

**OMMATIUS.*****Ommatius tibialis.***

*Ommatius tibialis* Say, J. Acad. Phil. iii, 49; Compl. Wr. ii, 63; Wiedemann, Auss. Zw. Ins. i, 422, 6; Williston, Trans. Amer. Ent. Soc. vol. xi, pl. 2, fig. 12.

♂.—Length 16 mm. Black. Eyes in life green. Face thickly covered with yellowish white pollen, the yellowish white mystax composed of hair, reaching thinly nearly to the antennæ. Antennæ black. Dorsum of thorax smooth, bare except the sparse and rather weak white bristles, with a broad black median stripe, separated by a line on each side from two large spots, the one in front, the other behind the suture; pleuræ densely, nearly white pollinose. Abdomen black, lightly pollinose on the sides and posterior parts of the segments, moderately contracted on the sides in the middle. Halteres light yellow. Wings hyaline, lightly blackish tinged on the outer part, on the exterior anterior part with a distinct yellowish tinge; costa strongly thickened and bent forwards beyond the tip of the auxiliary vein. Legs chiefly yellow, but variable, the femora more or less black, the hind pair most so, sometimes almost wholly black, the front pair least so, sometimes almost wholly yellow, tips of the tibiæ, most especially the hind pair, which may be only yellow at the base; tarsi black, the front and middle pairs yellow at the base. In the female the costa of the wings is simple, not thickened or curved, otherwise as in the male.

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Four specimens from New England. A greasy female from Georgia that I can not otherwise separate, has the legs, except the tip of the hind tarsi, wholly light yellowish red.