just reaching the vent. The distance between the vent and the root of the ventrals equals the length of the head, without snout.

Light-coloured, with black margins to the vertical fins.

Habitat.—Pacific coast of south-western South America.

Near Magellan Strait, Station 305A; depth, 125 fathoms. Two specimens, 5 and 61 inches long.

Near Magellan Strait, Station 306A; depth, 345 fathoms. One specimen, 6 inches long. Messier Channel, Station 307; depth, 140 fathoms. One specimen, 9 inches long.

Near Magellan Strait, Station 308; depth, 175 fathoms. Four specimens, $5\frac{1}{2}$ to 7 inches long.

Measurements :-

Total length, .					•	105	lines.
Length of the head,		4				22	,,
Diameter of the eye,						8	"
Length of the pectoral	l fin,					15	,,
Distance of the vent from the ventrals,						16	"
Depth of the caudal peduncle, .						23	,,

Uraleptus, Costa.

Uraleptus maraldi.

Gadus maraldi, Risso, Ichth. Nice, p. 123, pl. vi. fig. 13. Uraleptus maraldi, Costa, Faun. Napolit. Pesc., pl. xxxviia.

- ,, Günth., Fish., vol. iv. p. 349.
- " Johnson, Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist., 1863, vol. x. p. 164.

Not very rare in the Mediterranean and off Madeira, and apparently an inhabitant of no great depths.

Physiculus, Kaup.

Physiculus et Pseudophycis, Gthr.

In consequence of the discovery of several intermediate forms, a generic distinction between *Physiculus dalwigkii* and *Physiculus bacchus* cannot be maintained; and most probably the transition from the perfectly developed, many-rayed ventral fin, to the single filament of *Phycis* will be found to be so gradual, as to diminish the value of the structure of this fin as a taxonomic character in these fishes. Besides the species enumerated here, others have been described (*Physiculus breviusculus*, Rich. = *Physiculus bacchus*, Forst., *Physiculus barbatus*, Gthr. = *Physiculus palmatus*, Klunz.), but it is not known whether they descend to the same depths as their congeners.