

with a rounded slope, and covered with long white hair. The abdomen longer than the head and thorax united; the petiole twice as long as broad, dilated towards the apex, closely punctured, and covered with long soft white hair, which is darker in tint on the upper than on the lower side, ferruginous in colour like the thorax; the rest of the abdomen deep black, covered, especially at the apex of the segments, with long soft white hair; the second segment above and beneath is indistinctly punctured. The legs are of a darker ferruginous tint than the thorax, the four hinder femora and the tibiæ more or less blackish, and are covered with long white soft hair. The wings are hyaline, very slightly suffused with a smoky tint below the stigma; the stigma and the costa immediately beyond the radial cellule deep black. The apex of the radial cellule is rounded, and extends beyond the apex of the third cubital cellule; the first and second transverse cubital nervures are distinctly traced and are curved, the third is rather faint, but still visible; the recurrent nervure is received in the basal third of the cellule.

### 132. *Sphærophthalma gamelia*.

Long. 11 millim. ♂.

*Hab.* GUATEMALA, Capetillo (*Champion*).

Similar in coloration to *S. æax*, except that the antennæ at the base are coloured like the flagellum; the legs bear much more black on the femora and tibiæ; the petiole is longer, and is not so much dilated towards the apex, the apical half also being black; the wings are darker in tint; and the radial cellule is larger compared with the cubitals.

The head is nearly as wide as the mesothorax; the vertex indistinctly punctured; the front almost impunctate, depressed in the centre; the whole head covered with long pale fuscous hair. The antennæ are nearly as long as the head and thorax united; black, the extreme base only being rufous; underneath, the flagellum is duller in tint and it bears an indistinct pile; the pile on the scape is longer and paler; the third and fourth joints are subequal. The thorax is rufous, covered with long pale fuscous hair; the pronotum finely, the mesonotum much more strongly punctured, and with the parapsidal furrows distinct and deep; the mesopleuræ not very strongly punctured; the metapleuræ and the median segment reticulated. The abdomen is distinctly longer than the head and thorax united, deep black, except the petiole, which is rufous at the basal half; the petiole is more than twice as long as broad, and not much dilated towards the apex; the petiole and the second segment covered, but not thickly, with long fuscous hair; the edges of the other segments fringed with long white hair; the basal segment indistinctly punctured, the others impunctate; the ventral segments are fringed with long white hair. The legs are black and covered with long soft white hair; the tarsi with the hair closer and shorter; the calcaria are fuscous. The wings