



Fig. 37. Female of *Mecomma khrysothemis* sp. n.: a), *M. ruficeps* sp. n.: b), and *M. kharon* sp. n.: c).

Male like *M. fumida* but somewhat bigger, length 4.75–5.0 mm, clavus and inner part of mesocorium paler brown, and cuneus uniformly pale.

Measurements: Head 0.8 × as broad as basal width of pronotum; eyes small, ocular index 1.40–1.42. Proportions between antennal joints 32:100:85:32, 2nd joint 1.5 × as long as basal width of pronotum. Pronotum 1.86 × as broad as long in middle. Cuneus 1.95 × as long as broad.

Male genitalia in Fig. 36m–o. Long vesical process slender, edentate, short appendage very narrow, apex tridentate.

Distribution: Known from Kenya.

Mecomma kharon sp. n.

Fig. 37

Material: Nigeria: NE St., Gembu, ♀ holotype, 1♂ paratype, 21–22.VIII.1973, Linnavuori, in coll. Linnavuori.

Female. Length 3 mm. Opaque. Black. Vertex with pale spot close to each eye. Eyes reddish gray. 1st antennal joint and apical part of 2nd black, 2nd joint otherwise yellow-brown with extreme base embrowned, joints 3 and 4 brown, base of 3rd whitish. Femora and bases of tibiae black, other parts of legs pale yellowish, 3rd tarsomeres infumed.

Broadly pear-shaped, body 1.75 × as long as greatest width. Hair covering long, gray. Head about as broad as basal width of pronotum, finely shagreened, vertex shallowly concave, basal margin narrowly carinate; ocular index 1.23–1.27. Proportions between antennal joints 24:70:55:29, 1st joint incrassate, 2nd gracile, 1.4 × as long as basal width of pronotum. Rostrum extending to hind coxae. Pronotum 1.6 × as broad as long in middle, lateral margins strongly insinuated, basal lobe distinctly rugose. Elytra convex, very rugose, 1.9 × as long as broad, extending to 7th tergite, costal margins very narrow, no membrane rudiments, apical margin broadly rounded.