type, with common characters of the two groups Thecosomata and Gymnosomata, because these groups are very distinctly separated from one another.

*Halopsyche gaudichaudi, Souleyet (Pl. III. figs. 7-9).

1852. Euribia gaudichaudii, Souleyet, Voyage de la Bonite, Zoologie, t. ii. p. 253, pl. xiv. figs. 1-6.

1883. Theceurybia norfolkensis, Lankester, Mollusca, Encyclopædia Britannica, ed. 9, vol. xvi. p. 666, fig. 83.

1886. Halopsyche gaudichaudii, Boas, Spolia atlantica, p. 173, pl. viii. fig. 119.

Body ovate, nearly globose, barrel-shaped, rounded at the posterior extremity.

Head small and rather short.

Fins long, wide and truncated at their extremity, of which the margin is slightly sinuous.

Radula.—Formula 1:1:1; the median tooth entirely differs from that of the Thecosomata, and on the contrary much resembles that of Clione; the lateral teeth are long and narrow and have a wide basal part, as in all the Gymnosomata.

Colour.—Nearly absent; the body-wall is translucent and slightly yellowish.

Length, 4 mm.; very large specimens reach 6 or 7 mm. (Souleyet).

Challenger Specimens.—West Pacific locality—Station 170, July 14, 1874; off the Kermadec Islands; lat. 29° 55′ S., long. 178° 14′ W.

Australasian locality—Station 201, October 26, 1874; off Mindanao, Philippine Islands; lat. 7° 3′ N., lat. 121° 48′ E. (numerous specimens).

Habitat.—West Pacific Ocean, to long. 174° E.. between lat. 40° N. (Kiel Museum), and lat. 29° S. (Challenger Expedition, Station 170); generally in large shoals.

Observation.—According to Macdonald¹ this species possesses the curious peculiarity of being ovoviviparous. The larvæ are proportionally longer than the adults; they are posteriorly a little pointed and thus possess the general form of the larvæ of the Gymnosomata (Pl. III. fig. 9). The two posterior ciliated rings remain visible until a late period.

Cymbulia norfolkensis, Quoy and Gaimard,² must be related to the present genus; it seems very close to Halopsyche gaudichaudi, from which it only differs (according to the figures of Quoy and Gaimard) by having small tubercles on the wall of the body. Cymbulia norfolkensis was caught near the Norfolk Islands, and measures about 5 mm. in length, but it is not well enough known to definitively decide its systematic position.

In regard to Euribia hemispherica, Rang³ and Psyche globulosa, Rang,⁴ both from

² Voyage de découvertes de l'Astrolabe, Zoologie, t. ii. p. 376, pl. xxvii. figs. 31, 32.

⁴ Description d'un nouveau genre de la classe des Ptéropodes, Ann. d. Sci. Nat., sér. 1, t. v. p. 284, pl. vii. fig. 1.

¹ On the Anatomy of Eurybia gaudichaudi, Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., vol. xxii. p. 246, pl. xliii. fig. 9.

³ Description de deux genres nouveaux appartenant à la classe des Ptéropodes, Ann. d. Sci. Nat., sér. 1, t. xii. p. 329, pl. xivB. figs. 9-11. The specimens called Euribia hemispherica in the British Museum are not Pteropods.