Challenger Specimens.—I. Living specimens.

Between Stations 162 and 163, April 3, 1874; Melbourne to Sydney; lat. 38° 7′ S., long. 149° 18′ E.

Station 181, August 25, 1874; Sydney to Raine Island; lat. 13° 50′ S., long. 151° 49′ E.

Between Stations 247 and 248, July 4, 1875; Yokohama to Sandwich Islands; lat. 36° 42′ N., long. 179° 50′ W.

II. Deposit shells.

Station 219, March 10, 1875; Admiralty Islands to Yokohama; lat. 1° 54′ 0″ S., long. 146° 39′ 40″ E.; depth, 150 fathoms; bottom, coral mud.

2. Cleodora pyymæa, Boas.

1886. Cleodora pygmæa, Boas, Spolia atlantica, p. 84, pl. iv. fig. 57.

The close resemblance which this form presents to Cleodora compressa shows that it must be the young stage of a species nearly allied to Cavolinia trispinosa. But the only species very nearly related to the latter is Cavolinia quadridentata.

In the last mentioned, as in Cavolinia longirostris, the initial portion of the adult shell is caducous, and is as yet quite unknown, so that Cleodora pygmæa fills up a blank.

The three dorsal ribs of Cleodora pygmæa correspond absolutely to those of Cavolinia quadridentata. The latter is more globular than Cavolinia trispinosa; Cleodora pygmæa is also less flattened than Cleodora compressa. Finally, the geographical distribution of the two forms is virtually the same; Cleodora pygmæa has only been found in localities where Cavolinia quadridentata also occurred, in the Indian and Pacific Oceans.

3. Cleodora curvata, Souleyet.

1850. Clio pellucida, Gray (pars), Catalogue of the Mollusca in the Collection of the British Museum, pt. ii., Pteropoda, p. 14.

1852. Cleodora curvata, Souleyet, Voyage de la Bonite, Zoologie, t. ii. p. 185, pl. vii. figs. 6-10.

Boas, following Souleyet, regards this form as a species of Clio (Cleodora), and denies that it is only a young stage. Nevertheless it must be noted (1) that the figure of Souleyet shows that the genital organs are scarcely developed, a good proof that the form is not adult, and (2) that the absence of a marked constriction limiting the embryonic shell shows that the form in question is a Cavolinia and not a Clio. Krohn has already identified it as a young Cavolinia.

¹ Spolia atlantica, p. 81.

² Beiträge zur Entwickelungsgeschichte der Pteropoden und Heteropoden, p. 43.