

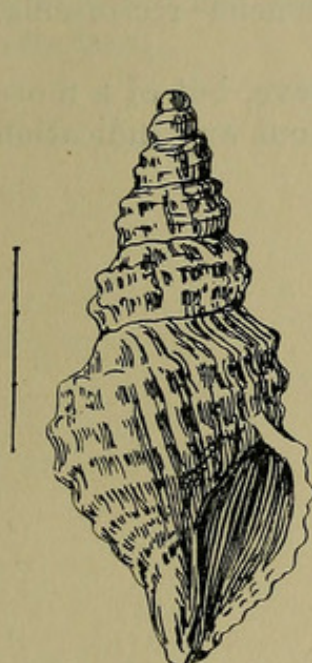
NEW SHELLS FROM PORT ALFRED, COLLECTED BY LIEUT.-
COLONEL W. H. TURTON.

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COMINELLA ACUTISPIRA, n.sp.

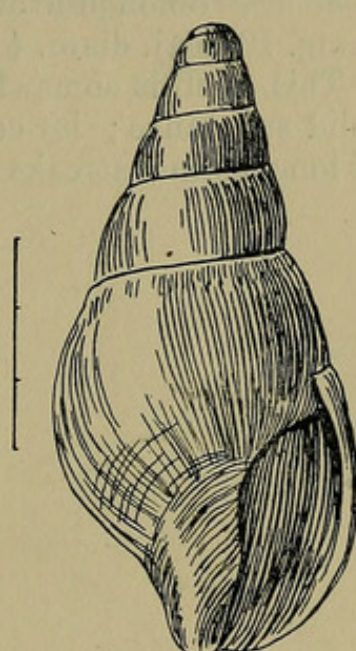
TESTA acuminata, pallide fusco-tincta; spira elata, acuta, gradata; anfractus 6, primi 2 leves, rotundati, sequentes rotunde convexi, spiraliter bi-lirati, longitudinaliter plicis nodulosis cancellati, ultimus $\frac{1}{2}$ longitudinis testæ æquans, spiraliter rugose sex-liratus, longitudinaliter irregulariter plicatus, supra concavo-planulatus, deinde convexus, infra attenuatus, breviter rostratus; apertura oblongo-ovata, breviter canaliculata; peristoma acutum; columella fere recta. Long. 10, maj. diam. 4 mm.



Cominella
acutispira, n.sp.



Bullia
dulcis, n.sp.



Columbella
approximata, n.sp.

The scales at the sides represent millimetres.

Although of fairly simple character, I am unable to find any species analogous to this. It has a remarkably elate and acute spire, the rounded whorls being concavely depressed at the top. The whole surface of the shell is crisply nodulously cancellated. I have only seen two examples of this species, both in the collection of Lieut.-Col. Turton.

BULLIA DULCIS, n.sp.

Testa elongata, griseo-albida, languide fusco-flammulata, levis, nitens; spira elata, mediocriter acuta; anfractus 7, primus obtusus, rotundatus, sequentes convexi, superne spiraliter tenuissime striati, sutura angustissime sejuncti, anfractus ultimus longitudinis spiram

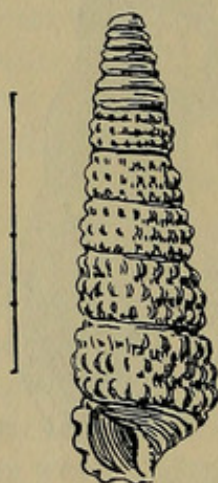
fere æquans, convexus, supra tenuissime spiraliter striatus, infra inepte sulcatus; apertura mediocriter lata, intus fusca, peristoma arcuatum, acutum, columella leviter arcuata, callo albo late expanso instructa. Long. 25, maj. diam. 10, apertura longa 9, lat. 4 mm.

A shell with a very glossy surface, differing from *B. semiflammea*, Reeve, in the convexity of its whorls. This species has been placed with *B. diluta* (Krauss), but it is pretty clearly distinguished by its somewhat different form, and especially by the extreme fineness of its spiral striæ. It also bears some resemblance to *B. similis*, Sowerby.

COLUMBELLA APPROXIMATA, n.sp.

Testa parva, elongata, levis, nitens, fulvo-fusca, spira elata, acuta; anfractus 6, primus minutus, rotundatus, sequentes leviter convexi, sutura anguste impressa sejuncti; ultimus convexus, spiram leviter superans, infra contractus, breviter rostratus, apertura oblongo-ovata, peristoma tenue, columella rectiuscula. Long. 10, maj. diam. 4 mm.

This shell is somewhat like *C. albuginosa*, Reeve, but of a more solid substance; its colour is plain brown without any indication of longitudinal streaks or other markings.



Triforis innocens, n.sp.

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Testa sinistralis, mediocriter elongata, pura alba, anfractus 10 convexiusculi, tricingulati, cingulis exquisite et conspicue gemmatis, anfractus ultimus supra convexus, infra contractus, brevicaudatus; apertura oblique ovata; peristoma acutum, serratum; columella arcuata. Long. 5, maj. diam. 2 mm.

This exquisite, pure white, little shell, beset with bead-like granules, is something like *T. madria*, Bartsch, from which it differs in form, the whorls being more convex, and the shell altogether shorter in proportion to its length.

The following I name simply as colour varieties of known species:—

Drillia hottentota, Smith, var. *fuscescens*, n.var.—The type of *D. hottentota* is a white shell with a brown spire clearly defined from the top of the body whorl, while the var. *fuscescens* is tinted all over pale brown, with longitudinal streaks of darker brown.

Bullia pura, Melvill, var. *balteata*, n.var.—This differs from the typical *B. pura*, which is entirely white, in having a broad band of pale buff occupying most of the body whorl, and the lower part of the upper whorls.

Patella variabilis, Krauss, var. *constellata*, n.var.—The varieties of *P. variabilis* are rather numerous, but I venture to propose a name for one of rather remarkable character. It is of a dark brown colour, with numerous yellow spots sprinkled over its surface, having the appearance of a constellation.

Fissurella mutabilis, Sowerby, var. *aurantia*, n.var.—This striking variety is of a uniform orange colour. In form and sculpture it does not differ materially from the type, though somewhat more depressed.



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