

- Natica aurantia*, var. *straminea*, Reeve, Conch. Icon., vol. ix. pl. vi. fig. 20, pl. ix. fig. 32.
 " " Philippi, Conch. Cab. (ed. Küster), p. 34, sp. 30, pl. iv. figs. 13, 14, and (*Natica straminea*) p. 113, sp. 130, pl. xvi. fig. 3.
 " " Issel, Malac. Mar Rosso, p. 187, No. 461, p. 285, No. 179.
Mamma straminea, Brazier, "Chevert" Exped. Mar. Shells, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, vol. i. 1877, p. 239, No. 64.
Natica aurantia, Sowerby, Thes. Conch., pts. 39, 40, p. 85, sp. 60, pl. ccclv. (ii. Gen.), figs. 15, 16.

Station 172. July 22, 1874. Lat. $20^{\circ} 58'$ S., long. $175^{\circ} 9'$ W. Off Nukalofa, Tongatabu. 18 fathoms. Coral mud.

Habitat.—Port Essington, north coast of Australia (Reeve); North-east Australia (Brazier); Red Sea (Issel).

Fossil.—On shores of Red Sea (Issel).

It is obvious that Philippi, though he separates *Natica aurantia* and *Natica straminea*, was very strongly inclined to believe they are but one species, as Deshayes (Lamarck, Anim. s. vert., vol. viii. p. 631, note) considers them. He expresses some doubt of this species being really distinct from *Natica mamilla*, Linne. I have under that species noted some easily recognisable marks of distinction.

25. *Natica (Mamma) draparnaudi*, Recluz.

- Natica draparnaudi*, Recluz, Journ. de conch., vol. ii. p. 198, pl. v. fig. 11.
 " " Reeve, Conch. Icon., vol. ix. pl. xi. fig. 44.
 " " Lischke, Jap. Meer. Conch., vol. ii. p. 74.
 " " Sowerby, Thes. Conch., pts. 39, 40, p. 77, sp. 12, pl. ccclx. (vii. Gen.) fig. 84.
Uber draparnaudii, Dunker, Index Moll. Mar. Japon., p. 62.

Station 208. January 17, 1875. Lat. $11^{\circ} 37'$ N., long. $123^{\circ} 31'$ E. Philippines. 18 fathoms. Blue mud.

Habitat.—Philippines (Reeve and British Museum).

In this species the apex, when quite fresh, is probably black or very dark brown. It differs from that of *Natica mamilla*, Linne (which is similar in colour), in being slightly larger, and the increase of the whorls is also markedly more rapid. Recluz, through some mistake, attributes this species to the Gulf of Mexico.

26. *Natica (Mamma) mamilla* (Linne).

- Nerita mamilla*, Linne, Syst. Nat. (ed. 12), p. 1252, No. 719.
 Chemnitz, Conch. Cab., vol. v. p. 280, pl. clxxxix. figs. 1928, 1929.
 " " Dillwyn, Cat., vol. ii. p. 984, sp. 17.
 " " Wood, Ind. Test., p. 178, pl. xxxv. fig. 19.
Natica mamilla, Lamarck, Anim. s. vert., vol. vi. (2) p. 197, and (ed. Desh.) vol. viii. p. 630, sp. 4.
 " " Deshayes, Encycl. méthod., vers, vol. iii. p. 599, pl. cccliii. fig. 5.