Male. Length 5.5—6 mm.

Very similar to the male of the typical octoarticulatus. Brownish yellow, posterior portion of head, pronotum, except its borders, mesonotum, scutellum, posterior portion of epinotum, gaster and nodes of pedicel, base of scapes, apical portion of funiculi and middle portions of femora and tibiae dark brown. Wings colored as in the female.

Described from many specimens of all three phases which I took at Kartabo, Kalacoon and on Grand Batavia Island in the Cuyuni River, British Guiana, in the cauline swellings of Cordia nodosa L. Mr. H. O. Lang has also taken the same variety in the same plant at Kamakusa, in the interior of British Guiana.

According to Hohenkerk (Journ. Board. Agric. Brit. Guiana 11, 1918 p. 99) the natives call this ant "Kurabelli". In the localities above mentioned, it inhabited most or all of the cauline swellings on every one of the numerous specimens of C. nodosa examined both by Prof. J. W. Bailey and myself.

Var. angulatus Wheeler & Mann, var. nov.

Worker. Length 1.5 mm.

More deeply colored than the preceding forms of the subspecies, reddish yellow, head a little darker, mandibles red, their bases and teeth and the border of the clypeus blackish. Eyes smaller than in the typical form and the var. exsanguis but the scapes somewhat longer. Promesonotum more convex, mesoepinotal impression short and acute, deeper than in the typical octoarticulatus. Epinotum as long as broad, the base and declivity forming a very distinct angle in profile as in the var. tuberculatus Forel, but not subdentate and with the base straight. Petiolar node rising more abruptly from the peduncle than in var. demerarae, but less than in tuberculatus. Postpetiole broader than long, about one-third broader than the petiolar node, with rather straight sides.

Thirteen workers taken by Dr. W. M. Mann on the Lower Rio Madidi, Bolivia, in cauline swellings of Cordia hispidissima.

Var. tuberculatus Forel


Worker. Length 2—2.3 mm.