

gin of pronotum paler; narrow costal margins and cuneus whitish, the latter tinged with pink and edged with fuscous; membrane smoky black; legs blackish; lower surface blackish varied with reddish, the propleura whitish; gula and sternum black.

Described from three males taken by me at Bryson, Monterey Co., Calif., May 18, 1920. This is the smallest western species of *Lopidea* known to me and is quite distinct by its brown color with pale costal line and cuneus and the very distinct male genital characters.

*Holotype*, male, No. 777, Mus. Calif. Acad. Sci.; *paratypes* in collection of the Academy.

*Type locality*, Bryson, Monterey County, Calif.

## 20. *Lopidea discreta*, new species

A large dark red species allied to *nigridea*, but with the red coloring of *heidemanni*; male claspers much as in *nigridea*. Length  $6\frac{1}{2}$  mm.

Surface moderately polished, sparsely clothed with oblique stiff black hairs as long as the thickness of the fourth antennal segment; segment II of antennæ a fifth longer than basal width of pronotum; sides of pronotum rectilinear. Sinistral male clasper small, linear, abruptly incurved at apex; dextral shaped much as in *nigridea* but broader and more sinuated ventrally with the vertical apical margin rectilinear, its lower (ventral) angle armed with two contiguous teeth as long as their combined width; sinus at base of long apical spur with a short but distinct tooth.

Color, sanguineous; basal margin of pronotum, scutellum, clavus and corium as far as alar nervure much darker or even black; callosities, base of vertex, a double vitta on front, clypeus, sutures of cheeks, antennæ, rostrum, legs, pectus and venter in part black, the propleura bright red; membrane deep fuscous.

Described from 24 specimens representing both sexes, taken at Huntington Lake, Fresno Co., Calif., during the last week of July, at an elevation of 7,000 feet. They occurred in numbers on elderberry bushes, on a blue-flowered lupine, and on a species of *Vicia*. It might be best to consider this a race or variety of *nigridea*, but it seems to me its characters on the whole are of specific value.

*Holotype*, male, No. 778, and *allotype*, female, No. 779, Mus. Calif. Acad. Sci.; *paratypes* in Academy's collection.

*Type locality*, Huntington Lake, Fresno County, Calif.