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*Andrena placitae*, n. sp.—♂. Length about 7 mm; black, the abdomen with a slight greenish lustre; pubescence of head and thorax, above and below, abundant, long and white; face densely covered with white hair; abdominal segments with apical white hair-bands, broadly interrupted on the first and second; apex of abdomen densely tufted with white hair. Process of labrum truncate-subemarginate; mesothorax dull, minutely rugose, sparsely but distinctly punctate; the anterior part of mesothorax is inclined to be greenish, the posterior part and scutellum are slightly purplish; enclosure of metathorax minutely rugose; tegulae pale testaceous; wings a little yellowish, iridescent, stigma and nervures dark reddish-brown; stigma large; legs black with white hair, the tarsi rather dark ferruginous; abdomen microscopically tessellate. Extremely similar to *A. geranii*, Rob., but distinguished by the white tuft at end of abdomen, the somewhat narrower abdomen, the much denser hair on face, and the color of the antennae. The first recurrent nervure enters the second submarginal cell at little beyond its middle. *A. illinoensis*, which has the tufted abdomen, is very different by its even larger stigma, of orange color. The color of the antennae readily distinguishes *A. placitae* from *A. sapellonis*.

Hab.—Placita, New Mexico, about 6859 ft., April 25, 1903.

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