postpetiole with scattered punctures, second segment strongly and densely punctured, third more finely, remainder polished, scarcely punctate; petiole partly and the three or four terminal segments black, the latter narrowly margined with white; ovipositor one-half as long as abdomen, sheaths black.

Described from two 2 specimens from Victoria, V. I. (Taylor). A pretty little species resembling somewhat in coloration *C. extrematis*, Cress., but easily separated by the smaller size and the much coarser punctuation.

CRYPTUS FLAVIPES, n. sp.

Female—Length, 4 mm. Black, with yellowish legs. Head small, finely punctulate, vertex shining; spot on mandibles and palpi pale; antennæ wanting. Mesonotum polished; metathorax rounded, closely punctured, without distinct carinæ; legs, including coxæ, pale rufo-testaceous, tips of posterior tibiæ and tarsi darker; tegulæ pale, nervures brownish, stigma paler. Abdomen with first and second segments closely, finely punctulate; terminal segments with apical margins indistinctly whitish; ovipositor as long as abdomen, red, with piceous sheaths.

Described from one 9 specimen from Victoria, V. I. (Taylor.)

CHÆRETYMMA ASHMEADII, n. sp.

Female-Length, 8 mm. Black, with red legs. Head transverse, as wide as thorax, polished, eyes prominent, front with sparse punctuation, slightly concave, with a small shallow basin above each antenna; cheeks polished, impunctate; face below antennæ finely opaquely punctured; palpi pale; antennæ wanting. Thorax entirely black, very slightly pubescent; sides of prothorax striated; mesonotum prominent, the middle lobe slightly advanced, polished with sparse fine punctures, pleuræ closely, not coarsely, punctate; scutellum polished; metathorax closely punctured, opaque; posterior transverse carina distinct, but metanotum not areolated; legs, including coxe and trochanters, entirely red; wings rather small, slightly infumated, nervures and stigma piceous, areolet medium in size, subpentagonal, considerably higher than wide. Abdomen as long as head and thorax, black; first segment gradually expanded to tip, finely opaquely punctulate and with fine lateral carinæ; second segment as wide as long, also finely opaquely punctulate, except at apex; remaining segments polished; the ovipositor longer than abdomen, red, with black, polished sheaths.