Island, Korea. A full grown plant measures 3 - 7 m in height. I am mo appreciative to Prof. Ogata for calling this behavior to my attention.

LECTOTYPE DESIGNATION

Although this species is rather distinct, there are "cotypes" scatter in various museums. Since there seems to be some confusion regardin the type locality and there is some degree of variation, I believe appropriate to designate a lectotype. Accordingly, I have placed a re partly handwritten label (*Stenamma owstoni* LECTOTYPE) on th appropriate specimen (MCZ). Of the "cotypes" examined, this specime is the most complete.

COMPARISONS

S. owstoni is most closely related to *S. nipponense* in its thoracic an head sculpturing and petiolar node profile. It can be quickly separate from *S. nipponense* in that the latter has heavily punctate sides and i generally much smaller.

S. owstoni might also be confused with *S. kurilense* or *S. ussuriense* In comparing *S. owstoni* and *S. kurilense*, the petiolar and postpetiola nodes are more shallow (and rise more gradually) in the former species The compound eyes in *S. owstoni* are significantly larger. The anterio clypeal emargination is more shallow in the former species. The glassy smooth area between the antennal insertions is narrower in the forme species. The sides of the alitrunk are more punctate and rugose rathe than scabrous as in *S. owstoni*. Both petiolar and postpetiolar nod dorsa are more punctate in the former species. The carinae on the firs gastral tergite do not extend as far as in *S. kurilense*. Propodeal spine of some specimens are shorter than in *S. kurilense* (however, the lengt of these spines is variable within species for most *Stenamma*). The fain transverse carinae are lacking on the declivitous face of the propodeum in *S. owstoni* (this area is glassy-smooth in that species). Thoracic dorsa are equally scabrous and rugose in both species, except there are mor longitudinally oriented ridges in *S. kurilense*. The metanotal impression is wider in *S. owstoni* than in *S. kurilense*. Additionally, the anterio petiolar process is larger in *S. kurilense*.

S. owstoni should not be readily confused with *S. ussuriense*. It has significantly larger eyes (for its size) and it is significantly larger. The petiolar dorsal profile (when viewed from the posterior) is flatter. There are no basal carinae between the propodeal spines and the metanotal impression is deeper and wider in *S. owstoni*.

MATERIAL EXAMINED

CHINA: Szechwan Prov., Chao Kung Mt. Kuanhsich, 8000', W. L. Brown, Jr. (1 gyne — MCZ). JAPAN: Hokkaido (2 workers — MHNG); H.