Garnoti, Bl. Peru. Ch. Danielli, Con. Illust., f. 48, which comes from the Cape of Good Hope, may prove to be a distinct species, but all our specimens are much worn." I have no means for deciding whether Acanthochiton hirudiniformis is a synonym of Acanthochiton garnoti, but Gray is almost certainly incorrect in making Acanthochiton zelandica, Quoy and Gaim., a synonym. I am not acquainted with "Acanthochiton hookeri, Gray, Dieffenbach, p. 262."

## H.—CRYPTOIDEA.

No representatives of the Cryptoidea were collected by the Challenger Expedition.

## I.—CHITONELLOIDEA.

As there exists a certain amount of uncertainty concerning the generic subdivisions of this group, the following account may perhaps tend to elucidate the subject.

Burrow <sup>2</sup> published a description of Cryptoconchus larvæformis, an unpublished name which Blainville had given to a species in the British Museum, and of which one specimen is still extant (fide E. A. Smith). <sup>3</sup> The generic name of Cryptoconchus was at the same time given to Cryptoconchus porosus, Blainville, and the latter being generically distinct from Cryptoconchus larvæformis retains the generic appellation; being the first of the two species described and more answerable to the name.

Blainville 'says, "Cryptoplax (Moluscart.): Sous-genre de l'ordre des oscabrions, établi par M. H. de Blainville, dans le supplément à l'Encyclopédie d'Edimbourg, pour des espèces qui ont tons les principaux caractères de ce genre, mais chez lesquelles le corps, etroit alongé," &c. &c. But he does not refer to the name Cryptoconchus in Burrow's Elements. He says only two species are known, "Cryptoplax larviformis" and "Cryptoplax depressus;" and continues, "Dans ces deux espèces, dont on ignore la patrie il y a de chaque côté du dos une série de faisceaux de soie parfaitement symétriques." I have been unable to find the Encyclopædia article referred to, and Mr E. A. Smith informs me that he is unable to determine what is the Cryptoplax depressus of Blainville—it may be Choneplax strigatus, Sow.

Lamarck describes Chitonellus lævis and Chitonellus striatus. To which Deshayes added in the second edition, Chitonellus fasciatus, Quoy and Gaim., and Chitonellus oculatus, Quoy and Gaim.

Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1847, p. 70. The Elements of Conchology, 1815, p. 191.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Rep. Zool. Collect. H.M.S. "Alert," 1884, p. 86.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Dict. des Sci. Nat. Paris, 1818, tom. xii. p. 124.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Histoire Naturelle des Animaux sans Vertebres (ed. 1), 1819, vol. vi. p. 317.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid., 1836, vol. vii. p. 482.