♀. Length 8.5 to 9 mm.

Dark brown; mandibles, funiculi, apices of scapes, legs, and extremity of gaster dark red.

Scapes and tibiæ with fine short erect pilosity, the rest glabrous.

Head as broad as long, slightly broader in front than behind, the sides feebly convex. Occiput almost straight, slightly depressed in the centre. Inferior angles ending in a sharp projection. Mandibles finely dentate, the terminal border one-fifth longer than the basal. The anterior border of clypeus evenly convex, depressed. Frontal carinæ three-fifths as wide behind as in front. Eyes placed just behind the middle of sides.

Pronotum, seen from above, wider behind where the lateral angles are prominent; in profile these angles are seen more distinctly. The inferior angles of pronotum end in small teeth. Dorsum of thorax impressed at both sutures. Epinotum feebly convex, the declivity small, flattened. Petiole from above longitudinally oval, with a faint impression down the centre; in profile the node is thick, parallel-sided, the top slightly oblique, forming