

The animal of the Brachiopod had attracted the attention of Pallas in 1766, Pennant in 1773, Grundler in 1774, Müller in 1776, Poli in 1791, Lamanon and Cuvier in 1797; but no regular anatomical dissections had been executed, and these observations seemed, in a great measure, to be limited to the labial appendages, mantle, and some other minor details. This most important inquiry was, however, subsequently admirably followed out by such excellent zoologists and anatomists as Cuvier,<sup>1</sup> R. Owen,<sup>2</sup> Huxley,<sup>3</sup> Vogt,<sup>4</sup> Macdonald,<sup>5</sup> Hancock,<sup>6</sup> Gratiolet,<sup>7</sup> De Lacaze-Duthiers,<sup>8</sup> King,<sup>9</sup> E. Deslongchamps,<sup>10</sup> and others,<sup>11</sup> to whose works the reader is referred, as it would not be possible in the limited space devoted to the description of the species dredged by the Challenger Expedition to write a treatise on the history of the class, or to refer to the fossil genera and species, which vastly outnumber those inhabiting the existing seas.

Restricting ourselves, therefore, to the recent species, we may observe that the correct knowledge we now possess with respect to their geographical and bathymetrical distribution is mainly due to the numerous governmental and private dredging expeditions carried out during the last forty years. Before that period very few reliable data were in

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