listally, shining reaching quite thorax; hypok, rather thinly a structure like tinged on outer ary vein, a little

eason why this ace Taracticus is same genus, lacodes bellus

known to me. w the tubercles,

ntralis n. sp.

canis Will. sllow pile.

affrana Fabr.

Abdomen wholly black; legs yellowish red......pubescens Will.

Tip of abdomen, legs, humeri scutellum and antennæ yellowish red.

ruficauda n. sp.

Abdomen except the base, and hind femora below, yellowish red.

Xanthippe Will.

Abdomen except the base, and legs wholly, yellowish red.........felis O. S.

Laphria gilva Linné.

To the synonomy of this species, given in my previous paper, the following should be added:

Laphria bilineata Walker, List, etc., iv, 1156; Williston, Trans. Amer. Ent. Soc. xi, 30.

Laphria ventralis n. sp.

5, Q.—Length 12-14 mm. Black. Face rather thickly clothed with straw-yellow pile and hair, on the gibbosity with some black bristles. Beard yellow. Antennæ black. Thorax with straw-yellow pile, the disk of the dorsum with short sparse black pile. Abdomen thickly clothed with appressed yellow pile, changeable in different lights, but the pile more erect on each side of the segments in front and ground color hence, here more apparent; the venter and the posterior angle of each segment on the dorsum, beginning with the second or third and successively becoming larger, so that the two spots approach or meet narrowly behind on the last segments yellowish red. Legs black, the tibiæ with short black pile; bristles black. Wings tinged with brownish, except at the base.

Two specimens, California (Baron).

Is closely related to L. vivax, but will be distinguished by the color of the venter and the posterior angles of the dorsal segments.

The length of L. vivax as given in the original description is too great; it should have been 18 mm. instead of 22 mm.

Laphria ruficauda n. sp.

Q.—Length 18 mm. Head black; face in the middle shining, on the sides lightly whitish pollinose and with sparse white hair, gibbosity small, covered with rigid, porrect, black bristles. Antennæ red. Occiput white pollinose; pile of the beard white; occipito-orbital and mental bristles black. Thorax bluish black, covered with a delicate whitish dust, leaving two slender median stripes that reach to about the suture, and a large spot in front and another behind the suture, on each side, shining; a spot on the humeri, and the scutellum, shining mahogany-red; dorsum bare, with sparse, slender rows of black hairs; bristles black; pleuræ, coxæ and femora with sparse, long, white pile. Abdomen nearly bare, shining cobalt-bluish black, sixth and seventh segments and the ovipositor shining mahogany-red; pile on the sides of the first three segments white. Legs wholly shining red, the tibiæ with similarly colored, the tarsi in part, with black bristles, the tarsi with short golden pile. Wings tinged with blackish on outer part, near the base hyaline.

One specimen, San Domingo (Frazar).