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singulis plumis fasciis latis brunneo-nigris ornatis; marginibus plumarum cinereis; intra margines lineis angustis nigris et albis ornatis; tectricibus alarum et tertiaris pallide castaneo-rubris balteis irregularibus ziczac fasciatis; interspatiis balteorum cine-reo-albis; mento genisque albis maculâ semilunari brunneus ad apicem singulæ plumæ; pectore et corpore inferiore pallide cervino-albis; plumis pectoris ordine macularum saturatè grisearum ad marginem ornatis.

Upper surface light chestnut-red, all the feathers crossed by broad bars of brownish black and margined with grey, within which are two narrow lines of black and white; wing-coverts and tertaries light chestnut-red, crossed by irregular zigzag bars of black, the interspaces margined externally with greyish white; chin and sides of the face white, with a narrow crescent-shaped mark of brown at the tip of each feather; sides of the breast chestnut, each feather tipped with white, within which is an indistinct mark of deep black; chest and under surface pale buffy white, the feathers of the chest with a row of dark grey spots on each margin, giving that part a speckled appearance; primaries brown, narrowly edged with white; irides reddish orange; feet yellow; bill horn-colour.

Total length, male, 5 inches; bill, $\frac{1}{6}$; wing, $3\frac{1}{4}$; tarsi, $\frac{1}{6}$. Female, 6 inches; bill, $\frac{3}{4}$; wing, $3\frac{1}{2}$; tarsi, $\frac{3}{4}$.

Hab. Houtmann's Abrolhos, off the western coast of Australia.

Remark.—Like the rest of the genus, the male is much inferior in size to the female. The species is very nearly allied to, but much smaller than, *Hemipodius varius*.

"Description of twenty-two new species of Land-Shells, belonging to the collection of Mr. H. Cuming," by Dr. L. Pfeiffer:—

1. *HELIX GRUNERI*, Pfr. *Hel. testá umbilicata, depressá, supernè planiuscula, minutissimè punctato-striata, rufa; anfractibus $5\frac{1}{2}$ sensim crescentibus, planiusculis, ultimo rotundato, anticè vix deflexo; umbilico angusto, pervio; aperturá subverticali, depressá, latè lunari; peristomate incrassato, reflexo, marginibus callo tenui, supernè dentem arcuatam, validum, callosum formante juncis.*

Diam. 38, alt. 18 mill.

Locality unknown. A beautiful shell, next allied to *H. unguicula*, De Férrussac, differing by the strong and arcuated tooth on the body of the penultimate whorl.

2. *HELIX OKENIANA*, Pfr. *Hel. testá imperforata, orbiculari, utrinque convexiuscula, obtuse carinata, undique regulariter granulata, supernè fuscata, basi pallida; anfractibus $5\frac{1}{2}$ rotundato-planatis, ultimo anticè deflexo, basi profunde biseriato; aperturá subhorizontali, elliptica, coarctata; peristomate carneo-fusco, incrassato, marginibus callo juncis, supero expanso, basali reflexo, tridentato; dentibus aequidistantibus, 2 minoribus prope columellam, tertio majore supernè sulcato.*

Diam. 37, alt. 17 mill.

Found on the island of Jamaica at Savannah la Mar, by M. Atta-

nasio. To be distinguished from *H. lucerna*, Müll., by having three teeth at the basal margin of the aperture.

3. **HELIX NEOGRANATENSIS**, Pfr. *Hel. testa imperforata, depressa, carinata, tenui, undique minutè granulosá, saturatè rufa; spirá vix elevata; anfractibus 4½ planiusculis, ultimo basi convexo, anticè deflexo, constricto; aperturá perobliqua, lunato-rotundatá; peristomate carneo, simplice, expanso, reflexiusculo, marginibus callo tenui junctis, basali obsoletissimè unidentato, columellari brevi, dilatato, adpresso.*

Diam. 34, alt. 15 mill.

Found in the mountain Quendeu at New Granada.

4. **HELIX CINERASCENS**, Pfr. *Hel. testa imperforata, globoso-turbinata, tenuiuscula, straminea, fasciis 2 latis et areá basali nigricantibus ornata, epidermide tenui, hydrophaná, cinerea, obducta; spirá breviter turbinata, apice obtusa; anfractibus 5½ convexiusculis, ultimo basi inflato; columella subarcuata, carneo-fusca; aperturā rotundato-lunari, intus albá; peristomate breviter expanso, subincrassato, castaneo-limbato.*

Diam. 41, alt. 37 mill.

Found by H. Cuming, Esq. at the island of Masbate.

5. **HELIX TURBO**, Pfr. *Hel. testa imperforata, turbinata, solidiuscula, distinctè striata, sub epidermide tenuissima, decidua, flavescente albá, medio rufo-fasciatá; spirá brevi, conoides, obtusa; anfractibus 5 convexis, ultimo obsoletè angulato, basi vix convexo; columella stricta, dilatata, albidá; aperturā irregulariter lunari; peristomate expanso, margine columellari dilatato, reflexo, rimam formante, cum basali angulatim juncta.*

Diam. 43, alt. 35 mill.

Hab. Isle of Mindoro.

6. **HELIX UNICOLOR**, Pfr. *Hel. testa umbilicata, depressa, acutè carinata, tenui, fusca, superne subtiliter striata, subtus lineis nonnullis spiralibus elevatis munita; spirá depresso-conoides; anfractibus 5 planiusculis, sensim accrescentibus, ultimo anticè non descendente, basi convexo, ad umbilicum angustum abruptè angulato; aperturā rhomboidea; peristomate saturatè fusco, marginibus callo tenuissimo junctis, supero dilatato, expanso, basali ascendente, stricto, columellari brevi, dilatato, umbilicum semi-occultante, cum basali angulatim juncta.*

Diam. 32, alt. 16 mill.

Locality unknown. Constantly distinguished from *H. Xystera*, Valenc., by its narrow umbilicus, elevated spire, and the number of its whorls.

7. **HELIX OMPHALODES**, Pfr. *Hel. testa latè umbilicata, depressa, solidá, leviter striatula, sub epidermide flavescente, decidua albá, ad peripheriam et suturam rufo-cingulata; spirá vix convexa; anfractibus 5 planiusculis, ultimo anticè vix descendente, basi paulò convexiore, circa umbilicum magnum, spiralem, intus castaneum*

subcompressō ; aperturā perobliquā, lunato-ovali ; peristomate breviter reflexo, fusco, marginibus conniventibus.

Diam. 41, alt. 16 mill.

Locality unknown.

8. **HELIX INVOLUTA**, Pfr. *Hel. testā imperforatā, depressā, supernē convexiusculā, basi planiusculā, medio impressā, tenuissimā, striatulā, nitidissimā, cornēd, fusco-radiatā; anfractibus planē involutis, ultimo anticē obliquē depresso; aperturā depressā, lunato-oblongā; peristomate simplice, recto, marginibus utrinque centro testae insertis, dextro antrorsum arcuato-dilatato.*

Diam. 18, alt. $7\frac{1}{2}$ mill.

Found on the mountains of Quendeu in New Granada.

9. **HELIX CAMPANULA**, Pfr. *Hel. testā umbilicatā, globosā, solidā, subtiliter et regulariter obliquē striatā, castaneā; spirā semiglobosā, apice obtuso, pallido; anfractibus $4\frac{1}{2}$ convexiusculis, ultimo antecedente vix latiore, anticē vix descendente, medio pallidē cingulato; aperturā perobliquā, lunato-ovali, intus līvescente; peristomate fusco, subinerassato, breviter reflexo, marginibus callo junctis, basali introrsum obsoletē albo-unidentato, extrorsum dilatato, umbilicum angustum, profundum semi-occultante.*

Diam. 27, alt. 21 mill.

Locality unknown.

10. **HELIX LABIATA**, Pfr. *Hel. testā apertē perforatā, depressā, tenui, striatulā, supernē lineis concentricis obsoletē decussatā, basi lēvigateā, nitida, fulvā; spirā planiusculā; anfractibus 6 subplanulatis, ultimo dilatato, depresso; aperturā latē lunari; peristomate acuto, intus calloso-labiato, margine supero antrorsum rotundato, basali planē arcuato, columellari vix reflexiusculū.*

Diam. 40, alt. 20 mill.

Locality unknown. Distinguished from *H. citrina*, Linn., by the concentrical striae, the number of its whorls, and the callus within the aperture.

11. **HELIX HANLEYI**, Pfr. *Hel. testā imperforatā, depressā, lenticulari, acutē carinatā, tenui, subtilissimē decussatā, nitidā, sulphured, ad suturam et carinam albo-fasciatā; spirae parūm elevatā; anfractibus 4 subplanulatis, ultimo anticē angulatim deflexo, constricto; aperturā parvulā, horizontali, oblongā; peristomate simplice, undique expanso et reflexo, marginibus ferē contiguis.*

Diam. 19, alt. 9 mill.

β. *Testā supernē nigricanti-purpureā, ad aperturam albo-fasciatā, basi albida, infra carinam castaneo-fasciatā.*

Found by Mr. Cuming at Sinait, island of Luzon. This fine shell is not unlike some varieties of the *Hel. bifasciata*, Lea, but constantly to be distinguished from that species by the angular deflection of its last whorl and by the shape of its small aperture.

12. **HELIX AMENA**, Pfr. *Hel. testā imperforatā, globoso-depressā, lineis longitudinalibus et spiralibus sub lente decussatā, albida,*

fuscidū unicā spadicei supra peripheriam et linea rufd, suturali ornatā; anfractibus 4 vix convexiusculis, ultimo obsoletē angulato, anticē deflexo, basi parūm convexd; aperturā transversē lunari- oblongā, intus concolore; peristomate simple, marginibus sub- parallelis, dextro expanso, basali anticē reflexo, ad columellam dilatato, adpressē reflexo.

Diam. 18, alt. $10\frac{1}{2}$ mill.

Found by Mr. Cuming at Catanauan, island of Luzon. This species is likewise similar to several unkeeled varieties of *Hel. bifasciata*, but by examining a large number of specimens of this and the other ones, I found the above characters to be invariably constant.

13. *HELIX METCALFII*, Pfr. *Hel. testā latē umbilicatā, depressd, discoideā, acutē carinatā, striatuld, pallide vel rufesceni-corned, utrinque juxta carinam albam castaneo-unifasciatā; spirā vix elevatā; anfractibus 6 vix convexiusculis, ultimo anticē vix de- scende; aperturā subtriangulari; peristomate simple, margine supero antrorsum arcuatim dilatato, depresso, basuli ad columellum leviter arcuato.*

Diam. 21, alt. 7 mill.

β . *Minor, flava, lineis angustis nigricanti-rufis juxta carinam.*

Diam. 17, alt. $5\frac{1}{2}$ mill.

γ . *Unicolor, fusco-cornea.* Diam. 15, alt. 5 mill.

Found by Mr. Cuming on the Philippine Islands and at Sibonga, island of Zebu; β . at Tanhay, island of Negros; γ . on the island of Siquijor. Distinguished from all species belonging to the same group by its flattened shape.

14. *HELIX TRISTIS*, Pfr. *Hel. testā imperforatā, ovato-globosd, tenui, striatā, lineis concentricis obsoletē decussatā, olivaceo-fuscd, rufo 5-fasciatā; spirā parvula, conoideū; anfractibus 4 convexiusculis, ultimo inflato; aperturā lunate-ovali, intus nitidā; peristomate simple, recto, margine columellari dilatato, reflexo, adpresso.*

Diam. 21, alt. 18 mill.

This species is said to be found in Sicily, but there may be a mistake.

15. *HELIX ADAMSII*, Pfr. *Hel. testā imperforatā, orbiculato-con- vexiusculd, leviter striatulā, nitidissimā, fulvescenti-luted, unicolo- vel fasciis saturatē fulvis et castaneis multimode ornatā et radiatā; spirā convexiusculd, obtusā; anfractibus $3\frac{1}{2}$ -4 vix convexiusculis, ultimo basi planiore; aperturā rotundato-lunari; peristomate sim- ple, acuto, margine columellari subobliquo, dilatato, albo.*

Diam. 12, alt. $6\frac{1}{2}$ mill.

Hab. Pitcairn's Island and Opara. Collected by Mr. Cuming.

The late patriarch of the island pointed out this shell to Mr. Cuming, and at his request I have the pleasure to dedicate it to the venerable man's memory.

• 16. *HELIX BAHAMENSIS*, Pfr. *Hel. testā angustē umbilicatā, de-*

pressa, tenui, cornata, costulato-striata; spirae brevi, convexiuscula; anfractibus $4\frac{1}{2}$ vix convexiusculis, ultimo anticè deflexo; apertura subhorizontali, transversè ovali; peristome simple, tenui, marginibus approximatis, supero breviter expanso, basali reflexo, intus dente triangulari, valido munito, columellari dilatato, reflexo, umbilicum angustum, perium semitegente.

Diam. 17, alt. $7\frac{1}{2}$ mill.

Hab. Bahamas.

17. HELIX BERMUDENSIS, Pfr. *Hel. testa umbilicata, lenticulari, tenuiuscula, carinata, leviter ruguloso-striata, pallide fulvescente, cingulo castaneo supra et latiore infra carinam ornatâ; anfractibus 7 vix convexiusculis, lentè accrescentibus; umbilico angusto, pervio; apertura subtrapezid; peristome simple, recto, margine columellari verticali, brevi, reflexiusculo, cum basali angulum rectum formante.*

Diam. 19, alt. $10\frac{1}{2}$ mill.

Hab. Bermuda.

18. HELIX PENNANTIANA, Pfr. *Hel. testa angustè umbilicata, orbiculato-conoides, acutè carinata, tenui, striatula, irregulariter et leviter malleata, unicolor carnea, apice rufescens; anfractibus $5\frac{1}{2}$ vix convexiusculis, ultimo anticè vix descendente, basi planiusculo; apertura perobliqua, angulato-lunari, intus alba; peristome roseo, latè expanso, margine basali reflexo, columellari brevi, strictiusculo, dilatato, umbilicum ferè tegente.*

Diam. 37, alt. 20 mill.

Hab. Philippine Islands?

Nearly allied to *H. labium*, Fér., from which it may easily be distinguished by its sharp keel and sculpture.

19. BULIMUS LEOPARDUS, Pfr. *Bul. testa imperforata, ovata, soliduscula, longitudinaliter confertim costulato-striata, fulva, strigis et maculis albido epidermidis hydrophanæ eleganter variegata; spirae brevi, conoides, sursum pallescente; anfractibus 5 convexis, rapidè accrescentibus, ultimo spiram superante; columella elongata, introrsum acuta; apertura amplissima, rotundato-ovali, intus alba; peristome latè expanso, reflexiusculo, castaneo-limbato.*

Long. 47, diam. 30 mill.

Hab. Isle of Mindanao, Philippine Islands.

20. BULIMUS EGREGIUS, Pfr. *Bul. testa perforata, fusiformis, solidula, striis longitudinalibus conferitis et lineis spiralibus remotioribus subdecussata, nitida, flammis castaneis pellucidis et fulvis, opacis egregie picta; anfractibus 6 vix convexiusculis, ultimo spiram turritam æquante, basi compresso; columella subangulato-arcuata; apertura oblonga, utrinque acuta, intus livida; peristome vivide rubro, latè expanso, breviter reflexo, basi canaliculato, marginibus callo tenui junctis.*

Long. 41, diam. 15 mill.

Locality unknown. Distinguished from *B. goniostoma*, Sow., by its size, colouring and widely expanded peristome.

21. **BULIMUS CANALICULATUS**, Pfr. *Bul. testā umbilicatā, obliquè fusiformi, ruguloso-striatā, nitidā, albido, carneo et spadiceo marmoratā; spirā turrito-conicā, acutā; anfractibus 7 vix convexiusculis, ultimo spirā vix longiore, basi valde constricto-carinato; columellā arcuatim antrorsum elongatā; aperturā ovali, basi canaliculatā; peristome simplice, tenui, margine dextro vix expansiusculo, columellari dilatato, reflexo.*

Long. 37, diam. 14 mill.

Hab. Bolivia.

22. **BULIMUS CASTANEUS**, Pfr. *Bul. testā vix perforatā, ovato-acuminatā, solidiusculā, longitudinaliter confertim striatā, lineis spiralibus distantioribus decussatā, unicolor castaneā; spirā brevi, conicā, acutiusculā; anfractibus $4\frac{1}{2}$ vix convexiusculis, ultimo inflato, 2-3 longitudinis subæquante; columellā tenui, subsimplice; aperturā ovali, intus saturatè fusca, nitidā; peristome vix incrassato, brevissimè reflexo, marginibus callo tenui junctis, columellari vix dilatato.*

Long. 70, diam. 39 mill.

Hab. Nova Granada; Vegas on the river Quendeu.

Nearly allied to *Bul. Gibbonius*, Lea; distinguished by its transverse striae, closed umbilicus, peristome, etc.

"Description of a new species of *Amphipeplea*," by Dr. L. Pfeiffer.

The shell I am describing belongs to the genus of freshwater shells distinguished by Nilsson from *Limnaeus* under the name of *Amphipeplea*, and sufficiently characterized by the shape and habits of its animal, perfectly agreeing with our new species, according to Mr. Cuming's information, who first discovered it, and by whose name I am pleased to illustrate the species.

AMPHIPEPLEA CUMINGIANA, Pfr. *Amph. testā ovato-globosd, tenuissimā, longitudinaliter confertim striatulā, nitidissimā, pellucidā, pallide corneā; spirā brevissimā, mucronulatā, callo tenui semi-obtectā; columellā nullā; margine anfractuum interno arcuato, appendice membranaceo (deciduo) munito; apertura amplissimā, semi-ovali, margine supero breviter arcuato, patente.*

Long. 30, diam. 22 mill.; apertura 26 mill. longa.

Found at Naga, province of South Camerines, island of Luzon, by H. Cuming, Esq.

Mr. Thompson of Belfast read a paper to prove that the *Larus capistratus*, Temm., is not a distinct species from *L. ridibundus*, and exhibited a series of specimens of both forms in different states of plumage obtained in the neighbourhood of Belfast. The differences between these supposed species are—

1st. In size; but a female specimen of *L. ridibundus*, with black hood, bill and legs arterial blood-red, was exhibited, agreeing in the size of body, tarsi, &c. with *L. capistratus*.

2nd. The colour of the tarsi and toes attributed to *L. capistratus*, and as distinguishing it from *L. ridibundus*, is a mere transition shade,