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consuetudine mansuescit mas, adeo ut resupinatus complectatur canem pedibus et colludat, ita ut nec dente lædat nec ungue."

Caius has a chapter *De Cornibus Cervi Palmati*, of which he had seen and figured a specimen in the monastery at Kenilworth in Warwickshire:—another chapter, also, on the Bonasus, whose skull and ribs were then preserved in the chapel of Guy of Warwick. In this he also mentions the Wild Cattle of our forests.

Notices of the Crocodile by the English Crusaders.

"*De Cocodrillis, &c.*—Cocodrillos apud *Damietam* invenimus et interfecimus: est autem bestia crudelis, homines et jumenta devorans, apertis oculis solo visu ova sua fovet: exclusi pulli statim fugiunt parentem quasi hostem, quos enim rapere potest in momento glutit et devorat."

"Ægyptii vero honoraverunt Prophetam, sepelientes eum juxta tumulum Regum, memores beneficiorum quæ præstiterat Ægypto, oratione enim sua fugaverat bestias aquarum, quas Græci *Cocodrillos* appellant."—*Historia Captionis Damietæ*: apud Gale, *Historiæ Anglicanæ Scriptores* XV. vol. ii. p. 452.

They are called *Cocodryll* in Trevisa's Chronicle.

RICHARD TAYLOR.

A Monograph of Macrochisma, a genus of Gasteropodous Mollusca belonging to the family Fissurellidæ. By ARTHUR ADAMS, R.N., F.L.S.

MACROCHISMA, Swainson.

Animal? Shell elongated, clypeiform, radiately ribbed, extremities elevated; foramen very large, elongated, placed near the hind part, with a groove posteriorly; the hind margin sinuated.

1. *MACROCHISMA MAXIMA*, A. Adams. *M. testâ oblongâ, costis parum elevatis subrugosis, striisque concentricis obsoletis ornatâ, fusco radiatim maculatâ, dorso elevatâ, lateribus planulatis, extremitate anticâ rotundatâ; posticâ elevatâ, subtruncatâ; foramen dilatatum, posticè excavatum.* *Hab.* —?

2. *MACROCHISMA DILATATA*, A. Adams. *M. testâ ovato-oblongâ, radiatim costatâ, rubrâ, albo variegatâ, utrinque rotundatâ, lateribus dilatatis; foramen oblongum, in medio angustatum.* *Hab.* —?

3. *MACROCHISMA HIATULA*, Swainson, *Manual of Malacology*, p. 356.

Fissurella macrochisma, Sow.

M. testâ ovato-oblongâ, radiatim costellatâ, fuscâ, subdepressâ, lateribus concavis, utrinque rotundatâ; foramen magnum, oblongum, posticè dilatatum, extremitate posticâ valdè elevatâ; margine vix sinuato. *Hab.* —?

4. *MACROCHISMA COMPRESSA*, A. Adams. *M. testâ angustè oblongâ, albidd, roseo radiatim pictâ, costellis granulosis striisque concentricis decussatâ, utrinque rotundatâ, dorso convexâ, lateribus compressis, in medio inflexis, extremitate posticâ valdè elevatâ; foramen magnum, lanceolatum, posticè dilatatum.* *Hab.* —?