

and the contraction of the proximal sides of these plates give the arms a peculiar beaded appearance. The arm-spines are seven in number on each side of two or three of the proximal arm-joints, and usually five on the joints toward the middle of the arm; they are long and glassy, and elegantly spinulated. In color the perisom passes from a dark rose on the surface of the disk and along the upper surface of the arms, through paler shades, to a nearly pure white on the under surface.

This haul yielded, along with *Ophiacantha chelys*, the beautiful little Ophiurid represented in Figs. 18 and 19. The diameter of the disk is 5 mm., and the arms, which are rather wide

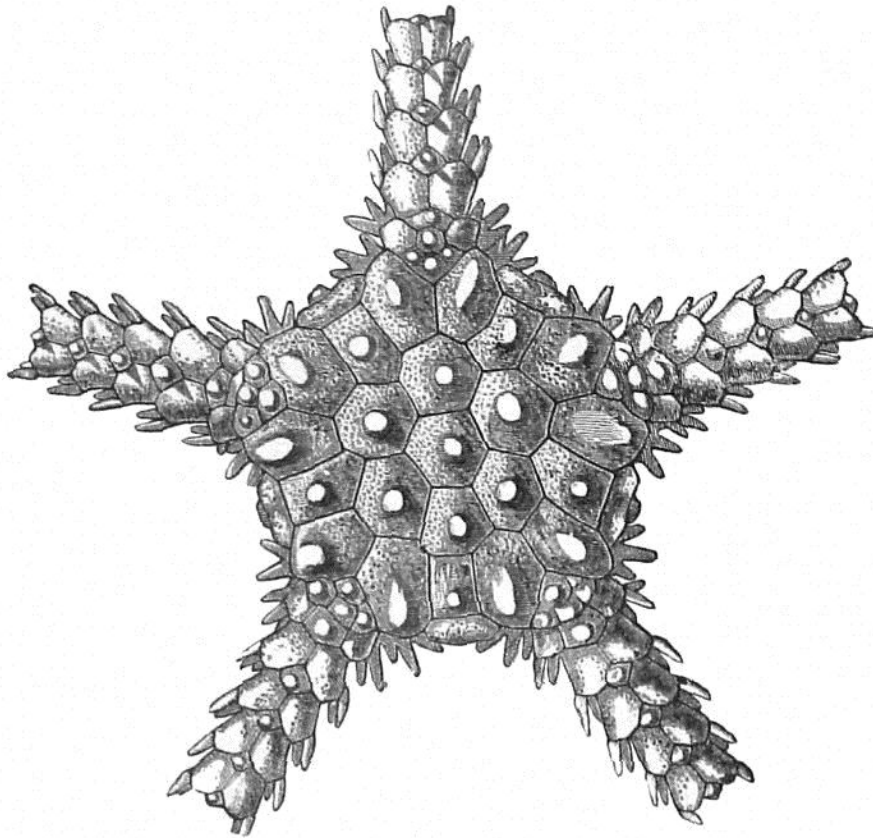


FIG. 18.—*Ophiomusium pulchellum*, WYVILLE THOMSON. Dorsal aspect of the disk. Seven times the natural size. (No. 87.)

at the base and taper rapidly, are only about once and a half the diameter of the disk in length. The upper surface of the disk is very regularly paved with thick, well-defined plates, each of which rises in the centre into a pointed tubercle approaching a spine in character. One almost regularly hexagonal plate oc-