

tibiae with only one calcar, which is pectinate. Basitarsus of middle pair of legs with four spines on the upper side.

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It is difficult to place this species since the middle tibiae have, unlike *Ponera s.str.*, two spurs, and the basitarsus of the same pair of legs has spines on the dorsal surface as in *Euponera*, subgenus *Trachymesopus*. However, on account of the position of the very small eyes and of the simple anterior margin of the clypeus and the unclubbed flagellum, it is best to regard it as an aberrant member of the genus *Ponera*.

Subfamily PSEUDOMYRMINAE

*Sima angusta* n.sp. (Figs. 6, 6a)

♀. 7 mm. long. Reddish ochreous, the middle of the head and the flagellum somewhat darker. Clypeus with a fringe of psammophore bristles, otherwise almost glabrous. Abdomen moderately shining, the rest of the body dull. Head and thorax very finely and very closely punctured, the puncturation strongest on the head. Mandibles striate, quadridentate. Clypeus with five indistinct teeth on the apical margin. Head parallel-sided, five-thirteenths longer than wide, the posterior angles somewhat rounded, the posterior margin almost straight. The eyes, placed a little behind the middle, occupy three-sevenths of the sides. The scapes extend back to the middle of the head; first joint of the flagellum half as long again as wide, the apical joint twice as long as wide, the other joints wider than long. Three ocelli present. Pronotum not much, or only one-fifth wider in front than behind, and one-fourth wider in front than long. The whole thorax is marginate at the sides. Mesonotum lenticular, about three times wider than long; the meta-epinotal suture faintly indicated at the sides. Epinotum, including the indistinct meta-notum, twice as long as wide, widest in the middle, the lateral margins moderately convex. First joint of the petiole barely pedunculate, twice as long as wide or as high, very convex lengthwise; the second joint nearly as long as the first, cupuliform, as wide behind as long. First abdominal segment about as long as wide.

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Allied to *S. prelli* For., and as in that species with the pronotum not much widened anteriorly. It differs from it in colour, in having the anterior margin of the clypeus dentate and in the narrower first joint of the petiole. The latter in *prelli* is only a little longer than wide. Superficially it resembles *S. natalensis* but in that species the head is much wider, and also the pronotum.

Subfamily MYRMICINAE

*Triglyphothrix hepburni* Arn.

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Race *mashonana* n.subsp. (Fig. 7)

♀. 2-8 mm. long, including the mandibles. This race differs from the type of the species as follows: Black, femora and tibiae brown, tarsi,