one immediately above each zoœcium. Surface very rough and uneven. Primary mouth orbicular, entire; afterwards, by the elevation of the peristome, is formed a deep, infundibuliform cup, at the bottom of which the small primary orifice is visible; peristome thick, entire. Oœcia inapparent.

Habitat.—Off Honoruru, Sandwich Islands, 20 to 40 fathoms (inside a dead shell).

[There is only a single small worn specimen in the collection. I place the species with *Chorizopora* simply on account of the distant zoecia, but its family position is quite uncertain, though it would appear to come within d'Orbigny's definition of *Mollia*.]

4. Porella, Gray.

Porella, Hincks, Smitt (pars), Gray, Brit. Mar. Rad., pp. 127, 128. Cellepora (pars), Fleming.

Eschara (pars), Sars, Bk., Alder, Smitt, &c.

Hemeschara (pars), Norman.

Lepralia (pars), Bk., &c.

Character.—Zoarium erect ramose, cylindrical or subcompressed; or crustaceous and adnate. A median oral avicularium within the primary mouth, with a semiorbicular or subtriangular mandible.

[The peculiar framework of the mandible, in the genus *Porella*, is shown at a, woodcut 44, p. 147.]

(1) Porella lævis, var. subcompressa, Hincks (Pl. XX. fig. 3).

Character.—Zoarium with the general habit of Porella lævis, with the branches subcompressed and bilaminar.

Habitat.—Porto Praya, St. Iago, Cape de Verde, 100 to 150 fathoms.

[The difference between this and the usual cylindrical form of the northern *Porella lævis* is sufficient to mark it as a distinct variety. In the chitinous parts there is no difference except that the avicularian mandible is on the whole larger, and usually exhibits a median tooth on the inside at the top. But it has the same elevated arched form and not the depressed semicircular shape of the mandible in *Porella compressa*.]

5. Escharoides, Smitt.

Eschara (pars), Auctt.

Escharoides, Smitt, Hincks. ? Milne-Edw. (pars).

Character.—Secondary orifice sinuated below, with an avicularium on one or both sides of the notch.