7. Bornella hermanni, Angas?

Journ. de Conchyl., sér. 3, t. iv., 1864, p. 61, pl. vi. fig. 1. Pacific Ocean.

8. Bornella semperi, Crosse?1

Bergh, Malacolog. Untersuch., loc. cit., Heft. i., 1870, Taf. i. figs. 3-5.
Philippine Sea.

9. Bornella caledonica, Crosse?

Journ. de Conchyl., sér. 3, t. xv., 1875, p. 318, pl. xii. fig. 10. Pacific Ocean.

Bornella excepta, n. sp. (Pl. VII. figs. 13-22; Pl. VIII. figs. 1-13).

Color animalis?

Rhinophoria basi non appendiculata, parte posteriori (papillari) apice quadrifida; papillæ dorsales utrinque 5, infra branchiferæ, apice bi- vel tri-fidæ; branchiæ externæ, appendiculatæ, internæ sine appendice.

Dentes (linguæ) mediani margine denticulato. Hamuli penis erecti.

Habitat.—Pacific.

One individual of this colossal species was taken in September 1874 in the Arafura Sea; it had been treated with picro-sulphuric acid and preserved in alcohol, and was therefore in very good condition for study.

Its length was 6 cm., height of the body proper 13 mm., and diameter 8 mm.; the height of the frontal papillæ was 4.5 mm., of the whole rhinophoria 11 mm., and of the anterior dorsal papillæ quite 12 mm.; the breadth of the foot 5 mm. The colour was a clear brownish-yellow (owing no doubt partly to the picric acid); the liver was visible through the sides of the body, and on the right side the greenish-grey intestine also.

The form of the body was quite as usual. It was stretched and somewhat compressed, broader above than below. The head (Pl. VII. fig. 13) rather large, marked off from the

The creation of this species is a good example of the "species manufacturing" of many writers. I myself, who have worked at the genus Bornella itself and the literature, found among the drawings of Semper a Bornella which is quite unrecognisable, and which therefore I quote as "Bornella, sp., Semper MSS." Crosse, who has no proper notion of the structure of Bornella, explains in an entirely worthless memoir (Note sur les genres Bornella et Placobranchus, Journ. d. Conchyl., sér. 3, t. xv., 1875, pp. 322-325) this figure as a new species, Bornella semperi. His method of investigating such forms is also illustrated by the creation of another species, Bornella caledonica (Nudibr. de la Nouvelle Calédonie, Journ. d. Conchyl., sér. 3, t. xv., 1875, p. 318, pl. xii. fig. 10). Writers of this kind are a burden to science, and Malacology has had enough of them.