

the upper side of the whorl; on the base they are narrower and set more closely, and four or five delicate ones ornament the pillar. On the last whorl especially the upper spirals are studded with close-set small round tubercles. The interstices are about three times as broad as the threads themselves, and are delicately fretted with very fine spiral lines. *Colour* a translucent white, dead towards the apex, with some irregular brownish stains on the spire; the varices are dead-white, the spiral threads are brilliant brown and are spotted with white tubercles. *Spire* tall, conical, and a little bent. *Apex* sharp but rounded. *Whorls* 20, of very slow and regular increase, scarcely convex, but the last is a little tumid, flattened on the base, but not at all angulated, and bisected by an exceptionally large varix. *Suture* linear, but with a very slight impression. *Mouth* nearly semicircular, from the great sweep of the outer lip, and the very slight relative concavity of the whole inner lip from the upper corner of the mouth to the point of the pillar; porcellanous within. At its upper angle there is a narrow little corner formed by a slight contraction of the lip towards the body, and by the elevation of the second basal thread into a tooth by a porcellanous thickening at this point. *Outer lip* ascends slightly on the body-whorl, towards which at the same time it is a very little pinched in. From this point to the edge of the canal it forms a very equable curve; slightly retreating at first so as almost to form a shallow open sinus, it is thrown out into a wing-like projecting expansion in the middle. It is patulous, reverted, thin on the edge, but thickened within by a glossy porcellanous callus, stained dark brown at the ends of the spiral threads. The short anterior canal bends over towards the pillar, is well defined, round, with the oral lips a little contracted, and its front margin a good deal reverted. The *pillar* is short, straight, narrow, at the point sharp and bent to the left, with a narrow and twisted edge; in colour porcellanous white. *Inner lip* is glossy, rising into a tooth on the first intra-oral thread, spread out on the body, with a slightly thickened and well-defined edge on the pillar. H. 1.6 in. B. 0.47, least do. 0.34. Penultimate whorl, height 0.23. Mouth, height 0.32, breadth 0.27.

This species in form and colour is not unlike *Cerithium longicaudatum*, Adams and Reeve, or *Cerithium attenuatum*, Phil., but in details of whorls and of sculpture it is totally different.

9. *Cerithium phoxum*,¹ Watson (Pl. XL. fig. 3).

Cerithium phoxum, Watson, Prelim. Report, pt. 5, Journ. Linn. Soc. Lond., vol. xv. p. 106, sp. 6.

July 29, 1874. Levuka, Fiji. 12 fathoms.

Shell.—Sharply conical, on the base contracted and a little obliquely flattened, longitudinally ribbed with spiral tubercled threads, of a certain waxy whiteness tinged with yellow and ruddy brown. *Sculpture*: Longitudinals—there are from ten to eleven straight

¹ φοξίς, tapering.