

more than a slight swelling; the pillar itself is very slightly oblique, and is straight, narrow, with a sharp edge, behind which is a very slight and shallow furrow. H. 0.16 in. B. 0.1. Penultimate whorl, height 0.04. Mouth, height 0.08, breadth 0.05.

This species is a little like *Actæon austrinus*, Watson; but compared to that the form is slimmer, the whorls are more laterally compressed and less convex, the shell is smaller, and the apex is more truncated. It a good deal resembles *Actæon levidensis*, S. Wood, but has a shorter body-whorl and mouth; the rise of the whorls in the spire is more scalar, and the apex is stumpier, with a coarser tip.

8 *Actæon (Buccinulus) affinis* (A. Adams) (Pl. XLVII. fig. 1).

*Solidula affinis*, A. Adams, Monog. on Actæon, &c., Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1854, p. 61, sp. 7.

*Buccinulus affinis*, Angas, Port Jackson Moll., Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1867, p. 225, No. 250.

„ „ Brazier, Proc. Linn. Soc. New South Wales, 1878, vol. ii. p. 77.

April 17–18, 1874. Port Jackson, Sydney. 2 to 10 fathoms.

*Habitat*.—China Seas, New Ireland, Borneo, Philippines (Adams); Torres Straits, 25 to 30 fathoms; New Ireland, washed up after gales; Port Jackson, 2 to 15 fathoms (Brazier); Port Essington, Morton Bay (British Museum); also Japan (Angas).

Mr Edgar A. Smith (“Alert” Collections, p. 86) considers this a small form of *Actæon solidulus* (Linne). They seemed to me fairly distinct. I do not know what is Mr. Angas’ authority for ascribing this species to Japan. Dunker does not give it in his Japan Index.

9. *Actæon (Buccinulus) insculptus* (?) (Reeve).

*Tornatella insculpta*, Reeve, Monog. of Tornatella, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1842, p. 62, sp. 12.

„ „ Reeve, Conch. Icon., vol. xv. pl. iii. fig. 15.

September 8, 1874. Flinders Passage, Torres Strait. 7 fathoms.

*Habitat*.—Masbate in the Philippines (Reeve).

The solitary specimen of this species is in a very bad state of preservation, and the determination cannot be regarded as very certain.

10. *Actæon (Buccinulus) niveus*, Angas.

*Buccinulus niveus*, Angas, New Austral. Shells, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1871, p. 19, pl. i. fig. 27.

April 17–18, 1874. Port Jackson, Sydney. 2 to 10 fathoms.

*Habitat*.—Port Jackson (Angas).