

4. Joint 3 shorter than 4; vein *a* interstitial with V_2 ; abdomen red, with whitish ornaments. *Phor.*
 Joint 3 longer than 4; abdomen black, with yellow ornaments. *Holonomada.*
5. Vein *rm* usually wanting; segments 1-6 with yellow bands, that on 1 usually red. *Heminomada.*
 Vein *rm* rarely wanting. 6.
6. Segments 1-6 with entire and continuous bands, sometimes narrowly interrupted on 1; vein *a* before V_2 *Xanthidium.*
 Segments 1-6 without entire and continuous bands, usually with some lateral spots; when continuous, the bands have separated spots on extreme sides of 5. *Nomada.*

Gnathias, gn. nov. (Type *Nomada bella*, Cresson).

Females.

Pygidium ovate, rather closely punctured and pubescent; lower anterior orbits yellowish; mesonotum commonly trilineate; rather yellowish red, the spots small and hardly contrasting with the ground colour. *ovatus*, sp. nov.

70 specimens fall into the following forms, according to their colour patterns. The ornament on the side of segment 4 is counted as one spot. It consists of an elongated spot, or its representatives: (1) when the spot is broken in two, or (2) when the lateral portion disappears, leaving a subdiscal, more or less cuneate spot.

A spot on each side of segments 2-4 and a bar on 5 (10). . . . *plenus*.

A spot on each side of segments 2-5 (15). *octomaculatus*.

A spot on each side of segments 2-4 (1), or of 2, 3 and

5 (2). *sexmaculatus*.

A spot on each side of segments 2-3 (15), or of 2 and

5 (3). *quadrinaculatus*.

A spot on each side of segment 2 (22). *binotatus*.

Abdomen without spots (2). *unicolor*.

Pygidium triangular, sparsely punctured and pubescent; lower anterior orbits not yellowish; mesonotum one-lined; rather dark red; spots distinct, large on segment 2. *cuneatus*, sp. nov.
 28 specimens show the following forms, the ornaments of segment 2 as in the preceding:

A spot on each side of segments 1-5 (1). *decemnotatus*.

A spot on each side of segments 2-5 (15). *octonotatus*.