short, pale. Legs with the coxæ pale yellowish brown; trochanters and femora dull yellow, the tips of the latter narrowly dark brown; tibiæ yellowish brown, passing into dark brown at about midlength; tarsi brown. Wings strongly tinged with gray, sparsely marked with brown and subhyaline; small brown spots and seams at the arculus, origin of the sector, along the cord, and the outer end of cell $1st\ M^2$; stigma pale, rectangular; subhyaline drops as follows: before and beyond the stigma; end of cell R^5 ; cell $1st\ M^2$; a few small droplets in cells M, Cu, and $1st\ A$. Venation: Sc short, ending opposite the origin of the sector; Sc^1 slightly retracted from the tip of Sc^1 ; R^s long, strongly arcuated at origin, about twice the length of the deflection of R^{4+5} ; r at the tip of R^1 ; cell $1st\ M^2$ very long, closed; outer deflection of M^3 about twice the length of m; M^3 beyond m but little longer than that portion of the vein before m; basal deflection of Cu^1 just beyond the fork of M.

Abdominal tergites dark brown, the caudal margins of the segments pale; sternites pale brown. Hypopygium with the pleurites long and slender, about twice the length of the appendages; ventral pleural appendage terminating in a slightly curved cylindrical point.

Habitat.—California.

This fly bears a superficial resemblance to *Rhipidia fidelis* O. S., but may readily be distinguished by the structural details.

Erioptera (Erioptera) pilipennis, new species.

Related to $E.\ laticeps$ Alex.; wings with a sparse pubescence in the apical cells.

Female.-Length 3.2 mm.; wing 5 mm.

Rostrum, palpi and antennæ black. Head dark gray.

Thorax dark gray, the pleura a little brighter. Halteres pale. Legs with the coxæ and trochanters brownish yellow; femora dark brown, more yellowish basally; tibiæ and tarsi dark. Wings grayish; veins dark brown; a distinct though sparse pubescence in the centres of the apical cells from R^2 to Cu^1 , inclusive. Venation: almost as in E. laticeps but Rs longer; R^{2+3} longer; r.