

legs with scopa strongly plumose, long and loose, wholly pale; hair on inner side of hind tibiae fusco-ferruginous.

In my table in Trans. Amer. Ent. Soc., XXXII, the female runs to the vicinity of *M. gilensis communis* and *hortivagans*. It is smaller than *gilensis*, with much clearer wings, and hair on outer side of middle tibiae all pale (largely dark gray in *gilensis*). The same characters at once separate it from *hortivagans*. The wings are much paler and shorter than in *communis*, and the band on middle of second abdominal segment is much broader. The hind margin of fourth abdominal segment has dark hair only in middle, not right across as in *M. wheeleri*. Among Robertson's species *M. semiagilis* female resembles *M. vernoniae*, which has short, still clearer wings; but *vernoniae* has a patch of black hair on outer side of middle tibiae apically, the hair on abdomen whiter, and the hair on inner side of hind basitarsi black.

Hab.—Quanah, Indian Territory, at flowers of *Helianthus*, June 10, 1906 (*J. D. Mitchell*), U.S. Nat. Museum, 9♂, 4♀. A female from Dallas, Texas, at *Helianthus*, Sept. 22, 1905 (*F. C. Bishopp*) has a little dusky hair at apex of middle tibiae, and the hair on inner side of hind basitarsi is fuscous; but the general appearance and colour of the hair agrees exactly with *semiagilis*, not with *vernoniae*. Thus it rather approaches *M. simillima* Rob.

***Melissodes suffusa* Cresson, variety.**

♂. Differs from a cotype in having the flagellum only obscurely reddened (instead of bright clear ferruginous) beneath; otherwise normal.

Hab.—Falfurrias, Texas, on *Helianthus*, May 18, 1907, (*A. C. Morgan*).

***Melissodes bishoppi* sp. n.**

♂. Runs in my table in Trans. Amer. Ent. Soc., XXXII, to the vicinity of *M. aurigenia* Cresson, which it closely resembles differing as follows: Third antennal joint (view from front) 192 μ long, fourth 752 (the same measurements for *aurigenia* are 128 and 1040); the third joint very much longer than second; flagellum about $5\frac{1}{2}$ mm. long (about $7\frac{1}{2}$ in *aurigenia*); nervures darker; second s. m. narrower; third t. c. angular in middle;