

No. VI. (See p. 465.)

CÆCIDÆ, Gray, 1847.

Genera. 1. *Parastrophia*, de Folin. 2. *Strebloceras*, Carp. 3. *Watsonia*, de Folin. 4. *Cæcum*, Flem.

The] Cæcidæ are a group of shallow-water Mollusca, enormously numerous in individuals but hitherto poor in species. As was natural, very few indeed presented themselves in the Challenger dredgings; and these I had great pleasure in intrusting to one who has so specially made the group his study as the Marquis de Folin. His acquaintance with the subject in general, and his own vast collection of specimens gathered from every quarter of the globe, are the pledges that in what he has now produced nothing known on the subject has been overlooked; and even those who may hesitate to accept in full his classification will recognise both the general value of this monograph, and the extraordinary perfection with which he has delineated the specimens.

His Report upon the Challenger collection will be found upon the next few pages, but two species which came into my hands after his work was completed are recorded here, and a note upon them by the Marquis will be found on p. 689.

(15.) *Cæcum vitreum*, Carpenter.

*Cæcum glabrum* (not of Mont.), McAndrew, Brit. Assoc. Report, Geog. Distr. Test., 1854.

„ *vitreum*, Carpenter, Monog. Cæcidæ, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1858, p. 432, sp. 29.

February 10, 1873. Off Tenerife. 78 fathoms.

*Habitat.*—Tenerife. 50 fathoms (McAndrew).

For the identification of this species the Marquis de Folin is not answerable. It had slipped aside, and was not sent to him with the others. It was, however, identified by me from McAndrew's own specimens in the Cambridge Museum.

(16.) *Cæcum pollicare*, Carpenter.

*Cæcum pollicare*, Carpenter, Monog. Cæcidæ, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1858, p. 432, sp. 30.

February 10, 1873. Off Tenerife. 78 fathoms.

*Habitat.*—Tenerife. 50 fathoms (McAndrew).

For this species, in like manner, I am alone responsible. Coming on it exactly as Dr Carpenter says he did on the types of the species, and recognising the peculiar features he refers to, I have presumed to refer the solitary specimen met with to his species.