

## PHILANTHIDÆ.

**Cerceris nigritulus**, n. sp.

Male very similar to *C. nigrescens* Sm., but distinct by dark stigma. Markings as in *C. nigrescens*, rather more yellowish, but in only specimen seen no spots on pronotum, nor on basal segment of abdomen, and ventral marks nearly obsolete. The face broader, or rather not so long as in *C. nigrescens*, the clypeus broadly, evenly rounded below, and very strongly convex in the middle, sq that when seen from the side it is plainly protuberant, hair lobes not as broad as in *C. nigrescens*, punctuation and enclosure as in *C. nigrescens*; pygidial area not as in long as in *C. nigrescens*, and with nearly parallel sides. A size smaller than that species.

From Colden, N. Y., July 3 (M. C. Van Duzee). In my table it runs to 24, and of the species there included it is nearest *C. nigrescens*, but differs from all in dark stigma.

**Cerceris dakotensis**, n. sp.

Female black; base of mandibles, spot on the clypeal process, large spot each side of face near the eyes, small spot each side on pronotum, tegulae, postscutellum, broad band on second abdominal segment (slightly narrowed in the middle), narrow bands on other segments (broader at sides), yellow. Legs rufous, or yellowish, front and middle femora dark at base; basal half of antennae yellowish, or rufous beneath, tip rufous behind. Body moderately coarsely sculptured, clypeal process longer than broad, narrowed toward tip, not horizontal, but very much deflected; enclosure rather strongly striate all over; abdomen slender, basal segment only a little more than one-half as wide as the second at tip; others not wider than the second; pygidial area very long, with subparallel sides. Wings plainly fumose, darker at costal tip, stigma yellowish.

Male similar in size to the female, and the abdomen also slender; face below antennae all yellow, other marks as in female, small lateral spots on venter yellow; and one specimen shows spots on the metanotum and first abdominal segment; large dark spot near tips of hind femora, and faint dark mark near tips of hind tibiae. Last joint of antennae slightly curved, third joint not as long as fourth and fifth together. Clypeus slightly convex in the middle, the anterior margin here black, and with three teeth; clypeal hair