

mesonotum sparsely punctulate ; scutellum with fine central carina ; metathorax distinctly areolated, the posterior face striated ; legs red, four anterior coxæ and trochanters yellow, posterior coxæ black, tipped with yellow, trochanters yellow, spotted above with black, tips of posterior tibiæ and their tarsi brownish ; wings hyaline, a little dusky, stigma and nervures dark, areolet rather large, pentagonal. Abdomen black, with the incisures and lateral margins rufo-testaceous.

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

Sub-family CRYPTINÆ.

*CRYPTUS VANCOUVERENSIS*, n. sp.

Female—Length, 11-15 mm. Black, with rufous abdomen and legs. Head transverse, not much swollen behind the eyes, closely punctured, inner orbits narrowly whitish ; a rounded shining tubercle below the antennæ ; clypeus swollen, shining, touched with white in one specimen ; palpi blackish ; antennæ long and slender, black, the scape rufous beneath. Thorax entirely black ; the pleuræ and metathorax closely, almost rugosely, punctured ; metathorax not distinctly areolated ; mesonotum and scutellum shining, finely and sparsely punctulate ; wings fuliginous with violaceous reflections ; tegulæ piceous ; legs, including coxæ and trochanters, bright red ; terminal joint of tarsi piceous ; posterior tibiæ darker toward apex, the tarsi yellowish. Abdomen entirely red, highly polished ; the ovipositor as long as abdomen without petiole, red, the sheaths black.

This handsome species is described from three ♀ specimens from Victoria, V. I. (Taylor.)

*CRYPTUS VICTORIENSIS*, n. sp.

Female—Length, 7-9 mm. Black ; abdomen and legs mostly rufous. Head subrugosely punctured beneath antennæ, closely but more finely above ; inner orbits and edge of clypeus narrowly white ; antennæ long, slender, black, with a short white line above on joints 9-11. Thorax coarsely punctured, but somewhat shining, scutellum polished, with few punctures ; metathorax rounded, with transverse carina, but not areolated ; collar, tegulæ, scutellum and posterior angles of metathorax with minute white dots ; legs rufous, including coxæ, posterior tibiæ and tarsi black, the former with a pale annulus near the base, the latter with joints 2-4 white in one specimen, but partly black in the other ; wings almost hyaline, areolet small, nearly quadrangular. Abdomen polished rufous ;