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## INTRODUCTION

THIS valuable collection of fishes consists of about 2700 specimens, exclusive of a small number of larval and post-larval forms which have been omitted from this report. Altogether 276 species are represented, of which 28 are believed to be new to science, and 56 were previously unrepresented in the British Museum collection. The fishes were obtained in the Red Sea, Gulf of Aden, South Arabian Coast, Gulf of Oman, Arabian Sea, and in the Zanzibar and Maldivé areas. The "Valdivia" made collections in the deep water off the east coast of Africa, and the "Investigator" made a few hauls in the Arabian Sea; generally speaking, however, the area covered by the "John Murray" Expedition may be said to have been largely unexplored, at least as far as the fishes of the deeper water are concerned.

As might be expected, a number of fishes originally obtained by Colonel Alcock in the Bay of Bengal, Andaman Sea and elsewhere, as well as some collected by the "Siboga" in the East Indian region and by the "Albatross" in the neighbourhood of the East Indies and Philippines, have made their appearance in the present collection. The occurrence of certain deep-water fishes in the Zanzibar region and the Gulf of Aden, previously reported only from the Philippines and adjacent seas, may appear at first sight somewhat surprising, but I am convinced that more extensive collecting in the intervening areas of the Indian Ocean would show that most of these forms have a wide range in this part of the world.

I wish to take this opportunity of tendering my thanks to Lt.-Col. R. B. Seymour Sewell, C.I.E., F.R.S., and to the members of the Committee of the John Murray Expedition for their kindness in placing this valuable material in my hands and entrusting me with



the preparation of this report. I am also greatly indebted to various gentlemen who have lent me type-specimens or other material, or who have kindly supplied me with notes upon fishes in collections under their care. My best thanks are offered in this connection to Dr. Rolf Bolin, of the Hopkins Marine Station, California; Dr. L. F. de Beaufort, of Amsterdam; Dr. S. L. Hora, of Calcutta; Dr. F. P. Koumans, of Leiden; Dr. G. S. Myers, of Stanford University, California; Prof. J. Pellegrin, of Paris; Mr. Leonard P. Schultz, of Washington; and Dr. Å. V. Tåning, of Copenhagen. Finally, I have to express my thanks to my colleague, Dr. Ethelwyn Trewavas, for her assistance in the preparation of alizarin-stained skeletons of certain specimens of eels, and to Lt.-Col. W. P. C. Tenison, D.S.O., for the care that he has taken in the execution of the figures illustrating this report.

Here follows a list of the species collected by the Expedition:

- Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) quagga* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden.  
**S. (H.) melanostigma**, sp. n. Zanzibar Area.  
*S. (H.) indicus*, Brauer. Gulf of Aden.  
*S. (Cephaloscyllium) sufflans*, Regan. Gulf of Aden.  
**Eugaleus omnaensis**, sp. n. Gulf of Oman.  
*Eridacnis radcliffei*, Smith. Gulf of Aden.  
*Spinax lucifer* (Jordan & Snyder). Zanzibar Area.  
*Narcine indica*, Henle. Gulf of Aden.  
*Heteronarce mollis* (Lloyd). Gulf of Aden.  
*Raja powelli*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*R. johannis-davisi*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*Raja* sp. Gulf of Aden; Zanzibar Area.  
*Harriotta (?) indica* (Garman). Gulf of Aden.  
*Rouleina guentheri* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden.  
*Xenodermichthys copei*, Gill. Gulf of Aden; Zanzibar Area.  
*Alepocephalus bicolor*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*Bajacalifornia burragei*, Townsend & Nichols. Gulf of Aden.  
*Nansenia grænlandica* (Reinhardt). Zanzibar and Maldivé Areas.  
*Gonostoma elongatum*, Günther. Arabian Sea.  
*Cyclothone signata*, Garman. Gulf of Aden; Arabian Sea.  
*C. pallida*, Brauer. Gulf of Aden; Gulf of Oman; Arabian Sea; Maldivé Area.  
*C. acclinidens*, Garman. Gulf of Aden; Gulf of Oman; Arabian Sea.  
*Yarrella corythæola* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden; Zanzibar and Maldivé Areas.  
*Vinciguerria nimbaria* (Jordan & Williams). Gulf of Oman; Arabian Sea.  
*Diplophos tænia*, Günther. Arabian Sea.  
*Ichthyococcus ovatus* (Cocco). Arabian Sea.  
*Argyropelecus affinis*, Garman. Gulf of Aden; Arabian Sea; Maldivé Area.  
*A. sladeni*, Regan. Zanzibar Area; Arabian Sea.  
*Sternoptyx diaphana*, Hermann. Arabian Sea; Zanzibar and Maldivé Areas.  
*Polyipnus nuttingi*, Gilbert. Zanzibar Area.  
*Astronesthes martensii*, Klunzinger. Arabian Sea.  
*Diplolychnus mononema*, Regan & Trewavas. Zanzibar Area.  
*Chauliodus sloanei*, Schneider. Zanzibar and Maldivé Areas.  
*C. pammelas*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden; Gulf of Oman; Arabian Sea; Maldivé Area.

- Stomias affinis*, Günther. Red Sea ; Arabian Sea.  
*S. nebulosus*, Alcock. Zanzibar Area.  
*Idiacanthus fasciola*, Peters. Zanzibar Area.  
*Malacosteus niger*, Ayres. Gulf of Aden ; Arabian Sea.  
*Synodus variegatus* (Lacepède). Gulf of Aden.  
*S. indicus* (Day). Gulf of Aden.  
*Saurida tumbil* (Bloch). Gulf of Aden.  
*S. undosquamis* (Richardson). Red Sea ; Gulf of Aden ; Gulf of Oman ; Zanzibar Area.  
**S. longimanus**, sp. n. Gulf of Oman.  
*Chlorophthalmus agassizi*, Bonaparte. Zanzibar Area.  
**C. bicornis**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
**Bathymicrops sewelli**, sp. n. Arabian Sea.  
*Bathypterois atricolor*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*Ipnops murrayi*, Günther. Zanzibar Area.  
*Scopelengys tristis*, Alcock. Arabian Sea.  
*Neoscopelus macrolepidotus*, Johnson. Zanzibar and Maldive Areas.  
*Myctophum pterotum* (Alcock). Gulf of Oman ; Arabian Sea.  
*M. fibulatum*, Gilbert & Cramer. Arabian Sea.  
*M. laternatum*, Garman. Arabian Sea.  
*M. reinhardti*, Lütken. Arabian Sea.  
*Lampanyctus macropterus*, Brauer. Gulf of Aden ; Arabian Sea.  
*L. alatus*, Goode & Bean. Arabian Sea ; Zanzibar Area.  
*Lampanyctus* sp. Gulf of Aden ; Arabian Sea ; Maldive Area.  
*Diaphus luetcheni*, Brauer. Arabian Sea.  
*D. rafinesquei* (Cocco). Gulf of Aden ; Arabian Sea.  
*D. cœruleus* (Klunzinger). Gulf of Aden.  
*D. splendidus* (Brauer). Arabian Sea ; Maldive Area.  
*D. garmani*, Gilbert. Arabian Sea.  
*Diaphus* sp. Gulf of Aden ; Arabian Sea ; Maldive Area.  
*Ateleopus natalensis*, Regan. Zanzibar Area.  
*A. indicus*, Wood-Mason & Alcock. Maldive Area.  
*Ditropichthys storeri* (Goode & Bean). Maldive Area.  
*Gymnothorax pictus* (Ahl). South Arabian Coast.  
*Serrivomer microps* (Alcock). Zanzibar and Maldive Areas.  
*Avocettinops schmidtii*, Roule & Bertin. Zanzibar Area.  
*Gavialiceps tæniola*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden ; South Arabian Coast ; Maldive Area.  
*Venefica proboscidea* (Vaillant). Arabian Sea.  
**Conger maldivensis**, sp. n. Maldive Area.  
*Ariosoma guttulata* (Günther). Gulf of Aden ; South Arabian Coast ; Maldive Area.  
**A. nigrimanus**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
*Ariosoma* sp. South Arabian Coast ; Zanzibar Area.  
*Bathyuroconger braueri* (Weber & Beaufort). Maldive Area.  
*Uroconger lepturus* (Richardson). Gulf of Oman.  
*Coloconger raniceps*, Alcock. South Arabian Coast ; Zanzibar Area.  
**Ophichthus multiserialis**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
**Sphagebranchus omanensis**, sp. n. Gulf of Oman.

- Dysomma zanzibarensis**, sp. n. Zanzibar Area.
- Synphobranchus* (*Synphobranchus*) *brevidorsalis*, Günther. Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- S.* (*Histiobranchus*) *bathybius*, Günther. Zanzibar Area.
- Notacanthus indicus*, Lloyd. South Arabian Coast.
- Halosaurus parvipennis*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden ; Maldiva Area.
- Aldrovandia affinis* (Günther). Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Parexocetus brachypterus* (Richardson). Red Sea.
- Exocetus volitans*, Linnæus. Arabian Sea.
- Hirundichthys affinis* (Günther). Arabian Sea.
- Fistularia villosa*, Klunzinger. Maldiva Area.
- Halicampus koilomatodon* (Bleeker). Gulf of Aden.
- Bathygadus furvescens*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden ; Maldiva Area.
- B. spongiceps*, Gilbert & Hubbs ? Zanzibar Area.
- Gadomus multifilis* (Günther). Gulf of Aden ; Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Macrouroides inflaticeps*, Smith & Radcliffe. Maldiva Area.
- Odontomacrurus murrayi**, gen. and sp. n. Arabian Sea.
- Cælorhynchus* (*Quincuncia*) *argentatus*, Smith & Radcliffe. Zanzibar Area.
- C.* (*Oxymacrus*) *quadricristatus* (Wood-Mason & Alcock). Maldiva Area.
- Coryphænoides lophotes* (Alcock) ? Gulf of Aden.
- Hymenocephalus heterolepis* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden ; Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Malacocephalus lævis* (Lowe). Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Ventrifossa petersonii* (Alcock). Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Lionurus polylepis* (Alcock). Zanzibar Area.
- Matæocephalus microstomus* (Regan). Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Bregmaceros maclellandi*, Thompson. Gulf of Aden ; Gulf of Oman ; South Arabian Coast ; Arabian Sea.
- Physiculus peregrinus* (Günther). Zanzibar Area.
- P. roseus*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.
- P. edelmanni*, Brauer. Zanzibar Area.
- Diretmus argenteus*, Johnson. Arabian Sea.
- Hoplostethus* (*Hoplostethus*) *mediterraneus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes. Gulf of Aden ; Zanzibar Area.
- H.* (*Leiogaster*) *melanopus* (Weber). Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Melamphaes robustus*, Günther. Arabian Sea.
- M. megalops*, Lütken. Arabian Sea.
- M. mizolepis*, Günther. Arabian Sea.
- Zen scutatus* (Gilchrist & von Bonde). Maldiva Area.
- Ostracoberyx dorygenys*, Fowler. Zanzibar and Maldiva Areas.
- Epinephelus præopercularis*, Boulenger. Gulf of Oman.
- Epinephelus* sp. Gulf of Aden.
- Chelidoperca investigatoris* (Alcock). South Arabian Coast.
- Anthias squamipinnis* (Peters). Red Sea.
- A. cooperi*, Regan. Gulf of Aden.
- Acropoma japonicum*, Günther. Gulf of Oman.
- Priacanthus hamrur* (Forskål). Gulf of Aden ; Arabian Sea.
- Apogon* (*Apogonichthys*) *auritus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes. Maldiva Area.

- A. (A.) ellioti*, Day. Gulf of Oman.  
*A. (Apogon) monochrous*, Bleeker. Gulf of Aden.  
*A. (A.) maximus*, Boulenger. South Arabian Coast.  
*A. (A.) quadrifasciatus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes. Gulf of Aden.  
*Oxyodon macrops*, Brauer. Zanzibar Area.  
*Synagrops japonicus* (Steindachner & Döderlein). Zanzibar and Maldive Areas.  
*S. philippinensis* (Günther). Gulf of Aden ; Gulf of Oman.  
*Branchiostegus doliatus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes). Zanzibar Area.  
*Bathychlupea hoskynii*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*B. malayana*, Weber. Zanzibar Area.  
*Naucrates ductor* (Linnæus). Arabian Sea.  
*Coryphæna equisetis*, Linnæus. Gulf of Oman.  
*Dipterygonotus leucogrammicus*, Bleeker. Gulf of Oman.  
*Nemipterus japonicus* (Bloch). Red Sea.  
*Parascolopsis townsendi*, Boulenger. Gulf of Aden ; Gulf of Oman ; Arabian Sea.  
*Leiognathus insidiator* (Bloch). Gulf of Aden.  
*L. bindus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes). Gulf of Aden.  
*L. lineolatus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes). Gulf of Aden.  
*Gazza minuta* (Bloch). Gulf of Aden.  
*Pomadasys stridens* (Forskål). Red Sea.  
*Parupeneus fraterculus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes). Gulf of Aden.  
*Upeneus bensasi* (Schlegel) ? Red Sea.  
*Platax orbicularis* (Forskål). Red Sea.  
**Chætodon jayakari**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden ; South Arabian Coast.  
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*C. capensis*, Regan. Zanzibar Area.  
**Stalix omanensis**, sp. n. Gulf of Oman.  
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**Bembrops adenensis**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
**B. nematopterus**, sp. n. Zanzibar Area.  
*Uranoscopus archionema*, Regan. Zanzibar Area.  
*U. crassiceps*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*Pseudoscopelus cephalus*, Fowler ? Arabian Sea.  
*Siganus nebulosus* (Quoy & Gaimard). Red Sea.  
**Aphanopus microphthalmus**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
*[Gobius] cometes*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*Oplopomus caninoides* (Bleeker). Gulf of Aden.  
*Gnatholepis* sp. Zanzibar Area.  
*Callionymus carebares*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden ; Gulf of Oman ; Arabian Sea.  
*C. kaiannus*, Günther. Zanzibar Area.  
*C. maldivensis*, Regan. Gulf of Aden.  
*C. filamentosus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes. South Arabian Coast.



- C. bicornis**, sp. n. Zanzibar Area.  
*Callionymus* sp. South Arabian Coast.  
*Synchiropus altivelis*, Regan. Gulf of Aden.  
*Petroscirtes mitratus*, Rüppell. Gulf of Aden.  
*P. ancylodon*, Rüppell. Gulf of Aden.  
*Neobythites steatiticus*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden ; Zanzibar Area.  
*Monomitopus nigripinnis* (Alcock). Zanzibar Area.  
*Dicrolene introniger*, Goode & Bean. South Arabian Coast.  
*D. longimana*, Smith & Radcliffe. Gulf of Aden.  
*D. multifilis* (Alcock). Zanzibar Area.  
*D. nigrocaudis* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden ; Maldive Area.  
*Bassobythites brunswigi*, Brauer. Maldive Area.  
*Bassozetus glutinosus* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden.  
*Porogadus trichiurus* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden ; Zanzibar Area ; Arabian Sea.  
*Glyptophtidium mcropus*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
**G. longipes**, sp. n. Zanzibar Area.  
*Lamprogrammus niger*, Alcock. Zanzibar and Maldive Areas.  
*L. fragilis*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden ; South Arabian Coast.  
*Pycnocraspedum squamipinne*, Alcock. Zanzibar Area.  
*Luciobrotula bartschi*, Smith & Radcliffe. Gulf of Aden.  
*Catetyx squamiceps* (Lloyd). Gulf of Aden.  
*Grammonus robustus*, Smith & Radcliffe. Gulf of Aden.  
*Diplacanthopoma raniceps*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*D. brunnea*, Smith & Radcliffe. Arabian Sea.  
*Psenes arafurensis*, Günther. Arabian Sea.  
*P. guttatus*, Fowler. Gulf of Oman ; South Arabian Coast.  
*Cubiceps* sp. Gulf of Oman.  
*Setarches marleyi*, Fowler. Zanzibar Area.  
*Scorpaenopsis cirrhosa* (Thunberg). Gulf of Aden.  
**Phenacoscorpius adenensis**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
*Dendrochirus brachypterus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes). Gulf of Aden.  
*Pterois antennata* (Bloch). South Arabian Coast.  
*Pterois* sp. Red Sea.  
*Snyderina guentheri* (Boulenger). Gulf of Aden.  
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*L. spiloptera*, Günther. Zanzibar Area.  
*Trigla* sp. South Arabian Coast.  
*Peristedion adeni* (Lloyd). Gulf of Aden.  
*P. investigatoris*, Alcock. Zanzibar Area.  
*Minous inermis*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
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*P. pristiger*, Cuvier & Valenciennes. Gulf of Aden ; Gulf of Oman.  
*P. nigripinnis*, Regan. Gulf of Oman.  
*Hoplichthys acanthopleurus*, Regan. Zanzibar Area.  
*Dactyloptena orientalis* (Cuvier & Valenciennes). Gulf of Aden.  
*Pegasus draconis*, Linnæus. Gulf of Aden.

- Leptecheneis naucrates* (Linnæus). Gulf of Aden.  
*Echeneis remora*, Linnæus. Arabian Sea.  
*Pseudorhombus arsius* (Hamilton). Gulf of Aden.  
*Tæniopsetta ocellata* (Günther). Zanzibar Area.  
*Citharoides macrolepis* (Gilchrist). Zanzibar Area.  
*Arnoglossus tapeinosoma* (Bleeker). Gulf of Oman.  
**A. arabicus**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden ; South Arabian Coast.  
*A. dalgleishi* (von Bonde). Zanzibar Area.  
*Engyprosonon grandisquama* (Temminck & Schlegel). Gulf of Aden.  
*E. latifrons* (Regan). Red Sea.  
*E. macrolepis* (Regan). Gulf of Aden.  
*Bothus pantherinus* (Rüppell). Gulf of Aden.  
**Chascanopsetta prognathus**, sp. n. Maldive Area  
*Læops nigrescens*, Lloyd. Gulf of Aden.  
**Pœcilopsetta albomaculata**, sp. n. Maldive Area.  
**P. zanzibarensis**, sp. n. Zanzibar Area.  
*Marleyella bicolorata* (von Bonde). Zanzibar Area.  
**M. maldivensis**, sp. n. Maldive Area.  
*Cynoglossus (Areliscus) carpenteri*, Alcock. Gulf of Oman.  
**C. (Areliscus) acutirostris**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
**C. (Trulla) zanzibarensis**, sp. n. Zanzibar Area.  
*Symphurus marmoratus*, Fowler. Maldive Area.  
*S. strictus*, Gilbert. Maldive Area.  
**S. macrophthalmus**, sp. n. Gulf of Aden.  
*S. gilesii* (Alcock). Gulf of Aden.  
*S. wood-masoni* (Alcock). South Arabian Coast.  
*Paratriacanthodes herrei*, Myers. Zanzibar Area.  
*Abalistes stellatus* (Lacepède). Maldive Area.  
*Balistapus* sp. Zanzibar Area.  
*Canthidermis* sp. Gulf of Aden.  
*Cantherines granulatus* (White). Gulf of Aden.  
*C. modestoides*, Barnard. Gulf of Aden.  
*Stephanolepis setifer* (Bennett). Gulf of Aden (?)  
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*C. pencillatus*, McCulloch. Zanzibar Area.  
*Halieutæa coccinea*, Alcock. Maldive Area.  
*H. fumosa*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.

- Dibranchius nasutus*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden.  
*D. obscurus*, Brauer. Gulf of Aden ; Zanzibar Area.  
*D. nudiventer*, Lloyd. Zanzibar Area.  
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*Malthopsis triangularis*, Lloyd. Maldive Area.  
*Halicometus ruber*, Alcock. Gulf of Aden ; Maldive Area.  
*Melanocetus johnsoni*, Günther. Zanzibar Area ; Arabian Sea.  
*Melanocetus* sp. Arabian Sea.  
*Dolopichthys* sp. Gulf of Aden.  
*Chænophryne* sp. Arabian Sea.  
*Cryptosparas carunculatus* (Günther). Gulf of Aden ; Arabian Sea.  
*Mancalias uranoscopus* (Murray). Arabian Sea.

## SYSTEMATIC ACCOUNT

### Family SCYLIORHINIDÆ.

#### *Scyliorhinus (Halælorus) quagga* (Alcock).

*Scyllium quagga*, Alcock, 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 17 ; 1900, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxvii, figs. 1, 1a.

*Scyliorhinus quagga*, Regan, 1908, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (8) I, p. 461.

*Halælorus quagga*, Garman, 1913, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. XXXVI, p. 84.

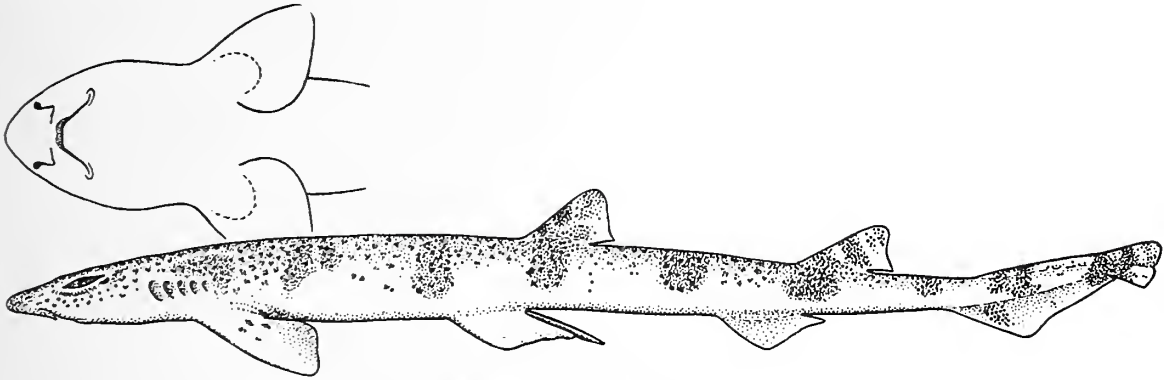
#### OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 male (460 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Malabar Coast.

DESCRIPTION.—Head broad, depressed ; snout elliptical, with its tip obtusely pointed, its length (measured from the middle of the upper jaw) about  $\frac{1}{2}$  its greatest breadth and  $2\frac{1}{3}$  times the width of the interspace between the nasal flaps ; latter nearly rectangular, without cirri, not confluent with the upper lip. Mouth about twice as wide as long ; a labial fold at the angle of the mouth, extending along the lower jaw for less than  $\frac{1}{3}$  the distance from the angle to the symphysis, and less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  as far along the upper jaw. Teeth with a strong middle cusp, and often with one, two or more very small cusps on either side. First dorsal fin originating above end of base of pelvics ; its base rather more than  $\frac{1}{3}$  the distance from second dorsal, which is subequal and originates nearly above end of anal base. Length of base of anal only a little more than that of second dorsal, and  $1\frac{3}{4}$  times in its distance from the caudal. Pectoral with rounded angles, extending more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  the distance from its origin to that of pelvics ; latter not united. Pale yellowish-brown, the upper parts with numerous small dark spots, which are mostly aggregated into small groups of 3 to 5 spots ; a broad dark cross-band between the hinder parts of the eyes ; a pair of dark patches at the level of the gill-openings, not meeting in the middle line ; another cross-band level with hinder parts of pectorals, an indistinct one just in front of the origin of the pelvics, one below the first dorsal, one between the dorsals, one below the anterior part of the second dorsal, and three others on the tail ; each pectoral with a group of about five somewhat larger spots ; the dark bands below the dorsals are continued on the fins ; anal and pelvics plain.

REMARKS.—Apart from a very slight difference in the shape of the snout, the specimen described above differs from the holotype (Ind. Mus. Reg. No.  $\frac{751}{1}$ ) only in the coloration. The latter, which has been lent to me for examination by the Indian Museum, is a male, 290 mm. in total length, from off the Malabar Coast at a depth of about 186 metres. On the back and sides there are numerous well-defined, narrow, dark cross-bands, from the



TEXT-FIG. 1.—*Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) quagga*. St. 27.  $\times \frac{1}{3}$ .

snout to the tip of the tail, somewhat irregular in breadth and not broken up into spots. Presumably this represents a juvenile coloration, the narrow bands tending to break up with age, and the groups of small dark spots to be developed on the upper parts.

This species is closely related to *Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) natalensis*, Regan, from Natal, the type of which is in the British Museum, but differs mainly in the more obtuse snout, differently shaped mouth, with shorter labial folds, and in the coloration.

*Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) melanostigma*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 2 females (190, 205 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640–658 m. ; 3 males (265–330 mm.). Holotype 330 mm.

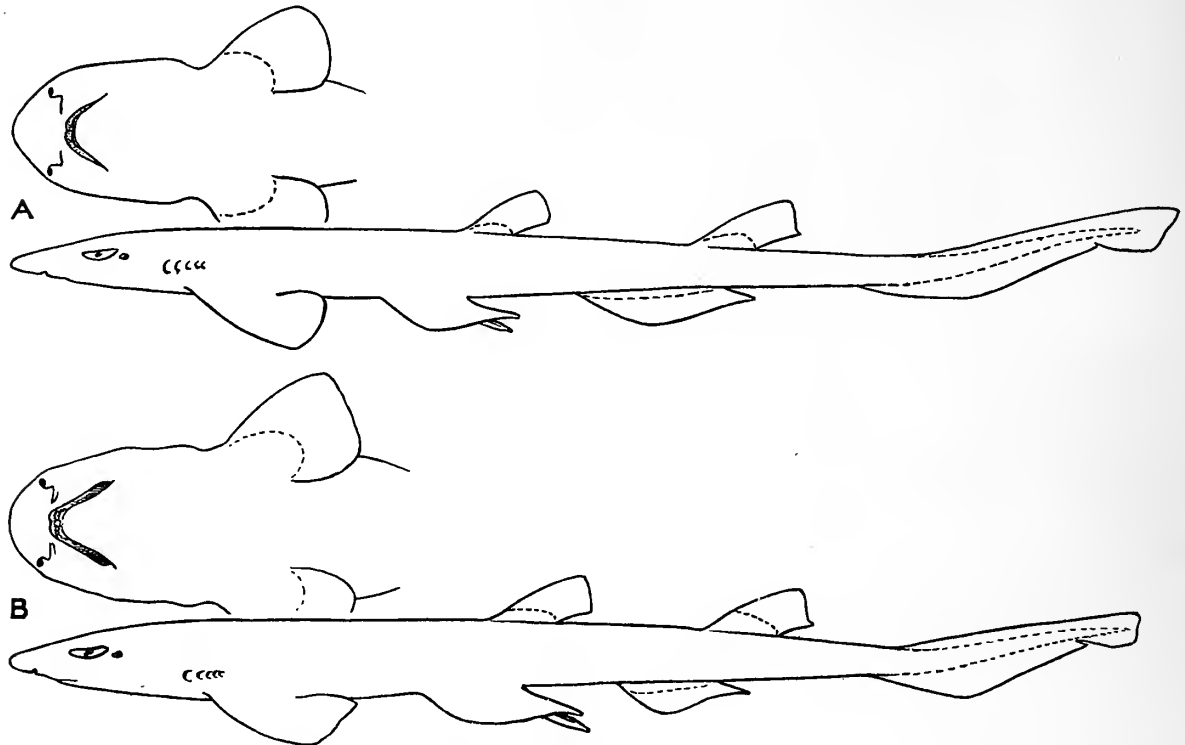
DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar.

DESCRIPTION.—Snout rounded, its præoral length nearly  $\frac{3}{4}$  (about  $\frac{2}{3}$  in young) the distance between the outer edges of the nasal flaps ; latter nearly rectangular, without cirri, not confluent with the upper lip, separated by an interspace equal to about twice the length of the posterior edge of either. Mouth twice as wide as long ; no labial folds ; upper lip not overlapping lower at angles of mouth. Teeth with a strong median cusp and with two small lateral cusps. Posterior gill-openings smaller and closer together than the anterior. Dermal denticles each with a single, rather slender, curved median cusp. First dorsal fin originating above end of base of pelvics ; its base  $\frac{1}{3}$  or less than  $\frac{1}{3}$  the distance from second dorsal, which is larger than the first and originates nearly opposite to or a little in front of end of anal base. Length of base of anal  $2\frac{3}{4}$  to  $3\frac{1}{4}$  times ( $2\frac{2}{5}$  to  $2\frac{3}{5}$  in young) that of first dorsal, equal to or a little greater than ( $1\frac{2}{3}$  to  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in this distance in young) its distance from the caudal. Pectoral rounded, extending nearly  $\frac{3}{4}$  the distance



from its origin to that of pelvics ; latter united in males for about the basal third of their posterior edges. Upper surface with numerous small, rounded dark spots, which are somewhat enlarged in certain regions, where they form indefinite cross-bands ; in the young there is a narrow elliptical dark spot edged with paler on each dorsal fin.

REMARKS.—This species is closely related to *Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) polystigma*, Regan, from deep water off the coast of Natal, but differs mainly in the longer snout,



TEXT-FIG. 2.—A. *Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) melanostigma*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ . B. *Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) polystigma*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

wider mouth, and distinctly longer anal fin. The relative length of the base of the anal fin appears to increase somewhat with age, but if an example of 330 mm. is compared with the type of Regan's species, which is 320 mm. in length, the difference is at once apparent. Barnard (1925, 'Ann. S. Afric. Mus.' XXI, p. 43) suggests that *S. polystigma* is a synonym of *S. punctatus*, Gilchrist, from deep water off Cape Point, an opinion expressed by Gilchrist himself (1922, 'Rep. Fish. Mar. Biol. Surv.' II, Spec. Rep. III, p. 46). The type of *S. punctatus* is 245 mm. in total length : the length of the base of the anal fin is about  $1\frac{3}{4}$  times that of the first dorsal, and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times in its distance from the caudal ; the two dorsal fins are described as being equal in size.

#### *Scyliorhinus (Halaelurus) indicus*, Brauer.

*Scyliorhinus indicus*, Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 8, pl. xiv, fig. 1 ; Regan, 1908, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (8) I, p. 459 ; Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 139.

#### OCCURRENCE :

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AG, 1061–1080 m. ; 1 male (230 mm.)

DISTRIBUTION.—Off East African coast, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This species was not previously represented in the collection of the British Museum. It is well distinguished from *S. (Halaelurus) hispidus* (Alcock), also from the Indian Ocean, by the longer anal fin, which reaches the base of the caudal, the longer snout, the form of the nasal flaps, etc. The other species of the subgenus *Halaelurus* from the region under consideration is *S. (Halaelurus) alcockii* (Garman), which is known only from a single specimen (Ind. Mus. Reg. No.  $\frac{68}{1}$ ), 118 mm. in total length, from the Arabian Sea, 1162 to 1294 metres. This specimen was identified by Alcock as *Scyliorhinus canescens*, Günther.

*Scyliorhinus (Cephaloscyllium) sufflans*, Regan.

*Scyliorhinus (Cephaloscyllium) sufflans*, Regan, 1921, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (9) VII, p. 413.

*Cephaloscyllium sufflans*, Fowler, 1935, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad. LXXXVII, p. 362, figs. 2, 3.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73–200 m. ; 1 male (300 mm.), 1 female (268 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Off Natal coast, Gulf of Aden ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—These specimens are in a somewhat poor state of preservation, but I have little doubt that they belong to this species. The holotype, a male, 750 mm. in total length, is from 15 to 22 miles off the mouth of the Umvoti River, Natal, at a depth of 225 to 244 metres.

Family CARCHARINIDÆ.

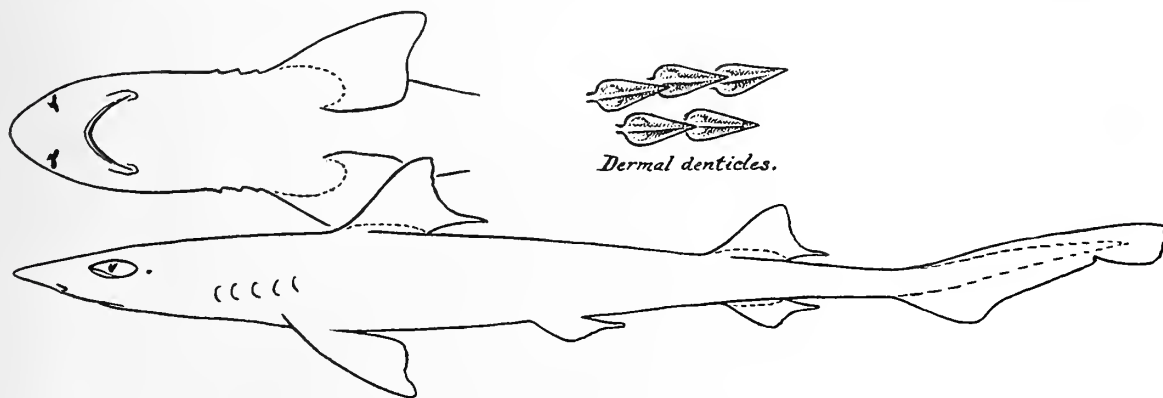
*Eugaleus omanensis*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 75, Gulf of Oman, OT, 210 m. ; 1 female (280 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Oman.

DESCRIPTION.—Head of moderate width, depressed ; snout obtusely pointed, its length (measured from middle of upper jaw) about  $\frac{3}{4}$  its greatest breadth and nearly twice



TEXT-FIG. 3.—*Eugaleus omanensis*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

the distance between the inner edges of the nostrils ; anterior nasal valve with two points, an outer and an inner. Eye of moderate size, its longitudinal diameter about  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in distance from tip of snout to first gill-cleft ; spiracle very small. Mouth more than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times as broad as long, with labial folds at the angles, the upper fold much longer than the lower.

Teeth alike in both jaws, all oblique, inclined towards angles of mouth ; anterior margin of each tooth straight, smooth, posterior margin deeply notched ; about 44 rows in upper and 38 in lower jaw. Dermal denticles small, spear-shaped, each with a single pointed cusp. First dorsal fin originating above posterior part of pectoral base ; its base nearly 3 times in the distance from the second dorsal, which is smaller and originates a little in advance of anal. Length of anal base about  $\frac{2}{3}$  that of second dorsal,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times in its distance from the caudal. Pectoral extending more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  the distance from its origin to that of pelvis ; latter originating in advance of middle of total length. Subcaudal lobe slight. Uniformly greyish-brown above, paler below ; tips of dorsal and caudal fins blackish.

This species is well distinguished from the other members of the genus by the form of the teeth and by the absence of a marked subcaudal lobe, but I have hesitated to erect a new genus on this account. It cannot be a *Hemigaleus*, as the teeth are alike in the two jaws and there is no trace of a pit at the root of the caudal fin.

*Eridacnis radcliffei*, Smith.

*Eridacnis radcliffei*, Smith, 1913, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLV, p. 599, pl. xlvii, text-figs. 1-3.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73-200 m. ; 1 female (162 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 3 females (200-220 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Sulu Archipelago, Philippines ; Gulf of Aden : in deep water.

REMARKS.—The occurrence of this shark in the Gulf of Aden is of some interest. Dr. Leonard P. Schultz, of the United States National Museum, has been kind enough to compare one of the above-mentioned specimens with the type of the species (U.S.N.M. Cat. No. 74604), a female, 230 mm. long, captured off Jolo light, Island of Jolo, at a depth of 295 metres. He writes that "the head of *radcliffei* appears to be slightly blunter and broader and possibly a little deeper than the specimen which you sent. I do not see any marked difference between your specimen and the one that Smith described".

Family SQUALIDÆ.

*Spinax lucifer* (Jordan & Snyder).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 1 male (300 mm.), 1 female (270 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—South Africa, Natal, near Zanzibar, Japan ; in deep water.

Family TORPEDINIDÆ.

*Narcine indica*, Henle.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 male (280 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Indian Seas.

*Heteronarce mollis* (Lloyd).

*Narcine mollis*, Lloyd, 1907, Rec. Ind. Mus. I, p. 8 ; Annandale, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 43, pl. iii<sup>a</sup>, figs. 3, 3<sup>a</sup> ; Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 144 ; Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xlvi, figs. 1, 1<sup>a</sup>.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73–200 m. ; 1 female (195 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This specimen agrees very well with the description of the types, which were taken in the Gulf of Aden, at a depth of 346 metres, but the lower surface is white instead of greyish-brown. Lloyd does not mention the size of the two specimens upon which his description was based, but Dr. S. L. Hora informs me that the holotype in the Indian Museum (Reg. No.  $\frac{1456}{1}$ ) is a male, 225 mm. in total length. *Heteronarce mollis* is well distinguished from *H. garmani*, Regan, from Natal, of which *Narcine natalensis*, Fowler, is a synonym, by the much larger eyes and spiracles, shorter snout, and larger mouth and nasal valves.

## Family RAJIDÆ.

*Raja powelli*, Alcock.

*Raja powelli*, Alcock, 1898, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (7) II, p. 145 ; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 20 ; Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxvi, fig. 4.

*Raja philipi*, Lloyd, 1906, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (7) XVIII, p. 309 ; 1908, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xl, pl. xli, fig. 1 ; 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 142, fig. 1c.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 1 male (350 : 210 mm. across disc.), 1 female (345 : 220 mm. across disc).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Travancore coast, Gulf of Martaban.

DESCRIPTION.—Disc a little broader than long, its width about  $\frac{3}{5}$  or  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the total length ; anterior margins a little undulated ; outer angles rounded or obtusely pointed. Vent equidistant from tip of snout and end of tail, or a little nearer to the former. Snout produced, rather acutely pointed, its length  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $4\frac{1}{4}$  in width of disc. Diameter of eye  $\frac{2}{3}$  to  $\frac{4}{5}$  interorbital width ; eye + spiracle  $2\frac{1}{3}$  to  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in præorbital length of snout. Internasal width 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in præoral length of snout. 56 to more than 70 rows of teeth. Upper surface of disc mainly smooth, but with a patch of spinules on the tip of the snout and some more along the anterior edges of the pectorals ; sometimes some scattered spinules on the snout ; 2 to 4 præocular and 1 to 3 postocular spines ; 1 or 2 spines on the back in the suprascapular region, united with or separated from a row of from 3 to 6 median nuchal spines ; 2 or 3 irregular series of spines on the back of the tail, which may extend anteriorly on to the hinder part of the disc ; edges of tail with 2 or 3 series of rather small, hook-like spinules. Lower surface quite smooth, except for rough areas at edges of snout and anterior parts of pectoral fins. Brownish ; snout paler ; a large round ocellus near the middle of the base of each pectoral ; lower surface pale.

REMARKS.—In addition to the two specimens collected by the present expedition, the above description includes the type of the species (Ind. Mus. Reg. No.  $\frac{235}{1}$ ), a female, 318 mm. in total length (190 mm. across the disc), from the Gulf of Martaban, at a depth of 122 metres ; the type of *R. philipi* (Reg. No.  $\frac{1383}{1}$ ), a male, 360 mm. in total length (230 mm. across the disc), from the Gulf of Aden, at a depth of about 244 metres ; and



another specimen (Reg. No.  $\frac{2708}{1}$ ), a female, 475 mm. in total length (315 mm. across the disc), from Trivandrum, Travancore coast, in shallow water; lent to me for examination by the Indian Museum. I have little doubt that all these specimens belong to a single somewhat variable species.

*Raja johannis-davisi*, Alcock.

*Raja johannis-davisi*, Alcock, 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 21; 1900, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxvii, fig. 2.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m.; 1 female (340 : 230 mm. across disc).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar (?), Gulf of Aden, Travancore coast.

DESCRIPTION.—Disc broader than long, its width about  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the total length; anterior margins a little undulated; outer angles obtusely pointed. Vent a very little nearer to end of tail than to tip of snout. Snout produced, acutely pointed, its length about  $3\frac{3}{8}$  in width of disc. Diameter of eye about equal to interorbital width; eye + spiracle  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in præorbital length of snout. Internasal width  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in præoral length of snout. About 36 rows of teeth. Both surfaces of disc quite smooth, except for small spinules on the lower surface of the rostral cartilage, and of the edges of the snout and adjacent parts of the pectoral fins; 2 or 3 præocular and 2 postocular spines; no nuchal or scapulary spines; a median row of 21 spines from base of pelvics to first dorsal fin; no other spines on the tail. Dark brown; lower surface similarly coloured.

REMARKS.—There seems little doubt that this specimen is referable to Alcock's species, which was described from a single male specimen, 210 mm. in length, from off the Travancore coast, at a depth of 420 to 532 metres (Indian Mus. Reg. No.  $\frac{477}{1}$ ). The "very strong spine in the middle of the nape" is here wanting, but this may be lost with age or confined to the males.

The following young specimen from near Zanzibar may belong to this species. The snout is proportionately longer; there are two præocular and one postocular spine, which are stronger than those of the specimen from the Gulf of Aden; there is a single strong nuchal spine; the row of spines on the tail is composed of 18; the lower surface is paler and is dotted with black.

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m.; 1 female (185 : 105 mm. across disc).

*Raja* sp.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m.; 1 egg-capsule.

St. 119, Zanzibar area, AT, 1207-1463 m.; 1 egg-capsule.

Family CHIMÆRIDÆ.

*Harriotta* (?) *indica* (Garman).

*Callorhynchus* ?, sp., Wood-Mason & Alcock, 1891, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VIII, p. 21, fig. 1.

*Callorhynchus indicus*, Garman, 1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool. XXIV, p. 21.

*Harriotta* (?) *indica*, Dean, 1906, Chimæroid Fish. and their Devel., p. 30.



## OCCURRENCE :

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061–1080 m. ; 1 egg-capsule.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Bay of Bengal ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This capsule, which measures about 160 mm. in length, agrees closely with that described and figured by Alcock from the Bay of Bengal ( $13^{\circ} 47' 30''$  N.,  $92^{\circ} 36' 00''$  E.), at a depth of 1050 metres. This last, which is in the Indian Museum, has been examined by Dean, who has expressed the opinion that it belongs to a species of *Harriotta*. The parent fish has not yet been recognized, but the egg-capsule may be provisionally referred to that genus. Another Chimæroid capsule has been described by Sewell (1912, 'Rec. Ind. Mus.' VII, p. 2) from off the south-west coast of India ( $9^{\circ} 14' 10''$  N.,  $75^{\circ} 45' 00''$  E.), at a depth of about 445 metres, and referred by him to the genus *Rhinochimæra*.

## Family ALEPOCEPHALIDÆ.

*Rouleina guentheri* (Alcock).

*Xenodermichthys guentheri*, Alcock, 1892, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) X, p. 359, pl. xviii, fig. 3 ; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 180 ; 1900, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxxii, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 1 (c. 140 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061–1080 m. ; 2 (110, 145 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal.

REMARKS.—These specimens are all in poor condition, but appear to be referable to this species.

*Xenodermichthys copei*, Gill.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457–549 m. ; 5 (100–132 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640–658 m. ; 1 (76 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, near Zanzibar, Gulf of Aden.

REMARKS.—These specimens are not in good condition. I have compared them with two co-types of *X. socialis*, Vaillant, from Banc d'Arguin, 1090 metres, received from the Paris Museum. There are minor differences in the shape of the head, length of the snout, size of the mouth, etc., but I do not feel inclined to regard them as representing a distinct species on the basis of the material to hand. Parr (1937, 'Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll.' III, Art. 7, p. 20) has shown that Vaillant's species cannot be maintained as distinct from *X. copei*.

*Alepocephalus bicolor*, Alcock.

*Alepocephalus bicolor*, Alcock, 1891, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VIII, p. 133 ; 1892, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. iv, fig. 2 ; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 169 ; Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 19 ; Weber and Beaufort, 1913, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. II, p. 13.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061–1080 m. ; 2 (265, 290 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal, Indo-Australian Archipelago.

*Bajacalifornia burragei*, Townsend & Nichols.

*Bajacalifornia burragei*, Townsend & Nichols, 1925, Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist. LII (1), p. 8, fig. 3.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061–1080 m. ; 1 (170 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, off Lower California.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body more than 6 in the length, length of head about  $3\frac{1}{2}$ . Snout nearly  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times as long as eye, diameter of which is nearly 5 in length of head (including lower jaw) and about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the interorbital width. Maxillary extending to a little beyond middle of eye. Sixteen gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. About 57 scales in a longitudinal series. Dorsal 17 (?). Anal 14 (?); origin a little behind middle of dorsal,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times as distant from tip of snout as from base of caudal. Pectoral with about 16 rays; pelvics equidistant from anterior part of eye and base of caudal. Pyloric cæca long and narrow, about 18 in number, in a single series anteriorly, in two series posteriorly. Uniformly black.

REMARKS.—Allowing for the difference in the size of the fishes, the specimen described above agrees closely with the holotype (Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist. No. 8343) as described and figured by Townsend and Nichols. This was 120 mm. in length to the base of the caudal fin, and was captured off Todos Santos Bay, Southern California, at a depth of 1106 metres. The pyloric cæca have a very different form to those described by Parr (1937, 'Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll.' III, Art. 7, p. 25) in *B. drakei* (Beebe), which are short and bulbous, with pointed tips. The species described by Weber as *Bathytroctes calcaratus*, from the Straits of Macassar and the Ceram Sea, appears to belong to this genus, but may be readily distinguished from *B. burragei* by the smaller eye.

## Family ARGENTINIDÆ.

Genus *Nansenia*, Jordan & Evermann.

*Nansenia*, Jordan & Evermann, 1896, Bull. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLVII (1), p. 528; Schmidt, 1918, Rep. Danish Ocean. Exped. 1908–10 Medit. II, A. 5, p. 10.

*Bathymacrops*, Gilchrist, 1922, Rep. Fish. Mar. Biol. Surv. S. Afr. II (1921), Spec. Rep. III, p. 53; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 129.

*Euproserpa*, Fowler, 1933, Proc. Acad. N.S. Philad. LXXXV, p. 256.

I place this genus provisionally in the family Argentinidæ, pending an examination of its osteology. It seems to be more nearly related to *Bathylagus*, Günther, than to *Microstoma*, Cuvier.

*Nansenia grænlandica* (Reinhardt).

*Microstomus grænlandicus*, Reinhardt, 1839, Overs. K. Danske Vid. Selsk. Forhandl., 1839, p. 8; 1841,

K. Danske Vid. Selsk. Naturv. Math. Afhandl. VIII, p. lxxiv; Günther, 1866, Cat. Fish. VI, p. 205.

*Nansenia grænlandica*, Jordan & Evermann, 1896, *t.c.*, p. 528; Schmidt, 1918, *t.c.*, p. 12, figs. 9–12.

*Bathymacrops macrolepis*, Gilchrist, 1922, *t.c.*, p. 53, pl. ix, fig. 2; Barnard, 1925, *t.c.*, p. 129, pl. vii, fig. 3.

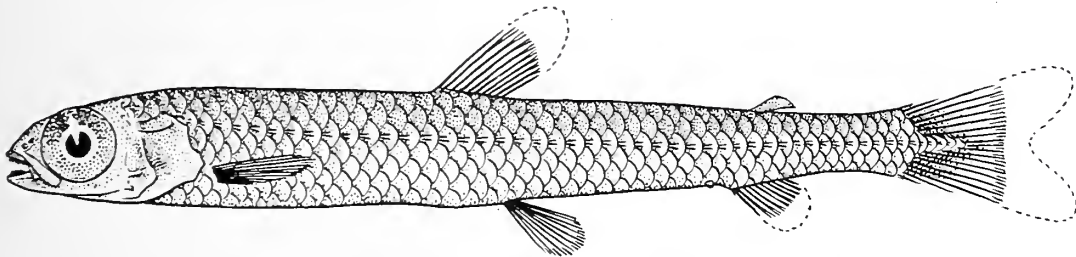
## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640–658 m. ; 1 (175 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 1 (180 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—North Atlantic, South Africa, near Zanzibar, Maldives.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to nearly 8 in the length, length of head about  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . Snout less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  as long as eye, diameter of which is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in length of head and 3 times the interorbital width. No teeth in the upper jaw: a single series of closely set, compressed, conical teeth in the lower jaw; vomer with a row of slender, curved teeth with sharply-pointed tips. 20 to 22 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. About 50 scales in a longitudinal series. Dorsal 10: origin nearer to end of snout than to base of caudal. Anal 9–10: origin much nearer to base of caudal than to insertion of pelvic, more than 4 times as distant from end of snout as from base of caudal; length of base 4 or nearly 4 in that of head. Pectoral with 14 rays. Pelvics with 11 or 12 rays, inserted below or just behind level of last dorsal ray.



TEXT-FIG. 4.—*Nansenia groenlandica*. St. 115.  $\times \frac{3}{4}$ .

REMARKS.—This species was not previously represented in the collection of the British Museum, and is known to me only from the excellent description given by Schmidt, who had access to the type, 76 mm. in length to the base of the caudal, from Fiskenaasset, West Greenland. All Schmidt's specimens were smaller than the type, but, making allowances for the discrepancy in the sizes of the fish, I am unable to detect any marked differences between those from the Atlantic and those from the Indian Ocean. Tanaka (1911, 'Fig. Descr. Fish. Japan', I, p. 15, pl. iii, fig. 13) records this species from Japan, but Jordan and Thompson (1914, 'Mem. Carnegie Mus.' VI, p. 210, pl. xxiv, fig. 2) regard the Japanese form as distinct, giving it the name *Nansenia ardesiaca*.\* This species is very closely related to *N. groenlandica*, and may eventually prove to be identical with it, but the pelvic fins seem to be inserted a little more posteriorly and there are fewer rays in the pectorals. *Nansenia oblita* (Facciola), from the Mediterranean and the adjacent parts of the Atlantic, is quite distinct, and has been fully described by Schmidt in the paper already quoted. *N. schmitti* (Fowler), from near Borneo and the Philippines, is another species.

#### Family GONOSTOMATIDÆ.

##### *Gonostoma elongatum*, Günther.

#### OCCURRENCE :

St. 133, Arabian Sea, MT, 3385 m.; 1 (220 mm.).

St. 168, Arabian Sea, MT, 2937–3182 m.; 1 (190 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

\* Schmidt (1918, *t.c.*, p. 15), who was unable to consult Jordan and Thompson's paper published in 1914, proposed the name *Nansenia tanakai* for this species.

*Cyclothone signata*, Garman.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 400-0 m. ; 20 (18-30 mm.). N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 6 (fragmentary).

St. 186, Gulf of Aden, N 100, 600-0 m. ; 24 (17-25 mm.). N 200, 952-0 m. ; 30 (20-27 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Gulf of Panama.

REMARKS.—Jespersen and Tåning (1926, 'Rep. Danish Ocean. Exped. 1908-10 Medit.' II, A. 12, p. 12) have indicated the principal differences between this species and their *Cyclothone braueri*.

*Cyclothone pallida*, Brauer.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 18, Gulf of Aden, N 200, 900-0 m. ; 2 (35, 40 mm.).

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2000-0 m. ; 1 (37 mm.).

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N 100, 1500 m. ; 3 (27-45 mm.).

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m. ; 2 (25, 40 mm.).

St. 131D, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 3 (26-38 mm.).

St. 156, Maldivé area, AT, ? m. ; 4 (30-47 mm.).

St. 158, Maldivé area, AT, 786-1170 m. ; 1 (39 mm.).

St. 168, Arabian Sea, MT, 2937-3182 m. ; 1 (40 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 850-0 m. ; 2 (38, 39 mm.).

St. 186, Gulf of Aden, N 200, 952-0 m. ; 5 (25-40 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061-1080 m. ; 1 (43 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian Ocean.

*Cyclothone acclinidens*, Garman.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1000-0 m. ; 9 (19-28 mm.). N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 7 (18-27 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m. ; 14 (23-33 mm.).

St. 61C-D, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 14 (22-32 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m. ; 40 (20-33 mm.).

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N 100, 1500 m. ; 18 (17-28 mm.). N 200, 2500 m. ; 8 (20-34 mm.).

St. 94, Arabian Sea, N 200, 984-1045 m. ; 1 (32 mm.).

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m. ; 17 (20-35 mm.).

St. 131D, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 4 (20-35 mm.). N 200, 2500-0 m. ; 4 (24-37 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 850-0 m. ; 10 (12-27 mm.).

St. 186, Gulf of Aden, N 200, 952-0 m. ; 34 (20-34 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.



*Yarrella corythæola* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 3 (115-135 mm.).

St. 109, Zanzibar area, AT, 640 m. ; 3 (80-153 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 4 (185-205 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 4 (95-115 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Natal coast, near Zanzibar, Gulf of Aden, near Maldives, Andaman Sea, Southern Australia.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 6 in the length, length of head 4 to  $4\frac{2}{3}$ . Diameter of eye equal to or a little greater than interorbital width and  $4\frac{3}{4}$  to 5 in length of head. 10 to 12 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Dorsal 11-12 ; origin about equidistant from end of snout and base of caudal. Anal 26-30 ; origin below or immediately behind last rays of dorsal. Pectoral with 10 or 11 rays. Pelvic with 7 rays ; origin equidistant from tip of lower jaw and last rays of anal. Lower series of photophores consisting of 9 in front of pectoral, 11 from pectoral to pelvic, 8 from pelvic to origin of anal, and 23 to 25 from anal to base of caudal ; there are 16 to 18 photophores in the upper series.

REMARKS.—Matsubara (1938, 'J. Imp. Fish. Inst. Tokyo', XXXIII, p. 44) has suggested that this form should be regarded merely as a subspecies of *Y. blackfordi*, Goode & Bean.

*Vinciguerria nimbaria* (Jordan & Williams).

For synonymy see Horsburgh, 1935, Proc. Calif. Acad. Sci. (4) XXI, p. 230.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1500-0 m. : 39 (17-39 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m. ; 24 (26-38 mm.).

St. 61C-D, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1000-0 m. ; 9 (18-36 mm.). N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 5 (18-27 mm.).

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N 100, 600 m. ; 1 (32 mm.).

St. 87, Arabian Sea, AT, 549-640 m. ; 82 (25-46 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 400-0 m. ; 1 (17 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

REMARKS.—Dr. Rolf L. Bolin, of the Hopkins Marine Station, California, has been kind enough to compare two or three of the above-mentioned specimens from the Arabian Sea with the types of *V. nimbaria* and also with five specimens of *V. sanzoi* from the North Atlantic, sent to Dr. Horsburgh by Dr. A. V. Tåning. The types of *V. nimbaria* are 51.2 and 50.8 mm. in standard length respectively, being much larger than any of the other specimens. Dr. Bolin notes that the pectoral and anal fins are relatively further forward in the types of *V. nimbaria*, but this difference in position may well be a matter of age. He adds : " It is my opinion that the types of *V. nimbaria*, Tåning's Atlantic specimens of '*V. sanzoi*' and your Arabian Sea material all belong to one and the same species."

*Diplophos tænia*, Günther.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 96, Arabian Sea, N 200, 400-645 m. ; 2 (39, 48 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Pacific (?).

*Ichthyococcus ovatus* (Cocco).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 400-0 m. ; 1 (13 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Mediterranean, Eastern Atlantic, Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in poor condition, but appears to belong to this species.

## Family STERNOPTYCHIDÆ.

*Argyropelecus affinis*, Garman.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 96, Arabian Sea, N 200, 400-645 m. ; 1 (47 mm.).

St. 155, Maldive area, MT, 2249 m. ; 1 (26 mm.).

St. 162, Maldive area, AT, 1829-2051 m. ; 1 (35 mm.).

St. 171, Arabian Sea, AT, 3840-3872 m. ; 2 (46, 62 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061-1080 m. ; 1 (58 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian Ocean.

*Argyropelecus sladeni*, Regan.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m. ; 1 (25 mm.).

St. 120, Zanzibar area, AT, 2926 m. ; 1 (45 mm.).

St. 131, Arabian Sea, N 200, 600-0 m. ; 1 (47 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—North and South Atlantic, Antarctic, Indo-Pacific.

*Sternoptyx diaphana*, Hermann.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m. ; 1 (15 mm.).

St. 118, Zanzibar area, AT, 1789 m. ; 1 (25 mm.).

St. 120, Zanzibar area, AT, 2926 m. ; 1 (37 mm.).

St. 121, Zanzibar area, AT, ? m. ; 1 (17 mm.).

St. 156, Maldive area, AT, ? m. ; 3 (19-34 mm.).

St. 158, Maldive area, AT, 786-1170 m. ; 2 (17, 18 mm.).

St. 170, Arabian Sea, AT, 3676 m. ; 1 (24 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

*Polyipnus nuttingi*, Gilbert.

*Polyipnus nuttingi*, Gilbert, 1905, Bull. U.S. Fish. Comm. XXIII (1903), p. 609, pl. lxxiii; Schultz, 1938, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. LXXXVI, p. 145.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 4 (50-60 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Marcus Islands, Hawaiian Islands.

REMARKS.—This species is closely related to *P. spinosus*, Günther, which has a wide range in the Atlantic and Indo-Pacific, but the differences have been clearly demonstrated by Schultz.

## Family ASTRONESTHIDÆ.

*Astronesthes martensii*, Klunzinger.

*Astronesthes martensii*, Klunzinger, 1871, Verh. zool.-bot. Ges. Wien, XXI, p. 154; Lütken, 1892, Danske Vid. Selsk. Skr. (6) VII, p. 276, pl. iii, figs. 6, 7; Regan & Trewavas, 1929, Ocean. Rep. Danish "Dana" Exped. 1920-22, V, p. 17, fig. 7.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m.; 1 (24 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Arabian Sea.

REMARKS.—This young specimen appears to belong to this species, previously recorded only from the Red Sea. One of the specimens collected by Klunzinger, 115 mm. in total length, is in the British Museum (Natural History).

*Diplolychnus mononema*, Regan & Trewavas.

*Diplolychnus mononema*, Regan & Trewavas, 1929, *t.c.*, p. 28, pl. v, fig. 2, text-fig. 19.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m.; 1 (150 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in poor condition, and it is impossible to count the photophores. The form of the barbel and of the postocular luminous organ is very similar to that of *D. mononema*.

## Family CHAULIODONTIDÆ.

*Chauliodus sloanei*, Schneider.

For synonymy and description see Regan & Trewavas, 1929, Ocean. Rep. Danish "Dana" Exped. 1920-22, V, p. 32, fig. 24.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 121, Zanzibar area, AT, ? m.; 1 (80 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m.; 1 (180 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Mediterranean, Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

*Chauliodus pammelas*, Alcock.

*Chauliodus pammelas*, Alcock, 1892, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) X, p. 355; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish p. 145; 1900, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxx, fig. 4; Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische p. 42.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 33, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1295 m.; 1 (140 mm.).

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m.; 1 (185 mm.).

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N 200, 2500 m.; 1 (145 mm.).

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m.; 4 (83-170 mm.).

St. 96, Arabian Sea, N 200, 400-645 m.; 1 (27 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m.; 1 (170 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 850-0 m.; 1 (55 mm.). N 200, 2091-0 m.; 1 (205 mm.).

St. 186, Gulf of Aden, N 200, 952-0 m.; 2 (90, 120 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of head 7 to 8 in the length to base of caudal, equal to or slightly greater than length of lower jaw. Diameter of eye  $3\frac{1}{4}$  to  $4\frac{1}{4}$  in length of lower jaw. A series of 4 to 8 minute, oblique denticles usually clearly distinguishable by means of a lens at posterior end of lower jaw. 16 to 19 branchiostegal rays. Barbel slender and tapering in adult and young, relatively longer in the latter. Photophores of the ventral series I.-P. 10 or 11; P.-V. 16-19; V.-A. 20-22, usually 21; of the lateral series, O.-V. 17-19, usually 18; V.-A. 21 or 22; of the single caudal series, 9-11, usually 11. Total number of photophores in lateral and caudal series 49-51. Unpigmented photophores minute, almost invisible to the naked eye, not forming distinct paired groups on the ventral surface. Dorsal 6; first ray above 5th or 6th photophore of the lateral series. Anal 11-12. Pectoral 12-14. Pelvic 7. Uniformly blackish.

REMARKS.—As pointed out by Regan and Trewavas (1929, *t.c.*, p. 31), this species is closely related to *C. barbatus*, Garman, but differs chiefly in the form of the head, the presence of oblique denticles at the posterior end of the lower jaw, the slender tapering barbel, the more anterior insertion of the dorsal fin, and the irregular arrangement of the unpigmented photophores on the ventral surface. The type of *Chauliodus pammelas* (Ind. Mus. Reg. No. 13183), about 255 mm. in total length, was captured in the Arabian Sea in the neighbourhood of Minnikoy, at a depth of 2570 metres. This species was previously unrepresented in the British Museum collection.

#### Family STOMIATIDÆ.

##### *Stomias affinis*, Günther.

For synonymy and description see Ege, 1934, "Dana" Report, No. 5, p. 5, figs. 1, 2.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 168, Arabian Sea, MT, 2937-3182 m.; 1 (78 mm.).

St. 208, Red Sea, TD 4, 732-805 m.; 1 (82 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

##### *Stomias nebulosus*, Alcock.

For synonymy and description see Ege, 1934, *t.c.*, p. 39, figs. 11, 12.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m.; 1 (93 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Tropical Indo-Pacific.

REMARKS.—This species is new to the British Museum collection.

##### *Idiacanthus fasciola*, Peters.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 121, Zanzibar area, AT, ? m.; 2 (100, 135 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Western Pacific, ? Antarctic Ocean.



## Family MALACOSTEIDÆ.

*Malacosteus niger*, Ayres.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 131D, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2500-0 m. ; 1 (110 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061-1080 m. ; 1 (80 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian Ocean.

## Family SYNODONTIDÆ.

*Synodus variegatus* (Lacepède).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 (70 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

*Synodus indicus* (Day).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 (120 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—South-east Africa, Gulf of Aden, Madras.

*Saurida tumbil* (Bloch).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18-22 m. ; 1 (135 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to north-eastern Australia and to China.

*Saurida undosquamis* (Richardson).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. A, Red Sea, OT, 65-68 m. ; 3 (230-240 mm.).

St. 72, Gulf of Oman, AT, 73 m. ; 1 (144 mm.).

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183-194 m. ; 10 (105-182 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 1 (255 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia, Japan and the Pacific.

*Saurida longimanus*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

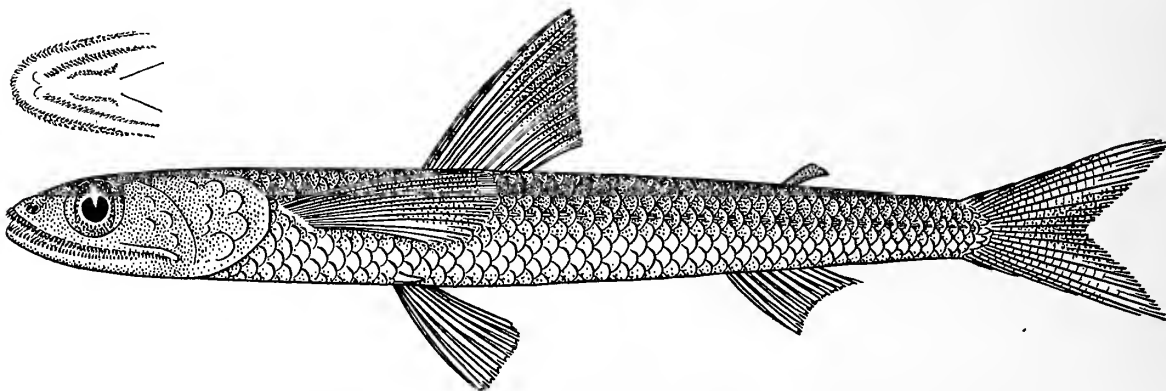
St. 71, Gulf of Oman, OT, 106 m. ; 1 (75 mm.).

St. 75, Gulf of Oman, OT, 201 m. ; 5 (142-200 mm.). Holotype, 162 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Oman.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 8 in the length, length of head  $3\frac{1}{4}$  to  $3\frac{2}{3}$ . Snout rounded, as long as or slightly longer than eye, diameter of which is 4 (young) to nearly

$4\frac{3}{4}$  in length of head and about equal to interorbital width. Adipose eyelids of moderate width. Outer bands of palatine teeth each with only 2 rows anteriorly, where the two bands are widely separated; some of the anterior teeth enlarged; inner bands of palatine teeth narrow, each with 2 or 3 rows; vomer toothless. 45 to 49 scales in the lateral line. Dorsal 11 or 12; longest ray nearly 4 times as long as last ray and about  $\frac{3}{4}$  length of head. Anal 10 or 11; origin  $1\frac{3}{4}$  times to twice as far from head as from base of caudal. Pectoral



TEXT-FIG. 5.—*Saurida longimanus*. Holotype.  $\times 1$ .

with 14 rays, extending well beyond base of pelvic, length  $\frac{4}{5}$  to  $\frac{7}{8}$  that of head. Brownish above, silvery white below; distal parts of dorsal, caudal and pectorals blackish; sometimes traces of dark marks along upper edge of caudal.

REMARKS.—This species is related to *S. undosquamis*, but may be readily recognized by the longer pectoral fin, the larger head, and the narrower inner bands of palatine teeth. If specimens of similar size are compared, it is seen that *S. longimanus* has a somewhat longer snout and a slightly larger eye than *S. undosquamis*.

#### Family SUDIDÆ.

##### *Chlorophthalmus agassizi*, Bonaparte.

For synonymy see Parr, 1928, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III, Art. 3, p. 19.

#### OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m.; 21 (70–110 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Mediterranean, Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 in the length, length of head 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2}$ . Snout  $\frac{3}{5}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  diameter of eye, which is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in length of head and 3 to 4 times the interorbital width. Maxillary extending to below anterior part of eye; lower jaw terminating in a strongly projecting, transverse horizontal plate, the anterior margin of which is usually more or less denticulated. About 20 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. 50 to 58 scales in the lateral line. Dorsal 10 or 11; origin slightly in advance of insertion of pelvics and a little nearer to the tip of the snout than to the adipose fin. Anal 9–11; origin a little in advance of level of anterior margin of adipose fin, about 3 times as distant from anterior edge of eye as from base of caudal. Pectoral with 15 or 16 rays,  $1\frac{1}{8}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in length

of head. Pelvic with 9 rays, its insertion equidistant from tip of snout and origin of anal fin or a little nearer the latter. Silvery grey, with large dusky or blackish spots, often forming irregular oblique cross-bars, which are more prominent in young specimens and tend to disappear altogether in the adults.

The specimens from near Zanzibar agree very well with Alcock's description of *C. corniger*, from the Bay of Bengal, but I am in agreement with Parr in regarding this species, as well as Günther's *C. productus*, from the Pacific, as probably identical with *C. agassizi*, originally described from the Mediterranean. To the synonymy of *C. agassizi*, which thus has an almost world-wide range, I would add *C. proridens*, Gilbert & Cramer, from deep water off the Hawaiian Islands. The denticulations on the margin of the projecting part of the lower jaw exhibit considerable variation: they generally form two groups on either side of the symphysis, but these groups may be united to form a continuous row along the anterior edge. In addition to the specimens obtained by the "Mabahiss", the above description includes the types of *C. productus*, as well as several examples of *C. agassizi* from the Mediterranean and Atlantic.

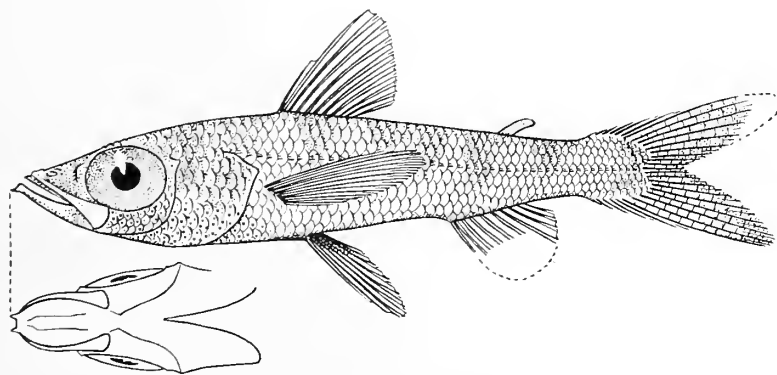
*Chlorophthalmus bicornis*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 177, Gulf of Aden, AT, 274-366 m. ; 1 (93 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden.

DESCRIPTION.—Closely related to *C. agassizi*, but depth of body  $4\frac{2}{3}$  in the length, length of head  $2\frac{2}{3}$ . Snout nearly  $\frac{3}{4}$  diameter of eye, which is 3 in length of head and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  times the interorbital width. Lower jaw terminating in a strongly projecting, transverse horizontal plate, the corners of which are produced to form strong tooth-like processes :



TEXT-FIG. 6.—*Chlorophthalmus bicornis*. Holotype.  $\times 1$ .

no other denticulations at edge of lower jaw. About 25 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. 48 scales in lateral line. Dorsal 11; origin slightly nearer to adipose fin than to tip of snout. Anal 10; origin well in advance of level of anterior margin of adipose fin, twice as distant from anterior edge of eye as from base of caudal. Length of pectoral about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in that of head. Insertion of pelvic much nearer to origin of anal than to tip of snout. Silvery grey, with numerous minute black spots and with traces of broad, darker cross-bars; the bases and inner parts of the pelvic fins black.

Genus *Bathymicrops*, Koefoed.

*Bathymicrops*, Koefoed, 1926, Rep. Sci. Res. "Michael Sars" N. Atlantic Deep-sea Exped. 1910, IV (1), p. 64.

Body rather elongate, moderately compressed, covered with cycloid scales of moderate size; lateral line nearly straight. Head a little depressed, completely scaled; snout not spatulate; eyes absent, or vestigial and covered by scales; nostrils close together. Mouth wide, the suspensorium directed obliquely backwards; lower jaw strongly projecting; maxillary slender, somewhat dilated posteriorly, closely adherent to the equally slender præmaxillary; a single supramaxillary; jaws with narrow bands of minute granular teeth, which are also present on the palatines and pterygoids and in two patches on the vomer. Gill-openings very wide; gill-membranes free; about 14 branchiostegals; no pseudobranchiæ; gill-rakers reduced to a few short dentigerous knobs. Dorsal short, situated in front of the middle of the length; no adipose fin. Anal short, situated nearer to base of caudal than to pelvics. Pectoral lateral in position, well developed. Pelvics 8-rayed, rather wide apart, inserted well behind the pectorals, but in advance of the dorsal; pelvic bones with broad laminar posterior processes, united medianly throughout their length. Vent just behind the bases of the pelvic fins.

I have placed this genus in the family Suididæ, as it would seem to be most nearly related to *Bathysauropsis* and *Ipnops*, but the osteology has been examined in so very few genera of this family that a satisfactory arrangement is still difficult. In some respects *Bathymicrops* resembles the members of the family Synodontidæ, but differs from them especially in the anterior position of the vent and in the presence of a supramaxillary.

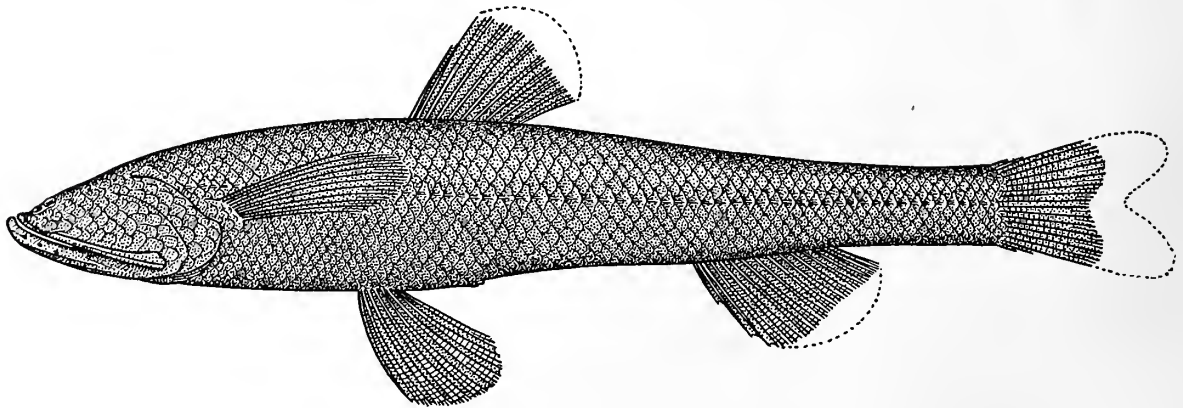
*Bathymicrops sewelli*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 171, Arabian Sea, AT, 3840–3872 m.; 1 (350 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 6 in the length, length of head  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . Length of upper jaw about  $\frac{3}{4}$  that of head. About 12 rudimentary gill-rakers on lower part of



TEXT-FIG. 7.—*Bathymicrops sewelli*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{2}{5}$ .

anterior arch. About 60 scales in the lateral line. Dorsal 11; origin  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times as distant from base of caudal as from tip of snout. Anal 16; origin about equidistant from root of pelvic and base of caudal. Pectoral 11-rayed. Pelvics inserted nearly twice as far



from base of caudal as from tip of lower jaw : inner ray of each fin slightly in advance of level of origin of dorsal. Caudal peduncle twice as long as deep, its length about 6 in that of fish (without caudal fin). Uniformly brownish.

REMARKS.—This species may be readily distinguished from *B. regis*, Koefoed, from the North Atlantic, by the complete absence of the eyes, the deeper body, longer head, shorter and deeper caudal peduncle, greater number of rays in the anal and pectoral fins, more posterior insertion of pelvic fins, etc. The unique holotype of *B. regis* is only 110 mm. in length, and was taken by the "Michael Sars" at St. 48 (28° 54' N., 24° 14' W.), at a depth of about 5000 metres. I have much pleasure in naming this very interesting species in honour of Lt.-Col. R. B. Seymour Sewell, C.I.E., F.R.S., the leader of the "John Murray" Expedition.

*Bathypterois atricolor*, Alcock.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 1 (90 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

*Ipnops murrayi*, Günther.

*Ipnops murrayi*, Günther, 1878, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (5) II, p. 187 ; 1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 189, pl. xlix, fig. B ; Parr, 1928, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III, Art. 3, p. 23.

? *Ipnops agassizii*, Garman, 1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool. XXIV, p. 259, pl. II, figs. 2, 2a ; Parr, 1928, *l.c.*, p. 24.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 118, Zanzibar area, AT, 1789 m. ; 3 (83–132 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

REMARKS.—*Ipnops agassizii* was said to differ from *I. murrayi* mainly in the greater length in the caudal region, the longer anal fin, the smaller number of branchiostegal rays, the greater number of scales in the lateral line, and the more posterior position of the pelvic fins, which are farther from the dorsal fin. In three of the types of *I. murrayi* I count 10, ?, 12 branchiostegal rays ; 13, 13, 17 rays in the anal fin ; and 54, 55, 52 (?) scales in the lateral line. In the specimens from near Zanzibar the number of branchiostegal rays appears to be 12, 12, 12 (?) ; the number of rays in the anal fin is 17, 17, 19 ; and the number of scales in the lateral line is 54, 58, 58. The position of the pelvic fins in relation to the dorsal exhibits some variation in the specimens examined, but I am unable to correlate this with differences in the numbers of scales or anal rays. It seems probable that *I. agassizii* will prove to be identical with *I. murrayi*, but I have hesitated to unite them on account of the small amount of material available.

Family MYCTOPHIDÆ.

Genus *Scopelengys*, Alcock.

*Scopelengys*, Alcock, 1890, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VI, p. 302.

*Scopelengys* is a very generalized member of this family, and closely related to *Neoscopelus*. The eye is small, the pseudobranchiæ rudimentary, the air-bladder is wanting and there are no photophores.

*Scopelengys tristis*, Alcock.

*Scopelengys tristis*, Alcock, 1890, *t.c.* p. 303; 1892, *Illust. Zool. "Investigator"*, pl. vii, fig. 7; 1899, *Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish.* p. 166; Parr, 1928, *Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll.* III, Art. 3, p. 48.  
*Scopelengys dispar*, Garman, 1899, *Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl.* XXIV, p. 254, pl. liv, figs. 2-2*d*.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m.; 1 (190 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea, Pacific coast of Central America.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in poor condition, so that I am unable to add anything to the descriptions of Alcock and Garman, which clearly refer to the same species. This fish was previously unrepresented in the British Museum collection.

*Neoscopelus macrolepidotus*, Johnson.

For synonymy see Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, p. 48.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 108, Zanzibar area, AT, 786 m.; 2 (185, 190 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m.; 16 (90-160 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m.; 15 (30-180 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—All temperate and tropical seas.

*Myctophum pterotum* (Alcock).

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, p. 60.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1500-0 m.; 1 (24 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m.; 9 (27-38 mm.).

St. 70, Gulf of Oman, OT, 196 m.; 3 (34-45 mm.).

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N 100, 600 m.; 1 (27 mm.). N 200, 2500 m.; 2 (25, 27 mm.).

St. 87, Arabian Sea, AT, 549-640 m.; 2 (45, 48 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian and Pacific Oceans; Atlantic (?).

REMARKS.—This species has been so frequently confused with *M. fibulatum*, Gilbert & Cramer, that it is difficult to ascertain the range of its distribution.

*Myctophum fibulatum*, Gilbert & Cramer.

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, pp. 61, 67, fig. 7.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2000-0 m.; 1 (28 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

*Myctophum laternatum*, Garman.

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, pp. 61, 67.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m. ; 1 (27 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 400-0 m. ; 1 (16 mm.). N 100, 850-0 m. ; 9 (16-20 mm.). N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 1 (23 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

*Myctophum reinhardti*, Lütken.

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, p. 66.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m. ; 1 (25 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

REMARKS.—This species is new to the British Museum collection.

*Lampanyctus macropterus*, Brauer.

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, pp. 88, 110, fig. 20.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 95, Arabian Sea, N 200, 430-984 m. ; 4 (21-32 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 3 (20-55 mm.).

St. 186, Gulf of Aden, N 200, 952-0 m. ; 32 (16-68 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

REMARKS.—These specimens are all in poor condition, but appear to be referable to this species.

*Lampanyctus alatus*, Good & Bean.

See Parr, 1929, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. LXXVI, Art. 10, p. 25, fig. 12.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 121, Zanzibar area, AT, ? m. ; 1 (58 mm.).

St. 131A, Arabian Sea, N 200, 600-0 m. ; 2 (24, 45 mm.).

St. 131D, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 3 (12-20 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indian Oceans.

*Lampanyctus* sp.

The following specimens are all in very poor condition and cannot be specifically identified :

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 25, Gulf of Aden, AT, 620 m. ; 1 (68 mm.).

St. 135, Arabian Sea, MT, 2727 m. ; 1 (90 mm.).

St. 143, Maldivic area, AT, 797 m. ; 1 (32 mm.).

St. 145, Maldivic area, N 100, 500-0 m. ; 1 (20 mm.).

St. 171, Arabian Sea, AT, 3840-3872 m. ; 1 (44 mm.).

*Diaphus luetkeni*, Brauer.

See Parr, 1928, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III, Art. 3, p. 118.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 96, Arabian Sea, N 200, 400-645 m. ; 1 (55 mm.).

St. 131A, Arabian Sea, N 200, 600-0 m. ; 1 (47 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indian Oceans.

*Diaphus rafinesquei* (Cocco).

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, pp. 119, 131, figs. 25, 26 ; 1929, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. LXXVI, Art. 10, p. 32, fig. 16.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 2 (15, 21 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m. ; 10 (22-42 mm.).

St. 86, Arabian Sea, AT, 759-1024 m. ; 2 (37, 41 mm.).

St. 96, Arabian Sea, N 200, 400-645 m. ; 1 (44 mm.).

St. 131A, Arabian Sea, N 200, 600-0 m. ; 1 (45 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061-1080 m. ; 1 (40 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Mediterranean, Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

REMARKS.—It seems probable that more than one form is represented among the specimens obtained by this expedition, but, in view of the small amount of material and the degree of variation recorded by Parr in *D. rafinesquei* from the Western Atlantic, I have preferred to include all of them under this name.

*Diaphus caeruleus* (Klunzinger).

See Parr, 1928, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III, Art. 3, p. 122.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 2 (128, 137 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian and Pacific Oceans.

*Diaphus splendidus* (Brauer).

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, p. 123.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 154, Maldiva area, AT, 457 m. ; 1 (58 mm.).

St. 171, Arabian Sea, AT, 3840-3872 m. ; 1 (42 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indian Oceans.

*Diaphus garmani*, Gilbert.

See Parr, 1928, *t.c.*, pp. 123, 145, fig. 33.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1000-0 m. ; 1 (30 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m. ; 7 (23-32 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 1 (31 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—West Indies ; Arabian Sea (?).

REMARKS.—These small specimens are very doubtfully referred to this species.



*Diaphus* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 1 (115 mm.).

St. 87, Arabian Sea, AT, 549-640 m. ; 1 (68 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 1 (150 mm.).

REMARKS.—The above specimens represent three distinct species of *Diaphus*, but I am unable to identify them specifically with the aid of the existing literature. In view of the confusion existing in this genus, and of the fact that Dr. A. V. Tåning, of Copenhagen, is preparing a comprehensive monograph of the Myctophidæ based upon the extensive collections made by the "Dana", I am loath to add further to this confusion by the addition of three new species of very doubtful validity, and prefer to be content with a generic determination for the purposes of this report. In the existing state of our knowledge of the species of this difficult genus, the identifications of the four species on p. 30 must be regarded as somewhat tentative.

## Family ATELEOPIDÆ.

Genus *Ateleopus*, Temminck & Schlegel.

*Ateleopus*, Temminck & Schlegel, 1846, in Siebold, Faun. Japon., Pisc. p. 255. (Not *Atelopus*, Duméril and Bibron, 1841.)

*Podateles*, Boulenger, 1902, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (7) X, p. 403. (Substitute for *Ateleopus*, Temminck and Schlegel, regarded as preoccupied.)

Rivero (1935, 'Mem. Soc. Cub. Hist. Nat.' IX, p. 91) has recently dealt with the taxonomy of the family Ateleopidæ in some detail, and has shown that *Ateleopus* is well distinguished from *Ijimaia* by the form of the pelvic bones, as well as by the shorter pelvic fins. *Parateleopus*, Smith & Radcliffe, is closely related to *Ateleopus*, but the dorsal fin has only 3 rays.

*Ateleopus natalensis*, Regan.

*Ateleopus natalensis*, Regan, 1921, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (9) VII, p. 414 ; Gilchrist, 1922, Rep. Fish. Mar. Biol. Surv. S. Afr., II, Spec. Rep. iii, p. 77 ; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 251, pl. x, fig. 3 ; Rivero, 1935, Mem. Soc. Cub. Hist. Nat. IX, p. 97.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 1 (620 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Off Natal coast, near Zanzibar ; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Length of head about equal to its distance from origin of anal ; distance from tip of snout to origin of dorsal about 5, to origin of anal  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $3\frac{1}{4}$  in length of fish (without caudal fin). Diameter of eye 7 to 8 in length of head ; interorbital width about 4. 9 or 10 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Dorsal 9-10 ; height varying from about  $\frac{3}{4}$  to more than  $1\frac{1}{4}$  times the length of the head. Anal + caudal 102-110. Pectoral with 12 rays,  $\frac{2}{3}$  to  $\frac{4}{5}$  length of head. Pelvics  $\frac{2}{3}$  to nearly as long as head.

REMARKS.—In addition to the specimen mentioned above, this description includes the two types of the species, 480 and 540 mm. in total length. As suggested by Rivero, this

species may eventually prove to be identical with *A. japonicus*, of which I have been able to examine only three small specimens (240 to 260 mm.), but in the latter the distance from the tip of the snout to the origin of the dorsal is nearly 7 in the length of the fish, the pectoral fin is longer than the head, and there are 108 to 122 rays in the anal and caudal fins.

*Ateleopus indicus*, Wood-Mason & Alcock.

*Ateleopus indicus*, Wood-Mason & Alcock, 1891, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VIII, p. 123, fig. 3; 1892, Illustr. Zool. "Investigator", pl. ii, fig. 2; Alcock, 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 123; Rivero, 1935, *t.c.*, p. 96.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 4 (260-370 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean, Philippines; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Length of head about equal to its distance from origin of anal; distance from tip of snout to origin of dorsal  $4\frac{1}{3}$  to  $4\frac{2}{3}$  in length of fish (without caudal fin). Diameter of eye 6 to  $6\frac{3}{4}$  in length of head; interorbital width about 4. 6 or 7 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Dorsal 8-10; height equal to or less than length of head. Anal + caudal 76-85. Pectoral with 12 rays,  $\frac{3}{5}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  length of head. Pelvics nearly  $\frac{1}{2}$  length of head.

REMARKS.—In addition to the above-mentioned examples, this description includes a specimen (270 mm.) from the Arabian Sea ( $8^{\circ} 37' N.$ ,  $75^{\circ} 37' E.$ ), at a depth of 420 to 530 metres, received from the Indian Museum.

Family CETOMIMIDÆ.

*Ditropichthys storeri* (Goode & Bean).

See Parr, 1928, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III (3), p. 177, fig. 43; 1934, *ibid.* IV (6), p. 22, fig. 5.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 156, Maldive area, AT, ? m. ; 1 (40 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indian Oceans.

REMARKS.—This rare species was not previously represented in the British Museum collection. The type, about 115 mm. in total length (U.S.N.M. No. 35634), was taken by the "Albatross" at Station 2222 ( $39^{\circ} 03' 15'' N.$ ,  $70^{\circ} 50' 45'' W.$ ), 2880 metres. The "Valdivia" obtained another specimen, 52 mm. long, from the Bay of Bengal, 2000 metres, and the "Pawnee" a third, 27 mm. in length (without caudal fin), from the Bahamas.

Family MURÆNIDÆ.

*Gymnothorax pictus* (Ahl).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 43, South Arabian Coast, OT, 83-100 m. ; 1 (400 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia and the Pacific.

## Family SERRIVOMERIDÆ.

Genus *Serrivomer*, Gill & Ryder.

- Serrivomer*, Gill & Ryder, 1884, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. VI (1883), p. 260. Type: *S. beanii*, Gill & Ryder.  
*Alcockidia*, Gilbert, 1905, Bull. U.S. Fish. Comm. XXIII (1903), p. 586. Type: *Gavialiceps microps*, Alcock.\*  
*Paraserrivomer*, Roule & Angel, 1931, Bull. Inst. océan. Monaco, No. 581, p. 2; 1933, Rés. Camp. Sci. Monaco, LXXXVI, p. 69. Type: *Gavialiceps hasta*, Zugmayer.

Trewavas (1932, 'Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond.', p. 652) has suggested that *Gavialiceps microps*, Alcock, is probably a *Serrivomer*, and I have very little doubt that this is the case. The pectoral fins in this genus are very small and fragile, and are liable to be torn off when the fish is captured. After examining two specimens of *Paraserrivomer hasta*, which formed part of the material studied by Roule and Angel, I cannot see any reason for maintaining this genus as distinct from *Serrivomer*. The structure of the rays in the anal fin in this species appears to be exactly the same as in *S. microps* and *S. beanii*, and the remaining characters of the genus *Paraserrivomer* given by Roule and Angel cannot be regarded as of more than specific importance.

*Serrivomer microps* (Alcock).

- Gavialiceps microps*, Alcock, 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 460; 1892, *ibid.* (6) X, p. 364; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 192.  
*Serrivomer sector*, Garman, 1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. XXIV, p. 320, pl. lxiii; Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 132, pl. viii, fig. 4; Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 152; Weber and Beaufort, 1916, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. III, p. 332, figs. 159, 160; Townsend and Nichols, 1925, Bull. Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist. LII, p. 12; Beebe and Crane, 1936, Zoologica, N.Y., XX, p. 63.  
*Serrivomer beanii*, Gilbert, 1905, Bull. U.S. Fish. Comm. XXIII (1903), p. 586.  
*Serrivomer sector* (part), Roule & Bertin, Ocean. Rep. Danish "Dana"-Exped. 1920-22, No. 4, p. 39.

## OCCURRENCE :

- St. 119, Zanzibar area, AT, 1207-1463 m.; 1 (c. 465 mm.).  
 St. 156, Maldive area, AT, ? m.; 1 (355 mm.).

\* There is some doubt concerning the type species of the genus *Gavialiceps*, and the strict application of the Rules of Nomenclature unfortunately produces a result which is clearly in opposition to the intention of the author of the genus. Alcock originally proposed the genus as follows: "*Gavialiceps*, gen. nov., Wood-Mason, MS.," and included two species—(1) *G. taniola*, sp. nov., Wood-Mason, MS., and (2) *G. microps*, sp. nov. The fact that the first of these species was based upon a manuscript name of Wood-Mason might be held to indicate the recognition of this species as the genotype, but the subsequent action of Alcock is contrary to this view. In 1891 ('Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist.' ser. 6, VIII, p. 135) he deals further with *Gavialiceps taniola*, and states: "This species was described from immature individuals and was included with *Gavialiceps microps* in a new genus. The examination of full-grown individuals . . . shows that this species has no place in the genus *Gavialiceps*, which is a true Nemichthyine form without pectoral fins, and that it ought to be ranked with *Nettastoma*." That is to say, Alcock himself removed *taniola* from the genus *Gavialiceps*, leaving *microps* as its sole representative. In 1899 ('Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish.' p. 191) Alcock re-defines the genus *Gavialiceps*, with *microps* as the only species. Common sense would suggest that this action of Alcock's amounted to an indication that he regarded *taniola* as a *Nettastoma* and looked upon *microps* as the type of his genus *Gavialiceps*, but under the International Rules this cannot be regarded as a designation of a genotype for *Gavialiceps* (see Article 30 and Opinion 6). Such a definite designation is first made by Gilbert (1905, 'Bull. U.S. Fish. Comm.' XXIII, 1903, p. 586), who states that "there is no doubt that *G. taniola* must be considered the type of the genus, and this would become a synonym of *Nettastoma* if Alcock's later views are correct . . ." Further on he says: "For the Nemichthyoid genus, without pectoral fins, typified by *Gavialiceps microps*, to which Alcock erroneously restricts the genus *Gavialiceps*, I would propose the name *Alcockidia* . . ." Jordan (1920, 'Genera Fish.' IV, p. 444) gives *taniola* as the orthotype of *Gavialiceps*.

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian and Pacific Oceans.

REMARKS.—Beebe and Crane have shown clearly the differences between this species and *S. beanii* and *S. brevidentatus*, both of which occur in the Atlantic. There seems to be little doubt that Alcock's species is identical with that described by Garman as *Serrivomer sector*. In the smaller of the two specimens mentioned above I count about 155 rays in the anal fin, and there appear to be more than 50 vomerine teeth.

Family NEMICHTHYIDÆ.

*Avocettinops schmidti*, Roule & Bertin.

*Avocettinops schmidti*, Roule & Bertin, 1929, Ocean. Rep. Danish "Dana"-Exped. 1920-22, No. 4, p. 30, pl. i, fig. 1, text-figs. 13, 14.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 119, Zanzibar area, AT, 1207-1463 m. ; 1 (300 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Caribbean Sea, near Zanzibar ; in deep water.

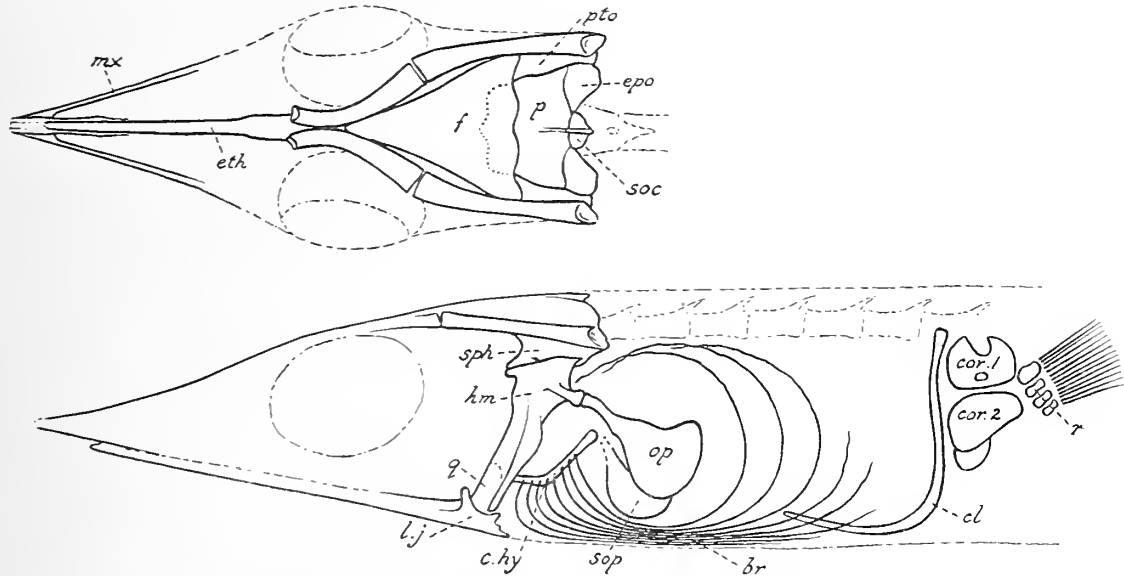
REMARKS.—The occurrence of a second specimen of this fish, believed by Roule and Bertin to be perhaps a teratological form of *Avocettina*, is of considerable interest. Unfortunately the example collected by the "Mabahiss" is very badly damaged, the head being nearly torn away from the body and the posterior part of the tail missing. Nevertheless, the head itself is nearly perfect, and it has been possible to stain this with alizarin and clear in caustic potash solution, and thus to obtain a good idea of the osteology of the cranium, suspensorium, pectoral arch, etc.

The original diagnosis of the genus *Avocettinops* runs as follows: Body elongate and ribbon-like as in *Avocettina*. Snout pointed, about  $\frac{1}{4}$  length of head, progressively narrowed in front of eyes. Lower jaw shorter than the upper, and largely concealed by the edge of the latter. No teeth. Anterior nostril with a long, forwardly directed tube. Trunk with a narrow neck-like region behind the head. No caudal filament. Gill-openings distinctly separated below. Lateral line with a single series of large pores. Pectorals well developed, each with two parallel rows of rays. Dorsal extending from above the head to the extremity of the tail. Anal commencing immediately behind the vent, far from the pectorals, and extending to the extremity of the tail. A caudal fin.

To this diagnosis may be added the following osteological characters: Frontals completely united, without apparent median suture, including a bony tube for the supra-orbital sensory canal; parietals united by suture; supraoccipital present. Pterotics large, including a tube for a sensory canal, which extends forward above the alisphenoid, overlaps the frontals, but does not project behind as a posterior wing of the skull; sphenotic with a spinous process projecting outwards and forwards. Component bones of the snout not distinguishable. Maxillary articulating with the snout near its tip, somewhat expanded opposite anterior part of orbit. Suspensorium not very broad, directed a little obliquely forwards; hyomandibular and quadrate well ossified and firmly united; no bony palatopterygoid. Operculum expanded behind, with rounded posterior margin and concave upper margin; a well-developed suboperculum. Branchiostegal rays 9 or 10 in number, loosely attached to the bony ceratohyal, the upper rays much bowed round the operculum. A long curved rod-like cleithrum, but apparently no supracleithrum; hyper- and hypocoracoid well ossified; four hour-glass-shaped radials.



The two parallel rows of pectoral fin-rays mentioned by Roule and Bertin seem to be the paired components of the normal rays rather more widely separated than is usual. The condition shown in the figures published by these authors, in which the fin has the appearance of being split almost to its base, is perhaps a post-mortem one, but unfortunately the fins of the present example are too badly damaged to verify this point. It may be pointed out that in the specimen of *Stilbiscus bahamensis* stained with alizarin, which was described by Trewavas (1932, 'Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond.' p. 642, pl. i, text-figs.



TEXT-FIG. 8.—Dorsal view of skull, lateral view of suspensorium, opercles, and pectoral arch of *Avocettinops schmidti*. *br.*, branchiostegal rays; *c.hy.*, ceratohyal; *cl.*, cleithrum; *cor.*, coracoid; *epo.*, epiotic; *eth.*, ethmoid, or ethmo-vomer; *f.*, frontal; *hm.*, hyomandibular; *lj.*, lower jaw; *mx.*, maxillary; *op.*, operculum; *p.*, parietal; *pto.*, pterotic; *q.*, quadrate; *r.*, radial of pectoral fin; *soc.*, supraoccipital; *sop.*, suboperculum; *sph.*, sphenotic.

3-6), the pectoral fin shows the same double appearance of the basal parts of the pectoral rays.

Roule and Bertin placed this genus in their suborder Nemichthyiformes, and erected a new family, Avocettinopsidæ, for its reception. However, comparing its cranial osteology with that of *Nemichthys*, *Avocettina*, *Labichthys* (Beebe & Crane, 1937, 'Zoologica', N.Y., XXII, pp. 353, 366, 375, text-figs. 6-8, 12-15, 19-22) and *Nematoprora* (Trewavas, 1932, *t.c.*, p. 648, pl. ii), all of the family Nemichthyidæ, I find only comparatively small and unimportant differences. Apart from the unproduced, toothless jaws, *Avocettinops* seems to be a typical Nemichthyid, and the diagnosis of the family given by Beebe and Crane (1937, *t.c.*, p. 350) should be emended to allow of its inclusion.

#### Family NETTASTOMIDÆ.

##### Genus *Gavialiceps*, Alcock.

*Gavialiceps*, Alcock (ex Wood-Mason MS.), 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 460. *Type*: *Gavialiceps taniola*, Alcock (ex Wood-Mason MS.). Not *Gavialiceps*, Alcock, 1891, 1899—see footnote, p. 33.

Body scaleless, with the tail tapering to a point. Lateral line conspicuous, consisting of a row of large pores. Snout much produced, depressed; anterior nostril tubular,

placed on edge of snout at some distance from its tip; posterior nostril a simple oval opening, nearly equidistant from eye and tip of snout. Jaws with bands of small sharp teeth; vomer with a median series of stronger teeth, sometimes with traces of a row of very small teeth on either side. Gill-openings rather wide, narrowly separated from one another. Vertical fins well developed; dorsal commencing a little in advance of the gill-opening; no pectorals. No air-bladder. Stomach with a very long cæcal appendage.

This genus differs from *Nettastoma*, *Saurenchelys*,\* *Nettenchelys*, *Venefica* and *Metopomycter* in the larger and more closely approximated gill-openings, in the position of the nostrils, and in the form of the vomerine teeth. It may be distinguished from *Nettastomops* by the position of the nostrils, the bands of teeth in the jaws, and by the absence of fleshy tentacles at the tip of the snout and at the termination of the lower jaw.

*Gavialiceps tæniola*, Alcock.

*Gavialiceps tæniola*, Alcock (ex Wood-Mason MS.), 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 460.

*Nettastoma tæniola*, Alcock, 1891, *ibid.* (6) VIII, p. 135.

*Saurenchelys tæniola*, Alcock, 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 206; 1900, 1905, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pls. xxxiv, fig. 2, xxxvi, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE :

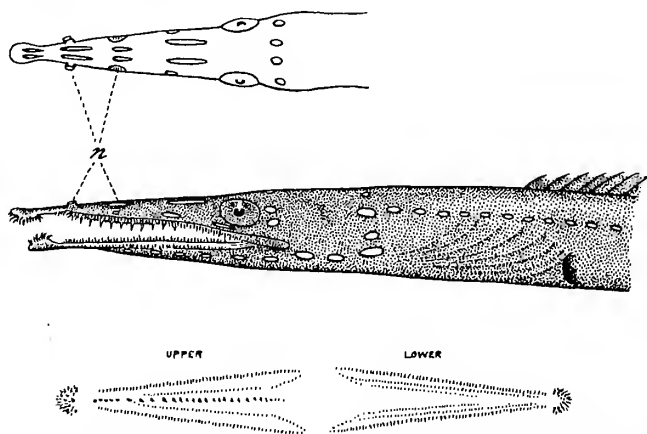
St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m.; 38 (360-570 mm.).

St. 54, South Arabian Coast, AT, 1046 m.; 1 (620 mm.).

St. 143, Maldive area, AT, 797 m.; 1 (840 mm.).

St. 176, Gulf of Aden, AT, 655-732 m.; 1 (510 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.



TEXT-FIG. 9.—*Gavialiceps tæniola*. Head and anterior part of body and dentition.  $\times 1$ .  
n., nostrils.

DESCRIPTION.—Length of head  $1\frac{2}{5}$  to 2 in that of trunk, length of head + trunk  $2\frac{3}{4}$  to more than 3 in that of fish. Length of snout about 5 times diameter of eye and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in length of head. Upper jaw projecting distinctly beyond the lower, without a prominent cutaneous flap; cleft of mouth extending to or beyond hinder part of eye; bands of small, sharp teeth in each jaw, that of upper jaw with a median longitudinal edentulous space; a patch of somewhat enlarged teeth at tip of upper jaw, separated from the more

\* Erroneously regarded by some authors as synonymous with *Chlopsis*, Rafinesque.

posterior bands by a notch, into which fits a patch of similarly enlarged teeth on the expanded tip of the lower jaw. Anterior edge of tongue just free. Uniformly blackish; the young are said to be silvery.

REMARKS.—This species was originally described from four examples, the largest about 265 mm. in total length, from the Bay of Bengal ( $19^{\circ} 35' N.$ ,  $92^{\circ} 24' E.$ ), at a depth of 510 metres, and from the Andaman Sea (7 miles south-east by south of Ross Island), at a depth of 495 metres.

*Venefica proboscidea* (Vaillant).

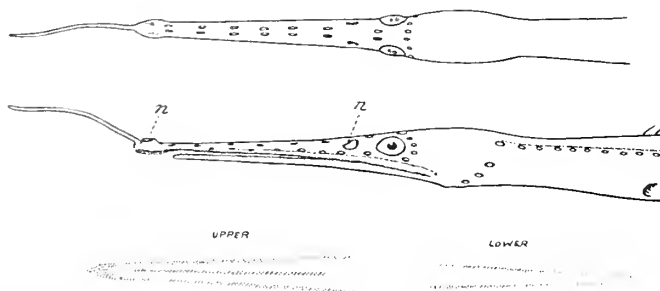
*Nettastoma proboscidium*, Vaillant, 1888, Exp. "Travailleur" and "Talisman", Poiss. p. 84, pl. vii, fig. 3; Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II. p. 151; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afric. Mus. XXI, p. 194.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 62, Arabian Sea, AT. 1893 m. : 1 (c. 510 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Off Atlantic coast of Morocco, 2200 m. : Off Cape Point, South Africa, 1240 m. : Arabian Sea, 1893 m. : Gulf of Manaar, 1665 m.

DESCRIPTION.—Length of head (without rostral process)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in that of head + trunk, which is about  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in that of tail. Length of snout nearly  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head, and more than



TEXT-FIG. 10.—*Venefica proboscidea*. St. 62. Head and anterior part of body and dentition.  $\times 1\frac{1}{4}$ .  
n., nostrils.

9 times diameter of eye; rostral process about 5 times diameter of eye. Posterior nostril situated nearly an eye's diameter in front of eye. Cleft of mouth extending to a little behind the eye; upper jaw projecting well beyond the lower; teeth all small, with their points directed backwards; none of the teeth enlarged. Origin of dorsal fin above gill-openings. Uniformly black.

REMARKS.—This species may be readily distinguished from *V. procera* (Goode & Bean) by the longer rostral process and by the position of the posterior nostril. As shown in the figure of *V. procera* given by Weber and Beaufort (1916, 'Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch.' III, fig. 119) this nostril lies at the upper part of the anterior margin of the eye. The type of *V. proboscidea* was somewhat mutilated, and measured 960 mm. in total length.

Family CONGRIDÆ.

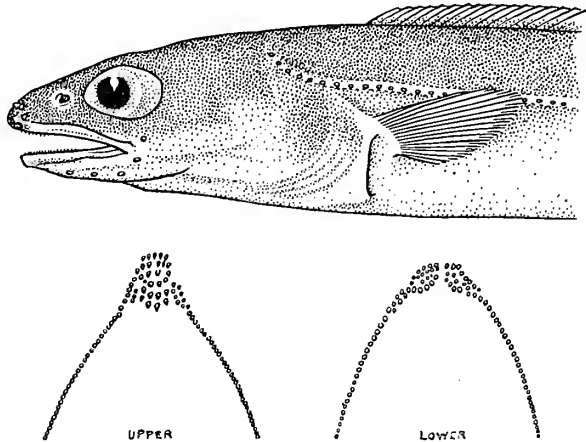
*Conger maldivensis*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 3 (300–352 mm.). Holotype, 352 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Near the Maldives.

DESCRIPTION.—Body subcylindrical anteriorly, compressed posteriorly. Lateral line conspicuous. Depth of body about 10 in the total length, length of head (to upper angle of gill-openings)  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to nearly 6; length of head + trunk about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in that of tail. Snout broader than long, about as long as eye, diameter of which is a little greater than interocular width and 4 to  $4\frac{1}{3}$  in length of head. Anterior nostril with a short tube, close to end of snout; posterior nostril a little in front of eye and level with its lower part. Mouth cleft extending to below middle of eye; upper jaw projecting a little beyond lower, but teeth in upper jaw scarcely visible when the mouth is closed. Teeth in jaws in two



TEXT-FIG. 11.—*Conger maldivensis*. Head and anterior part of body and dentition of holotype.  $\times 1\frac{1}{4}$ .

irregular series anteriorly, in a single series laterally; anterior teeth conical, lateral teeth with truncated tips, close-set, forming a more or less continuous cutting edge; præmaxillary and vomerine teeth united to form a single oval patch, without backward extension. Origin of dorsal above or slightly behind base of pectoral. Pectoral nearly twice as long as diameter of eye. Yellowish-brown, paler below, without evident markings; all the fins yellowish.

REMARKS.—This species is placed provisionally in the genus *Conger*, but the limits of *Conger*, *Ariosoma*, etc., are by no means clearly understood. In many respects the species seems to lie between *Conger* and *Coloconger*. From the known species of *Conger* it may be distinguished by the shorter body, the short and broad snout, and by the more anterior origin of the dorsal fin.

#### *Ariosoma guttulata* (Günther).

*Congromuræna guttulata*, Günther, 1887, Deep-sea Fish, "Challenger", p. 252.

*Congromuræna longicauda* (non Ramsay & Ogilby), Alcock, 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 455; 1892, Illustr. Zool. "Investigator", pl. vii, fig. 5.

*Congromuræna macrocercus*, Alcock, 1894, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LXIII (2), p. 134; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 198.

*Congrellus guttulatus*, Ogilby, 1898, Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S. Wales, XXIII, p. 292.

*Bathycongrus macrocercus*, Ogilby, 1898, *t.c.*, p. 293.

*Congermuræna æquorea*, Gilbert & Cramer, 1897, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XIX, p. 405, pl. xxxvii.

*Leptocephalus æquoreus*, Gilbert, 1905, Bull. U.S. Fish. Comm. XXIII (1903), p. 584.

*Conger guttulata*, Fowler, 1928, Mem. B.P. Bishop Mus. X, p. 39.



## OCCURRENCE :

- St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 1 (420 mm.).  
 St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 1 (273 mm.).  
 St. 54, S. Arabian Coast, AT, 1046 m. ; 2 (285, 360 mm.).  
 St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 3 (120-123 mm.).  
 St. 176, Gulf of Aden, AT, 655-732 m. ; 1 (325 mm.).  
 St. 184, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1270 m. ; 1 (590 mm.).  
 St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061-1080 m. ; 1 (327 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indo-Pacific ; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body 16 to 18 in the total length, length of head (to upper angle of gill-opening) a little less than that of trunk, and  $5\frac{3}{4}$  to  $6\frac{1}{2}$  in total length ; length of head + trunk  $1\frac{2}{3}$  to nearly twice in that of tail. Snout  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to twice as long as eye, diameter of which is greater than interocular width and 6 to 7 in length of head. Anterior nostril with a tube, close to end of snout ; posterior nostril a little in front of and level with middle of eye. Mouth cleft extending to below middle of eye ; upper jaw projecting beyond the lower, the præmaxillary patch of teeth nearly entirely visible when the mouth is closed. Teeth in jaws pointed, in bands ; præmaxillary patch separated from teeth on vomer by a transverse groove which receives the tip of the mandible ; vomerine teeth forming a rounded patch, without backward extension, one or more of the teeth in the middle somewhat enlarged. Origin of dorsal above or a little behind gill-opening. Length of pectoral  $3\frac{1}{4}$  to nearly 4 in that of head. Brownish ; smaller specimens sometimes paler below ; young yellowish, with series of small black dots above and below lateral line ; fins pale in young, becoming greyish or blackish with age.

REMARKS.—In addition to the specimens listed above, this description includes the type of the species, 185 mm. in total length, from the Island of Matuku, Fiji Group, 590 metres ; and an example, 360 mm. in total length, from the Bay of Bengal, 505 metres, received from the Zoological Survey of India as *Congromuræna longicauda*. *Congermuræna æquorea* was originally described from two specimens, 410 and 470 mm. in length, from near the Hawaiian Islands, at a depth of about 700 metres.

*Ariosoma nigrimanus*, sp. n.

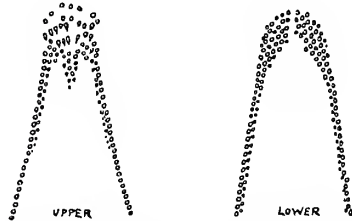
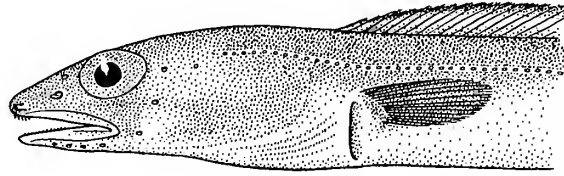
## OCCURRENCE :

- St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 3 (240-335 mm.). Holotype, 300 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $11\frac{1}{2}$  to 12 in the total length, length of head (to upper angle of gill-opening) 5 to  $5\frac{1}{4}$  ; length of head + trunk equal to or a little shorter than that of tail. Snout about as broad as long, as long as eye, diameter of which is a little greater than interocular width and 5 in length of head. Anterior nostril with a short tube, close to end of snout ; posterior nostril a little nearer to eye than to anterior nostril and level with lower part of eye. Mouth-cleft extending to below middle of eye or not quite as far ; upper jaw projecting a little beyond lower, the anterior teeth of the præmaxillary patch visible when the mouth is closed. Teeth pointed or granular in both jaws, in several series anteriorly, becoming biserial and finally uniserial laterally ; an elongate patch of granular or bluntly-pointed vomerine teeth, tapering posteriorly, not extending backwards beyond level of posterior nostril. Origin of dorsal above or a little in

advance of gill-opening. Length of pectoral  $2\frac{2}{3}$  to  $2\frac{2}{3}$  in that of head. Yellowish brown, paler below; traces of faint dusky cross-bars on head; dorsal, anal and caudal with a narrow black margin; pectorals wholly dusky or blackish.



TEXT-FIG. 12.—*Ariosoma nigrimanus*. Head and anterior part of body and dentition of holotype.  $\times 1\frac{1}{4}$ .

REMARKS.—This species falls within the group which includes *A. anago* (Schlegel), *A. obud*, Herre, *A. brachyrhynchus*, Fowler, *A. meeki* (Jordan & Snyder), *A. howensis* (McCulloch and Waite), and *A. bowersi* (Jenkins). It seems to be most nearly related to the last named, differing chiefly in the somewhat smaller eye, in the different proportions of the head, trunk and tail, and in the longer and dark-coloured pectorals.

*Ariosoma* sp.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 80, S. Arabian Coast, SD 4, 16–22 m. ; 46 (60–85 mm.).

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 1 (97 mm.).

REMARKS.—These young specimens appear to be referable to this genus, but cannot be identified with certainty.

*Bathyuroconger braueri* (Weber & Beaufort).

*Uroconger vicinus* (non Vaillant), Alcock, 1892, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) X, p. 363; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 200.

*Uroconger lepturus* (non Richardson), Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 124; Sewell, 1912, Rec. Ind. Mus. VII, p. 12.

*Uroconger braueri*, Weber & Beaufort, 1916, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. III, p. 266.

*Uroconger* (*Bathyuroconger*) *braueri*, Fowler, 1934, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad. LXXXV, p. 273.

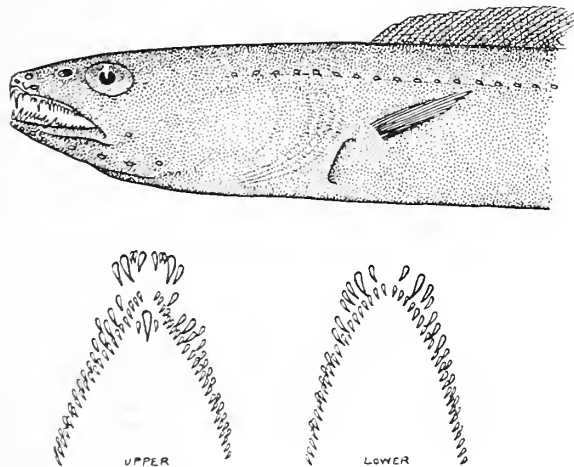
OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 1 (237 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean, 494 to 1100 metres.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 13 in the total length, length of head (to upper angle of gill-opening)  $7\frac{1}{4}$  to  $7\frac{3}{4}$ ; length of head + trunk nearly twice in that of tail. Snout a little longer than broad,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  times as long as eye, diameter of which is about equal to

interocular width and  $6\frac{1}{4}$  to  $7\frac{1}{4}$  in length of head. Anterior nostril with a short tube, close to end of snout; posterior nostril a little in front of and level with upper part of eye. Mouth-cleft extending to below posterior part of eye; upper jaw scarcely projecting. Teeth in jaws in two irregular series laterally: teeth of præmaxillaries and front of lower jaw enlarged and canine-like, those of the præmaxillary patch separated from the remainder by an edentulous groove; one or two large canine-like teeth on the front of the vomer, and sometimes two or more smaller teeth in addition. Interspace between the gill-openings greater than their length. Origin of dorsal just behind gill-opening. Pectoral with 15 to 17 rays, length  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head. Brownish; smaller specimens with irregular series of small black dots above and below the lateral line; mouth-cavity blackish.



TEXT-FIG. 13.—*Bathyroconger braueri*. Specimen from Travancore coast (B.M.). Head and anterior part of body and dentition.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

REMARKS.—In addition to the specimen listed above, this description includes a large example, 600 mm. in total length, from off the Travancore Coast, at 760 metres, identified by Alcock as *Uroconger vicinus*, Vaillant. Barnard (1925, 'Ann. S. Afr. Mus.' XXI, p. 193) has expressed doubt as to whether the Atlantic and Indian species are really distinct, and the differences between *vicinus* and *braueri* have certainly not been clearly demonstrated. In *vicinus* the length of the head appears to be more than 11 in the total length of the fish, and there may be fewer rays in the pectoral fin, although Vaillant does not give the number in his original description. In two specimens from off Cape Point, 645 metres, identified by him as *vicinus*, Barnard gives the head to length proportions as 1 : 8 and 1 :  $8\frac{1}{2}$ , and the number of rays in the pectoral fin as 9.

Reid (1934, 'Smithson. Misc. Coll.,' XCI, No. 15, p. 4) has given good reasons for maintaining this genus as distinct from *Uroconger*.

#### *Uroconger lepturus* (Richardson).

For synonymy and description see Weber and Beaufort, 1916, *l.c.*, p. 265, figs. 113, 114.

#### OCCURRENCE :

St. 70, Gulf of Oman, OT, 196 m.; 2 (230, 323 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Oman, Indian Ocean and Archipelago, Philippines, China Sea, etc.

*Coloconger raniceps*, Alcock.

*Coloconger raniceps*, Alcock, 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 456; 1892, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. vii, fig. 4; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 196; Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 152; Sewell, 1912, Rec. Ind. Mus. VII, p. 12.

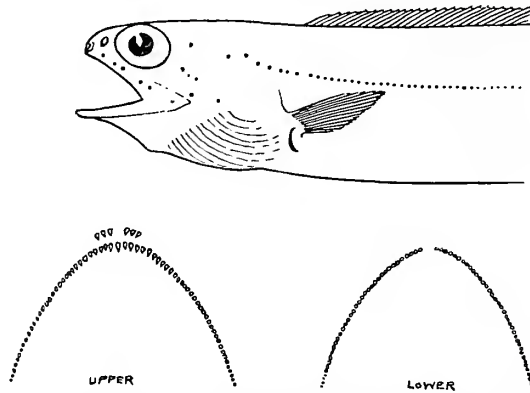
## OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, S. Arabian Coast, AT, 1022 m. ; 1 (340 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 3 (220-410 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean ; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $6\frac{1}{3}$  to 7 in the total length, length of head  $4\frac{2}{3}$  to 5 ; length of head + trunk distinctly greater than that of tail. Snout shorter than eye, diameter of which is equal to or greater than interocular width and 4 to  $4\frac{1}{4}$  in length of



TEXT-FIG. 14.—*Coloconger raniceps*. Head and anterior part of body and dentition.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

head. Anterior nostril with a short tube, close to end of snout ; posterior nostril about midway between anterior nostril and eye, level with middle or upper part of eye. Mouth-cleft extending to beyond middle of eye ; upper jaw scarcely projecting. Both jaws with a single row of teeth, with the bases in contact and with the points directed posteriorly ; teeth of two sides of upper jaw united anteriorly by a transverse row, the whole forming a continuous series ; two præmaxillary patches, each of 2 to 4 conical teeth, widely separated from the remainder by an edentulous space. Origin of dorsal above or a little behind base of pectoral. Length of pectoral about  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head. Uniformly brown or black.

## Family OPHICHTHYIDÆ.

*Ophichthus multiserialis*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

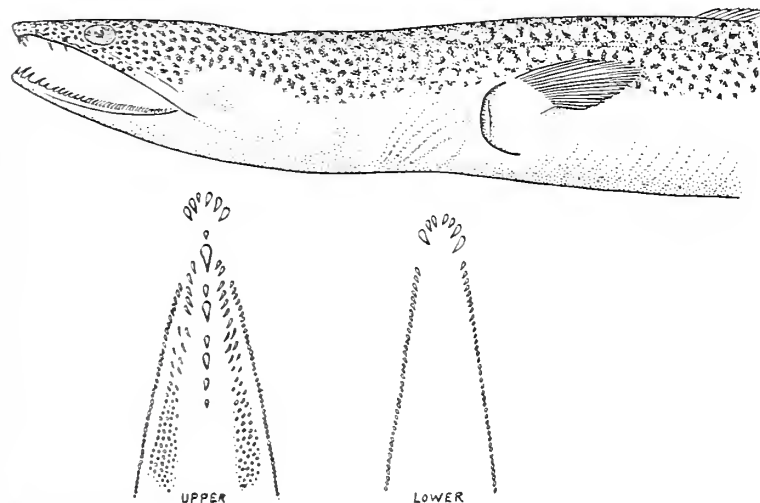
St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 1 (625 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 22, length of head (to upper angle of gill-opening) a little more than 7 ; length of head + trunk a little longer than that of tail. Snout narrow, pointed, twice as long as diameter of eye and nearly 7 in length of head. Mouth-cleft extending to well beyond eye, a little more than  $\frac{1}{3}$  length of head ; upper jaw projecting, the præmaxillary teeth visible when the mouth is closed. Teeth all sharply pointed ; upper jaw with an outer series of close-set, curved teeth, with their points directed



posteriorly; inside this row are slender, pointed teeth, which are arranged in a single series anteriorly, and in about 6 series posteriorly; the anterior teeth somewhat larger than the remainder: a group of 5 or 6 strong præmaxillary teeth, separated from the rest by a



TEXT-FIG. 15.—*Ophichthus multiserialis*. Head and anterior part of body and dentition of holotype.  $\times 1\frac{1}{4}$ .

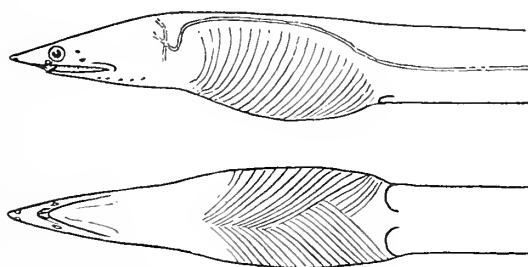
groove which receives the tip of the lower jaw; lower jaw with a single series of teeth laterally, similar to those of the outer row in the upper jaw, and with some larger canine-like teeth anteriorly; a single series of strong teeth on the vomer, decreasing in size posteriorly. Origin of dorsal a little behind end of pectoral, which is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  length of head. Yellowish-brown; upper parts with numerous small dark brown spots, which are smaller and closer together on the head.

*Sphagebranchus omanensis*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 72, Gulf of Oman, AT, 73 m.; 1 (230 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Oman.



TEXT-FIG. 16.—*Sphagebranchus omanensis*. Dorsal and lateral views of head and anterior part of body of holotype.  $\times 3$ .

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 55 in the total length; length of head (from lower end of gill-opening) 8 in that of trunk, length of head + trunk nearly  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times that of tail. Snout nearly twice as long as eye and about 9 in length of head; eye situated a little in front of middle of cleft of mouth. Anterior nostril without a tube, below anterior

part of snout; posterior nostril a slit in upper lip, below eye. Upper jaw strongly projecting; mouth-cleft extending about two eye-diameters behind eye. Teeth acute, recurved, uniserial in both jaws; a præmaxillary group of 4 larger, depressible teeth, completely visible when the mouth is closed; vomerine teeth irregularly biserial anteriorly, uniserial posteriorly. Gill-openings almost vertical, separated by an interspace which is less than their length. Dorsal and anal fins well developed on hinder part of body; origin of dorsal just behind the vent. Greyish-brown, paler below; head pale, variegated with dark brown.

REMARKS.—Apparently related to *S. klazingari*, Weber, but readily distinguished by the different proportions of the head, trunk and tail, and by the greater development of the dorsal and anal fins.

#### Family DYSOMMIDÆ.

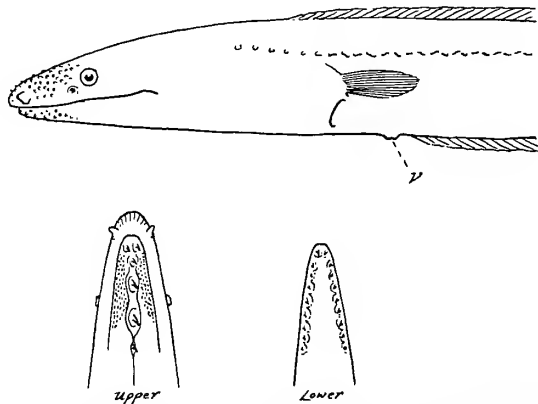
##### *Dysomma zanzibarensis*, sp. n.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m.; 3 (245–308 mm.). Holotype, 308 mm.

##### DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 17 in the total length, length of head (to lower angle of gill-opening)  $7\frac{1}{4}$  to  $7\frac{1}{2}$ ; length of head + trunk about 5 in that of tail. Vent situated between or just behind tips of pectorals, at a distance from gill-openings which is rather less than length of snout. Snout  $3\frac{1}{2}$  times diameter of eye,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times interocular



TEXT-FIG. 17.—*Dysomma zanzibarensis*. Head and anterior part of body and dentition of holotype.  $\times 1$ .

width, and about 4 in length of head. Anterior nostril with a tube; posterior nostril simple, less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  diameter of eye. Mouth-cleft extending to well beyond eye, less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  length of head. Maxillary with a rather broad band of villiform teeth; mandible with 9 well-separated conical teeth, which are smaller than those on the vomer; 2 conical teeth set transversely at anterior end of upper jaw, followed by 4 on the vomer, of which the third is the largest; all the canine teeth embedded in conical fleshy papillæ, with only their points projecting. Gill-openings just in front of bases of pectorals, separated by an interspace which is subequal to their length. Origin of dorsal a little in advance of gill-openings. Length of pectoral  $\frac{1}{5}$  to  $\frac{1}{4}$  that of head. Greyish-brown, paler below; all the

median fins edged with white ; base of posterior part of anal and greater part of caudal deep black ; pectorals pale.

REMARKS.—This species is most nearly related to *D. anguillaris*, Barnard, and *D. japonicus*, Matsubara, differing from the former in the position of the vent, the broader bands of teeth in the upper jaw, and the relative sizes of the eye and the posterior nostril, and from the latter chiefly in the larger eye and longer pectoral fins. All these species are well separated from *D. bucephalus*, Alcock, which has a much shorter form and a row of small teeth in each mandible.

Family SYNAPHOBRANCHIDÆ.

*Synaphobranchus (Synaphobranchus) brevidorsalis*, Günther.

*Synaphobranchus brevidorsalis*, Günther, 1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 255, pl. lxiii, fig. c.

*Synaphobranchus pinnatus* var. *brevidorsalis*, Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 152 ; Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xlvii, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 118, Zanzibar area, AT, 1789 m. ; 3 (155, 165, 390 mm.).

St. 159, Maldive area, MT, 914–1463 m. ; 1 (548 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indo-Pacific.

REMARKS.—As has been pointed out elsewhere (Norman and Trewavas, 1938, 'Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist.' ser. 11, III, p. 352), it seems probable that more than one species has been included under this name, but that, owing to the small amount of material available, it is difficult to attempt any further subdivision at present.

*Synaphobranchus (Histiobranchus) bathybius*, Günther.

*Synaphobranchus bathybius* (part), Günther, 1877, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (4) XX, p. 445 ; 1887, *t.c.*, p. 254, pl. lxii, fig. B.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 120, Zanzibar area, AT, 2926 m. ; 1 (258 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indo-Pacific.

REMARKS.—If *S. infernalis* (Gill) should prove to be identical with *S. bathybius*, this species occurs also in the Atlantic.

Family NOTACANTHIDÆ.

*Notacanthus indicus*, Lloyd.

*Notacanthus indicus*, Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 153 ; Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xlv, fig. 8.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 54, S. Arabian Coast, AT, 1046 m. ; 2 (210, 230 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea.

REMARKS.—The smaller specimen has 11 dorsal and 15 anal spines, the larger specimen 10 dorsal and 14 anal spines. In other respects they agree closely with the original description.

The holotype (Ind. Mus. Reg. No.  $\frac{1019}{1}$ ) was 200 mm. in total length, and was captured in the Arabian Sea at a depth of 960 metres.

## Family HALOSAURIDÆ.

*Halosaurus parvipennis*, Alcock.

*Halosaurus parvipennis*, Alcock, 1892, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) X, p. 362; 1900, Illustr. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxxiii, fig. 1; 1899, Cat. Ind. Deep-sea Fish. p. 186.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 33, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1295 m. ; 1 (340 mm.).

St. 143, Maldive area, AT, 797 m. ; 1 (260 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea.

REMARKS.—This species will probably prove to be identical with *H. carinicauda* (Alcock), which has been recorded from the Andaman and Bali Seas.

*Aldrovandia affinis* (Günther).

For synonymy and description see Weber and Beaufort, 1922, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. IV, p. 5; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 167.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 118, Zanzibar area, AT, 1789 m. ; 1 (310 mm.).

St. 158, Maldive area, AT, 786–1170 m. ; 1 (320 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean; near Japan.

## Family EXOCÆTIDÆ.

*Parexocetus brachypterus* (Richardson).

See Weber and Beaufort, 1922, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. IV, p. 174, fig. 60.

## OCCURRENCE :

Red Sea. No other data; 2 (95, 135 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Cosmopolitan in warm seas.

*Exocetus volitans*, Linnæus.

## OCCURRENCE :

Central part of Arabian Sea—Flew on board in the morning; 1 (170 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Cosmopolitan in tropical and temperate seas.

REMARKS.—There is a crustacean parasite attached to the right pectoral fin.

*Hirundichthys affinis* (Günther).

See Bruun, 1935, "Dana" Report, No. 6, p. 67, pl. vi, figs. 1, 3.

## OCCURRENCE :

Central part of Arabian Sea—flew on board in the morning; 1 (175 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.



## Family FISTULARIIDÆ.

*Fistularia villosa*, Klunzinger.

See Weber and Beaufort, 1922, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. IV, p. 12, fig. 5.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 146, Maldive area, OT, 37 m. ; 3 (320–325 mm.—without caudal filament).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

## Family SYNGNATHIDÆ.

*Halicampus koilomatodon* (Bleeker).

See Weber and Beaufort, 1922, *t.c.*, p. 103.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 1 (108 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—From the Gulf of Aden, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia and Japan.

REMARKS.—Previously this species does not appear to have been reported farther westwards than Ceylon.

## Family MACRURIDÆ.

*Bathygadus furvescens*, Alcock.

*Bathygadus furvescens*, Alcock, 1894, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LXIII (2), p. 128 ; 1895, *Illust. Zool. "Investigator"*, pl. xvi, fig. 1 ; 1899, *Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish.*, p. 121.

*Bathygadus melanobranchus* (*non* Vaillant), Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" *Tiefsee-Fische*, p. 272.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 33, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1295 m. ; 1 (293 mm.).

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 8 (105–325 mm.).

St. 143, Maldive area, AT, 797 m. ; 3 (158–360 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061–1080 m. ; 5 (80–280 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

DESCRIPTION.—The orbit is about as long as the snout, equal to or greater than the interorbital width, and 4 to 5 in length of head. No barbel. 19 to 21 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. First dorsal, pectoral and pelvic fins each with a filamentous ray, which, when complete, is generally at least as long as the head or nearly so. The pelvic fins each have 8 rays. All the fins blackish ; branchial cavities wholly black.

REMARKS.—This species has been described by Gilbert and Hubbs, Weber and Beaufort and others as lacking the filamentous prolongations of the fins. These are present, however, in all the specimens listed above, although frequently broken to a greater or lesser extent. They are also well developed in a specimen of 400 mm. from the Laccadive Sea, received from the Indian Museum, which formed part of the material studied by Alcock.

This species appears to be very closely related to *B. melanobranchus* from the Atlantic, but may be distinguished by the smaller eye.

*Bathygadus spongiceps*, Gilbert & Hubbs ?

*Bathygadus spongiceps*, Gilbert & Hubbs, 1920, Bull. U.S. Nat. Mus. I (100), p. 381, fig. 1; Weber and Beaufort, 1929, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. V, p. 17.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 119, Zanzibar area, AT, 1207–1463 m. ; 1 (270 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago, China Sea, Philippines.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in very poor condition, but may belong to this species.

*Gadomus multifilis* (Günther).

For synonymy and description see Weber and Beaufort, 1929, *t.c.*, p. 23.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 143, Maldive area, AT, 797 m. ; 5 (170–225 mm.).

St. 158, Maldive area, AT, 786–1170 m. ; 1 (225 mm.).

The following smaller examples may belong here :

St. 108, Zanzibar area, AT, 786 m. ; 1 (100 + mm.).

St. 184, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1270 m. ; 1 (68 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

*Macrouroides inflaticeps*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*Macrouroides inflaticeps*, Smith & Radcliffe, 1912, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIII, p. 139, pl. xxxi, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 156, Maldive area, AT; ? m. ; 1 (c. 360 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Maldives, Philippines.

REMARKS.—This very remarkable species was known previously only from the unique holotype (U.S.N.M. No. 72950), 147 mm. in length, from near Batan Island, Lagonoy Gulf, Luzon, at a depth of 765 metres. Smith and Radcliffe originally erected a special family, Macrouroididæ, for its reception, but the discovery by Gilbert and Hubbs (1916, 'Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus.' LI, p. 156, pl. viii, fig. 2) of a related form, *Squalogadus modificatus*, with the pelvic fins present, makes it advisable to reduce this to the rank of a subfamily, lying between the Bathygadinæ and the Coryphænoidinæ. *Squalogadus* differs from *Macrouroides* in the presence of pelvic fins; in the wide pectorals, each with 25 rays; in the longer gill-rakers; in the presence of pseudobranchial filaments; and in the more posterior mouth, which is wholly behind the eye. The type (U.S.N.M. No. 76864), 327 mm. in length, was captured in Bungo Channel, off Kyushu, Japan, at a depth of 1350 metres.

Unfortunately, the head of the specimen obtained by the "Mabahiss" is very badly damaged, and tends to fall to pieces if handled. Consequently, it has been impossible to add much to the original description of Smith and Radcliffe. The scales on the head are each armed with a number of small, vertically projecting spinules, but on the body the number of spinules on each scale appears to decrease as we pass from the head towards the tail. There are about 22 gill-rakers on the lower part of the anterior arch.

Genus *Odontomacrurus*, nov.

Head of moderate size, soft and cavernous, without prominent ridges; snout not produced, the mouth being terminal, with the lower jaw shorter than the upper. Eye small. No barbel. Teeth uniserial in both jaws, all strong, spaced, eurved and canine-like, those of the lower jaw confined to the anterior part of the jaw, stronger and wider apart than those of the upper jaw, which increase in size anteriorly; no teeth on the palate. Six branchiostegal rays; gill-openings wide; gill-membranes broadly united anteriorly, narrowly joined to the isthmus and with a posterior free fold; a fold of membrane attached to the first gill-arch, restricting the slit in front of the gill; no pseudobranchiæ; gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch represented by small spines. Scales small, the exposed parts covered with small, slender spinules; a rounded, smooth, naked patch above pectoral fin. Lateral line nearly straight. Spine of first dorsal fin slender, smooth, its basal part covered with scales; second dorsal much lower than the anal. Pectoral situated below the dorsal. Pelvies 7-rayed.

Genotype: *Odontomacrurus murrayi*, sp. n.

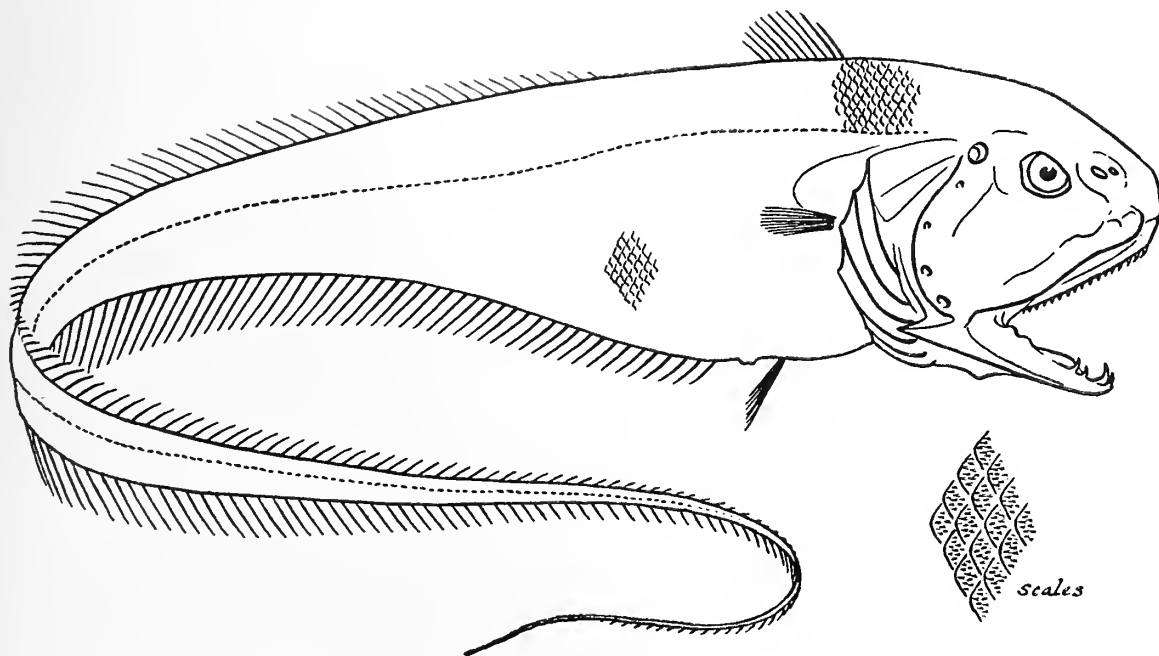
*Odontomacrurus murrayi*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE:

St. 131D, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2500-0 m.; 1 (c. 550 mm.). Holotype.

## DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea.

DESCRIPTION.—Length of head about 8 in total length of fish. Snout about twice as long as eye, diameter of which is 7 in length of head and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times in interorbital width.



TEXT-FIG. 18.—*Odontomacrurus murrayi*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{2}{3}$ .

Maxillary extending to beyond eye. A small, scaleless depression above upper end of edge of præoperculum. First dorsal II 8; distance from second nearly  $\frac{1}{2}$  length of head.

Pectoral with 10 rays. About 10 series of scales between lateral line and dorsal fin. Uniformly greyish-brown; patches above pectoral fins and membranes joining opercles to head black; gill-membranes and parts of inner walls of branchial cavities black.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in a poor state of preservation, and, like that of *Macro-roides*, is liable to fall to pieces when handled. *Odontomacrurus* is apparently most nearly related to *Cynomacrurus*, which it resembles in the large terminal mouth, with lateral cleft, the absence of a barbel, the small eye, the slender, smooth dorsal spine, and the 7-rayed pelvic fins. It differs from that genus in the form of the scales and the dentition.

A note made upon the fresh specimen states that "the general ground-colour of the body and tail is a uniform black, except for a greyish 'efflorescence' over the scales on the top of the head and anterior region of the body. The snout is a deep brown, and this same colour extends along the maxilla. Between the maxilla and cheeks the skin at the bottom of the groove is a pale yellowish-white, and so is the upper margin of the mandible in the basal portion. There is a triangular black patch behind the preoperculum, occupying the whole groove between it and the operculum, and at the top of this groove, but separated from it by a short interval, is a pale oval patch (? luminous organ). On the left side the branchiostegal membrane is a deep black throughout, but on the right side the posterior and upper third is a creamy white. On the posterior margin of the gill-cleft there are two creamy patches, the lower one being situated close to the isthmus. The axilla is also occupied by a leaf-shaped black patch".

I have great pleasure in naming this interesting species after Mr. J. C. Murray, the President and Treasurer of the "John Murray" Expedition.

*Cælorhynchus (Quincuncia) argentatus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*Cælorhynchus argentatus*, Smith & Radcliffe, 1912, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIII, p. 137, pl. xxxi, fig. 1; Gilbert and Hubbs, 1920, Bull. U.S. Nat. Mus. 1 (100), p. 433; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 339; Weber and Beaufort, 1929, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. V, p. 40, fig. 9.

*Cælorhynchus acus*, Weber, 1913, "Siboga"-Exped., Fishes, p. 160. pl. i, fig. 4.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 110, Zanzibar area, OT, 347-384 m.; 1 (190 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago, Philippines.

REMARKS.—This species was not previously represented in the British Museum collection. It is possible that the form from the coast of Africa may prove to be distinct from that of the eastern Indian Ocean.

*Cælorhynchus (Oxymacrurus) quadricristatus* (Wood-Mason & Alcock).

*Macrurus quadricristatus*, Wood-Mason & Alcock, 1891, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VIII, p. 119; 1892, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. iii, fig. 1; Alcock, 1894, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LXIII (2), p. 126; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 106.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m.; 4 (107-190 + mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Maldives, Andaman Sea.



*Coryphanoides lophotes* (Alcock) ?

*Macrurus lophotes*, Alcock, 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (6) IV, p. 395; 1892, Illustr. Zool. "Investigator", pl. iii, fig. 2; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish., p. 116.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061-1080 m.; 1 (110 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden (?); Bay of Bengal.

REMARKS.—It is with some hesitation that I have referred this small specimen to Alcock's species, known only from two fragmentary specimens, each about 130 mm. long, from the Bay of Bengal "Swatch of No-ground", at a depth of 538 to 760 metres (Ind. Mus. Reg. Nos. 11670-1).

*Hymenocephalus heterolepis* (Alcock).

*Macrurus (Mystacomurus) heterolepis*, Alcock, 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 396; 1891, *ibid.* (6) VIII, p. 123; 1892, Illustr. Zool. "Investigator", pl. iii, fig. 3.

*Macrurus (Mystacomurus) cavernosus*, Alcock, 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 117; Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 269.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m.; 16 (110-150 mm.).

St. 109, Zanzibar area, AT, 640 m.; 2 (143, 145 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m.; 30 (60 + -150 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m.; 22 (70-115 mm. + several fragments).

St. 154, Maldive area, AT, 457 m.; several (fragmentary).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—Alcock, who had several examples from the Gulf of Manár and the Andaman Sea, concluded, after comparison of actual specimens, that his species was synonymous with *H. cavernosus* (Goode & Bean), from the Gulf of Mexico, but, according to Gilbert and Hubbs, the Atlantic species, like *H. italicus*, Giglioli, from the Mediterranean, has a larger orbit. For the present the three species may be maintained as distinct.

*Malacocephalus laevis* (Lowe).

For synonymy and description see Weber and Beaufort, 1929, *t.c.*, p. 62, fig. 13.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m.; 9 (340-470 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m.; 3 (270-330 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indian Oceans.

REMARKS.—After careful comparison of the above specimens with others from the Atlantic, I am unable to detect any constant differences that might be regarded as of specific importance. On the whole the eye appears a little larger in Atlantic specimens, but this is a variable character, and dependent to a considerable extent upon the state of preservation.

*Ventrifossa petersonii* (Alcock).

For synonymy and description see Weber and Beaufort, 1929, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. V, p. 67.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 109, Zanzibar area, AT, 786 m. ; 1 (180 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 1 (115+ mm.).

St. 122, Zanzibar area, OT, 732 m. ; 1 (415 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 2 (108, 135 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

*Lionurus polylepis* (Alcock).

*Macrurus polylepis*, Alcock, 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 395 ; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 112 ; 1900, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxix, fig. 4.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 109, Zanzibar area, AT, 786 m. ; 1 (123 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 4 (115-143 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Bay of Bengal.

REMARKS.—This species is not represented in the British Museum collection, but the above specimens agree pretty well with Alcock's rather brief description. There is a distinct black spot at the tip of the first dorsal fin not shown in his figure, but in his specimens this fin was apparently broken. There are two examples in the Indian Museum (Reg. Nos. 11678, 11724), the larger just over 155 mm. in length, both from the Bay of Bengal, at depths of 362 and 510 metres.

*Mateocephalus microstomus* (Regan).

*Macrurus microstomus*, Regan, 1908, Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., Zool. XII, p. 221, pl. xxiii, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 1 (130 mm.).

St. 143, Maldive area, AT, 797 m. ; 2 (200+, 235 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—The type of the species, 180 mm. in total length, is from the Saya de Malha Bank, at a depth of 560 to 940 metres. The specimen from the Bay of Bengal, recorded by Lloyd (1909, 'Mem. Ind. Mus.' II, p. 159) as *Macrurus (Cælorhynchus) acipenserinus* (Gilbert and Cramer), may, perhaps, have belonged to this species.

## Family GADIDÆ.

*Bregmaceros maclellandi*, Thompson.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 16, Gulf of Aden, AT, 186 m. ; 2 (36, 42 mm.).

St. 48, S. Arabian Coast, AT, 201-274 m. ; 2 (68, 75 mm.).

St. 61A-B, Arabian Sea, N 100, 500-0 m. ; 33 (14-44 mm.). N 100, 1000-0 m. ; 14 (23-44 mm.). N 100, 1500-0 m. ; 13 (23-47 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m. ; 3 (35-50 mm.).

St. 61c-d, Arabian Sea, N 100, 1000-0 m. : 6 (18-36 mm.). N 100, 1500-0 m. ;  
13 (23-47 mm.). N 200, 2000-0 m. : 2 (38, 42 mm.).

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N 100, 600 m. : 11 (25-44 mm.).

St. 79, S. Arabian Coast, SD 4, 95-102 m. : 1 (51 mm.).

St. 87, Arabian Sea, AT, 549-640 m. : 1 (39 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans.

*Physiculus peregrinus* (Günther).

*Pseudophysicus peregrinus*, Günther, 1871, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond. p. 669.

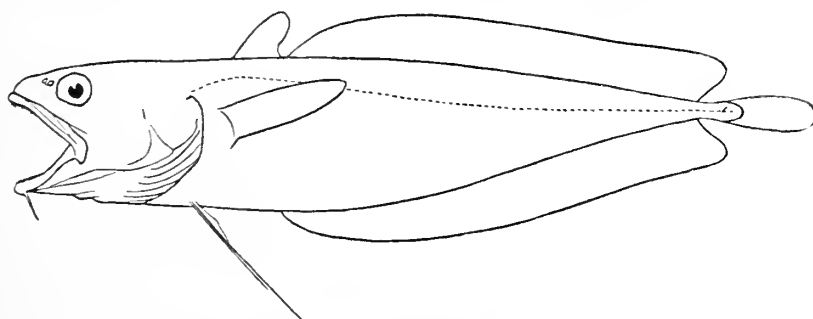
*Physiculus peregrinus*, Günther, 1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 88 ; Norman, 1937, "Discovery" Reports, XVI, p. 57.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238-293 m. ; 5 (80-217 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Philippines.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $4\frac{1}{2}$  to a little more than 5 in the length, length of head  $3\frac{1}{5}$  to  $4\frac{1}{4}$ . Snout as long as or rather longer than eye, diameter of which is 4 (young) to 5 in length of head, and  $1\frac{1}{5}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in interorbital width. Maxillary extending to beyond



TEXT-FIG. 19.—*Physiculus peregrinus*. St. 105.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

middle of eye ; lower jaw a little shorter than upper ; barbel  $\frac{2}{3}$  to  $\frac{5}{6}$  diameter of eye ; teeth in villiform bands, those of the outer series scarcely or not much larger than the remainder. 7 to 9 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Length of pectoral about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in that of head. Pelvics 5-rayed\* ; longest ray nearly as long as head, extending beyond origin of anal.

REMARKS.—The type of the species, 135 mm. in total length, is the only other specimen known, and was one of several sent by Dr. A. B. Meyer from Manado. *Physiculus argyropastus*, Alcock, from the Bay of Bengal and the Gulf of Manár, is very closely related, but appears to have a narrower interorbital region and smaller teeth in the jaws.

*Physiculus roseus*, Alcock.

*Physiculus roseus*, Alcock, 1891, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VIII, p. 28 ; 1894, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xi, fig. 2 ; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 76 ; Weber and Beaufort, 1929, *t.c.*, p. 8.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 10 (125-230 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

\* Günther gives the number of rays in the pelvic fin as 3 in his original description, but, although the type is in a poor state of preservation, I have been able to count 5 on one side.

*Physiculus edelmanni*, Brauer.

*Physiculus edelmanni*, Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 274, pl. xii, fig. 6.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 1 (195 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Deep water off the coast of East Africa.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in poor condition, but is clearly referable to Brauer's species, which differs from all other members of the genus in having no mental barbel. In other respects it is a typical *Physiculus*.

## Family DIRETMIDÆ.

*Diretmus argenteus*, Johnson.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 131, Arabian Sea, N 200, 600-0 m. ; 1 (34 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

## Family TRACHICHTHYIDÆ.

Genus *Hoplostethus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes.

*Hoplostethus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes, 1829, Hist. Nat. Poiss. IV, p. 469.

*Leiogaster*, Weber, 1913, "Siboga"-Exped., Fische, p. 179.

? *Korsogaster*, Parr, 1933, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III (6), p. 9.

The only character of importance separating *Leiogaster* from *Hoplostethus* was said to be the absence of abdominal scutes. These are, however, developed to a certain extent in the adult fish, and, since in the degree to which scutes are developed *Leiogaster melanopus*, *Hoplostethus atlanticus*, *H. gilchristi* and *H. mediterraneus* form a more or less graded series, it would seem convenient to unite the two genera. As the scutes are fewer, stronger and more clearly defined in *mediterraneus* than in the other species, *Leiogaster* may be maintained as a subgenus to include *melanopus*, *atlanticus* and *gilchristi*. *Korsogaster nanus* was based upon a single specimen, only 18 mm. in length without the caudal fin, and will probably prove to be the young of some species of *Hoplostethus*. There is a slightly larger specimen (20 mm.) in the British Museum collection from off East London, 750 to 845 metres, which I believe to be a young example of *H. gilchristi*. There is an opening behind the fourth gill-arch as in *Korsogaster*; scales are absent, but above the lateral line they are represented by minute, slender, simple spines.

*Hoplostethus (Hoplostethus) mediterraneus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes.

For synonymy and description see Weber and Beaufort, 1929, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. V, p. 217, fig. 59.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 5 (90-120 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 1 (180 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Mediterranean, Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.



*Hoplostethus (Leiogaster) melanopus* (Weber).

*Leiogaster melanopus*, Weber, 1913. "Siboga"-Exped., Fische, p. 180; Weber and Beaufort, 1929, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. V, p. 218, fig. 60.

## OCCURRENCE :

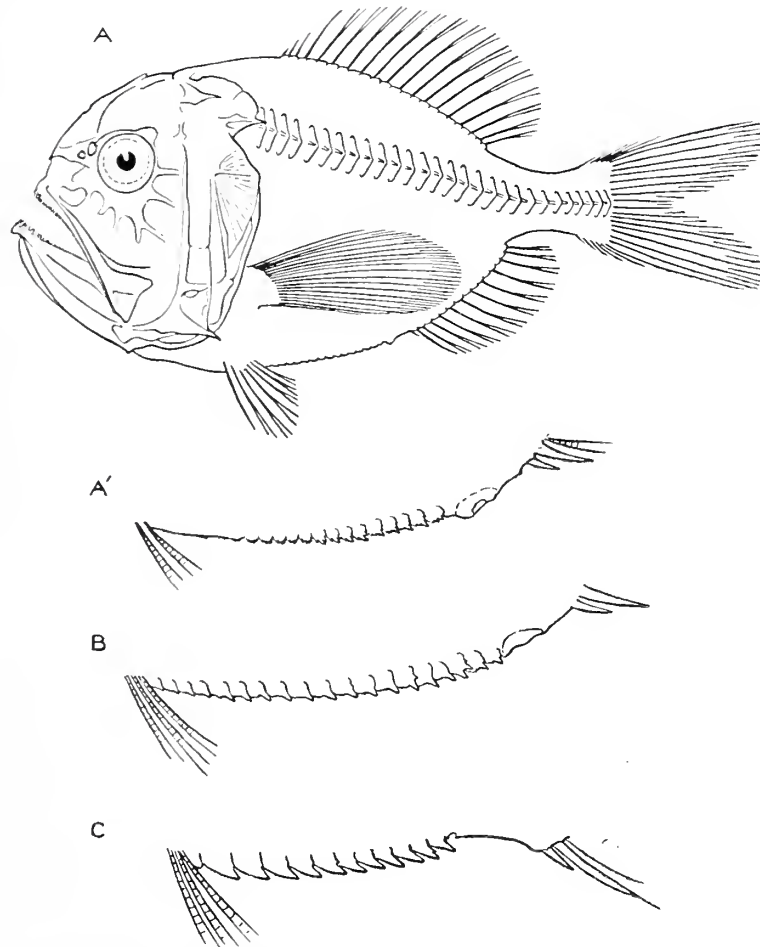
St. 108, Zanzibar area, AT, 786 m. : 1 (83 mm.).

St. 124, Zanzibar area, MT, 914 m. : 1 (240 mm.).

St. 143, Maldive area, AT, 797 m. : 2 (110, 195 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago : in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $1\frac{5}{6}$  to  $2\frac{1}{5}$  in the length, length of head  $2\frac{1}{3}$  to  $2\frac{2}{3}$ . Snout as long as or longer than eye, diameter of which is  $3\frac{3}{4}$  to a little more than 4 in length of head,



TEXT-FIG. 20.—A. *Hoplostethus (Leiogaster) melanopus*. St. 143.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ . A'. Abdominal scutes of a specimen of the same species, 215 mm. in total length.  $\times 1$ . B. Abdominal scutes of a specimen of *H. gilchristi*, 270 mm. in total length.  $\times 1$ . C. Abdominal scutes of a specimen of *H. mediterraneus*, 240 mm. in total length.  $\times 1$ .

and about  $1\frac{1}{4}$  in the interorbital width. Posterior border of maxillary a little emarginate. A small patch of deciduous vomerine teeth sometimes present in young examples. A strong spine at the angle of the præoperculum. Young without any abdominal scutes, but in larger specimens there is a row of indistinct, feeble, spinous scutes between the

pelvic fins and the vent. Dorsal IV 15–16. Anal II or III 10–11. Pectoral with 18 to 20 rays, nearly as long as head, extending to above middle of anal fin or beyond. Pelvic I 6, not reaching vent. Brownish; the head paler; dorsal and anal fins dark brown; caudal pale; pectorals and pelvics black.

REMARKS.—This species may be distinguished from *H. atlanticus*, Collett, and *H. gilchristi*, Smith, by the form of the abdominal scutes, the shape of the posterior border of the maxillary, the fewer dorsal spines, the longer pectoral fins, and by the black pectorals and pelvics. In addition to the specimens mentioned above, this description includes a larger example, 215 mm. in length, from off South Africa, 402 to ? 548 metres.\* It is possible that *H. gilchristi* will prove to be identical with *H. atlanticus*, but as I have been able to examine only one very large example of the latter species (about 550 mm.), from off the south-west of Ireland, it is difficult to decide how far the apparent differences are due to the size of the specimen. *H. melanopterus*, Fowler, from the Philippines, is perhaps identical with *H. melanopus*.

#### Family MELAMPHAIDÆ.

##### *Melamphæus robustus*, Günther.

See Norman, 1929, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (10) IV, p. 160; Parr, 1933, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III (6), p. 19.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091–0 m.; 1 (55 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic; Indo-Pacific.

REMARKS.—As suggested by Parr, it seems probable that *M. nigrescens*, Brauer, is synonymous with *M. robustus*.

##### *Melamphæus megalops*, Lütken.

See Norman, 1929, *t.c.*, p. 161.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 100, 850–0 m.; 2 (30, 37 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indian Oceans.

REMARKS.—These specimens are in poor condition, but compare very well on the whole with specimens of *M. megalops* from the Atlantic.

##### *Melamphæus mizolepis*, Günther.

See Norman, 1929, *t.c.*, p. 168; Parr, 1931, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll., II (4), p. 44.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 133, Arabian Sea, MT, 3385 m.; 1 (48 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

\* This formed one of a series of 9 specimens, 210 to 430 mm. in total length, recorded by me as *H. atlanticus* (Norman, 1935, "Discovery" Reports, XII, p. 51). The remainder, which were captured at St. J (34° 8' S., 17° 33' E.), should presumably be referred to *H. gilchristi*, Smith.

## Family ZEIDÆ.

*Zen seutatus* (Gilchrist & von Bonde).

*Paracyttopsis seutatus*, Gilchrist & von Bonde, 1924, Rep. Fish. Mar. Biol. Surv. III (1922), Spec. Rep. VII, p. 18, pl. v; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 378.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. : 1 (155 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Coast of Natal, near Maldives : in deep water.

REMARKS.—This specimen agrees very well with the description given by Gilchrist and von Bonde, which was based upon a single specimen, 125 mm. in length, from off the coast of Natal, 425 metres. *Z. itea* (Jordan & Fowler), from Japan, appears to have a somewhat smaller eye, and *Z. cypho*, Fowler, from the Philippines, also has a smaller eye and a dark spot on the lateral line; the three species, however, seem to be very closely related.

## Family SERRANIDÆ.

Genus *Ostracoberyx*. Fowler.

*Ostracoberyx*, Fowler, 1934, Proc. Acad. N.S. Philad., LXXXV (1933), p. 353.

Fowler has erected the family Ostracoberycidæ for the reception of this genus, and places it among the Berycoid fishes. "This interesting family," he writes, "apparently related to the Trachichthyidæ in general appearance of the head, normal scales, projecting mandible, position of the paired fins and the presence of three anal spines. It differs, however, markedly in its ossified finely-striated surface bones of the head, more dorsal spines, rounded caudal fin and divided dorsals."

The pelvic fins, each of a spine and 5 soft rays, and the presence of 17 principal rays in the caudal fin, 15 of which are branched, suggest that this fish is not likely to be a Berycoid, and the examination of a skeleton prepared from one of the specimens obtained by the "Mabahiss" confirms this suggestion, as there is no trace of an orbitosphenoid in the skull. Other osteological characters which may be noted are the apparent absence of a supramaxillary, the well-marked subocular shelf, and the two post-cleithra on each side. The anterior ribs are sessile, the posterior inserted on parapophyses. There are 25 (10 + 15) vertebræ. In all its characters this genus falls within the suborder Percoidea of the Order Percomorphi, and clearly belongs to the division Perciformes of Regan's classification.\* I see no reason for maintaining the family Ostracoberycidæ, as the genus fits well into the definition of the family Serranidæ. In spite of its very different external appearance, *Ostracoberyx* seems to be related to the Japanese *Niphon*, and the osteological characters of the two genera are very similar. It may be noted that *Niphon* has a very strong spine at the angle of the præoperculum. In addition to the more robust form and strongly armoured head, *Ostracoberyx* differs from *Niphon* in the larger cycloid scales, the denticulated lower and smooth hinder margin of the præoperculum, the absence of spines on the operculum, the fewer spines in the dorsal fin and the absence of a spine in front of the fin, the rounded caudal fin, the fewer rays in the pectoral fin, and the lower number of vertebræ.

\* 1913, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (8) XII, p. 111.

*Ostracoberyx dorygenys*, Fowler.

*Ostracoberyx dorygenys*, Fowler, 1934, *t.c.*, p. 353, fig. 105.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 109, Zanzibar area, AT, 640 m. ; 1 (230 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 3 (125–150 mm.). One of these specimens prepared as a dry skeleton.

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Maldives, Philippines ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—I have nothing to add to the original description given by Fowler. The examples mentioned above have 7 branchiostegal rays, but otherwise seem to agree very closely with the type.

*Epinephelus præopercularis*, Boulenger.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 75, Gulf of Oman, OT, 201 m. ; 3 (145–355 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Coast of Natal, Persian Gulf.

*Epinephelus* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 1 (75 mm.).

REMARKS.—I am unable to identify this young example with certainty. It is not unlike *E. chlorostigma*, Cuvier & Valenciennes, a species widely distributed in the Indo-Pacific.

*Chelidoperca investigatoris* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 43, S. Arabian Coast, OT, 83–100 m. ; 4 (73–110 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—South Arabian Coast, Madras coast.

*Anthias squamipinnis* (Peters).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 10, Red Sea, OT, 55 m. ; 6 (85–110 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, Red Sea, East Indies, Philippines.

*Anthias cooperi*, Regan.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 2 (110, 111 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Kurrachee, Maldives, Cargados Carajos.

*Acropoma japonicum*, Günther.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 75, Gulf of Oman, OT, 201 m. ; 10 (93–160 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Oman, India, East Indies, Philippines, Japan.

REMARKS.—These specimens agree closely with Lloyd's description and figure of *Synagrops splendens*, based upon a single specimen, 150 mm. in length, from the Gulf of



Oman (1909, 'Mem. Ind. Mus.' II, p. 159; Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xlvii, fig. 5), but comparison with specimens of *Acropoma japonicum* shows the two species to be identical. *A. cynodon*, Regan, from the coast of Natal, is very closely related, but appears to have a more slender body, smaller head, rather stronger anterior canines, and larger scales.

Family PRIACANTHIDÆ.

*Priacanthus hamrur* (Forskål).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT., 37-91m. ; 1 (88 mm.).

St. 89, Arabian Sea, OT, 135-183m. ; 1 (125 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Japan and the Pacific.

Family CHILODIPTERIDÆ.

*Apogon (Apogonichthys) auritus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 146, Maldive area, OT, 37 m. ; 1 (41 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia and the Pacific.

*Apogon (Apogonichthys) ellioti*, Day.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 71, Gulf of Oman, OT, 106 m. ; 1 (59 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago to China, Japan and Queensland.

*Apogon (Apogon) monochrous*, Bleeker.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 (102 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Natal, East Indies, Philippines, Polynesia.

*Apogon (Apogon) maximus*, Boulenger.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 43, South Arabian Coast, OT, 83-100 m. ; 1 (110 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Coast of Arabia, Gulf of Oman.

REMARKS.—The largest of the three types of this species from Muscat is about 255 mm. in total length. It seems to be quite distinct from *Apogon taniatus* (= *A. bifasciatus*).

*Apogon (Apogon) quadrifasciatus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18-22 m. ; 1 (72 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Japan and Australia.

*Oxyodon macrops*, Brauer.

*Oxyodon macrops*, Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 288, fig. 172; Weber and Beaufort, 1929, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. V, p. 351, fig. 81.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 124, Zanzibar area, MT, 914 m. ; 1 (192 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, near Sumatra ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This species was known previously only from the two types, 172 and 212 mm. in length, from off the west coast of Sumatra at a depth of 903 metres.

*Synagrops japonicus* (Steindachner & Döderlein).

For description see Fowler and Bean, 1930, Bull. U.S. Nat. Mus. C (10), p. 136.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 10 (73–102 mm.).

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m. ; 24 (50–95 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640–658 m. ; 12 (170–190 mm.).

St. 145, Maldiva area, AT, 494 m. ; 1 (165 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East coast of Africa, Maldives, Philippines, Japan, Micronesia.

REMARKS.—The synonymies given by Fowler and Bean for this and the succeeding species have been somewhat confused. *Synagrops natalensis*, Gilchrist, placed by these authors in the synonymy of *S. philippinensis*, appears to be identical with *S. japonicus*, whereas *S. argyrea* (Gilbert & Cramer), from Hawaii, and *S. malayanus*, Weber, from the East Indies, are in all probability identical with *S. philippinensis*.

*Synagrops philippinensis* (Günther).

For description see Fowler and Bean, 1930, *t.c.*, p. 138.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 16, Gulf of Aden, AT, 186 m. ; 19 (78–90 mm.).

St. 75, Gulf of Oman, OT, 201 m. ; 4 (66–100 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 3 (42–60 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago to the Pacific.

REMARKS.—As recognized by Alcock himself, *Parascombrops pellucidus*, Alcock, from the Bay of Bengal, proves to be synonymous with this species.

## Family LATILIDÆ.

*Branchiostegus dobiatus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m. ; 1 (45 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Western Indian Ocean.

## Family BATHYCLUPEIDÆ.

*Bathyclupea hoskynii*, Alcock.

*Bathyclupea hoskynii*, Alcock, 1891, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VIII, p. 131, fig. 4; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 40; 1900, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxviii, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 15 (120-190 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean ; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about equal to length of head, which is about 3 in that of fish (without caudal). Snout a little more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  diameter of eye, which is rather more than twice the interorbital width and 3 in length of head. Mouth nearly vertical, the lower jaw strongly projecting ; maxillary extending to below anterior part of eye. Lower edge of præoperculum finely serrated. 24 to 28 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Dorsal 9 or 10 ; origin about equidistant from middle of eye and base of caudal. Anal 32-36 ; origin a little nearer tip of lower jaw than base of caudal. Pectoral with 29 or 30 rays.

*Bathyclupea malayana*, Weber.

*Bathyclupea malayana*, Weber, 1913, Fische "Siboga"-Exped. p. 193, pl. iii, fig. 1 ; Weber and Beaufort, 1931, Fish. Indo-Austral. Arch. VI, p. 183, fig. 36.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 1 (280 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Flores Sea ; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Closely related to *B. hoskynii*, but depth of body nearly 4 in the length, length of head about 3. Snout  $\frac{2}{3}$  diameter of eye, which is twice the interorbital width and  $2\frac{2}{3}$  in length of head. Mouth more oblique, the maxillary scarcely extending beyond anterior margin of eye. Lower edge of præoperculum smooth. About 16 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Dorsal 9. Anal 27 or 28. Pectoral with 30 rays.

REMARKS.—This species, which was not previously represented in the British Museum, may prove to be identical with *B. argentea*, Goode & Bean, from the Atlantic.

## Family CARANGIDÆ.

*Naucrates ductor* (Linnæus).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. —, Arabian Sea (Dec. 23rd, 1933). Hand-net, surface ; 1 (20 mm.).

Associated with *Porpita*.

DISTRIBUTION.—Cosmopolitan.

## Family CORYPHÆNIDÆ.

*Coryphæna equisetis*, Linnæus.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N 200, 2500 m. ; 1 (63 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Cosmopolitan.

## Family EMMELICHTHYIDÆ.

*Dipterygonotus leucogrammicus*, Bleeker.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 1 (83 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Ceylon, Indo-Australian Archipelago, Philippines.

## Family NEMIPTERIDÆ.

*Nemipterus japonicus* (Bloch).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. A, Red Sea, OT, 65–68 m. ; 7 (96–136 mm.—without filament).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to China and Japan.

REMARKS.—Three of these specimens have a large crustacean parasite in the gill-chamber.

*Parascolopsis townsendi*, Boulenger.

*Parascolopsis townsendi*, Boulenger, 1901, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (7) VII, p. 262, pl. vi.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 71, Gulf of Oman, OT, 106 m. ; 1 (105 mm.).

St. 89, Arabian Sea, OT, 135–183 m. ; 7 (72–123 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 15 (110–155 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, northern part of Arabian Sea.

## Family LEIOGNATHIDÆ.

*Leiognathus insidiator* (Bloch).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 3 (65–85 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

*Leiognathus bindus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 22 (52–85 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden ; seas of India, through the Indo-Australian Archipelago, to China.

*Leiognathus lineolatus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 10 (78–86 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea (?), through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia and Japan.



*Gazza minuta* (Bloch).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 3 (77–90 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

## Family POMADASIDÆ.

*Pomadasys stridens* (Forskål).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. A, Red Sea, OT, 65–68 m. ; 1 (165 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Arabia, Persian Gulf, Zanzibar.

## Family MULLIDÆ.

*Parupeneus fraterculus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 1 (140 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Japan and the Pacific.

*Upeneus bensasi* (Schlegel) ?

## OCCURRENCE :

St. A, Red Sea, OT, 65–68 m. ; 1 (112 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the seas of India, to the Philippines, China and Japan.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in poor condition.

## Family EPHIPPIDÆ.

*Platax orbicularis* (Forskål).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. —, Shore collection at Zukhair Islands, Red Sea ; 1 (140 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

## Family CHÆTODONTIDÆ.

*Chætodon jayakari*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

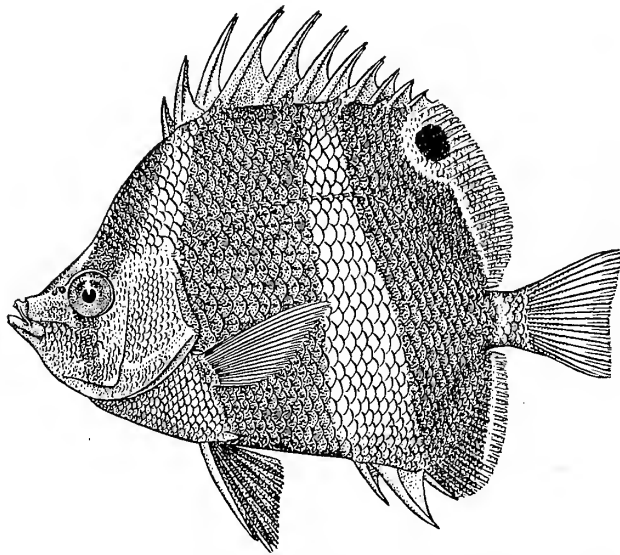
St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73–200 m. ; 2 (88, 104 mm.).

St. 43, South Arabian Coast, OT, 83–100 m. ; 1 (115 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Off the coasts of southern Arabia.

DESCRIPTION.—Body short, deep, compressed, the profile of the head distinctly concave. Depth of body about  $1\frac{1}{3}$  in the length, length of head  $2\frac{2}{5}$  to  $2\frac{3}{5}$ . Snout as long

as or a little longer than diameter of eye, which is  $3\frac{1}{4}$  to nearly 4 in length of head ; inter-orbital width about  $3\frac{1}{4}$ . Teeth well developed. Scales evenly rounded behind, those on sides of body much larger anteriorly than posteriorly, arranged in more or less horizontal rows above and below the lateral line, at least anteriorly ; about 35 scales in a longitudinal series, 12 from origin of dorsal to lateral line ; lateral line with a blunt angle below posterior part of spinous dorsal, ending below last rays of soft dorsal. Dorsal XI 22-24 ; fourth spine  $\frac{2}{3}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$ , last spine rather more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  length of head ; soft fin broadly rounded. Anal III 17-18. Pectoral about  $\frac{4}{5}$  length of head. Caudal truncate. Greyish or yellowish-brown ; indistinct narrow dark lines running along the rows of scales ; a dark brown ocular band, narrower than the orbit, from origin of dorsal to lower margin of interoperculum ; a narrower median band from occipital region to tip of snout ; two rather broad greyish transverse bands on side, the first from the anterior part of the spinous dorsal



TEXT-FIG. 21.—*Chaetodon jayakari*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

to just behind the root of the pelvics, the second from the posterior part of the spinous and the anterior part of the soft dorsal downwards and a little backwards to the soft anal ; anterior part of soft dorsal with a dark, white-edged ocellus, which is rather larger than the eye ; pelvics blackish or dark brown ; pectoral, caudal and hinder parts of soft dorsal and anal pale.

REMARKS.—In addition to the examples obtained by the "John Murray" Expedition, the above description includes 4 specimens, 120 to 160 mm. in total length, from Muscat, Gulf of Oman, sent to the British Museum by Mr. A. S. G. Jayakar, and identified by Dr. G. A. Boulenger as *Chaetodon modestus*. The largest of these has been selected as the holotype.

This species is very closely related to *C. modestus*, Schlegel (= *Coradion desmotes*, Jordan & Fowler), from China and Japan, but may be distinguished by the larger head, somewhat larger eye, fewer scales in a longitudinal series, rather shorter and less stout dorsal spines, and by the larger ocellus on the soft dorsal fin. In *C. modestus* the transverse bands on the body are each margined with darker.

*Chatodon gardineri*, sp. n.

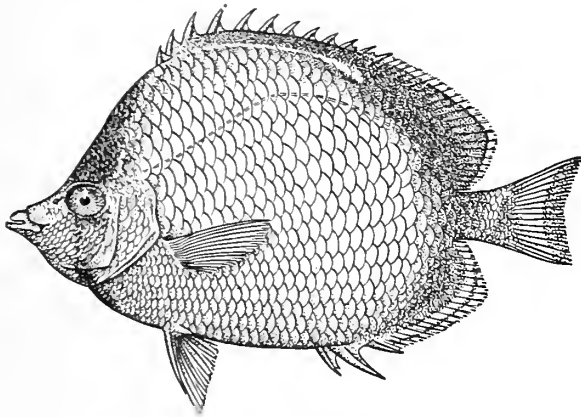
*Chatodon selene* (non Bleeker). Boulenger, 1887, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond. p. 657.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 (165 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman.

DESCRIPTION.—Very closely related to *C. selene*, but with larger scales and a different coloration. About 25 to 27 scales in a longitudinal series, 6 from first dorsal spine to origin of lateral line. Ground-colour yellowish, with faint narrow darker lines on lower part of body running along the oblique rows of scales ; no white spots on scales above ascending part of lateral line : ocular band nearly as broad as the eye, with the white posterior border very faintly indicated, disappearing below eye, continued on lower part of cheek, united below with that of opposite side to form a blotch on the breast ; a blackish area covers the greater part of the dorsal fin, crosses the posterior part of the body,



TEXT-FIG. 22.—*Chatodon gardineri*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

and terminates on basal part of anal fin ; dorsal with a pale margin, the soft fin with a narrow dark line separating this from the dark area ; anal with a similar pale border and inframarginal dark line ; caudal yellowish, with a rather broad dusky posterior margin ; pectorals and pelvics pale.

REMARKS.—In addition to the specimen mentioned above, this description includes three examples from Muscat, Gulf of Oman, 120 to 158 mm. in total length, sent to the British Museum by Mr. Jayakar, and identified by Dr. Boulenger as *Chatodon selene*, a species found in the East Indies, Philippines and Japan. A specimen 150 mm. in length has been selected from these as the holotype.

I have much pleasure in naming this species after Prof. J. Stanley Gardiner, F.R.S., the Secretary to the Committee of the "John Murray" Expedition.

## Family HISTIOPTERIDÆ.

*Histiopertus spinifer*, Gilchrist.

See Barnard, 1927, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 620, pl. xxxi, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73-200 m. ; 1 (150 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, South-east Africa from Mossel Bay to Natal.

## Family LABRIDÆ.

*Lepidaplois trilineatus*, Fowler.

*Lepidaplois trilineatus*, Fowler, 1934, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad. LXXXVI, p. 492, fig. 47.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73–200 m. ; 1 (220 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Coast of Natal.

REMARKS.—This species was known previously only from the unique holotype (A.N.S.P. No. 55993), 230 mm. in length, from Natal. The example obtained by the "John Murray" Expedition has ten soft rays in the dorsal fin, but otherwise agrees very well with Fowler's description.

## Family CHAMPSODONTIDÆ.

*Champsodon omanensis*, Regan.

*Champsodon omanensis*, Regan, 1908, Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., Zool. XII, p. 245, pl. xxvii, fig. 1.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 70, Gulf of Oman, OT, 196 m. ; 15 (70–113 mm.).

St. 75, Gulf of Oman, OT, 201 m. ; 2 (97, 110 mm.).

St. 89, Arabian Sea, OT, 135–183 m. ; 1 (85 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 8 (52–110 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Gulf of Oman.

*Champsodon capensis*, Regan.

*Champsodon vorax* (non Günther), Alcock, 1889, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LVIII (2), p. 302 ; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 47 ; 1900, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xxviii, fig. 5.

*Champsodon capensis*, Regan, 1908, t.c., p. 244, pl. xxvii, fig. 2 ; Barnard, 1927, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 432, pl. xviii, fig. 2.

*Champsodon arafurensis*, Regan, 1908, t.c., p. 245 ; Weber, 1913, "Siboga"-Exped., Fishes, p. 146.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 48 (40–110 mm.).

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m. ; 250 (40–92 mm.).

St. 107, Zanzibar area, AT, 421–457 m. ; 1 (62 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—South-east Africa, near Zanzibar, off the Malabar Coast, Bay of Bengal, Indo-Australian Archipelago.

REMARKS.—Examination of this large series of specimens suggests that *C. arafurensis* cannot be maintained as a distinct species.

## Family OPISTHOGNATHIDÆ.

*Stalix omanensis*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

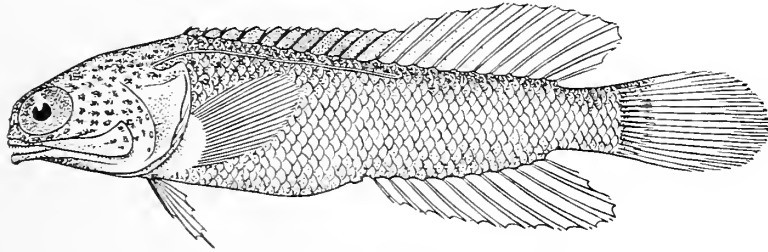
St. 72, Gulf of Oman, AT, 73 m. ; 1 (42 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Oman.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 4 in the length, length of head a little more than  $3\frac{1}{4}$ . Diameter of eye more than 4 times interorbital width and 3 in length of head. Maxillary extending well beyond eye, but not nearly reaching margin of præoperculum. Teeth



in jaws in narrow bands anteriorly, becoming uniserial laterally; no teeth on vomer or palatines. 16 or 17 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. About 43 scales in a longitudinal series; lateral line extending along back close to base of dorsal fin, terminating nearly opposite second soft ray. Dorsal XI 11: first seven spines forked, the anterior



TEXT-FIG. 23.—*Stalix omanensis*. Holotype.  $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ .

ones more deeply and widely forked than the posterior ones. Anal II 11; origin below commencement of soft dorsal. Pectoral with 20 rays, as long as pelvics and rather more than half as long as head. Caudal rounded (?); caudal peduncle about as long as deep. Pale brownish; rather darker on back; head with some small dark spots; fins all uniform.

REMARKS.—This species differs from *S. histrio*, Jordan & Snyder, from Japan, the only other known species, in having more numerous gill-rakers, rather larger scales, more soft dorsal rays, and a different coloration.

#### Family OWSTONIIDÆ.

##### *Parasphenanthias weberi*, Gilchrist.

*Parasphenanthias weberi*, Gilchrist, 1922, Rep. Fish. Mar. Biol. Surv. II (1921), Spec. Rep. III, p. 69, pl. x, fig. 2.

*Owstonia weberi*, Barnard, 1927, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 493.

#### OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m.; 1 (130 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Coast of Natal, near Zanzibar; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about equal to length of head, which is  $3\frac{1}{4}$  in that of fish (without caudal). The maxillary extends to a little beyond level of middle of eye. Teeth in a single series throughout in both jaws, slender, curved, and flaring outwards. There are two small spines at the angle of the præoperculum, and four rather stronger, anteriorly directed spines on its lower edge. About 30 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. The scales are all missing, but there appear to have been about 35 in a longitudinal series; lateral lines of the two sides connected with each other across the nape just in front of the origin of the dorsal fin. The dorsal fin appears to have only 3 true spines, followed by 6 simple and 15 (or 16) branched articulated rays. The anal has a single spine, followed by 1 simple and 13 (or 14) branched articulated rays.

REMARKS.—The genus *Parasphenanthias* is closely related to *Owstonia* and *Sphenanthias*, differing from the former mainly in the larger scales and the form of the body, and from the latter in having the lateral lines confluent in front of the dorsal fin. *Sphenanthias sibogæ* has been described as having nine spine-like rays in the dorsal fin, but Dr. L. F. de Beaufort, who has examined the type-specimens, kindly informs me that there are

27 rays in the fin, of which the first 4 are flexible spines, the next 5 articulated simple rays, and the remaining 18 are branched rays.

The genus *Owstonia* was placed by Tanaka in the family Opisthognathidæ, but has been regarded by Jordan and others as the type of a distinct family, Owstoniidæ. Other authors have placed these fishes in the subfamily Anthiinæ of the Serranidæ. In a recent paper, Myers (1935, 'Smithson. Misc. Coll.' XCI, No. 23, Publ. 3347, p. 1) points out that "*Owstonia*, *Sphenanthias*, *Parasphenanthias*, *Loxopseudochromis* and *Opsipseudochromis* form a closely interrelated group of deep-water fishes that is apparently rather close to the Opisthognathidæ but not to the Pseudochromidæ". Dr. Myers adds that he intends to treat this assemblage of genera more fully in the near future.

#### Family BEMBROPSIDÆ.

##### *Bembrops platyrhynchus* (Alcock).\*

*Bathypercis platyrhynchus*, Alcock, 1893, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LXII (2), p. 177, pl. ix, fig. 1.

*Bembrops platyrhynchus*, Alcock, 1894, *ibid.* LXIII (2), p. 118; 1898, *Illust. Zool.* "Investigator", pl. xx, fig. 6.

*Bembrops caudimacula*, Alcock, 1894, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LXIII (2), p. 118; 1899, *Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish.* p. 48.

#### OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m.; 2 (198, 202 mm.).

#### DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $5\frac{2}{3}$  to nearly 6 in the length, length of head (from tip of lower jaw to end of opercular flap)  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{1}{3}$ . Length of snout about equal to diameter of eye, which is about 4 in length of head. Length of fleshy process on maxillary less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  diameter of eye. About 16 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. 43 to 46 scales in the lateral line, which rises sharply above the pectoral fin. Dorsal VI 14-15; first ray of spinous fin not prolonged, length less than  $\frac{1}{3}$  that of head. Anal 15-16. Pectoral with 25 or 26 rays, length about  $\frac{2}{3}$  that of head and much longer than that of pelvic. Caudal rounded; caudal peduncle a little longer than deep. Yellowish-brown above, paler below; all the scales on back and upper parts of sides margined with dark brown or black; some scattered yellowish-green markings on upper part of head, opercular flap, and on body; both dorsal fins wholly blackish; anal with a dusky base and white margin; caudal greyish, with a darker streak along its lower edge, and with an indistinct round dark spot just behind the base in its upper half; pectoral and pelvics more or less dusky.

REMARKS.—Apart from a difference in the coloration of the fins, the specimens described above agree very well with one from the Andaman Sea, 205 mm. in total length, received from the Indian Museum as *Bemprops platyrhynchus*. This specimen has a broad oblique black band near the base of the spinous dorsal, separated by a pale area from a narrow black margin; the anal fin is uniformly pale, and there is no trace of a black spot on the upper half of the caudal fin.

Alcock regarded his species as synonymous with *B. caudimacula*, Steindachner, from Japan, but that species appears to have a longer snout and smaller eye. *B. gobioides*

\* I am indebted to Dr. S. L. Hora, of the Indian Museum, for the loan of the holotype of *Bathypercis platyrhynchus*. This specimen (No. 13437) is about 108 mm. in total length.

(Goode), from the Atlantic, also regarded by Alcock as synonymous, is described as having 65 scales in the lateral line.\*

*Bembrops adenensis*. sp. n.

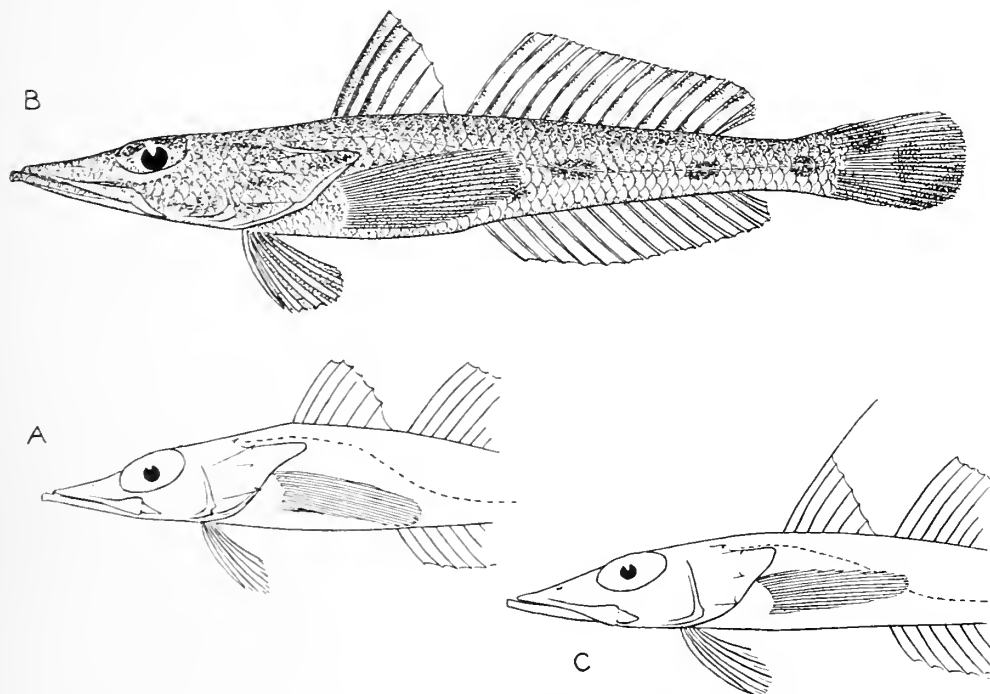
OCCURRENCE :

St. 16, Gulf of Aden. AT. 186 m. : 8 (30-155 mm.).

St. 194 ,, AT, 220 m. : 55 (50-205 mm.). Holotype 193 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body 6 to  $6\frac{1}{2}$  in the length, length of head  $2\frac{1}{3}$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$ . Length of snout  $3\frac{3}{4}$  to more than 4 in that of head, diameter of eye  $4\frac{1}{4}$  to nearly 5. Length of fleshy process on maxillary usually at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  diameter of eye. About 15 gill-rakers on



TEXT-FIG. 24.—A. Head and anterior part of body of *Bembrops platyrhynchus*.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ . B. *Bembrops adenensis*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{2}{3}$ . C. Head and anterior part of body of holotype of *Bembrops nematopterus*.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

lower part of anterior arch. 46 to 48 scales in lateral line, which rises rather gradually above the pectoral fin. Dorsal VI 14-15; first ray of spinous fin not prolonged, length about  $\frac{1}{3}$  that of head. Anal 16. Pectoral with 25 or 26 rays; length more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head and much longer than that of pelvic. Caudal rounded; caudal peduncle a little longer than deep. Yellowish-brown above, paler below; the scales not very distinctly margined with darker as in the previous species; a series of 3 or 4 dark brown blotches on each side in the region of the lateral line; sometimes some small scattered yellowish-green markings on head and body; spinous dorsal with the membrane between the first two or three rays blackish, but the remainder of the fin pale; often some black spots and stripes on soft dorsal; anal pale; caudal yellowish-brown, with a blackish mark along its

\* The specimens recorded from the Gulf of Guinea, 120 to 220 metres, by Cadenat (Rev. Trav. Off. Pêches Marit. X, fasc. 4, 1937, p. 513, fig. 49) as *B. caudimaculata*, have 60 to 62 scales in the lateral line.



lower edge, and with an oval blackish spot just behind the base in its upper half, which is more distinct in the young but persists clearly in the adult; sometimes some other dark marks on fin; pectorals and pelvics more or less dusky.

REMARKS.—This species differs from *B. platyrhynchus* in the more slender body, smaller eye, longer process on the maxillary, less arched anterior portion of the lateral line, rather smaller scales, and in the coloration of the fins. It appears to be close to *B. caudimacula*, Steindachner, known only from the original description of the unique holotype, 140 mm. in total length, but that species appears to have a larger head, longer snout, and larger scales.

*Bembrops nematopterus*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m.; 9 (120–185 mm.). Holotype 163 mm.

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m.; 3 (130–182 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about 7 in the length, length of head  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to nearly  $2\frac{2}{3}$ . Length of snout  $3\frac{2}{5}$  to  $3\frac{3}{5}$  in that of head, diameter of eye about 4. Length of fleshy process on maxillary not more than  $\frac{2}{5}$  diameter of eye. 15 to 17 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. 42 to 45 scales in lateral line, which rises rather sharply above the pectoral fin. Dorsal VI 14–15; first ray of spinous fin prolonged, its length generally more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head. Anal 15–16. Pectoral with about 25 rays, length  $\frac{1}{2}$  or a little more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head and much longer than that of pelvic. Caudal rounded; caudal peduncle a little longer than deep. Yellowish-brown above, paler below; scales on back and upper parts of sides margined with dark brown or black; 2 to 4 indistinct dark blotches in the region of the lateral line, and often a row of 8 to 10 paler blotches on lower part of side; some small, scattered, yellowish-green markings on head and body; distal part of spinous dorsal black, the remainder of the fin pale; soft dorsal sometimes with dark spots; anal more or less pale; caudal yellowish-brown, with a black streak along its lower edge; young with an oval blackish spot just behind the base on upper half of caudal, disappearing in the adult; pectorals and pelvics more or less dusky.

REMARKS.—In many respects this species seems to resemble *B. caudimacula*, but Steindachner makes no mention of any prolonged ray in the spinous dorsal, and the eye appears to be smaller in the Japanese species. *B. filifer*\*, Fowler, from the Philippines, is closely related, but has a more slender body, smaller scales, and a different coloration. *B. filifera*, Gilbert, from Hawaii, another species with a filamentous first dorsal spine, has 64 or 65 scales in the lateral line.

Family URANOSCOPIDÆ.

*Uranoscopus archionema*, Regan.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m.; 3 (65–140 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—South-east Africa, from Mossel Bay to Zululand; near Zanzibar.

\* This name is preoccupied by Gilbert's species, and I, therefore, propose *B. filamentosa*, **nom. n.** as a substitute.



*Uranoscopus crassiceps*, Alcock.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 16, Gulf of Aden, AT, 186 m. ; 1 (140 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 48 (110–200 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden ; Ganjam, Coromandel and Malabar coasts.

## Family CHIASMODONTIDÆ.

*Pseudoscopelus cephalus*, Fowler ?

*Pseudoscopelus cephalus*, Fowler, 1934, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad. LXXXV, p. 361, fig. 111.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 131 D, Arabian Sea, N. 200, 2500–0 m. ; 1 (36 mm.).

REMARKS.—This young specimen may be referable to Fowler's species, described from a single specimen (U.S.N.M. No. 93142), 89 mm. long, from the Jolo Sea at a depth of 952 metres.

## Family SIGANIDÆ.

*Siganus nebulosus* (Quoy & Gaimard).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. —, Shore collection at Zukhair Islands, Red Sea ; 1 (108 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Coast of Africa and the Red Sea to Australia.

## Family TRICHIURIDÆ.

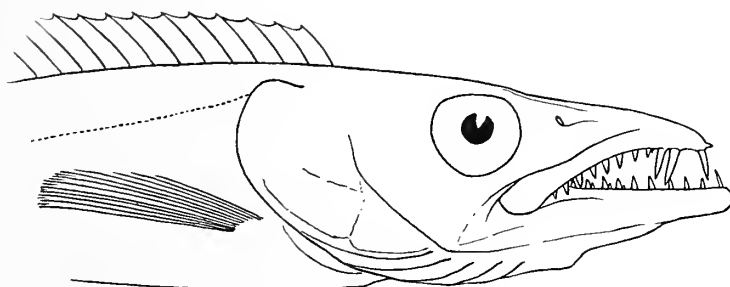
*Aphanopus microphthalmus*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 1 (600 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body (measured opposite posterior margin of operculum) about  $9\frac{1}{2}$  in the length (without caudal), length of head (from tip of lower jaw to margin



TEXT-FIG. 25.—Head and anterior part of body of holotype of *Aphanopus microphthalmus*.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

of operculum)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . Snout as long as postorbital part of head and more than twice as long as diameter of eye, which is a little greater than the interorbital width and nearly  $5\frac{3}{4}$  in length of head (including lower jaw). Maxillary extending to below anterior part of eye ;

lower jaw strongly projecting; each præmaxillary with 3 large canine teeth anteriorly, followed by a row of much smaller teeth; 11 or 12 rather larger teeth in the lower jaw. The two dorsal fins together with 95 or 96 rays.\* Length of dagger-like anal spine about  $\frac{3}{4}$  diameter of eye. Pectoral with 12 rays. Uniformly blackish.

REMARKS.—In *Aphanopus carbo*, Lowe, *A. minor*, Collett, and *A. schmidti*, Sæmundsson, three closely related species from the North Atlantic, the body is longer (depth 10 to 12, head about 5, in the length), the snout is rather longer than the postorbital part of the head, and the diameter of the eye is distinctly larger (about 5 in length of head in specimens of 950 to 1100 mm. in total length). The smaller teeth seem to be somewhat stronger than those of *A. microphthalmus*. Another species, *A. simonyi*, Steindachner, from the Canaries, has an increased number of rays in the dorsal fins (45-47 + 105-107).

#### Family GOBIIDÆ.

##### [*Gobius*] *cometes*, Alcock.

*Gobius cometes*, Alcock, 1890, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VI, p. 208, pl. viii, fig. 2; 1898, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xx, fig. 3; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 71.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 16, Gulf of Aden, AT, 186 m. ; 5 (88-115 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 10 (40-60 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Ganjam Coast; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This species seems to come nearest to the genus *Acentrogobius*, Bleeker, in the key given by Koumans (1931, 'Prelim. Rev. Gen. Gobioid Fish.'), but the author, who has examined specimens of *G. cometes*, informs me that it will probably prove to be the type of a new genus. There is a specimen in the British Museum from the Gulf of Oman.

##### *Oplopomus caninoides* (Bleeker).

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, AT, 18-22 m. ; 1 (65 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf, East Indies, etc.

##### *Gnatholepis* sp. ?

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183-194 m. ; 120 (45-68 mm.).

REMARKS.—All these specimens are in a poor condition, most of the scales and a large part of the skin being missing, so that it is difficult to place them in a genus with any degree of certainty. Dr. F. P. Koumans, of the Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie, Leiden, has kindly examined two or three of the specimens obtained by the "John Murray" Expedition, and writes that they probably belong to the genus *Gnatholepis*, but that he is unable to identify them specifically.

\* The rays of the dorsal fins are much broken in this specimen, and it is impossible to be sure where the interspace between the two fins occurs.

## Family CALLIONYMIDÆ.

*Callionymus carebares*, Alcock.

*Callionymus carebares*, Alcock, 1890, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VI, p. 209, pl. viii, fig. 8; 1898, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xx, fig. 4; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 73.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 70, Gulf of Oman, OT, 196 m. ; 1 (127 mm.).

St. 89, Arabian Sea, OT, 135-183 m. ; 35 (65-102 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 20 (120-175 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Arabian Sea, Ganjam Coast, Malabar Coast.

REMARKS.—This species is well distinguished from *C. kaianus* by the larger head, larger eye, and the form of the præopercular spine, as well as by the different coloration.

*Callionymus kaianus*, Günther.

*Callionymus kaianus*, Günther, 1880, Shore Fish. "Challenger", p. 44, pl. xix, fig. B; Alcock, 1899, *t.c.*, p. 74; Regan, 1908, Trans. Linn. Soc. London, Zool. XII, p. 248; Weber, 1913, "Siboga"-Exped., Fishes, p. 524.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183-194 m. ; 1 female (98 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Saya de Malha Bank, Malabar Coast, Indo-Australian Archipelago.

*Callionymus maldivensis*, Regan.

*Callionymus maldivensis*, Regan, 1908, *t.c.*, p. 247, pl. xxx, fig. 3.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 2 (73, 88 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Maldives.

REMARKS.—These two small specimens, which appear to be females, differ somewhat in coloration from the types of the species, but seem to be otherwise similar. The general colour is greyish-brown, the head and upper part of the body being spotted and marbled with paler and darker; some indistinct dark cross-bars on the back and a row of small, rounded, pale spots along lower part of side; spinous dorsal brown, with pale spots and vermiculations, and with a large dark brown spot surrounding the distal part of the third ray; soft dorsal with 3 or 4 series of oblong dark spots; anal blackish or dusky, except at base; caudal with dark cross-bars.

*Callionymus filamentosus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 80, South Arabian Coast, SD 4, 16-22 m. ; 2 (31, 64 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Coast of Arabia, Persian Gulf, Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

REMARKS.—These small specimens appear to be referable to this species.

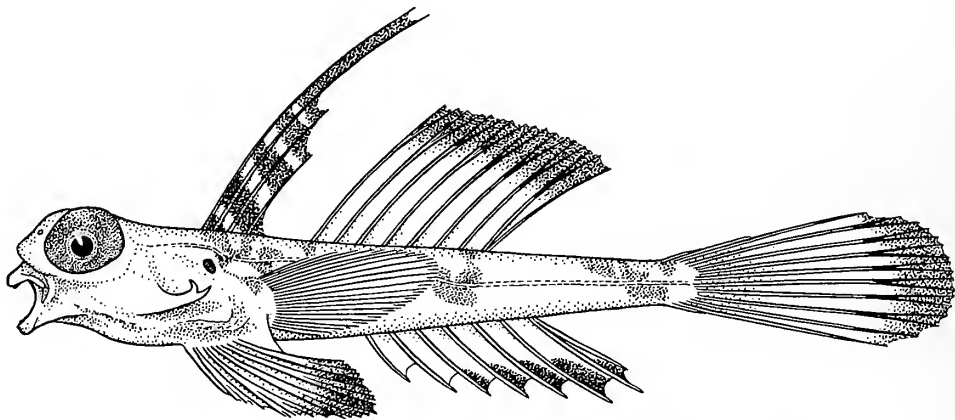
*Callionymus bicornis*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 6 (35–92 mm.). Holotype 92 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $5\frac{3}{4}$  in the length, length of head (to gill-opening) about  $3\frac{1}{4}$ . Diameter of eye a little more than  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in length of head ; eyes almost contiguous ; gill-openings small, superior ; præopercular spine stout, curved upwards at its extremity to form a tooth-like process of the same size as the single one on its upper edge ; occipital region smooth, covered by skin. Lateral line single. Dorsal IV, 9 ; spinous dorsal with the first two rays produced ; first ray reaching beyond base of last ray of soft dorsal when laid back, its length nearly  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in that of fish ; length of third ray about  $\frac{2}{3}$ , of fourth ray  $\frac{2}{5}$  that of head. Anal 8 ; the rays increasing in length posteriorly. Pectorals shorter than pelvics ; both fins extending beyond origin of anal ; a rather narrow membrane joining



TEXT-FIG. 26.—*Callionymus bicornis*. Holotype.  $\times 1\frac{1}{4}$ .

inner ray of pelvic to base of pectoral, but scarcely covering bases of lower pectoral rays. Caudal longer than head. Pale yellowish, with 3 irregular and rather faint darker cross-bars on back and upper parts of sides ; spinous dorsal blackish, barred with white ; soft dorsal and anal pale, margins blackish, at least posteriorly ; caudal pale, with the posterior margin blackish ; pectoral pale yellowish ; pelvic similarly coloured, with a black blotch distally.

The above description based upon the holotype only.

REMARKS.—Closely related to *C. phasis*, Günther, and *C. apricus*, McCulloch, both from Australia, differing mainly in the form of the præopercular spine. Whitley (1931, 'Rec. Austral. Mus.' XVIII, p. 115) has proposed the generic name *Yerutius* for these species, with *C. rubrovinctus*, Gilbert, from the Hawaiian Islands, all deep-water forms. This genus is said to differ from *Callionymus* in having "very large eyes, præopercular spine curved upward distally and without an antrorse spine below it, no broad ventral membrane covering bases of lower pectoral rays, dorsal rays branched, head and body not depressed".

*Callionymus* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 53, South Arabian Coast, TD 4,  $13\frac{1}{2}$  m. ; 1 (36 mm.).



*Synchiropus altivelis*, Regan.

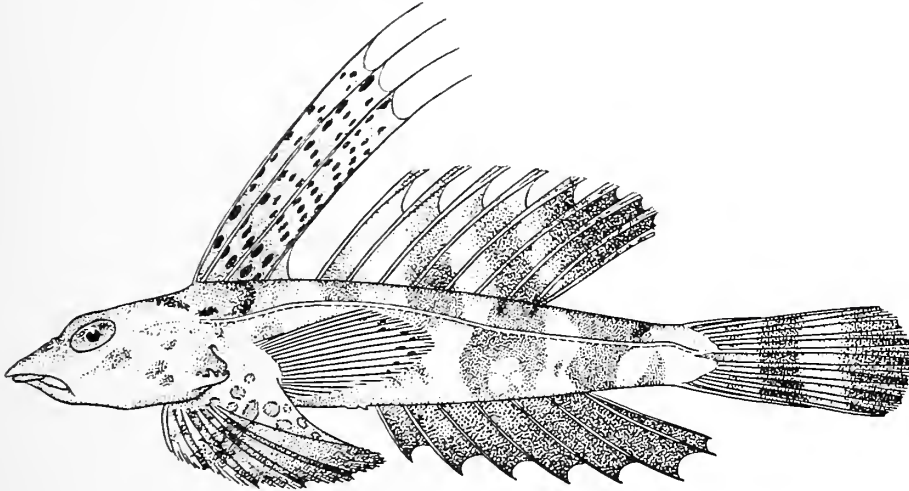
*Synchiropus altivelis*, Regan, 1908, *t.c.*, p. 249, pl. xxx, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 1 male (80 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Seychelles Group.

REMARKS.—The type is a small specimen, 58 mm. in total length. The larger male obtained by the "Mabahiss" differs in the following particulars: The diameter of the eye is more than 4 in the length of the head, which is about  $3\frac{1}{4}$  in that of the fish. The spinous dorsal fin is much elevated, with the rays produced beyond the membrane and extending



TEXT-FIG. 27.—*Synchiropus altivelis*. St. 27.  $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$ .

beyond middle of soft dorsal when laid back ; the length of the first ray  $1\frac{2}{3}$  times, that of the last  $1\frac{2}{3}$  times that of the head. Upper part of head and body with 6 reddish cross-bars, the first between the eyes, the last behind the soft dorsal ; some irregular dark brown markings on back near origin of spinous dorsal fin, and 3 large brown blotches on lower part of each side ; a large dusky area on the throat ; spinous dorsal with a reddish shade distally and with numerous rounded or oval brown spots ; a similar shade on soft dorsal, which is provided with dark blotches, especially posteriorly ; anal blackish ; caudal with 2 dark brown cross-bars, and with a reddish shade in its upper half ; pectoral pale yellowish, with a few dark spots near its margin ; pelvics with some rounded or elongate yellowish-brown areas margined with dark brown, and with dark edges.

This species is allied to *S. lineolatus*, Cuvier & Valenciennes, differing in the coloration and in the form of the præopercular spine.

## Family BLENNIDÆ.

*Petroscirtes mitratus*, Rüppell.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 25, Gulf of Aden, Hand Net, Surface (Sargasso Colony) : 4 (34–44 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Gulf of Aden, Mekran Coast.

*Petroscirtes ancylodon*, Rüppell.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 25, Gulf of Aden, Hand Nat, Surface (Sargasso Colony) ; 1 (27 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Gulf of Aden.

## Family BROTULIDÆ.

*Neobythites steatiticus*, Alcock.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 16, Gulf of Aden, AT, 186 m. ; 1 (27 mm.).

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457–549 m. ; 2 (160, 210 mm.).

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 1 (112 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

REMARKS.—The specimen from Station 105 has two ocelli on the dorsal fin, but appears to agree in other respects with those from Station 35.

*Monomitopus nigripinnis* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 108, Zanzibar area, AT, 786 m. ; 1 (270 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

*Dicrolene introniger*, Goode & Bean.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 54, South Arabian Coast, AT, 1046 m. ; 6 (115–180 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic ; Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—There do not appear to be any marked differences between specimens from the Atlantic and Indian Oceans.

*Dicrolene longimana*, Smith & Radcliffe.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 33, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1295 m. ; 1 (120 mm.).

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 3 (130–190 mm.).

St. 184, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1270 m. ; 1 (108 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Philippines.

REMARKS.—This species is new to the British Museum collection.

*Dicrolene multifilis* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640–658 m. ; 1 (145 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This specimen is in poor condition, but appears to be referable to this species.

*Dicrolene nigricaudis* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 1 (135 mm.).

St. 176, Gulf of Aden, AT, 655-732 m. ; 1 (168 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

*Bassobythites brunswigi*, Brauer.

*Bassobythites brunswigi*, Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 307, pl. xiv, fig. 7.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 159, Maldive area, MT, 914-1463 m. ; 1 (850 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Off the coast of N.E. Africa, near Maldives.

REMARKS.—This species was known previously only from the unique holotype, 900 mm. in total length, obtained by the "Valdivia" at 6° 18' 8" N., 49° 32' 5" E., at a depth of 1079 metres.

*Bassozetus glutinosus* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 26, Gulf of Aden, AT, 2312 m. ; 1 (270 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

*Porogadus trichiurus* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 26, Gulf of Aden, AT, 2312 m. ; 2 (175, 180 mm.).

St. 62, Arabian Sea, AT, 1893 m. ; 1 (135 mm.).

St. 118, Zanzibar area, AT, 1789 m. ; 1 (130 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

*Glyptophidium macropus*, Alcock.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 16 (190-215 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

*Glyptophidium longipes*, sp. n.

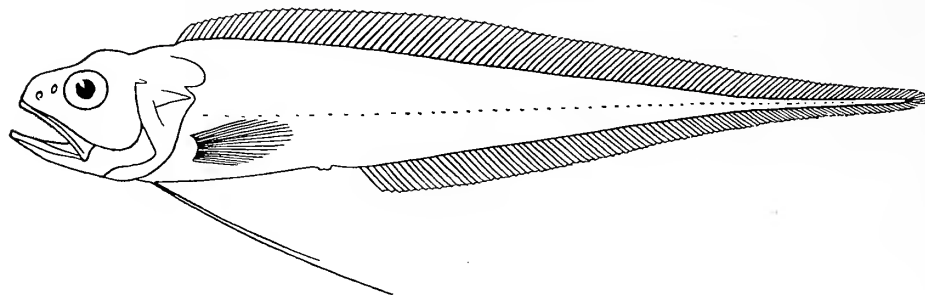
## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 24 (200-250 mm.). Holotype 240 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body a little more than 6 in the total length, length of head (measured to tip of flat spine on operculum) a little more than 5. Snout about as long as eye, diameter of which is a little greater than interorbital width and 4 in length of head. Jaws equal anteriorly ; teeth in a  $\wedge$ -shaped band on the vomer and in a narrow band on the palatines. Operculum with a thin, flat spine ; pseudobranchiæ consisting of about 8 to 10 filaments ; 25 rather long gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Pectoral with

21 rays. Each pelvic ray bifid, its length at least  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times that of head. Pyloric appendages small, finger-like, arranged in a ring round the pylorus.



TEXT-FIG. 28.—Outline sketch of holotype of *Glyptophidium longipes*.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

REMARKS.—The above description is based almost entirely upon the holotype, as most of the other specimens are in very poor condition. *G. longipes* is related to *G. macropus*, from which it may be distinguished by the longer and more slender body, narrower head, longer pelvic rays, etc.

*Lamprogrammus niger*, Alcock.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 124, Zanzibar area, MT, 914 m. ; 1 (430 mm.).

St. 143, Maldive area, AT, 797 m. ; 8 (360–400 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

*Lamprogrammus fragilis*, Alcock.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 7 (415–570 mm.).

St. 54, South Arabian Coast, AT, 1046 m. ; 6 (175–250 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This species may prove to be identical with the preceding.

*Pycnocraspedum squamipinne*, Alcock.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 2 (125, 130 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Bay of Bengal.

*Luciobrotula bartschi*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*Luciobrotula bartschi*, Smith & Radcliffe, 1913, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, p. 171, pl. xvi, fig. 2.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 1 (175 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Philippines.

REMARKS.—This species was known previously only from the holotype, obtained by the "Albatross" in Palawan Passage ( $10^{\circ} 57' 45''$  N.,  $118^{\circ} 38' 15''$  E.), at a depth of 685 metres.



*Catetyx squamiceps* (Lloyd).

*Diplacanthopoma squamiceps*, Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 165; Illust. Zool. "Investigator" pl. xlii, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 2 (95, 130 mm.).

St. 184, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1270 m. ; 1 (115 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea.

*Grammonus robustus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*Grammonus robustus*, Smith & Radcliffe, 1913, *t.c.*, p. 168, pl. xiii, fig. 4.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457–549 m. ; 1 (88 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Philippines.

REMARKS.—This specimen differs from that described by Smith and Radcliffe only in the more slender body and less arched head—differences which may well be due to the smaller size of the fish. The type was 143 mm. in total length.

*Diplacanthopoma raniceps*, Alcock.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061–1080 m. ; 1 (270 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Andaman Sea.

REMARKS.—The subgeneric name, *Sarcocara*, proposed by Smith and Radcliffe, must be abandoned. The form of the gill-rakers in *D. brachysoma*, Günther, is exactly the same as in *D. brunnea*, Smith & Radcliffe, and in *D. raniceps*, Alcock, and *D. rivers-andersoni*, Alcock.

*Diplacanthopoma brunnea*, Smith & Radcliffe.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 62, Arabian Sea, AT, 1893 m. ; 1 (450 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea, Philippines.

## A SYNOPSIS OF THE OCEANIC GENERA OF BROTULIDÆ.

The difficulty experienced in determining some of the Brotulids collected by the "John Murray" Expedition has led me to examine as many species as possible with a view to investigating the characters commonly used for the separation of the genera in this family. The British Museum collection contains the material obtained by the "Challenger", which is rich in types; it also includes a number of specimens collected by the "Investigator", of which nearly all were described by Alcock in his catalogue of Indian deep-sea fishes; there are also a few specimens obtained by the "Albatross" and by the "Travailleur" and "Talisman". Through the kindness of Dr. Leonard P. Schultz, I have been able to examine a very interesting series of Brotulids from the collection of the

United States National Museum, including a number of paratypes of species from the Philippines and Dutch East Indies described by Smith and Radcliffe.\* The total material available, however, has proved quite inadequate for a systematic revision of even the oceanic members of this family, but it has been thought to be helpful to publish a tentative arrangement of the genera occurring in deep water. Of the 47 oceanic genera here recognized I have been able to examine representatives of 30 ; the remainder have had to be included on the basis of published descriptions and figures.

The work of Smith and Radcliffe mentioned above represented the first attempt to arrange the Brotulid genera in accordance with their supposed relationships, and has proved an invaluable basis for the present work. In the key which follows I have tried, as far as possible, to give the genera a natural arrangement, and, although this arrangement is still in part more or less tentative, it is hoped that it will at least provide a basis for future work on the group. Only those genera which are habitually found beyond the "hundred-fathom line", or which might be expected to stray into deep or moderately deep water, are considered here : † all littoral genera, as well as the cave-dwelling forms from Cuba and elsewhere, have been omitted. ‡

Following the key, I have given a synopsis of the oceanic genera, with a list of the described species under each genus. Those species marked with an asterisk have been examined by me ; the remainder have been included on the basis of published descriptions.

#### KEY TO THE OCEANIC GENERA.

- I. Cleithra not greatly produced, the symphysis normally behind the eyes ; pelvics usually inserted behind eyes.
  - A. Snout and lower jaw without barbels.
    - B. Body covered with scales.
      - C. Gill-rakers on anterior arch usually well developed ; at least 6 long, pointed rakers (exclusive of rudiments) on lower part of arch ; head (normally) entirely scaled. Species (as far as known) oviparous.
      - D. Eyes developed.
        - E. Præopercular and opercular spines, if present, of small or moderate size, the longest not projecting beyond margin of operculum.
        - F. Head without prominent, frill-like crests ; lateral line, if developed, narrow, without specially modified scales.
        - G. Lateral line usually distinct, disappearing at middle or posterior part of body.

\* 1913, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, pp. 135-176, pls. vii-xvii.

† These genera, which are doubtfully oceanic, have been placed in square brackets in the key, and are not included in the synopsis.

‡ A list of these genera, placed in chronological order, is as follows :

<i>Lucifuga</i> , Poey, 1858.	<i>Petrotyx</i> , Heller & Snodgrass, 1903.
<i>Nematobrotula</i> , Gill, 1863.	<i>Eutyx</i> , Heller & Snodgrass, 1903.
<i>Stygicola</i> , Gill, 1863.	<i>Dipulus</i> , Waite, 1905.
<i>Othos</i> , Castelnau, 1875.	<i>Pseudobythites</i> , Meek & Hildebrand, 1928.
<i>Dermatopsis</i> , Ogilby, 1896.	<i>Bidenichthys</i> , Barnard, 1934.
<i>Monothrix</i> , Ogilby, 1897.	<i>Typhlias</i> , Hubbs, 1938.
<i>Oyillia</i> , Jordan & Evermann, 1898.	

The genera *Bellottia*, Giglioli ; *Tilurus*, Kölliker ; *Tilurella*, Roule ; and *Tiluroopsis*, Roule, are based upon larval or post-larval forms, believed to be Brotulids.

- H. Operculum with a single, rather strong spine.  
 J. Mouth large, the jaws more or less equal anteriorly ; pyloric appendages present.  
 K. Pectoral fins simple, none of the rays prolonged.  
   L. Pelvic rays bifid ; bones of head firm . . . . . 1. *Neobythites*.  
   LL. Pelvic rays simple ; bones of head weaker, more cavernous.  
     M. Lateral line terminating on posterior part of body ; 10 or 12 appendages forming a ring round the pylorus, sometimes extending along neighbouring part of gut.  
     N. Teeth in narrow bands ; pelvic rays longer than head ; pectoral narrow . . . . . 2. *Homostolus*.  
     NX. Teeth in broad bands ; pelvic rays shorter than head ; pectoral broader . . . . . 3. *Monomitus*.  
     MX. Lateral line terminating at middle of body ; a ring of 5 more rudimentary appendages round the pylorus . . . . . 4. *Monomeropus*.  
 KK. Lower pectoral rays prolonged, free or partially connected by membrane ; bones of head somewhat cavernous ; margin of præoperculum usually with 3 small, sharp spines ; pyloric appendages few, small or rudimentary ; pelvic rays simple or bifid . . . . . 5. *Dicrolene*.  
 JJ. Mouth of moderate size, inferior ; eye large ; no pyloric appendages ; pelvic rays simple . . . . . 6. *Selachophidium*.  
 HH. Operculum with two short, flat spines ; margin of præoperculum without spines ; mouth rather small, terminal ; pelvic rays short, bifid . . . . . 7. *Benthocometes*.  
 GG. Lateral line indistinct, rudimentary or absent, sometimes represented by one or more series of small pores ; eye usually rather small.  
 O. Teeth villiform, in bands ; gill-rakers long, at least near angle of arch.  
 P. Snout more or less swollen, produced above the mouth, which is small.  
   Q. Snout pointed ; dorsal and anal incompletely united with caudal ; 8 branchiostegals . . . . . 8. *Barathrodemus*.  
   QQ. Snout rounded, not distinctly overhanging mouth ; dorsal and anal completely united with caudal ; 6 branchiostegals . . . . . 9. *Barathrites*.  
 PP. Snout not produced above the mouth, which is terminal and usually large.  
   R. Head without large, distinct mucous cavities or pores, with a heavy covering of skin, which obscures angles of skull ; opercular spine strong.  
     S. Pelvic fins present ; no pyloric appendages . . . . . 10. *Bassogigas*.  
     SS. Pelvic fins absent ; 4 short, knob-like pyloric appendages . . . . . 11. *Bassobythites*.  
 RR. Head with large, distinct mucous cavities or pores ; angles of skull not usually obscured by thick, heavy skin.  
 T. Eyes normal.  
   V. Præoperculum expanded posteriorly to form a broad, rounded lobe, which sometimes extends nearly to edge of operculum ; margin of

- præoperculum without large mucous cavities ;  
operculum unarmed, or with a single, feeble,  
flat spine.
- w. Pectoral fins simple, none of the rays prolonged.
- x. Pelvic rays bifid ; præopercular lobe not  
nearly reaching edge of operculum 12. *Alcockia*.
- xx. Pelvic rays simple ; præopercular lobe  
nearly reaching edge of operculum 13. *Bassozetus*.
- ww. Lower half of pectoral fin produced, rigid, oar-  
like ; pelvic rays simple . 14. *Eretmichthys*.
- vv. Præoperculum not expanded posteriorly, its  
margin with a series of large mucous cavities.
- y. Pectoral fins short, none of the rays prolonged ;  
no pyloric appendages ; head usually with  
some small spines ; lateral line, if apparent,  
represented by 3 series of small pores 15. *Porogadus*.
- yy. Some or all of the pectoral rays prolonged ;  
rudimentary pyloric appendages present ;  
head without spines.
- z. Rudimentary pseudobranchiæ present ; only  
the lower pectoral rays prolonged 16. *Mixonus*.
- zz. No pseudobranchiæ ; nearly all the pectoral  
rays prolonged, filamentous 17. *Mastigopterus*.
- tt. Eye-ball rudimentary, no iris or pupil apparent ;  
præoperculum not expanded posteriorly ; none of  
the pectoral rays prolonged . . . 18. *Leucicorus*.
- oo. Teeth small, in a single series in jaws, and on vomer and pala-  
tines ; gill-rakers few, small, tubercle-like ; no pseudobranchiæ ;  
no pyloric appendages . . . . . 19. *Enchelybrotula*.
- ff. Head with prominent frill-like crests, the bones thin, covered with  
deciduous scales ; operculum with a feeble, flat spine.
- a. No lateral line ; pseudobranchiæ well developed ; pelvic fins present  
20. *Glyptophidium*.
- aa. Lateral line very broad, conspicuous, with a series of enlarged,  
plate-like scales ; no pseudobranchiæ ; no pelvic fins  
21. *Lamprogrammus*.
- ee. Præopercular and opercular spines very strong, the longest projecting  
beyond margin of operculum ; head large, broad, without crests 22. *Acanthonus*.
- dd. Eyes absent or hidden beneath the skin.
- b. Præopercular and opercular spines very strong, the longest projecting  
beyond margin of operculum ; pelvic rays bifid ; mouth nearly terminal  
23. *Tauredophidium*.
- bb. Præoperculum and operculum without spines ; pelvic rays simple ; mouth  
small, inferior . . . . . 24. *Typhlonus*.
- cc. Gill-rakers on anterior arch usually reduced to a few well-developed rakers near  
angle of arch ; 2 to 5 only on lower part of arch, remainder rudimentary ; head  
usually only partly scaled, sometimes entirely naked. Species (as far as known)  
viviparous.
- c. Caudal fin differentiated, entirely free from dorsal and anal.
- d. Cheeks and opercles scaled . . . . . [ *Dinematichthys* ].
- dd. Cheeks and opercles not scaled . . . . . [ *Brosmophycis* ].
- cc. Caudal fin not differentiated, united with dorsal and anal.
- e. Opercles, cheeks and (usually) upper part of head scaled ; lateral line  
present.



- f.* Pelvic fins present, sometimes very small; præoperculum unarmed, or with 2 or 3 feeble, pointed processes.
- g.* Lateral line narrow, comparatively inconspicuous; tail not very tapering; no canine teeth.
- h.* Palatine teeth present.
- j.* Vomerine teeth present; pelvic fins well developed; margin of præoperculum unarmed; no spines on interorbital region.
- k.* Lateral line single, distinct; 13 large, elongate pyloric appendages . . . . . 25. *Pycnocraspedum*.
- kk.* Lateral line double, never very distinct; pyloric appendages absent or represented by two flap-like structures.
- l.* No pyloric appendages; pelvic rays bifid . . . . . 26. *Luciobrotula*.
- ll.* Two flap-like appendages near pylorus; pelvic rays simple.
- m.* Head robust, rounded; tips of cleithra more or less free; dorsal with about 76, anal with about 52 rays . . . . . 27. *Bythites*.
- mm.* Head low, more or less depressed; tips of cleithra firmly united; dorsal with more than 90, anal with more than 70 rays . . . . . 28. *Catetyx*.
- jj.* No vomerine teeth; pelvic fins very small; margin of operculum with two weak spines; some spines on præinterorbital region . . . . . 29. *Bathystorreus*.
- hh.* No palatine teeth; lateral line double, not very distinct; margin of præoperculum firm, with one or two feeble, pointed processes . . . . . 30. *Grammonus*.
- gg.* Lateral line broad anteriorly, becoming narrow posteriorly, with a series of enlarged plate-like scales as in *Lamprogrammus*; tail long, tapering; a pair of canine teeth in upper jaw . . . . . 31. *Hypopleuron*.
- ff.* Pelvic fins absent.
- n.* Head normal; cheeks and opercles scaled; margin of præoperculum with 5 spines; two flap-like pyloric appendages; lateral line double, not conspicuous . . . . . 32. *Xenobythites*.
- nn.* Head greatly dilated, covered with a thick, gelatinous, scaleless skin; no pyloric appendages; lateral line indistinguishable . . . . . 33. *Hepthocara*.
- ee.* Head completely naked; margin of præoperculum without spines; pelvic fins, if present, of small or moderate size.
- o.* Tail short, not tapering; lateral line distinct . . . . . 34. *Myxocephalus*.
- oo.* Tail of moderate length, tapering; lateral line absent, indistinct, or incomplete.
- p.* Pelvic fins present.
- q.* Scales on body imbricated; none of the teeth enlarged . . . . . 35. *Diplacanthopoma*.
- qq.* Scales on body not or scarcely imbricated; some of the teeth enlarged . . . . . 36. *Saccogaster*.
- pp.* Pelvic fins absent . . . . . 37. *Pseudonus*.
- BB. Body naked, or with minute scattered scales; lateral line absent. Some of the species perhaps representing post-larval forms.\*

\* The grouping together of the Brotulids without scales is a convenient one but is far from satisfactory. Most of the genera in this group are imperfectly known, and their true position in the family almost impossible to determine. Apart from the absence of scales, such forms as *Pyramodon* and *Snyderidia* appear to have much in common with some of the more generalized Brotulids such as *Neobythites*.

- r. Body short or of moderate length, tail not tapering ; vent never very far in advance of middle of total length ; head and body almost without pigment (except in *Parabrotula*).
- s. Pelvic fins present.
- t. Origin of dorsal fin well in advance of that of anal, more or less above base of pectoral.
- u. Eyes present, small ; operculum with a single strong spine ; pelvic fins of moderate size ; mouth very oblique . . . . . 38. *Spectrunculus*.
- uu. Eyes absent or hidden beneath the skin ; operculum without spine ; pelvic fins rather small.
- v. Pectoral fins normal ; teeth small, few, absent in upper jaw ; lower jaw included . . . . . 39. *Aphyonius*.
- vv. Pectoral fins narrow pedicillate ; teeth in villiform bands in both jaws ; lower jaw a little projecting . . . . . 40. *Sciadonus*.
- tt. Origin of dorsal fin very little in advance of that of anal, well behind pectoral ; eyes visible through the skin ; mouth oblique . . . . . 41. *Barathronus*.
- ss. Pelvic fins absent.
- w. Eyes scarcely apparent ; head and body little pigmented ; origin of dorsal fin in advance of that of anal, just behind level of tip of pectoral . . . . . 42. *Leucochlamys*.
- ww. Eyes well developed ; head and body black ; origin of dorsal fin nearly above that of anal, well behind level of tip of pectoral . . . . . 43. *Parabrotula*.
- rr. Body elongate, compressed, tail tapering ; vent always well in advance of middle of total length ; head and body pigmented.
- x. Vent well behind level of tip of pectoral fin ; pectorals very small ; no enlarged canine teeth ; pelvic fins absent . . . . . 44. *Brotulotænia*.
- xx. Vent below level of middle or proximal part of pectoral fin ; pectorals large, nearly as long as head ; canine teeth present.
- y. Pelvic fins present . . . . . 45. *Pyramodon*.
- yy. Pelvic fins absent . . . . . 46. *Snyderidia*.
- AA. Snout and lower jaw with well-developed barbels ; pelvic rays bifid . . . . . [*Brotula*].
- II. Cleithra greatly produced, meeting below eyes ; pelvics inserted below eyes.
- w. Margin of præoperculum without spines.
- x. Pelvic fins each of a simple ray . . . . . [*Sirembo*].
- xx. Pelvic fins each of two bifid rays . . . . . 47. *Cherublemma*.
- ww. Margin of præoperculum with 3 spines at angle ; each pelvic fin of a single bifid ray . . . . . [*Hoplobrotula*].

### 1. *Neobythites*, Goode & Bean.

1886, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. VIII (1885), p. 600. Type : *N. gillii*, Goode & Bean.

[*Tetranematopus*, Günther, 1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 100. MS.]

*Watasea*, Jordan & Snyder, 1901, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XXIII (1900), p. 765. Type : *W. sivicola*, Jordan & Snyder.

*N. gillii*, Goode & Bean.\*

*N. marginatus*, Goode & Bean.

*N. macrops*, Günther.\*

*N. steatiticus*, Alcock.\*

*N. sivicola* (Jordan & Snyder).

*N. longipes*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*

*N. unimaculatus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*N. purus*, Smith & Radcliffe.  
*N. fasciatus*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*  
*N. analis*, Barnard.\*  
*N. phyllosoma*, Parr.  
*N. nigromaculatus*, Kamohara.  
 [*N. crassus* (Vaillant).]

2. *Homostolus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

1913, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, p. 146. Type: *H. acer*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*H. acer*, Smith & Radcliffe.

3. *Monomitopus*, Alcock.

1890, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VI, p. 297. Type: *Sirembo nigripinnis*, Alcock.

*Dicromita*. Goode & Bean, 1895, Ocean. Ichth. p. 319. Type: *D. agassizii*, Goode & Bean.

*M. nigripinnis* (Alcock).\*  
*M. conjugator* (Alcock).\* [= *M. pallidus*, Smith & Radcliffe].\*  
*M. agassizii* (Goode & Bean).  
*M. metriostoma* (Vaillant).  
*M. torvus*, Garman.  
*M. pallidus*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*  
*M. longiceps*, Smith & Radcliffe.  
*M. microlepis*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*  
*M. kumæ*, Jordan & Hubbs.

4. *Monomeropus*, Garman.

1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool. XXIV, p. 158. Type: *M. malispinosus*, Garman.

*M. malispinosus*, Garman.  
*M. garmani*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*

5. *Dicrolene*, Goode & Bean.

1883, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool. X, p. 202. Type: *D. introniger*, Goode & Bean.

*Pteroidonus*, Günther, 1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 106. Type: *P. quinquarius*, Günther.

*Paradicrolene*, Alcock, 1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 387. Type: *P. multifilis*, Alcock.

*D. introniger*, Goode & Bean.\*  
*D. multifilis* (Alcock).\*  
*D. quinquarius* (Günther).\*  
*D. filamentosus*, Garman.  
*D. nigra*, Garman.  
*D. pullata*, Garman.  
*D. longimana*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*  
*D. tristis*, Smith & Radcliffe.  
*D. gregoryi*, Trotter.  
*D. nigricaudis* (Alcock).\*  
*D. hubrechtii*, Weber.

The only difference between *Pteroidonus quinquarius* and typical species of *Dicrolene* lies in the somewhat smaller eye and simple pelvic rays of the former. Each of these rays consists of two rays

bound closely together with membrane, and these may be readily separated with a needle. Garman has described the same form of pelvic ray in *Dicrolene filamentosa*.

A new subgenus may be erected for *Dicrolene nigricaudis*, Alcock, for which the name **Brachydicrolene** is proposed. This may be distinguished by the shorter, deeper body, less tapering tail, more distinct lateral line, and the lower filamentous rays of the pectoral fin connected by membrane basally. *D. hubrechtii*, Weber, is probably referable to this subgenus.

6. *Selachophidium*, Gilchrist.

1903, Mar. Invest. S. Afr. II, p. 209. Type: *S. guentheri*, Gilchrist.

*S. guentheri*, Gilchrist.\*

7. *Benthocometes*, Goode & Bean.

1895, Ocean. Ichth. p. 327. Type: *Neobythites robustus*, Goode & Bean.

*B. robustus* (Goode & Bean).\*

*B. muraenolepis* (Vaillant).

8. *Barathrodemus*, Goode & Bean.

1883, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. X, p. 200. Type: *B. manatinus*, Goode & Bean.

*B. manatinus*, Goode & Bean.\*

*B. nasutus*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*

*B. microps*, Parr.

9. *Barathrites*, Zugmayer.

1911, Bull. Inst. océan. Monaco, No. 193, p.11. Type: *B. iris*, Zugmayer.

*B. iris*, Zugmayer.

*B. abyssorum*, Roule.

10. *Bassogigas*, Goode & Bean.

1895 (ex Gill MS.), Ocean. Ichth. p. 328. Type: *Neobythites pterotus*, Alcock.

*Holcomycteronus*, Garman, 1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. XXIV, p. 162. Type: *H. digittatus*, Garman.

*B. pterotus* (Alcock).\*

*B. gillii*, Goode & Bean.

*B. stelliferoides* (Gilbert).\*

*B. grandis* (Günther).\*

*B. brucei* (Dollo).\*

*B. digittatus* (Garman).\*

*B. æquatoris*, Smith & Radcliffe.

Alcock has indicated that in the type species of this genus (*B. pterotus*) the rays of the pelvic fins have spatulate tips in the males. This is the condition shown in Garman's figure of *Holcomycteronus digittatus*, but in his description he states that these rays vary "from somewhat inflated and blunt to acuminate or filamentary at the ends". In *B. pterotus*, *B. brucei*, *B. stelliferoides*, *B. digittatus* and *B. æquatoris* the pectoral fins are long and feathery in form, and in the first of these species at least they are longer in the males than in the females. *B. grandis* and *B. gillii* have shorter, rounded pectoral fins, but otherwise appear to be congeneric with the above-mentioned species.



11. *Bassobythites*, Brauer.

1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 307. Type: *B. brunswigi*, Brauer.

*B. brunswigi*, Brauer.\*

12. *Alcockia*, Goode & Bean.

1895, Ocean. Ichth. p. 329. Type: *Porogadus rostratus*, Günther.

*A. rostratus* (Günther).\*

13. *Bassozetus*, Gill.

*Bathynectes* (part), Günther, 1878, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (5) II, p. 20.

*Bassozetus*, Gill, 1884, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. VI (1883), p. 259. Type: *B. normalis*, Gill.

? *Pterodicromita*, Fowler, 1925, Amer. Mus. Novit. No. 162, p. 5. Type: *Sirembo oncercephalus*, Vaillant.

*B. normalis*, Gill.\*

*B. compressus* (Günther).\*

*B. taenia* (Günther).\*

*B. glutinosus* (Alcock).\*

*B. nasus*, Garman.

[*B. oncercephalus* (Vaillant).]

It is possible that *Sirembo oncercephalus*, Vaillant, the type of Fowler's subgenus *Pterodicromita*, belongs here.

14. *Eretmichthys*, Garman.

1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zool. XXIV, p. 164. Type: *E. pinnatus*, Garman.

*E. pinnatus*, Garman.

*E. remifer*, Smith & Radcliffe.

[*E. ocella*, Garman.]

15. *Porogadus*, Goode & Bean.

1886, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. VIII (1885), p. 602. Type: *P. miles*, Goode & Bean.

*Bathyonus*, Goode & Bean, 1886, *t.c.*, p. 603. Type: *B. catena*, Goode & Bean.

*Dermatorus*, Alcock, 1890, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VI, p. 298. Type: *D. trichiurus*, Alcock.

*Celena*, Goode & Bean, 1895, Ocean. Ichth. p. 329. Type: *Porogadus nudus*, Vaillant.

*Mæbia*, Goode & Bean, 1895, *t.c.*, p. 331. Type: *Bathynectes gracilis*, Günther.

? *Penopus*, Goode & Bean, 1895, *t.c.*, p. 335. Type: *P. macdonaldi*, Goode & Bean.

*P. catena* (Goode & Bean).

*P. miles*, Goode & Bean.\*

*P. gracilis* (Günther).\*

*P. trichiurus* (Alcock).\*

*P. melanocephalus* (Alcock).\*

*P. melampeplus* (Alcock).

*P. nudus*, Vaillant.

*P. subarmatus*, Vaillant.\*

*P. longiceps*, Garman.

*P. atripectus*, Garman.

*P. breviceps*, Garman.

*P. promelas*, Gilbert.

*P. guentheri*, Jordan & Fowler.

[*P. macdonaldi* (Goode & Bean).]

[*P. microphthalmus* (Vaillant).]

The genus *Porogadus* as here understood includes a number of forms which I regard as congeneric, although these have been distributed among several genera by Goode and Bean and others. The form of the head and operculum as well as the general physiognomy is more or less the same in all, and the alleged generic differences are concerned mainly with the form of the pelvic rays, the presence or absence of spines on the head, and the nature of the lateral line. The difference between a simple or a bifid pelvic ray in this group of species seems to me to be of comparatively little importance, a so-called simple ray merely consisting of two rays bound together for the whole of their length, and a bifid ray consisting of two rays bound together for a greater or lesser distance at their proximal ends. The presence or absence of spines on the head region is, to some extent at least, dependent upon the manner in which the fish is preserved, or the degree to which it has been damaged during capture; this is certainly a character of comparatively minor importance. In most of the specimens of this genus that I have examined the scales have all been rubbed off, and no trace of any lateral line is apparent; in one or two there are faint traces of the three rows of pores described in *P. miles*, *P. macdonaldi*, *P. longiceps*, *P. atripectus* and *P. breviceps*. It seems probable that all the species of the genus have this triple row of pores, and that it is due to the poor state of a particular specimen that the lateral line has been so frequently described as "indistinguishable" or "not apparent".

It is possible that *Penopus* should rank as a distinct genus, but there are few obvious characters to distinguish it from *Porogadus*. *Sirembo micropthalmus*, Vaillant, appears to be closely related to *Penopus macdonaldi*, Goode & Bean.

#### 16. *Mixonus*, Günther.

*Bathynectes*, Günther, 1878, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (5) II, p. 20. Type: *B. laticeps*, Günther. Not *Bathynectes*, Stimpson, 1870.

*Mixonus*, Günther, 1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 108. Type: *Bathynectes laticeps*, Günther.

*Nematomus*, Günther, 1887, *t.c.*, p. 114. Type: *Bathyonus pectoralis*, Goode & Bean.

*M. pectoralis* (Goode & Bean).

*M. laticeps* (Günther).\*

*M. caudalis*, Garman.

Günther describes each pelvic ray of *Mixonus laticeps* as consisting of "two rays firmly bound together in their whole length". In the type-specimen this description may be applied to one of the fins, but in the other the rays are more or less separate. Since the only important difference between *Mixonus* and *Nematomus* lies in the possession of simple and bifid pelvic rays respectively, there would seem to be little reason for maintaining the two genera as distinct.

#### 17. *Mastigopterus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

1913, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, p. 158. Type: *M. imperator*, Smith & Radcliffe.

? *Grimaldichthys*, Roule, 1913, Bull. Inst. océan. Monaco, No. 261, p. 2. Type: *G. profundissimus*, Roule.

*M. imperator*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*M. prætor*, Smith & Radcliffe.

[*M. profundissimus* (Roule).]

[*M. squamosus* (Roule).]

#### 18. *Leucicorus*, Garman.

1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. XXIV, p. 146. Type: *L. lusciosus*, Garman.

*L. lusciosus*, Garman.

#### 19. *Enchelybrotula*, Smith & Radcliffe.

1913, *t.c.*, p. 154. Type: *E. paucidens*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*E. paucidens*, Smith & Radcliffe.

20. *Glyptophidium*, Alcock.

1889 Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 390. Type: *G. argenteum*, Alcock.

- G. argenteum*, Alcock.\*
- G. macropus*, Alcock.\*
- G. lucidum*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*
- G. oceanium*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*
- G. japonicum*, Kamohara.
- G. longipes*, sp. n.\*

21. *Lamprogrammus*, Alcock.

1891, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VIII, p. 32. Type: *L. niger*, Alcock.

- L. niger*, Alcock.\*
- L. fragilis*, Alcock.\*
- L. illustris*, Garman.
- L. macropterus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

22. *Acanthomus*, Günther.

1878, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (5) II, p. 22. Type: *A. armatus*, Günther.

- A. armatus*, Günther.\*
- A. spinifer*, Garman.

23. *Tauredophidium*, Alcock.

1890, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) VI, p. 212. Type: *T. hextii*, Alcock.

- T. hextii*, Alcock.\*

24. *Typhlonus*, Günther.

1878, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (5) II, p. 21. Type: *T. nasus*, Günther.

- T. nasus*, Günther.\*

25. *Pycnocraspedum*, Alcock.

1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 386. Type: *P. squamipinne*, Alcock.

- P. squamipinne*, Alcock.\*

It is possible that this genus really belongs to the oviparous group of Brotulids, but the reduction of the gill-rakers to 4 or 5 long ones near the angle of the arch suggests that it should be placed here. In general *Pycnocraspedum* is not unlike *Luciobrotula*, which is included by Smith and Radcliffe among the viviparous forms.

26. *Luciobrotula*, Smith & Radcliffe.

1913, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, p. 170. Type: *L. bartschi*, Smith & Radcliffe.

- L. bartschi*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*

27. *Bythites*, Reinhardt.

(1835) Overs. K. Danske Vid. Selsk. Forh. (1832-36), p. lxxviii; 1838, Afhandl. K. Danske Vid. Selsk. VII, p. 178. Type: *B. fuscus*, Reinhardt.

*B. fuscus*, Reinhardt.

*B. lepidogenys*, Smith & Radcliffe.

28. *Catætyx*, Günther.

1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 104. Type: *Sirembo messieri*, Günther.

*C. messieri* (Günther).\*

*C. rubrirostris*, Gilbert.

*C. simus*, Garman.

*C. squamiceps* (Lloyd).\*

*C. platycephalus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*C. alleni* (Byrne).\*

29. *Bathystorreus*, Rivero.

1934, Mem. Soc. Cubana Hist. Nat. VIII (2), p. 69. Type: *Benthocometes claudei*, Torre.

*B. claudei* (Torre).

30. *Grammonus*, Goode & Bean.

*Gadopsis*, Filippi, 1856, Zeitschr. wiss. Zool. VII, p. 170. Type: *Oligopus ater*, Risso. Not *Gadopsis*, Agassiz, 1845, or *Gadopsis*, Richardson, 1848.

*Pteridium*, Filippi & Verany, 1859, Mem. Acad. Sci. Torino, (2) XVIII, p. 195. Type: *Oligopus ater*, Risso. Not *Pteridium*, Scopoli, 1777.

*Grammonus*, Goode & Bean (*ex* Gill MS.), 1895, Ocean. Ichth. p. 317. Type: *Oligopus ater*, Risso.

*Verater*, Jordan, 1919, Genera Fish. II, p. 365; Proc. Acad. N.S. Philad. LXX, p. 343. Type: *Oligopus ater*, Risso.

*G. ater* (Risso).\*

*G. armatus* (Döderlein).

*G. robustus*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*G. opisthodon*, J. L. B. Smith.

31. *Hypopleuron*, Smith & Radcliffe.

1913, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, p. 164. Type: *H. caninum*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*H. caninum*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*

32. *Xenobythites*, Smith & Radcliffe.

1913, *t.c.*, p. 173. Type: *X. armiger*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*X. armiger*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*

33. *Hepthocara*, Alcock.

1892, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) X, p. 349. Type: *H. simum*, Alcock.

*H. simum*, Alcock.

*H. crassiceps*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*



34. *Myrocephalus*, Steindachner & Döderlein.

1887, Denkschr. Akad. wiss. Wien, LIII, p. 281. Type: *M. japonicus*, Steindachner & Döderlein.

*M. japonicus*, Steindachner & Döderlein.

35. *Diplacanthopoma*, Günther.

1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 115. Type: *D. brachysoma*, Günther.

*Sarcocara*, Smith & Radcliffe, 1913, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, p. 167. Type: *Diplacanthopoma brunnea*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*D. brachysoma*, Günther.\*

*D. raniceps*, Alcock.\*

*D. rivers-andersoni*, Alcock.

*D. alcockii*, Goode & Bean.

*D. brunnea*, Smith & Radcliffe.\*

*D. nigripinnis*, Gilchrist & von Bonde.

36. *Saccogaster*, Alcock.

1889, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (6) IV, p. 389. Type: *S. maculatus*, Alcock.

*S. maculatus*, Alcock.\*

37. *Pseudonus*, Garman.

1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. XXIV, p. 169. Type: *P. acutus*, Garman.

*P. acutus*, Garman.

38. *Spectrunculus*, Jordan & Thompson.

1914, Mem. Carnegie Mus. VI, p. 301. Type: *S. radcliffei*, Jordan & Thompson.

*S. radcliffei*, Jordan & Thompson.

This genus is perhaps based upon a post-larval fish. The unique type is only 64 mm. in total length.

39. *Aphyonus*, Günther.

1878, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (5) II, p. 22. Type: *A. gelatinosus*, Günther.

*A. gelatinosus*, Günther.\*

*A. mollis*, Goode & Bean.

40. *Sciadonus*, Garman.

1899, Mem. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. XXIV, p. 171. Type: *S. pedicellaris*, Garman.

*S. pedicellaris*, Garman.

41. *Barathronus*, Goode & Bean.

1885, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl. XII, p. 164. Type: *B. bicolor*, Goode & Bean.

*Alexeterion*, Vaillant, 1888, Exped. Sci. "Travailleur" et "Talisman", Poiss., p. 282. Type: *A. parfaiti*, Vaillant.

*B. bicolor*, Goode & Bean.\*

*B. parfaiti* (Vaillant).

*B. diaphanus*, Brauer.

*B. affinis*, Brauer.

42. *Leucochlamys*, Zugmayer.

1911, Bull. Inst. océan. Monaco, No. 193, p. 11. Type: *L. cryptophthalmus*, Zugmayer.

*L. cryptophthalmus*, Zugmayer.

43. *Parabrotula*, Zugmayer.

1911, *t.c.*, p. 10. Type: *P. plagiophthalmus*, Zugmayer.

*P. plagiophthalmus*, Zugmayer.

*P. dentiens*, Beebe.

44. *Brotulotænia*, Parr.

1933, Bull. Bingham Ocean. Coll. III (6), p. 48. Type: *B. nigra*, Parr.

*B. nigra*, Parr.

*B. crassa*, Parr.

45. *Pyramodon*, Smith & Radcliffe.

1913, in Radcliffe, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus. XLIV, p. 175. Type: *P. ventralis*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*Cynophidium*, Regan, 1914, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (8) XIII, p. 16. Type: *C. punctatum*, Regan.

*P. ventralis*, Smith & Radcliffe.

*P. punctatus* (Regan).\*

Regan (1914, 'Brit. Antarct. ["Terra Nova"] Exped.' Zool. I, No. 1, p. 20) has pointed out that *Pyramodon* and *Snyderidia* should be placed in the family Brotulidæ, although in many respects they seem to approach the Fierasferidæ.

46. *Snyderidia*, Gilbert.

1905, Bull. U.S. Fish. Comm. XXIII (1903), p. 654. Type: *S. canina*, Gilbert.

*S. canina*, Gilbert.

47. *Cherublemma*, Trotter.

1926, Zoologica N.Y. VIII, p. 119. Type: *C. lelepris*, Trotter.

*C. lelepris*, Trotter.

## Family STROMATEIDÆ.

*Psenes arafurensis*, Günther.

*Psenes arafurensis*, Günther, 1889, Pelagic Fish. "Challenger", p. 13, pl. ii, fig. g; Regan, 1902, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (7) X, p. 126.

## OCCURRENCE :

? St. 96, Arabian Sea, N. 200, 400-645 m.; 1 (23 mm.), in poor condition.

St. 99, Arabian Sea, hand-net, surface; 8 (17-35 mm.), associated with medusæ (*Aurelia*?).

St. 101, Arabian Sea, hand-net, surface; 1 (25 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea, Arafura Sea.

*Psenes guttatus*, Fowler.

*Psenes guttatus*, Fowler, 1934, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad. LXXXVI, p. 442, fig. 24.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. — (extra), South Arabian Coast, NHS, surface ; 1 (30 mm.).

St. 75, Gulf of Oman, OT, 201 m. ; 1 (52 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Natal, Coast of Arabia, Gulf of Oman.

REMARKS.—These two small specimens appear to be referable to Fowler's species, known only from the type, 60 mm. in length, from Natal.

*Cubiceps* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 76, Gulf of Oman, N. 200, 2500 m. ; 1 (28 mm.).

## Family SCORPÆNIDÆ.

*Setarches marleyi*, Fowler.

*Setarches marleyi*, Fowler, 1935, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad. LXXXVII, p. 398, figs. 28, 29.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640–658 m. ; 38 (155–240 mm.).

St. 122, Zanzibar area, OT, 732 m. ; 4 (240–300 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East coast of Africa, Indian Ocean and Archipelago (?) ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—I have identified these specimens with Fowler's species, since they seem to agree very well with his description and figure. The material described by Alcock (1899, 'Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish.' p. 28) as *S. guentheri*, from the Bay of Bengal and the Andaman Sea, and the single specimen believed to be from Natal described by Smith (1934, 'Trans. R. Soc. S. Afr.', XXII, p. 97, pl. vi e) as *S. guentheri*, probably belong to the same species. It seems possible that there is only one species in the Indo-Pacific, and that the forms described as *Lioscorpius longiceps*, Günther, from the Philippines and Kei Islands, *Setarches fidjiensis*, Günther, from off Matuku, Fiji, and *S. remigera* (Gilbert & Cramer), from the Hawaiian Islands, are all identical. This species, which would bear the name *Setarches longiceps* (Günther), is very closely related to *S. guentheri*, Johnson, from the Atlantic (of which *S. parmatius*, Goode, appears to be a synonym), differing in the lower spinous dorsal fin, rather shorter maxillary, the shape of the occipital fontanel, and in other minor characters.

A coloured sketch made of the fresh fish shows this to have been bright red.

*Scorpenopsis cirrhosa* (Thunberg).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 2 (54, 150 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Japan and the Pacific.

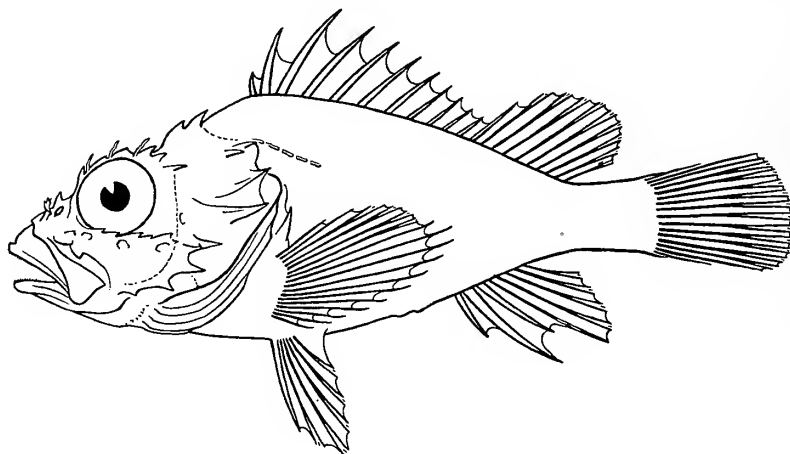
*Phenacoscorpius adenensis*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 177, Gulf of Aden, AT, 274–366 m. ; 1 (100 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden ; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about  $2\frac{2}{3}$  in the length, length of head  $2\frac{1}{4}$ . Snout rather shorter than eye, diameter of which is more than twice the interorbital width and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in length of head. Cheeks, opercles and occiput with ctenoid scales ; a few scales present also on the concave interorbital space. No occipital pit. A short spine above the nostrils and a row of 4 or 5 above the orbit, of which the hindmost is longer and stronger than the remainder ; a pair of spines bordering the occipito-nuchal region ; 2 short, broad præ-orbital spines and a series of about 6 spines on the suborbital ridge ; 4 spines on the margin of the præoperculum, the uppermost strongest and bearing a second spine at its base ;



TEXT-FIG. 29.—*Phenacoscorpius adenensis*. Holotype.  $\times 1$ .

2 spines on the operculum, and a series of 2 or 3 from eye to upper angle of gill-opening. Head with a number of large pores, but without membranous processes ; a row of 3 simple membranous filaments above the eye. Maxillary extending to a little beyond level of middle of eye. Teeth in villiform bands in jaws and on vomer and palatines ; palatine band short, its length about  $\frac{1}{4}$  diameter of eye. 14 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Scales ctenoid ; 6 or 7 between first dorsal spine and commencement of lateral line ; breast scaled ; no membranous processes or filaments on body. Lateral line represented by about 5 tubular scales. Dorsal XII 9 ; third spine longest,  $2\frac{1}{3}$  in length of head. Anal III 5 ; second spine much longer and stronger than third. Pectoral with 17 rays ; lower 11 rays simple, somewhat thickened, free at their tips, some of them produced beyond the upper branched rays ; uppermost 2 or 3 rays also simple ; lowermost ray inserted above level of root of pelvic spine and about opposite uppermost ; fin extending to above origin of anal, its length about  $\frac{2}{3}$  that of head. Uniformly pale yellowish-brown.

REMARKS.—This fish appears to be congeneric with that recently described by Fowler (1938, 'Proc. U.S. Nat Mus.' LXXXV, p. 70, fig. 30) as *Phenacoscorpius megalops*, from the Philippines and East Indies, at depths ranging from 68 to 622 metres. It may be readily



distinguished from Fowler's species by the deeper body, different form of the præopercular spines, and by the presence of teeth on the palatines.

*Dendrochirus brachypterus* (Cuvier & Valenciennes).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 1 (70 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia and the Pacific.

*Pterois antennata* (Bloch).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 45, South Arabian coast, TD 4, 38 m. ; 1 (190 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

*Pterois* sp.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 7, Red Sea, N 200, 100–0 m. ; 12 (14 to 19 mm.).

*Snyderina guentheri* (Boulenger).

*Tetraroge guentheri*, Boulenger, 1889, Proc. Zool. Soc. p. 239, pl. xxv ; 1901, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (7) VII, p. 262.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73–200 m. ; 5 (65–190 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in the length, length of head about  $2\frac{1}{2}$ . Diameter of eye a little greater than interorbital width, 4 (young) to nearly 5 in length of head ; maxillary extending to below level of middle of eye or not quite as far ; bands of villiform teeth in jaws and on vomer ; palatines toothless. 10 to 12 very short gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Dorsal XIII 11–12 ; first spine short, above anterior part or middle of eye ; third longest, about  $\frac{2}{3}$  length of head. Anal III 6. Pectoral with 13 rays, as long as or nearly as long as head, extending beyond origin of anal. Head and body usually with small round pale spots, separated by a dark network ; sometimes with scattered small dark brown spots ; generally a large dark brown spot behind upper part of gill-opening, and one or two smaller ones on sides of body in the region of the lateral line ; dark bars radiating from the eye, the most distinct of these running across the præorbital ; all the fins usually with closely-set round pale spots ; a round black blotch just behind middle of base of spinous dorsal.

REMARKS.—Boulenger was in error in stating that the palatines are toothed in this species. *S. guentheri* is very closely related to *S. yamanokami*, Jordan & Starks, from Japan, but appears to differ in the size of the mouth, rather more numerous gill-rakers, longer dorsal and anal spines, etc.

## Family TRIGLIDÆ.

*Lepidotrigla omanensis*, Regan.

*Lepidotrigla omanensis*, Regan, 1905, J. Bombay Nat. Hist. Soc. XVI, p. 324, pl. ii, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 43, South Arabian Coast, OT, 83–100 m. ; 5 (20–43 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 105 (63–135 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, southern coast of Arabia, Gulf of Oman ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—The form of the præorbital spines presents a good deal of variation in this species. It may be readily distinguished from *L. spiloptera*, Günther, however, by the absence of a keel on the lower margin of the præoperculum, as well as by the difference in the numbers of dorsal and anal fin-rays.

*Lepidotrigla spiloptera*, Günther.

*Lepidotrigla spiloptera*, Günther, 1880, Shore Fish. "Challenger", p. 42, pl. xviii, fig. c ; 1887, Deep-sea Fish. "Challenger", p. 64 ; Alcock, 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 67 ; Weber, 1913, "Siboga" Exped., Fishes, p. 511.

*Lepidotrigla multispinosus*, Smith, 1934, Trans. R. Soc. S. Afr. XXII, p. 326, pls. xvii, xx.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m. ; 7 (70–100 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago ; in deep water.

*Trigla* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 43, South Arabian Coast, OT, 83–100 m. ; 10 (17–25 mm.).

*Peristedion adeni* (Lloyd).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 6 (115–185 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Coast of Natal, Gulf of Aden.

*Peristedion investigatoris*, Alcock.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640–658 m. ; 4 (190–230 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East coast of Africa, Travancore coast, Andaman Sea.

## Family SYNANCIIDÆ.

*Minous inermis*, Alcock.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 3 (43–48 mm.).

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 16 (60–115 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, off Coromandel coast, off Malabar coast.

## Family PLATYCEPHALIDÆ.

*Platycephalus townsendi*, Regan.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. A, Red Sea, OT, 65-68 m. ; 1 (185 mm.).

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18-22 m. ; 1 (117 mm.).

St. 43, South Arabian Coast, OT, 83-100 m. ; 1 (19 mm.).

St. 80, South Arabian Coast, SD 4, 16-22 m. ; 1 (41 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Gulf of Aden, coast of Arabia, Gulf of Oman, Karachi.

*Platycephalus pristiger*, Cuvier & Valenciennes.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18-22 m. ; 2 (60, 64 mm.).

St. 72, Gulf of Oman, AT, 73 m. ; 4 (108-145 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago, Philippines.

*Platycephalus nigripinnis*, Regan.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 72, Gulf of Oman, AT, 73 m. ; 10 (85-115 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Oman.

## Family HOPLICHTHYIDÆ.

*Hoplichthys acanthopleurus*, Regan.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183-194 m. ; 20 (95-145 mm.).

St. 107, Zanzibar area, AT, 421-457 m. ; 1 (115 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

## Family DACTYLOPTERIDÆ.

*Dactyloptena orientalis* (Cuvier & Valenciennes).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 (83 mm.).

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18-22 m. ; 1 (43 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indo-Pacific.

## Family PEGASIDÆ.

*Pegasus draconis*, Linnæus.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 (46 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to China.

## Family ECHENEIDIDÆ.

*Leptecheneis naucrates* (Linnæus).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. ———, Gulf of Aden, Oct. 11, 1933, hooked by member of crew ; 1 (420 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—All warm seas.

*Echeneis remora*, Linnæus.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. ———, Arabian Sea, Dec. 23, 1933, attached to shark ; 1 (175 mm.).

St. 166, Arabian Sea, surface, from a shark ; 3 (145–180 mm.).

St. 170, Arabian Sea, taken on a shark ; 2 (145, 175 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—All warm seas.

## Family BOTHIDÆ.

*Pseudorhombus arsius* (Hamilton).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 1 (175 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

*Tæniopsetta ocellata* (Günther).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m. ; 2 (72, 97 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar ; Saya de Malha Bank, Indian Ocean ; Admiralty Islands.

*Citharoides macrolepis* (Gilchrist).

*Arnoglossus macrolepis*, Gilchrist, 1905, Mar. Invest. S. Afr. III, p. 12, pl. xxxi ; von Bonde, 1925, Trans. R. Soc. S. Afr. XII, p. 288.

*Paracitharus macrolepis*, Regan, 1920, Ann. Durban Mus. II, p. 210, fig. 2 ; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 389 ; Fowler, 1926, Proc. Acad. N.S. Philad. LXXVII (1925), p. 203.

*Citharoides macrolepis* (part), Norman, 1934, Syst. Monogr. Flatfish. I, p. 170, fig. 122.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m. ; 19 (53–170 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—South-east Africa, from near Zanzibar to Delagoa Bay.

REMARKS.—In my monograph of the Flatfishes I regarded *Citharoides macrolepidotus*, Hubbs, originally described from a specimen 59 mm. in total length, as identical with *Arnoglossus macrolepis* of Gilchrist. Comparison of 10 specimens (135 to 245 mm.) from the east coast of Africa with one specimen (182 mm.) from the Sea of Japan, however, suggests that the Japanese species is distinct. In *C. macrolepis* the diameter of the eye is 4 to  $4\frac{2}{3}$ , the length of the upper jaw on the ocular side 2 to  $2\frac{1}{6}$ , and the length of the upper jaw on the blind side  $2\frac{1}{8}$  to  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in the length of the head (inclusive of the projecting lower jaw) ; in *C. macrolepidotus* the measurements are  $5\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $2\frac{2}{5}$  and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  respectively.



*Brachypleurops axillaris*, Fowler, from the Philippines, is a member of this genus, and seems to be synonymous with *C. macrolepidotus*.

*Arnoglossus tapeinosoma* (Bleeker).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 71, Gulf of Oman, OT, 106 m. ; 5 (68-77 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—From the Persian Gulf to the Malay Peninsula and Archipelago and beyond.

*Arnoglossus arabicus*, sp. n.

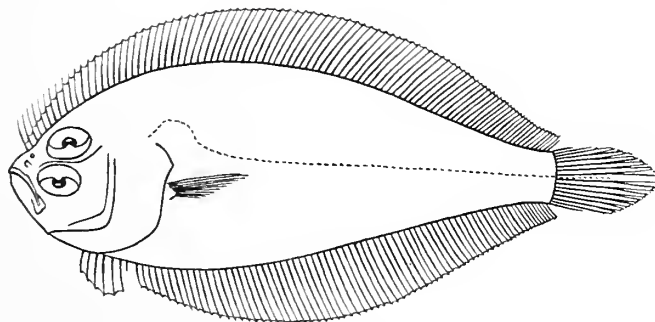
OCCURRENCE :

St. 43, South Arabian Coast, OT, 83-100 m. ; 2 (63, 87 mm.). Holotype 87 mm.

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 11 (73-105 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden and the southern coast of Arabia.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in the length, length of head about  $3\frac{1}{2}$ . Snout shorter than eye, diameter of which is 3 to nearly  $3\frac{3}{4}$  in length of head ; eyes separated



TEXT-FIG. 30.—*Arnoglossus arabicus*. Holotype.  $\times 1$ .

by a narrow bony ridge, the lower a little in advance of the upper. Maxillary extending to below anterior  $\frac{1}{3}$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$  of eye, length  $2\frac{3}{4}$  to 3 in that of head ; lower jaw  $2\frac{1}{8}$  to  $2\frac{1}{3}$  in head. Teeth minute, those of upper jaw somewhat larger and wider apart anteriorly ; no distinct canines. 11 or 12 slender gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Scales almost all missing, but apparently about 60 in a longitudinal series. Dorsal 96-102 ; origin just above posterior nostril of blind side and well in advance of eye. Anal 75-78. Pectoral of ocular side with 12 or 13 rays, its length about  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head. Caudal obtusely pointed (?). Yellowish-brown, without definite markings ; fins greyish.

REMARKS.—Apparently most nearly related to *A. elongatus*, Weber, from the Madura Sea, differing mainly in the somewhat deeper body, smaller mouth, rather more numerous gill-rakers, and shorter anterior rays of dorsal fin. The two specimens from the south Arabian coast have a somewhat smaller eye, but are otherwise identical with those from the Gulf of Aden.

*Arnoglossus dalgleishi* (von Bonde).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183-194 m. ; 5 (157-185 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Natal, near Zanzibar.

*Engyprosopon grandisquama* (Temminck & Schlegel).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18-22 m. ; 2 (73, 75 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia and Japan.

*Engyprosopon latifrons* (Regan).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. A, Red Sea, OT, 65-68 m. ; 2 male specimens (74, 79 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Red Sea, Indian Ocean.

*Engyprosopon macrolepis* (Regan).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37-91 m. ; 1 male specimen (72 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden ; Cargados Carajos, Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This species was known previously from the unique holotype, a male, 60 mm. in total length.\* The present example has the spines on the snout and in front of the eyes stronger, and the filamentous pectoral ray nearly twice as long as the head, but these differences may be due to age.

*Bothus pantherinus* (Rüppell).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, AT, 18-22 m. ; 1 (75 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia and the Pacific.

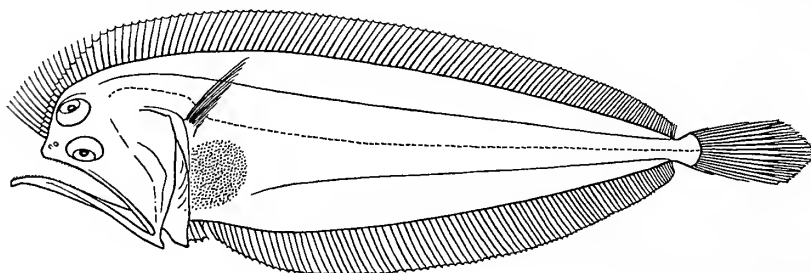
*Chascanopsetta prognathus*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 1 (200 mm.). Holotype.

DISTRIBUTION.—Maldives.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in the length, length of head about  $4\frac{2}{3}$ . Diameter of eye  $3\frac{4}{5}$  in length of head, more than 3 times interorbital width. Maxillary extending



TEXT-FIG. 31.—*Chascanopsetta prognathus*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

nearly to edge of operculum, about as long as the head ; about  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the length of the lower jaw projecting beyond the upper. Width of curve of lateral line about 6 in straight

\* In the original description this length is erroneously given as 72 mm.

part. Dorsal 133. Anal 83. Pectoral of ocular side with 15 rays, length about  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in that of head. Anterior ray of right pelvic inserted opposite space between second and third rays of left pelvic. Caudal pointed (?); caudal peduncle a little deeper than long. Pale brownish, without markings; median fins more or less dusky; anterior rays of dorsal pale.

REMARKS.—This species differs from *C. lugubris*, Alcock, in the wider mouth, more projecting lower jaw and more numerous dorsal rays. In the form of the jaws *C. prognathus* approaches *Pelecanichthys crumenalis*, Gilbert & Cramer, from the Hawaiian Islands, but lacks the gular pouch of that genus.

*Laops nigrescens*, Lloyd.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 50 (90–145 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden.

Family PLEURONECTIDÆ.

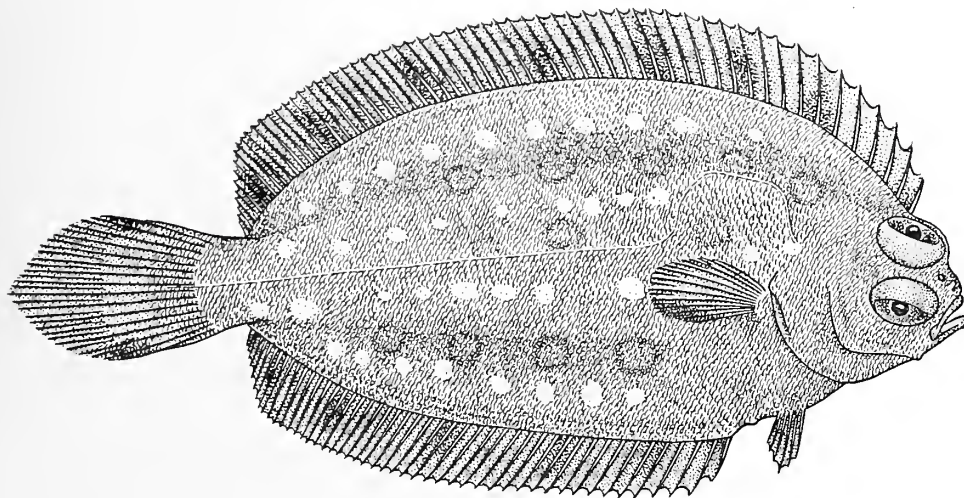
*Pæcilopsetta albomaculata*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 153, Maldive area, TD 4, 256–293 m. ; 3 (120–140 mm.). Holotype 130 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Maldives.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in the length, length of head 4. Snout much shorter than eye, diameter of which is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 in length of head ; eyes separated by a



TEXT-FIG. 32.—*Pæcilopsetta albomaculata*. Holotype.  $\times 1$ .

low, narrow, scaled ridge, the lower very little in advance of the upper, which enters the dorsal profile of the head. Maxillary extending to below anterior  $\frac{1}{4}$  of eye, length  $3\frac{3}{4}$  to 4 in that of head ; lower jaw  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in head. Teeth in bands in both jaws. 14 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Scales cycloid on both sides of body ; about 140 in lateral line ; width of curve of lateral line about 3 in straight part. Dorsal 60–61 ; origin behind middle of eye. Anal 51–53. Pectoral of ocular side with 12 rays, length  $1\frac{2}{3}$  to  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in

that of head ; length of pectoral of blind side about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in head. Caudal pointed ; caudal peduncle about twice as deep as long. Greyish-brown, with indications of 3 series of dark spots or rings, and with 4 series of smaller, rounded, white spots, one on either side of the straight portion of the lateral line and one near each edge of body ; smaller specimen with traces of the dark markings characteristic of the young of *P. colorata* and *P. praelonga* ; dorsal and anal fins greyish, the rays tipped with white, each fin with a series of dark blotches ; a pair of conspicuous black spots at middle of upper and lower margins of caudal fin ; lower part of pectoral with a deep black spot distally, which is more distinct on underside of fin ; in the two larger specimens the head is yellowish-white on the blind side, but the whole of the body and the median fins are blackish.

REMARKS.—Related to *P. colorata*, Günther, differing mainly in the more slender body, smaller mouth, more numerous gill-rakers, smaller scales and in the coloration.

*Pæcilopsetta zanzibarensis*, sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

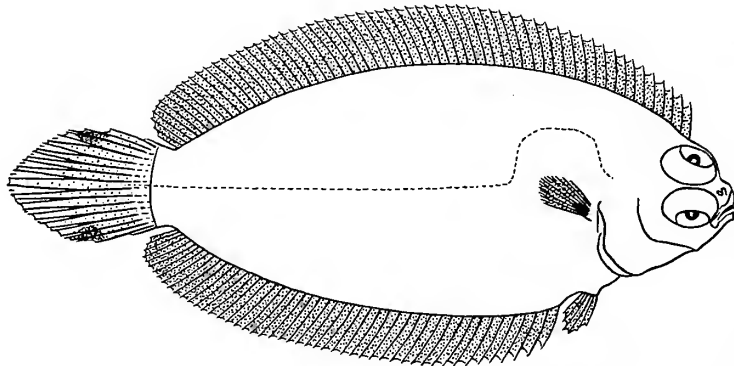
St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m. ; 12 (90–125 mm.).

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m. ; 11 (88–130 mm.). Holotype 130 mm.

St. 107, Zanzibar area, AT, 421–457 m. ; 1 (88 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $2\frac{1}{3}$  to nearly 3 in the length, length of head 4 to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . Snout much shorter than eye, diameter of which is  $2\frac{1}{4}$  (young) to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in length of head ; eyes nearly contiguous, the lower scarcely in advance of upper, which just enters the



TEXT-FIG. 33.—*Pæcilopsetta zanzibarensis*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{3}{4}$ .

dorsal profile of the head. Maxillary extending to a little beyond anterior margin of eye, length  $3\frac{2}{3}$  to nearly 4 in that of head ; lower jaw  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 in head. Teeth in narrow bands in both jaws (at least in adults). 12 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Scales feebly ctenoid on ocular side, cycloid on blind side ; 95 to 100 in lateral line ; width of curve of lateral line  $3\frac{1}{3}$  to  $3\frac{3}{4}$  in straight part. Dorsal 60–64 ; origin a little behind middle of eye. Anal, 50–54. Pectoral of ocular side with 10 or 11 rays, length  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{2}{5}$  in that of head ; length of pectoral of blind side 2 to  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in head. Caudal pointed ; caudal peduncle about 4 times as deep as long. Pale brownish, without definite markings ; the blind side yellowish-white, with series of small black spots, which are more conspicuous in the young ; fins all more or less dusky or blackish, the dorsal and anal rays tipped



with white; a pair of conspicuous black spots at middle of upper and lower margins of caudal fin.

REMARKS.—Close to *P. praelonga*, Alcock, which has a more slender body, the lower eye distinctly in advance of the upper, a rather larger mouth, and the anterior curve of the lateral line wider (width about 3 in straight part). *P. natalensis*, Norman, may be distinguished by the larger scales and by the coloration.

*Marleyella bicolorata* (von Bonde).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183-194 m. : 4 (96-125 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Natal, near Zanzibar.

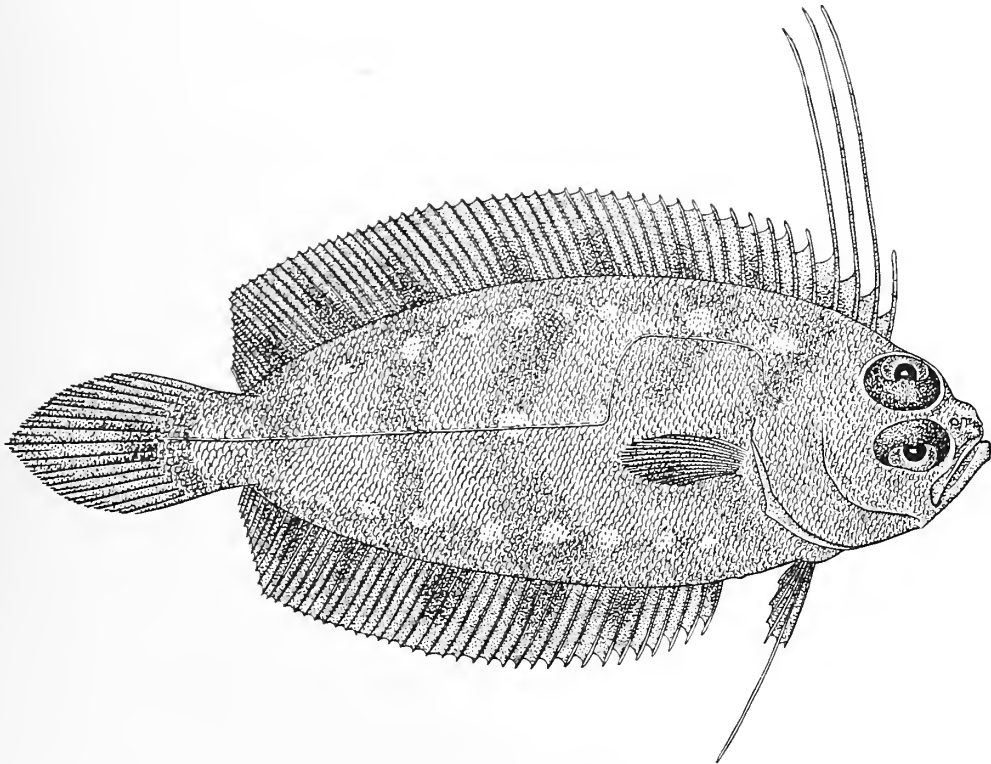
*Marleyella maldivensis*. sp. n.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 157, Maldive area, TD 4, 229 m. : 2 (98, 132 mm.). Holotype, a female, 132 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Maldives.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $2\frac{3}{5}$  to  $2\frac{4}{5}$  in the length, length of head  $3\frac{1}{3}$  to  $3\frac{1}{4}$ . Snout much shorter than eye, diameter of which is 3 to nearly  $3\frac{1}{4}$  in length of head; eyes separated



TEXT-FIG. 34.—*Marleyella maldivensis*. Holotype.  $\times 1$ .

by a very narrow ridge, which has a few scales in its anterior part; lower eye scarcely in advance of upper, which enters the dorsal profile of the head. A blunt bony prominence on snout in front of the anterior nostril. Maxillary extending to below anterior  $\frac{1}{4}$  of eye,

length  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in that of head. Teeth in narrow bands in both jaws. 15 gill-rakers on lower part of anterior arch. Scales feebly ctenoid on ocular side, cycloid on blind side; about 80 in lateral line; width of curve of lateral line  $2\frac{1}{4}$  to  $2\frac{2}{5}$  in straight part. Dorsal 58-59; origin above posterior part of eye; second and third, or second, third and fourth rays prolonged, the length of the second ray  $1\frac{1}{4}$  (smaller specimen) to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times length of head. Anal 49-50. Pectoral of ocular side with 13 or 14 rays, the middle ones branched, length  $1\frac{3}{4}$  in that of head; length of pectoral of blind side more than twice in head. Pelvic of ocular side with the second ray prolonged, its length (in the holotype) about equal to that of head. Caudal pointed; caudal peduncle about twice as deep as long. Greyish-brown, with darker blotches which tend to form very irregular cross-bars on the body; body with a number of small round, white spots; blind side yellowish anteriorly, more or less pigmented posteriorly, especially towards edges of body; a black blotch on the blind side of the head just in front of the dorsal fin; median fins greyish, the rays of the dorsal and anal tipped with white, each fin with a row of dark spots; a round black spot on middle of basal part of caudal; pectoral dusky, lower part of fin with a black spot distally, which is more distinct on the underside; pelvic dusky, distal parts of second and third rays pale.

REMARKS.—This species differs from *M. bicolorata* in the more slender body, larger eye, more numerous gill-rakers, more posterior origin of dorsal fin, and in the coloration.

#### Family CYNOGLOSSIDÆ.

##### *Cynoglossus (Areliscus) carpenteri*, Alcock.

For synonymy and description see Norman, 1928, Rec. Ind. Mus. XXX, p. 196, fig. 11.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 70, Gulf of Oman, OT, 196 m.; 1 (160 mm.).

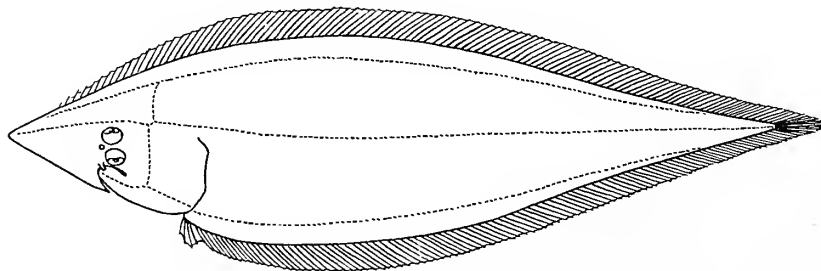
DISTRIBUTION.—Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman, Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal; in deep water.

##### *Cynoglossus (Areliscus) acutirostris*, sp. n.

##### OCCURRENCE :

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m.; 18 (200-260 mm.). Holotype 215 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden; in deep water.



TEXT-FIG. 35.—*Cynoglossus (Areliscus) acutirostris*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to nearly 4 in the length, length of head  $3\frac{2}{3}$  to 4. Snout acutely pointed, length about  $\frac{1}{2}$  that of head; rostral hook short, extending about to below level of anterior margin of lower eye; diameter of eye  $9\frac{1}{2}$  to 10 in length of head;

eyes narrowly separated, sometimes appearing almost contiguous, the upper distinctly in advance of lower; eye-balls sealy; maxillary extending to beyond eye, posterior edge much nearer to gill-opening than to end of snout. Two nostrils on ocular side, a simple one between the anterior edges of the eyes, a tubular one in front of lower eye. Dorsal *circa* 125. Anal *circa* 100. Scales more or less etenoid on both sides of body; 100 to 105 in a longitudinal series; three lateral lines on ocular side, the upper and middle separated by 17 or 18 series of scales; no distinct lateral line on blind side. Brownish; sometimes with numerous rather indistinct small darker spots; opercular region blackish; dorsal, anal and caudal fins dark on both sides.

REMARKS.—Related to *C. carpenteri*, Alcock, but differing in the longer and more acutely pointed snout, more numerous dorsal and anal rays, and in the somewhat smaller, etenoid scales.

*Cynoglossus (Trulla) zanzibarensis*, sp. n.

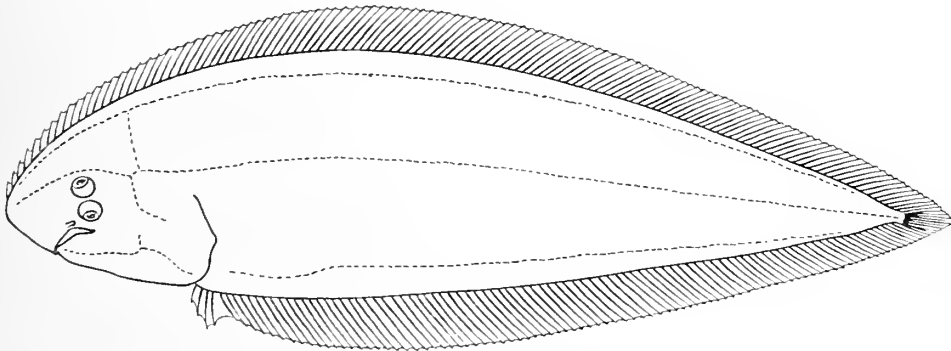
OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238–293 m.; 3 (150–180 mm.).

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183–194 m.; 3 (136–165 mm.). Holotype 165 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $3\frac{3}{4}$  to 4 in the length, length of head  $4\frac{1}{2}$  to  $4\frac{3}{4}$ . Snout rounded or obtusely pointed, length nearly 3 in that of head; rostral hook short, extending



TEXT-FIG. 36.—*Cynoglossus (Trulla) zanzibarensis*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{3}{4}$ .

to below mandibular symphysis; diameter of eye 7 to  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in length of head; eyes narrowly separated, the upper in advance of the lower; maxillary extending to below middle of eye or a little beyond, posterior edge a little nearer to end of snout than to gill-opening. A single tubular nostril in front of lower eye. Dorsal 116–122. Anal 94–100. Scales etenoid on both sides of body; about 75 in a longitudinal series; 3 lateral lines on ocular side, the upper and middle separated by 13 or 14 series of scales; no distinct lateral line on blind side. Brownish; without any definite markings.

REMARKS.—Closely related to *C. sealarki*, Regan, differing mainly in the somewhat broader body, longer snout, and in the presence of etenoid scales on the blind side of the body.

*Symphurus marmoratus*, Fowler.

? *Symphurus undatus*, Gilbert, 1905, Bull. U.S. Fish. Comm. XXIII (1903), p. 690, pl. xeviii.  
*Symphurus wood-masoni* (non Alcock), Regan, 1908, Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., Zool. XII, p. 235.  
*Symphurus marmoratus*, Fowler, 1934, Proc. Acad. N.S. Philad. LXXXV (1933), p. 349, fig. 102.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 153, Maldives area, TD 4, 256–293 m. ; 1 (116 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Maldives, Saya de Malha Bank, Philippines, Hawaiian Islands (?).

REMARKS.—The depth of the body is 4 in the length (without caudal) in the present example, but in other respects it agrees closely with the type as described by Fowler. This was 98 mm. in length, and was from near Jolo Island at a depth of about 19 metres. On the blind side of the anterior part of the head there are a number of irregularly arranged rows of cutaneous sensory papillæ, similar in appearance to those found on the head in many genera of Gobiid fishes. These papillæ seem to be absent in the related species, *S. gilesii* (Alcock) and *S. wood-masoni* (Alcock), which also differ from *S. marmoratus* in having smaller scales. The two specimens from the Saya de Malha Bank, recorded by Regan as *Aphoristia wood-masoni*, differ from that obtained by the "Mabahiss" only in having the pelvic separated from the first anal ray by a greater distance, but, since the membranes connecting the rays of these fins have been largely torn away, this is not a reliable character. As described by Gilbert, *S. undatus*, from the Hawaiian Islands, differs from *S. marmoratus* in the somewhat deeper body and larger head, and in the rather larger eye, but this may well prove to be identical with Fowler's species.

*Symphurus strictus*, Gilbert.

*Symphurus strictus*, Gilbert, 1905, *t.c.*, p. 691, text-fig. 272 ; von Bonde, 1922, Fish. Mar. Biol. Surv. S. Afr. II (1921), Spec. Rep. I, p. 26 ; Barnard, 1925, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 417.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldives area, AT, 494 m. ; 14 (55–134 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Off Delagoa Bay, S. Africa ; near Maldives ; Hawaiian Islands ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This species also exhibits the rows of sensory papillæ on the blind side of the head mentioned in *S. marmoratus*.

*Symphurus macrophthalmus*, sp. n.

## OCCURRENCE :

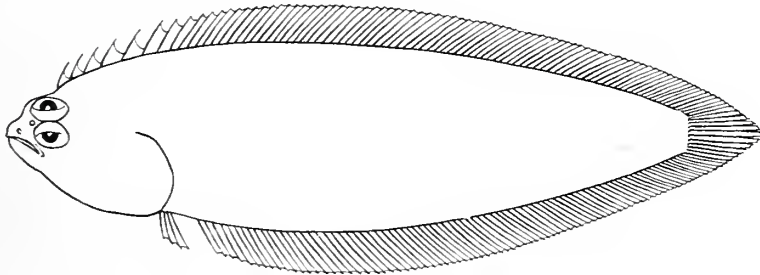
St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457–549 m. ; 2 (105, 133 mm.). Holotype 133 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body about  $3\frac{2}{5}$  in the length, length of head 4. Snout shorter than eye, diameter of which is about 5 in length of head ; eyes contiguous, the upper very little in advance of the lower. Anterior nostril of ocular side a narrow tube, situated about midway between tip of snout and anterior margin of lower eye ; posterior nostril a wide low tube, situated between anterior margins of eyes. Blind side of head



with a number of irregularly arranged rows of cutaneous papillæ anteriorly; nostrils?. Cleft of mouth not much curved, extending nearly to below middle of lower eye. Scales ctenoid on both sides of body; about 75 in a longitudinal, and about 38 in a transverse series. Dorsal 89. Anal 78. Pelvic 4-rayed, well separated from first ray of anal fin. Brownish, with narrow longitudinal darker streaks following the rows of scales; lower side yellowish-white; fins blackish on both sides.\*



TEXT-FIG. 37.—*Symphurus macrophthalmus*. Holotype.  $\times \frac{3}{4}$ .

REMARKS.—In the large size of the eyes this species differs from all other members of the genus except *S. fuscus*, Brauer, which may be distinguished, however, by the greater number of dorsal and anal rays, the smaller scales, the smaller head and the well-separated eyes.

*Symphurus gilesii* (Alcock).

For synonymy see Norman, 1928, Rec. Ind. Mus. XXX, p. 214, fig. 30.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m.; 14 (80–120 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061–1080 m.; 5 (60–115 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Bay of Bengal, Kei Islands.

REMARKS.—These specimens are all in rather poor condition, but appear to be referable to Alcock's species, which was previously unrepresented in the British Museum collection.

*Symphurus wood-masoni* (Alcock).

For synonymy see Norman, 1928, *t.c.*, p. 214.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 54, South Arabian Coast, AT, 1046 m.; 1 (136 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Coast of Arabia, Persian Gulf, Laccadive Sea, Bay of Bengal, Andaman Sea.

\* Both the types of this new form are very badly preserved, and tend to come to pieces if handled at all roughly. Had the species not proved to be so markedly distinct from other known members of the genus *Symphurus* I should have hesitated to describe it as new. The above description is based upon the holotype only.

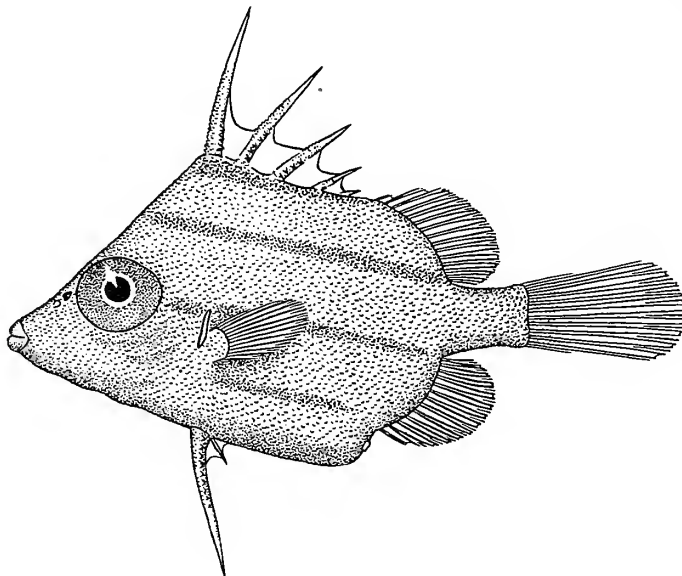
## Family TRIACANTHIDÆ.\*

*Paratriacanthodes herrei*, Myers.*Paratriacanthodes herrei*, Myers, 1934, *Smithson. Misc. Coll.* XCI, No. 9, p. 9.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 106, Zanzibar area, AT, 183-194 m. ; 10 (38-58 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar, Philippines ; in deep water.

DESCRIPTION.—Depth of body  $1\frac{3}{4}$  to 2 in the length, length of head  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{2}{3}$ . Inter-orbital width  $\frac{2}{3}$  diameter of eye, which is equal to length of snout and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in that of head. Width of gill-opening  $\frac{1}{2}$  diameter of eye. 10 small conical teeth in each jaw. DorsalTEXT-FIG. 38.—*Paratriacanthodes herrei*. St. 106.  $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$ .

VI, 15 ; length of first spine  $\frac{4}{5}$  that of head ; remainder decreasing in length ; last spine minute ; distance from base of first dorsal spine to nearest point on orbit  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in length of head ; dorsal and pelvic spines with numerous small, straight asperities, but without recurved barbs. Anal 13. Pectoral with 12 rays. Greatest width of pelvis 4 times in its length, which is  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in that of body ; pelvic spine as long as first dorsal spine, followed by a single short ray. Caudal rounded ; caudal peduncle  $2\frac{2}{3}$  in length of head. Pale yellowish-brown ; side with 3 or 4 narrow longitudinal bands, the first running along the base of the spinous dorsal, the second from occiput to last rays of soft dorsal, and the third from eye to last rays of anal.

REMARKS.—Through the courtesy of the United States National Museum, I have been able to compare these specimens with one of the paratypes of the species (U.S.N.M. Reg. No. 93302), 80 mm. in total length. Apart from the presence of the longitudinal bands, which are not apparent in the paratype, the specimens obtained by the "Mabahiss" differ only in having a somewhat shorter and deeper body, probably a juvenile character.

\* I am much indebted to Mr. A. Fraser-Brunner for assistance in determining many of the specimens of Plectognathi obtained by the "Murray" Expedition.

This species was known previously only from deep water in the neighbourhood of the Philippines. The holotype (U.S.N.M. No. 93293), 73 mm. in standard length, was taken off Point Tagolo Light ( $8^{\circ} 47' N.$ ,  $123^{\circ} 31' E.$ ), at a depth of 332 metres.

Family BALISTIDÆ.

*Abalistes stellatus* (Lacepède).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 158, Maldive area, AT, 786–1170 m. ; 1 (41 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

*Balistapus* sp.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 108, Zanzibar area, AT, 786 m. ; 1 (29 mm.).

*Canthidermis* sp.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 25, Gulf of Aden, hand-net, surface ; 2 (38, 39 mm.). Sargasso colony.

REMARKS.—The coloration in life of these young fishes probably renders them very inconspicuous in the weed among which they habitually live, and the protective resemblance is, perhaps, enhanced by the membranous processes with which the body is ornamented. These processes are characteristic of the young of a number of Balistids, and it has proved impossible to identify specifically the present examples.

Family MONACANTHIDÆ.

*Cantherines melanoproctes* (Boulenger).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73–200 m. ; 1 (73 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Coast of Arabia.

REMARKS.—In this young specimen the anterior barbs of the dorsal spine are stronger than in type specimens (175 to 182 mm.); the typical broad bands are present along the back and the dark spot at the vent, but the cheek and side have bold patches and bars instead of vermiculations.

*Cantherines modestoides*, Barnard.

*Cantherines modestoides*, Barnard, 1927, Ann. S. Afr. Mus. XXI, p. 958.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 24, Gulf of Aden, OT, 73–200 m. ; 1 (74 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden ; Algoa Bay, South Africa.

*Stephanolepis setifer* (Bennett).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. ?, Gulf of Aden ? ; 2 (84, 89 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Tropical Atlantic and Indo-Pacific.

*Aluterus scriptus* (Osbeck).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 25, Gulf of Aden, hand-net, surface ; 1 (79 mm.). Sargasso colony.

DISTRIBUTION.—Tropical Atlantic and Indo-Pacific.

## Family OSTRACIONTIDÆ.

*Lactoria cornuta* (Linnæus).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 3 (20–35 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to Australia, Japan and the Pacific.

*Rhinesomus gibbosus* (Linnæus).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 2 (215, 225 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

## Family TETRODONTIDÆ.

*Spheroides hypselogeneion* (Bleeker).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 37, Gulf of Aden, OT, 18–22 m. ; 1 (47 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa and the Red Sea, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

*Canthigaster cinctus* (Solander).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 27, Gulf of Aden, OT, 37–91 m. ; 2 (68, 99 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—East Africa, through the Indian Ocean and Archipelago, to the Pacific.

## Family DIODONTIDÆ.

*Diodon holacanthus*, Linnæus.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 41, South Arabian Coast, hand-net, surface ; 1 (85 mm.). Sargasso colony.

DISTRIBUTION.—All warm seas.



## Family LOPHIIDÆ.

*Chirolophius mutilus* (Alcock).

- Lophius mutilus*, Alcock, 1893, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LXII (2), p. 179; 1894, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. x, fig. 2; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 54.  
 ? *Lophius lugubris*, Alcock, 1894, J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal, LXIII (2), p. 118; 1895, Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xiv, fig. 1; 1899, Cat. Indian Deep-sea Fish. p. 55.  
*Lophius (Chirolophius) quinqueradiatus*, Brauer, 1906, "Valdivia" Tiefsee-Fische, p. 313.  
 ? *Lophius triradiatus*, Lloyd, 1909, Mem. Ind. Mus. II, p. 166; Illust. Zool. "Investigator", pl. xlv, fig. 5.

## OCCURRENCE :

- St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 2 (185, 200 mm.).  
 St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 4 (140-335 mm.).  
 St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 11 (136-160 mm.).

## DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

DESCRIPTION.—The diameter of the eye is equal to or somewhat less than the inter-orbital width and 5 to  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in the length of the head (measured from tip of snout to upper angle of gill-opening). Edge of supraorbital ridge sometimes irregular, but usually with 3 blunt spines, which tend to become less conspicuous with age. Humeral spine with 3, 4 or 5 points in specimens up to 225 mm., but in the specimen of 335 mm. there is a single curved spine. Dorsal (III) IV-V, 7-9; all the rays of the spinous fin simple, the third longest, usually as long as or a little shorter than the head; second part of spinous dorsal represented by one or two short rays, which may be variously reduced, hidden beneath the skin, or altogether wanting. Anal 5-6. Pectoral with 15 to 17 rays.

REMARKS.—Examination of the above series of specimens, all of which appear to be referable to a single species, suggests that the form of the humeral spine and of the second part of the spinous dorsal fin is subject to greater variation than was formerly suspected, and that these characters may be of doubtful value in the discrimination of species in this genus. There appears to be very little doubt that Brauer's species is synonymous with *C. mutilus* (Alcock), and, although the eye would seem to be a little smaller and the number of pectoral rays is said to be only 13, *C. lugubris* (Alcock) may also prove to be identical.

The following young specimens probably belong here. They have only 3 rays in the spinous dorsal fin, and agree very closely with Lloyd's description and figure of *Lophius triradiatus*.

- St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457-549 m. ; 2 (38, 43 mm.).

## Family ANTENNARIIDÆ.

*Pterophryne histrio* (Linnæus).

## OCCURRENCE :

- St. M.B. II (a), Arabian Coast, RD, 11 m. ; 1 (15 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indo-Pacific.

*Antennarius* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 25, Gulf of Aden, hand-net, surface ; 1 (12 mm.). Associated with sargasso colony.

St. 42, South Arabian Coast, hand-net, surface ; 2 (12, 13 mm.).

St. 44, South Arabian Coast, OT (?), surface ; 3 (16-19 mm.).

REMARKS.—These specimens, belonging to at least two species, are all very small and cannot be specifically identified.

## Family CHAUNACIDÆ.

*Chaunax pictus*, Lowe.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 105, Zanzibar area, AT, 238-293 m. ; 5 (45-105 mm.).

St. 109, Zanzibar area, AT, 640 m. ; 2 (73, 215 mm.).

St. 110, Zanzibar area, OT, 347-384 m. ; 4 (97-112 mm.).

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 19 (35-165 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 2 (48, 140 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic and Indo-Pacific ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—In this species the rostral tentacle (illicium) is rather short and thick, and somewhat enlarged and fimbriated at its apex ; it is always freely movable and depressible into a shallow naked area on the snout. As a rule the fimbriæ are pale or a little dusky, but in two specimens from the Atlantic and two from Natal, all in the British Museum collection, these are black above and white below, approaching the condition found in *C. pencillatus* (see below). In one or two of the specimens obtained by the present expedition the illicium is reduced in size, and in one example from Station 115 it is absent. In young and half-grown examples the upper parts and sides of the head and body are covered with rounded darker spots ; these become less distinct with age, and the adults are uniformly coloured.

The abdomen of *Chaunax*, like that of *Tetrodon* and its allies, is very distensible, and in specimens preserved in this condition one or both of the pelvic fins may be drawn inwards through the skin and appear at first sight to be reduced or absent. This was probably the condition in the specimen described by Lloyd as *Chaunax apus*.

Examination of the series of specimens obtained by the "Mabahiss", together with those in the British Museum collection, suggests the possibility that the forms described as *C. fimbriatus*, Hilgendorf, *C. umbrinus*, Gilbert, and *C. endeavouri*, Whitley, are simply varieties of a single, widely-distributed species.

*Chaunax pencillatus*, McCulloch.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 115, Zanzibar area, OT, 640-658 m. ; 7 (90-125 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Near Zanzibar ; Victoria, Australia ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This species is very close to the preceding, but differs especially in the form of the rostral tentacle (illicium), which has been well described and figured by

McCulloch (1915, Biol. Res. "Endeavour", III, p. 167, pl. xxxiii, fig. 2). Further, the spines in the skin on the head region are larger and more shagreen-like than in *C. pictus*, and the markings on the back take the form of larger dark spots and rings. It is of interest to note that both the "Endeavour" and the "Mabahiss" obtained both forms *in the same haul*, and it seems possible that the differences mentioned above may be sexual: unfortunately, the gonads are not sufficiently well developed in the specimens from near Zanzibar to test this point.

Family OGCOEPHALIDÆ.

*Halieutæa coccinea*, Alcock.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 7 (100–160 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—These specimens agree very closely with Alcock's original description of the species, which was not previously represented in the British Museum collection. The fine black vermicular lines on the upper surface are distinct in some specimens, scarcely apparent in others.

*Halieutæa fumosa*, Alcock.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 194, Gulf of Aden, AT, 220 m. ; 2 (85, 95 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Indian Ocean.

*Dibranchus nasutus*, Alcock.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 184, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1270 m. ; 1 (66 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Gulf of Aden, Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

*Dibranchus obscurus*, Brauer.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 1 (42 mm.).

St. 118, Zanzibar area, AT, 1789 m. ; 1 (160 mm.).

St. 119, Zanzibar area, AT, 1207–1463 m. ; 1 (210 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This species, which has not previously been figured, is new to the British Museum collection.

*Dibranchus nudiventer*, Lloyd.

OCCURRENCE :

St. 118, Zanzibar area, AT, 1789 m. ; 1 (67 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This young specimen appears to be referable to this species, known previously only from the type, 75 mm. in length, from the Bay of Bengal.

*Cælophrys micropus* (Alcock).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 34, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1022 m. ; 2 (40, 60 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

REMARKS.—As pointed out by Radcliffe (1912, 'Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus.' XLII, p. 212), this species is referable to the genus *Cælophrys*, which is, however, doubtfully distinct from *Dibranchus*.

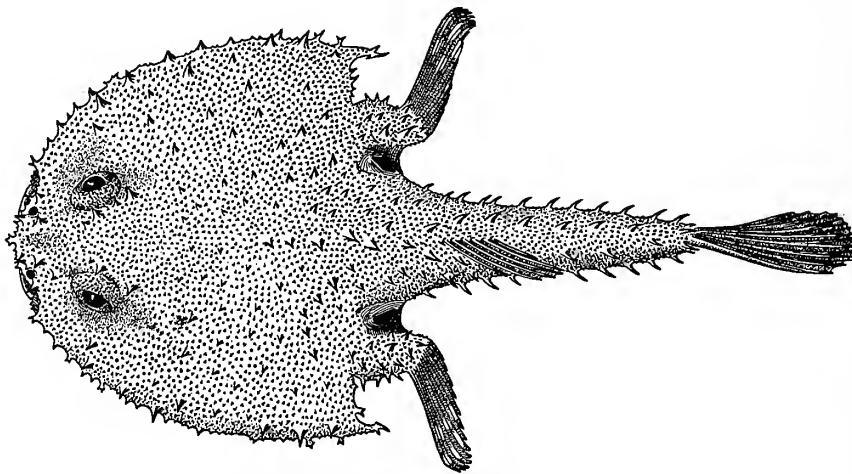
*Malthopsis triangularis*, Lloyd.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 1 (38 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—The differences between this species and the related *M. luteus*, Wood-Mason and Alcock, have been clearly shown by Sewell (1914, 'Rec. Ind. Mus.' X, p. 132).



TEXT-FIG. 39.—*Dibranchus obscurus*. St. 119.  $\times \frac{3}{4}$ .

*Halicometus ruber*, Alcock.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 35, Gulf of Aden, OT, 457–549 m. ; 1 (40 mm.).

St. 145, Maldive area, AT, 494 m. ; 2 (29, 47 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Indian Ocean and Archipelago.

## Family MELANOCETIDÆ.

*Melanocetus johnsoni*, Günther.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 121, Zanzibar area, AT, ? m. ; 1 (29 mm.).

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091–0 m. ; 1 (23 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.



*Melanocetus* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 1 (25 mm.).

REMARKS.—This specimen has some very long fangs in the lower jaw. The distal part of the illicium is missing.

## Family ONEIRODIDÆ.

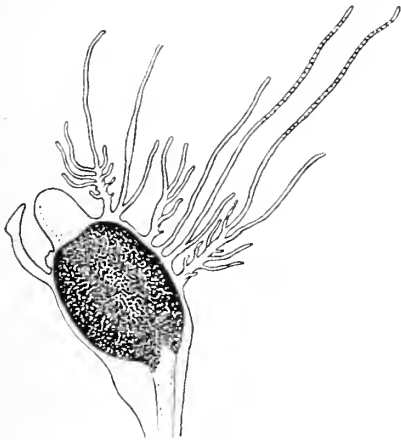
*Dolopichthys* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

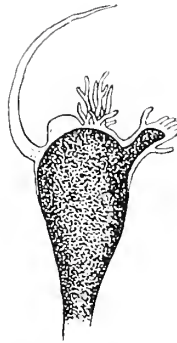
St. 186, Gulf of Aden, N 200, 952-0 m. : 1 (22 mm.).

St. 193, Gulf of Aden, AT, 1061-1080 m. ; 1 (27 mm.).

REMARKS.—Both these specimens, which appear to represent distinct species, are in rather poor condition, and as far as the form of the illicium is concerned cannot be



TEXT-FIG. 40.—Distal part of illicium of *Dolopichthys* from St. 193.



TEXT-FIG. 41.—Distal part of illicium of *Dolopichthys* from St. 186.

exactly identified with any of the species described by Regan and Trewavas (1932, 'Rep. Carlsberg Ocean. Exped.' 1928-30, II). I have given a figure of the distal part of the illicium of each of these specimens here, but have been loath to add further names to the already long list of species in this genus.

*Chænophryne* sp.

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 1 (15 mm.).

REMARKS.—The distal part of the illicium has been broken off, so that it is quite impossible to determine the species of this small specimen.

## Family CERATHIDÆ.

*Cryptosparas carunculatus* (Günther).

## OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 1 (100 mm.).

DISTRIBUTION.—Arabian Sea, Japan ; in deep water.

REMARKS.—This specimen differs from the type of the species, 35 (28 + 7) mm. in total length, in having the pore in front of the caruncles at the end of a short, stout papilla, but this difference may well be a matter of age. The length of the illicium is about  $\frac{2}{7}$  that of the fish as in the type, and the structure of the bulb of the illicium is very similar.

The following very young examples probably belong here :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 1 (15 mm.).

St. 186, Gulf of Aden, N 100, 600-0 m. ; N 200, 952-0 m. ; 2 (each 16 mm.).

*Mancalias uranoscopus* (Murray).

OCCURRENCE :

St. 172, Arabian Sea, N 200, 2091-0 m. ; 1 (18 mm.).

REMARKS.—The bulb of the illicium is more heavily pigmented than is usually the case in this species.

DISTRIBUTION.—Atlantic, Indo-Pacific.

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## INTRODUCTION.

A STUDY of the Harpacticoida is rendered difficult by the fact that in very many, if not in most, instances very few examples of a species are obtained in any one particular collection, such as a weed-washing; it is thus almost impossible to determine the limits within which any given species may vary in either size or structure, and in consequence one is much inclined to create "new species" on small differences of structure, especially when such differences are associated with a constant and not infrequently a marked difference in body size or a wide geographical separation. A number of Harpacticoids are now known to have an almost world-wide distribution, and thus geographical separation has little or no value as evidence of specific distinction.

In the following paper I have included, in addition to the species taken in regions that were visited by the John Murray Expedition, a number of others that were obtained in previous years by the R.I.M.S. "Investigator". The great majority of these collections were made by washing in a weak solution of formalin weed or branches of coral, especially of the "Stag-horn" kind of *Acropora*, the basal stems of which are frequently overgrown with algæ. The species thus obtained are as follows:

Genus *Longipedia* Claus.

*Longipedia coronata* Claus.

*L. rosea* Sars.

*L. scotti* Sars.

*L. weberi* A. Scott.



Genus *Canuella* T. and A. Scott.

Subgenus *Canuella*.

*Canuella (Canuella) furcigera* Sars.

*C. (C.) scotti* nom. nov. (for *C. curticauda* A. Scott, non Thompson and A. Scott).

Subgenus *Ellucana* nov.

*Canuella (Ellucana) longicauda* sp. nov.

Genus *Ectinosoma* Boeck.

*Ectinosoma melaniceps* Boeck.

Genus *Pseudobradya* Sars.

*Pseudobradya similis* (T. and A. Scott).

Genus *Microsetella* Brady and Robertson.

*Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).

Genus *Euterpina* Norman.

*Euterpina acutifrons* (Dana).

Genus *Macrosetella* A. Scott.

*Macrosetella gracilis* (Dana).

Genus *Miracia* Dana.

*Miracia efferata* Dana.

Genus *Ægisthus* Giesbrecht.

*Ægisthus aculeatus* Giesbrecht.

*Æ. mucronatus* Giesbrecht.

Genus *Clytemnestra* Dana.

*Clytemnestra scutellata* Dana.

Genus *Peltidium* Philippi.

*Peltidium exiguum* A. Scott.

*P. intermedium* A. Scott.

*P. maldivianum* sp. nov.

*P. minutum* A. Scott.

*P. ovale* Thompson and A. Scott.

Genus *Tegastes* Norman.

*Tegastes minutus* sp. nov.

Genus *Syngastes* Monard.

*Syngastes imthurni* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*S. indicus* sp. nov.

Genus *Porcellidium* Claus.

*Porcellidium acuticaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.

*P. fimbriatum* Claus.

*P. tuberculatum* Wolfenden.

Genus *Harpacticus* M. Edwards.

*Harpacticus clausi* A. Scott.

*H. fucicolus* T. Scott.

*H. gracilis* Claus.

„ var. *orientalis* Sewell.

*H. littoralis* Sars.



- Genus *Tisbe* Lilljeborg.  
*Tisbe ensifera* (Sars), var. *indica* (Sewell).  
*T. furcata* (Baird).  
*T. gracilis* (T. Scott).  
? *T. longisetosa* Gurney.  
*T. tenera* (Sars).
- Genus *Tisbintra* nov.  
*Tisbintra nicobarica* sp. nov.
- Genus *Paraidya* nov.  
*Paraidya major* sp. nov.  
*P. minor* sp. nov.
- Genus *Scutellidium* Claus.  
*Scutellidium longicaudum* (Philippi).  
*S. machairopoides* (Monard).  
*S. plumosum* Brady.
- Genus *Phyllothalestris* Sars.  
*Phyllothalestris mysis* (Claus).  
*P. orientalis* sp. nov.  
*P. sarsi* sp. nov.
- Genus *Rhynchothalestris* Sars.  
*Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman).  
*R. similis* A. Scott.
- Genus *Parastenhelia* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*Parastenhelia littoralis* (Sars).  
*P. littoralis*, f. *pennicillata* Willey.  
,, f. *scotti* nom. nov.
- Genus *Xouthous* Thomson.  
*Xouthous laticaudata* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*X. maldiviae* sp. nov.  
*X. purpurocinctum* (Norman and T. Scott).
- Genus *Eudactylopus* A. Scott.  
*Eudactylopus fasciatus* sp. nov.  
*E. latipes* T. Scott, f. *andrewi* nom. nov.  
*E. opima* (Brian), f. *major*.  
,, ,, *minor*.  
*E. striatus* sp. nov.
- Genus *Dactylopusia* Norman.  
*Dactylopusia brevicornis* (Claus).  
*D. falcifera* Willey, f. *pallida*.  
,, ,, f. *violacea*.  
*D. thisboides* (Claus).  
*D. tropica* sp. nov.
- Genus *Jalysus* Brian.  
*Jalysus investigatoris* sp. nov.  
*J. proximus* sp. nov.

Genus *Parawestwoodia* Sharpe.

*Parawestwoodia nobilis* (Baird).

Genus *Pseudothalestris* Brady.

*Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady.

*P. minuta* (Claus).

*P. nana* T. Scott.

Genus *Diosaccus* Boeck.

*Diosaccus hamiltoni* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*D. monardi* sp. nov.

*D. truncatus* Gurney.

Genus *Amphiascus* Sars.

*Amphiascus ægyptius* Gurney.

*A. calcarifer* sp. nov., f. *major*.

„ „ f. *minor*.

*A. cinctus* (Claus).

*A. coralicola* sp. nov.

*A. ctenophorus* Monard.

*A. dentatus* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*A. havelocki* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*A. hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*A. inermis* sp. nov.

*A. nicobaricus* sp. nov.

*A. rebus* sp. nov.

*A. robinsoni* (A. Scott).

*A. similis* (Claus).

*A. typhlops* Sars.

*Amphiascus* sp.

Genus *Teissierella* Monard.

*Teissierella adduensis* sp. nov.

*T. knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*T. proxima* (T. Scott).

Genus *Stenhelia* Boeck.

Subgenus *Delavalia* Brady.

*Stenhelia (Delavalia) latisetosa* sp. nov.

*S. (D.) polluta* Monard.

*S. (D.) truncatipes* sp. nov.

Genus *Ameira* Boeck.

*Ameira parvula* (Claus).

Genus *Nitocra* Boeck.

*Nitocra spinipes* Boeck, var. *orientalis* Sewell.

Genus *Leptomesochra* Sars.

*Leptomesochra nasuta* sp. nov.

Genus *Phyllopodopsyllus* T. Scott.

*Phyllopodopsyllus furcifer* Sars.

Genus *Laophonte* Philippi.

*Laophonte adduensis* sp. nov.

*L. brevirostris* (Claus).

*L. bulbifera* Norman.

*L. cornuta* Philippi.

*L. gurneyi* Lang.

*L. macani* sp. nov.

*L. meinerti* Brady.

*L. strömi* (Baird).

*L. trispinosa* sp. nov.

Genus *Ceyloniella* Wilson.

*Ceyloniella armata* (Claus), f. *major*.

„ „ f. *minor*.

*C. nicobarica* sp. nov.

Genus *Laophontella* Thompson and A. Scott.

*Laophontella armata* (Willey), var. *indica* nov.

Genus *Orthopsyllus* Brady.

*Orthopsyllus* sp.

*O. linearis* (Claus).

Genus *Enhydrosoma* Boeck.

*Enhydrosoma nicobarica* sp. nov.

Genus *Metis* Philippi.

*Metis jusseaumei* (Richard), f. *major*.

„ „ f. *minor*.

#### THE OCCURRENCE OF DIMORPHISM.

It is now well recognized that within the limits of any given species of Copepod, especially in the Calanoida, we may have races of different size that occupy areas in which the local conditions are different, either as regards salinity or temperature, or both; but this difference is not the same as that which I am here considering, for in these dimorphic forms individuals of the two sizes are in the great majority of instances found to be living together, inhabiting the same, often quite small, habitat, and are thus living under identical conditions.

In previous papers (*vide* Sewell, 1912 and 1929) I have directed attention to the occurrence of what appears to be sexual dimorphism in certain marine and brackish-water species of Calanoida, and Farran (1926, 1929 and 1936) has noted the occurrence of dimorphic forms in yet other species, namely:

			Large form. (mm.)	Small form. (mm.)
<i>Clausocalanus arcuicornis</i> (Dana)	♀	.	1.17	0.94
( <i>vide</i> Farran, 1926, p. 238)	♀	.	1.4-1.6	1.2-1.4
1929, p. 223				
1936, p. 82				
Sewell, 1929, p. 91)				
<i>Nannocalanus minor</i> (Claus)	♀	.	1.55-1.64	1.32-1.49
( <i>vide</i> Sewell, 1929, p. 21)				
<i>Paracalanus aculeatus</i> Giesbrecht	♀	.	0.89-0.99	0.69
( <i>vide</i> Sewell, 1912, p. 326)	♂	.	1.238	0.996
1929, p. 62)				
<i>Undinula vulgaris</i> (Dana)	♀	.	2.208-2.623	1.868-2.189
( <i>vide</i> Sewell, 1929, p. 37)				
<i>Lophothrix frontalis</i> Giesbrecht	♀	.	5.812-6.125	4.875-5.375
( <i>vide</i> Sewell, 1929, p. 193)				
<i>Lucicutia flavicornis</i> (Claus)	♀	.	1.63-1.80	1.3-1.4
( <i>vide</i> Farran, 1936, p. 111)				
<i>Pleuromamma abdominalis</i> (Lubb.)	♀	.	2.95-3.06	2.52-2.76
( <i>vide</i> Farran, 1936, p. 110)	♂	.	2.76-3.21	2.40-2.68

In 1905 T. Scott (1905a, p. 49), in an account of the Entomostraca of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, reported that he had found two forms of *Eurytemora herdmani* Thompson and A. Scott occurring together; he gives the sizes of these two forms in each sex as follows:

Large form, ♂, 1.61 mm.; ♀, 1.52 mm.

Small form, ♂, 1.14 ,, ♀, 1.12 ,,

"The smaller differed from the larger and typical form by possessing slightly fewer spinules on the spines of the 5th foot of the female" (Scott). Gurney (1931) has recorded the occurrence of large and small sexually-mature forms, occurring in the same locality, in two species of *Diaptomus*, namely in *D. laticeps* Sars, in which species both sexes were affected, and in *D. wierzejskii* Richard in two localities, in one of which both sexes were affected, and in a second in which only the females exhibited this dimorphism. In the case of *D. laticeps* Gurney remarks, "The range of size in Loch Hundland (Orkneys) is so great (♂, 1.05-1.4; ♀, 1.12-1.60 mm.) that it seems necessary to suppose that in some cases there is a moult in the adult to a 'high form' or Stage VII, which is not distinguished by structural change" (Gurney, 1931, p. 170). In the case of *D. wierzejskii* from Tunisia the high and low forms of the males and females had the following length measurements:

Small form ♂, 1.338 mm.; ♀, 1.590 mm.

Large form, ♂, 1.635 ,, ; ♀, 2.150 ,,

and examples of this species taken in the Shetlands showed a similar variation in size in the females, a small form measuring 1.50 mm., and a large one 1.73 mm.

The occasional presence of two sexually-mature forms, differing primarily in size, is, however, by no means limited to the Calanoida, but is also present, and perhaps more frequently than is as yet recognized, in certain species of both Cyclopoida and Harpacticoida. In the Cyclopoida T. Scott (1905b, p. 143) has recorded the presence in the same locality,



namely, South Bay, Firth of Forth, of two forms of the species *Euryte longicauda* Philippi; he gives the sizes of these two forms as (i) larger, 1.22 mm. in length, and (ii) smaller, 0.8 mm.; he does not state whether he obtained these two forms in both sexes, and as he mentions the females only, it must be presumed that only this sex exhibited dimorphism. In the two forms he noticed slight differences in the structure of the 5th feet, affecting both shape and armature. Sars (1913, p. 26) has recorded finding two similar size-groups in this species in the inner part of the Christiania Fjord; both groups were sexually mature, and he was unable to detect any difference, apart from size, between the individuals of the two groups. Farran, in the same year (1913, p. 182), recorded the presence in the sea round Christmas Island, Indian Ocean, of two forms of *Oithona setigera* Dana, the smaller form measuring 1.20–1.26 mm. and the larger 1.6–1.9 mm.; “there did not appear to be any specimens of intermediate size connecting the larger and smaller forms” (Farran). I have myself observed a similar difference in size between specimens of *Oithona plumifera* Baird that were taken in the neighbourhood of the Nicobar Islands, the small form measuring 1.2–1.37 mm., and the large form 1.67 mm., the latter agreeing with the form that was described by Brady under the name *Oithona challengerii*.

Among the Harpacticoida I recorded (Sewell, 1924, pp. 821 *et seq.*) dimorphism in both sexes of *Teissierella propinqua* (T. Scott) (= *Amphiascus scotti* mihi) from the Chilka Lake, and Gurney (1927c, p. 532) later described the same type of dimorphism in the closely allied species *Teissierella knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott) (= *Robertsonia knoxi*), taken in the Suez Canal area. Monard (1928a) has also recorded this form of dimorphism in several species of the Harpacticoida. In *Harpacticus littoralis* Sars he had under observation two forms of the female, measuring respectively 0.4–0.5 mm. and 0.6–0.7 mm., both taken apparently in the same area. In the species *Porcellidium fimbriatum* Claus he has described a typical form and a variety; the typical form measured 0.7 mm. in length, and the variety, *macrurus*, was only 0.53 mm.; both forms were ovigerous, and there were slight anatomical differences between them in the length of the furca and the shape of the genital segment, which was quadrangular in the typical form and rounded in the variety. Again, in the species *Amphiascus debilis* Giesbrecht Monard (*loc. cit.*, p. 391) describes two forms, measuring respectively 0.45 mm. and 0.54 mm. in length; here again the difference in size was accompanied by slight differences in structure; these two forms were taken in the same locality, namely “boue du vivier, baie derrière de laboratoire”, and the structural differences were as follows: “la première plus grande, a le distal de  $P_v$  tres allongé, 2 1. La deuxième plus petite, possède un distal court:  $1\frac{1}{2} 1$ ” (Monard).

In the present collections dimorphism of this type has been found to be present in the following species:

		Male. (mm.)	Female. (mm.)
<i>Eudactylopus opima</i> (Brian)	f. <i>major</i>	1.162	1.65–1.76
	f. <i>minor</i>	0.866	0.899
<i>Amphiascus calcarifer</i> sp. nov.	f. <i>major</i>	..	1.05–1.13
	f. <i>minor</i>	0.65	0.79
<i>Ceyloniella armata</i> (Claus)	f. <i>major</i>	..	0.904–1.013
	f. <i>minor</i>	..	0.691
<i>Metis jusseaumei</i> Richard	f. <i>major</i>	0.68	0.82
	f. <i>minor</i>	..	0.45

In addition to these cases of dimorphism, one must not overlook the possibility that certain forms, now considered to be distinct species, may in reality be dimorphic forms of the same species; thus Monard (1928, p. 390) has suggested that *Amphiascus propinquus* Sars is only a small variety of *Amphiascus imus* Brady. The respective length measurements of the two forms are:

<i>Amphiascus imus</i> Brady . . .	0.85 mm.
<i>A. propinquus</i> Sars . . .	0.57 ,,

In certain instances I have been unable to decide whether two closely related forms should be regarded as merely dimorphic forms of a single species or whether they are actually two distinct species; in two such instances, at the risk of being accused of inconsistency, I have given each form a specific name; such instances are:

	Length.	
	Female.	Male.
<i>Paraidya major</i> sp. nov. . . . .	1.07 mm.	..
<i>P. minor</i> sp. nov. . . . .	0.70 ,,	..
<i>Jalysus investigatoris</i> sp. nov. . . . .	0.89 ,,	0.81 mm.
<i>J. proximus</i> sp. nov. . . . .	..	0.51 ,,

If now we take the length of the smaller form to be equal to 1, then the larger form in these species would have the following proportional length:

	Female.	Male.
<i>Harpacticus littoralis</i> . . . . .	1.444	
<i>Porcellidium fimbriatum</i> . . . . .	1.321	
<i>Eudactylopus opima</i> . . . . .	1.896	1.342
<i>Amphiascus debilis</i> . . . . .	1.200	
<i>A. calcarifer</i> . . . . .	1.386	
<i>Teissierella propinqua</i> . . . . .	1.317	
<i>T. knoxi</i> . . . . .	1.968	
<i>Ceyloniella armata</i> . . . . .	1.386	
<i>Metis jusseaumei</i> . . . . .	1.822	
<i>Paraidya major</i> and <i>minor</i> . . . . .	1.529	
<i>Amphiascus propinquus</i> and <i>imus</i> . . . . .	1.491	
<i>Jalysus investigatoris</i> and <i>proximus</i> . . . . .	..	1.588

The difference in size of the females of the dimorphic forms clearly falls into two groups, the first ranging from 1.200 to 1.444, and the second from 1.822 to 1.968. The average difference in the first group is 1.342, and in the second 1.895. In my previous papers I have given the growth-factors in eighteen species of Calanoid Copepoda and the average of all these is 1.302. If the two forms *major* and *minor* represent successive stages in the life-history of a species, the proportional difference between them should clearly be equal to the growth-factor, and the close approximation of the average observed difference, as given above, namely 1.342, to the average growth-factor, 1.302, supports the view that this is the explanation of the occurrence of the two forms. In the second group, however,

in which the average observed difference between the two forms *major* and *minor* is 1.895, and hence is far larger than any growth-factor, this large difference would at first sight appear to contra-indicate such an explanation; it is, however, interesting to note that this difference, 1.895, is the square of 1.376, a figure that falls well within the limits of range of difference in the first group; I have in previous papers (1929, p. 73, fig. 28; 1932, p. 393, fig. 130) shown that in certain circumstances certain species, namely *Paracalanus crassirostris* Dahl and *Acartia (Euacartia) southwelli* Sewell, may become sexually mature at the 5th stage; the f. *minor* may possibly thus arise as a result of the early attainment of sexual maturity in Stage V, and the f. *major* in consequence of sexual maturity being delayed to Stage VII, the difference in size between the two stages then being the square of the normal growth-factor for that species.

In several instances the occurrence of these dimorphic forms is associated with abnormal conditions of habitat; the two forms of *Amphiascus calcarifer* were taken together in a small, shallow, isolated pool on the reef of Addu Atoll, in the Maldive Archipelago, in which the temperature of the water and its salinity were both high, owing to evaporation; the two forms of *Ceyloniella armata* (Claus) were also taken together in washings from weed that was growing in shallow water on the lagoon reef of the same atoll, where, as I have previously shown (Sewell, 1936, p. 124), the temperature of the water may rise to over 36° C. The two forms of *Teissierella propinqua* T. Scott (= *Amphiascus scotti* mihi) were taken in the Chilka Lake (*vide* Sewell, 1924), in which the salinity and temperature of the water is subject to great seasonal changes; similarly in the case of *Teissierella knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott) the small form was obtained from the Suez Canal or at its two extremities, which are in open communication with the sea, whereas the large form was obtained from saline pools or from a small pool on an island in Lake Timsa, in which the water had a high salinity. The two forms of *Eudactylopus opima* (Brian) were taken in weed that was growing on the reefs of Nankauri Harbour or of Addu Atoll, where temperatures may be abnormally high, and the same was the case with the two forms of *Metis jusseaumei* (Richard). Of the earlier records the two forms of *Euryte longicauda* Philippi were taken in enclosed waters in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and in the inner part of the Christiania Fjord, in both of which localities considerable changes in the character of the water are to be expected. It thus seems reasonable to assume that in some way the variability in the physical characters of the habitat may react on the developing animal, and may either induce an additional moult, thus causing the appearance of a "high" dimorph, or may induce a precocious onset of maturity, thus causing the appearance of a "low" dimorph, and that such forms may make their appearance in any group of the Copepoda.

#### MODIFICATION IN THE CHARACTER OF THE FURCAL SETÆ.

In a number of species of Harpacticoida it has been noticed that one or more of the furcal setæ may, either normally or as a variation, exhibit a modification in which the base, or in a few instances the greater part of the length is swollen and expanded, thus forming a marked contrast to the more usual slender tapering form. Brady (1880) called attention to the swollen condition of the two inner furcal setæ in *Amphiascus imus* (Brady) (= *Stenhelia ima* Brady), but from his account it is not clear whether this condition occurs



in both sexes ; he also recorded a similar condition in the male of *Idomene forficata* Philippi (= *Dactylopus flavus* Brady), and in one or both sexes—from his account it is not clear which—in *Metis ignæa* Philippi (= *Ilyopsyllus coriaceus* Brady and Robertson). Scourfield (1912, p. 14, pl. i, fig. 10) recorded a similar modification of the main furcal seta in a single immature specimen of *Canthocamptus (Mesochra) hirticornis* Scott, taken with other normal examples in Clare Island, and he points out that though this modification may be an example of malformation, it more probably represents a distinct mutation. Willey (1935, p. 58) has called attention to a variation of this type that he found in the middle caudal seta of a subspecies of *Amphiascus minutus* (Claus), which he named *calcaratus* ; in this subspecies he obtained two distinct forms, *crassipes* and *tenuipes* ; in the former in an ovigerous female the middle caudal seta was swollen at the base, but no such modification was found in ovigerous specimens of *tenuipes*. It would thus appear that this swollen character of one or more of the furcal setæ may be present normally in a species, or may occur as an abnormality or variation.

A perusal of the literature shows that this swollen or thickened character of one or more of the furcal setæ occurs in a number of species and may be divided into several different types :

I. The swelling affects only the extreme basal part of the seta and is usually symmetrical, so that the swelling is pyriform, but occasionally is more or less asymmetrical, occurring on one side of the seta only. This type of modification has been recorded in the following species :

(A) Furcal seta I, swollen and modified to form a spine :

*Idomene forficata* Philippi (= *Dactylopus flavus*, Brady) ♂ only.

(B) (i) Furcal seta II, thickened or slightly swollen :

*Amphiascus abyssii* (Boeck), ♀.

*A. affinis* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.

*A. debilis* (Giesbrecht), ♀.

*A. intermedius* (Scott), ♀.

*A. minutus* (Claus), ♀.

*A. nanus* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.

*A. pallidus* Sars, ♀.

*A. parvus* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.

*A. propinquus* Sars, ♀.

*A. sinuatus* Sars, ♀.

*A. tenuiremis* (Brady), ♀.

*A. thalestroides* Sars, ♀.

*A. typhlops* Sars, ♀.

*Metis jusseaumei* (Richard), var., ♀.

(ii) Furcal seta II moderately swollen :

*Amphiascus calcarifer* sp. nov., ♀ only.

*A. hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott), ♂, ♀.

*A. latifolius* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.

*A. longirostris* (Claus), ♀.

*A. minutus calcaratus* Willey, f. *crassipes*, ♀.

*A. nanoides* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.



*A. nicobaricus* sp. nov., ♀ only.  
*Dactylopusia latipes* Boeck, ♀.  
*D. spinipes* Brady, ♀.  
*D. thisboides* Claus, var. ♀.  
*Diosaccus monardi* sp. nov., ♀, ♂ unknown.  
*Laophonte trispinosa* sp. nov., ♀, ♂ unknown.  
*Marcenobiotus vej dovskyi* Mrazek.  
*Parastenhelia littoralis* (Sars), f. *scotti*, ♀.  
*P. littoralis* (Sars), f. *littoralis*, ♀.  
*Phyllopodopsyllus bradyi* Scott, ♀ only.  
*P. furcifer* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.  
*Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady, ♀ only.  
*Teissierella adduensis* sp. nov., ♀, ♂ unknown.

## (iii) Furcal seta II markedly swollen :

*Amphiascus dictyophorus* Monard, ♀, ♂ unknown (seta short and bulbous).  
*A. giesbrechti* Sars, ♀.  
*A. typhloides* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.  
*Mesochra rapiens* (Schmeil), var. Immature.  
*Parastenhelia forficula* (Claus), ♀.

## (c) Furcal setæ II and III swollen :

*Amphiascus attenuatus* Sars, ♀, ♂ unknown.  
*A. imus* (Brady), ? ♀, ♂.  
*Dactylopusia euryhyalina* Monard.  
*D. mediterranea* Lang.  
*Parastenhelia littoralis* Sars, f. *penicillata* Willey, ♀.  
*Tisbe tenella* (Sars), ♀, ♂ unknown.  
*Stenhelia (Delavalia) latisetosa* sp. nov., ♀, ♂ unknown.

## (d) Furcal seta III swollen :

*Amphiascus bulbifer* Sars, ♀.  
*A. hispidus* (Norman), ♀.  
*Stenhelia giesbrechti* (Scott), ♀, ♂ unknown.

## (e) Furcal seta IV swollen and very short :

*Paramesochra holsatica* Klie.

II. The swelling affects a considerable length of the basal part of seta II and there is an abrupt termination of the swelling distally, so that the swollen part is cylindrical :

*Amphiascus coralicola* sp. nov., ♀, ♂.  
*A. havelocki* (Thompson and A. Scott), ♀, ♂ unknown.  
*A. littoralis* T. Scott.  
*Ceyloniella armata* (Claus), var., ♀.  
*Cyllindropsyllus lævis* Brady, ♀.  
*Dactylopusia falcifera* Willey, f. *violacea*, ♀.  
*Mesochra armoricana* Monard, ♀.  
*Metis natans* (Williams).  
*Teissierella adduensis* sp. nov., ♀, ♂ unknown.

III. (i) The swelling affects the greater part of the length of seta II, so that the seta is "spathulate" or "lancet-shaped":

*Amphiascus brucei* T. and A. Scott, ♀, ♂ unknown.

*Ceyloniella nicobarica* sp. nov., ♀ only.

*Metis ignæa* Philippi, var., ? ♀, ♂.

*Stenocaris minor* (T. Scott).

(ii) Seta II "spathulate" and seta IV swollen and pyriform:

*Phyllognathus vigueri* (Maupas).

From the above list it seems clear that this modification occurs most frequently in the 2nd or main furcal seta, much less frequently in the 3rd, and very rarely in the 1st or 4th. It is also clear that it is much more common in the female than in the male.

A structural modification of the setæ of the furcal rami, and in a few instances of the setæ of one of the appendages, has been recorded in several species of the Calanoida; in this group the modification takes the form of a dichotomous branching of the seta, and the term "var. *plumulosus*" has been given to individuals exhibiting it. In a previous paper (Sewell, 1914) I have given an analysis of the occurrence of this modification in two species, *Canthocalanus pauper* (Giesbrecht) and *Undinula vulgaris* (Dana), and I pointed out that the modification is more common in females than in males, and that on the whole the number of setæ thus affected is greater in females. Here the setæ most frequently affected are those that possess the greatest length, namely, the 2nd, 3rd and 4th; the number of observed instances in the different setæ are given below:

Seta.	Number of instances of modification.
1 . . . . .	41
2 . . . . .	68
3 . . . . .	54
4 . . . . .	35
5 . . . . .	5

There is thus some degree of resemblance between the occurrence of the two forms of modification; but there is one great difference, namely, that in the Calanoida there is little or no evidence of symmetry in the occurrence, for out of a total of 52 observed instances, the modification was symmetrical in only 6 specimens, whereas in the Harpacticoida the modification is invariably symmetrical.

I put forward the suggestion that in the Calanoida this modification of the setæ might be the result of injury followed by regeneration, and that this injury might be inflicted during amplexus. Among the Harpacticoida Giesbrecht has described and figured a pair of *Mesochra lilljeborgi* in amplexus and the male was grasping the female in its prehensile antennules by the caudal setæ, but in the great majority of observed instances the male grasps the female by the body, and it thus seems difficult to suppose that the furcal setæ are in any special danger of being damaged.

It thus seems to be more probable that Scourfield is correct in his suggestion that this modification of the setæ in the Harpacticoida is a mutation. If this be so, then this mutation has arisen quite independently in several different families, and with much

greater frequency in certain families and genera than in others. In the following list I have given the families affected, with the genera and the number of species in each, in which this mutation has been noticed :

Family.	Genera affected.	Approximate number of species in the genus.	Number of species affected.
Phyllognathopodidæ	<i>Phyllognathopus</i>	3	1 (33%)
Idyæidæ	<i>Tisbe</i>	16	1 (6%)
Metidæ	<i>Metis</i>	4	3 (75%)
Ceyloniellidæ	<i>Ceyloniella</i>	2	2 (100%)
Laophontidæ	<i>Laophonte</i>	95	1 (1%)
Cyllindropsyllidæ	<i>Cyllindropsyllus</i>	1	1 (100%)
Canthocamptidæ	<i>Paramesochra</i>	2	1 (50%)
	<i>Mesochra</i>	14	2 (14%)
	<i>Marænobiotus</i>	10	1 (10%)
Thalestridæ	<i>Dactylopusia</i>	27	6 (23%)
	<i>Parastenhelia</i>	9	2 (11%)
	<i>Pseudothalestris</i>	11	1 (9%)
Diosaccidæ	<i>Stenhelia (Delavalia)</i>	29	1 (3%)
	<i>Amphiascus</i>	85	31 (36%)
	<i>Diosaccus</i>	3	1 (33%)
	<i>Teissierella</i>	5	1 (20%)

The mutation is, however, by no means constant in occurrence in any given species. In the species *Parastenhelia littoralis* several forms have been described in which this character varies: in the Norwegian form described by Sars the furcal setæ are normal, but in the form recorded by Lang from Campbell Island, in the S.W. Pacific Ocean, the inner seta is thickened, and in some examples appears to be abruptly bent, thus corresponding to the condition described by Sars in *P. forficula*; Willey (1935, p. 82, fig. 124), in his account of *P. littoralis*, f. *penicillata* from Bermuda figures both the 2nd and 3rd setæ as being swollen at the base, and the same condition occurs in examples from Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago; in another form, f. *scotti*, the 2nd seta is expanded in a pyriform swelling in examples from both the Gulf of Guinea and Addu Atoll. Again, according to Gurney (1932, p. 8), in *Phyllognathopus viguieri* (Maupas) the 2nd furcal seta may present no less than three different conditions—"with basal part dilated and tapering to a slender hair, the whole about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times as long as the ramus. The terminal part may be very much longer, or the whole seta may take the form of a flattened structure 2 to 3 times as long as the ramus, and with a dorsal ridge near its base". These different forms appear to have a geographical distribution, for the first form (Gurney, 1932, fig. 347) occurs in specimens from Oxford, the second (Gurney, *loc. cit.*, fig. 346) in examples from Oxford and Kew, and the third (Gurney, *loc. cit.*, fig. 349) from specimens from Harpenden.

In the species *Metis ignæa* Philippi (= *Ilyopsyllus coriaceus* Brady and Robertson), Brady's examples, in which the 2nd seta was "spathulate", were obtained in Roundstone Bay on the exposed west coast of Ireland, whereas specimens from the Suffolk estuaries taken by Gurney and those obtained by Sars on the Norwegian coast in moderate depths and on a muddy bottom, presumably therefore in a sheltered area, possessed setæ that

were normal. In the closely related species, *Metis jusseaumei* (Richard) (= *Ilyopsyllis affinis* T. Scott), specimens from the Gulf of Guinea, in a shore lagoon, possessed a 2nd seta that was "slightly spathulate at the base", but in examples from the Suez Canal, the Massachusetts coast of North America and the Mediterranean Sea this seta was normal; in the present collection, however, specimens from Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, possessed setæ that were long and slender, whereas those taken on the east side of Camorta Island, only a mile or so away, but outside the Harbour, exhibited a 2nd seta that was spathulate. Similarly in *Ceyloniella armata* (Claus), specimens of f. *major* taken inside Nankauri Harbour possessed normal setæ, whereas examples of f. *minor* from the west side of Nankauri Island, again only a mile or two away, but outside the sheltered waters of the harbour, were provided with a seta that was markedly thickened at its base. A similar but even more marked difference occurred in *Ceyloniella nicobarica* sp. nov., for in examples taken in the sheltered waters of Nankauri Harbour or of Addu Atoll the seta was slender and tapering, whereas in specimens from the more exposed coast of Nankauri Island outside the harbour the seta was markedly spathulate.

It thus seems probable, that the occurrence of this mutation may in some instances, at least, have a geographical significance and have given rise to local races; and the possession of normal setæ in a race or local group living in the sheltered waters of an almost landlocked region, such as Addu Atoll or Nankauri Harbour, and the presence of thickened or spathulate and therefore presumably stronger setæ in a race living in the rougher waters outside such a harbour suggests an adaptation to local conditions.

#### SYSTEMATIC ACCOUNT.

##### Family LONGIPEDIIDÆ.

##### Genus *Longipedia* Claus.

This genus is extremely well represented in the Indo-Pacific Region, no less than six species having been recorded. Thompson and A. Scott (1903, p. 257) recorded *Longipedia coronata* Claus and *L. minor* T. Scott from the Pearl Banks of Ceylon; A. Scott (1909, p. 195 *et seq.*) obtained *L. coronata* Claus, *L. scotti* Sars and *L. weberi* A. Scott in the "Siboga" collections from the Malay Archipelago; I have myself recorded the presence of *L. coronata* Claus in the Nicobar Islands, and of this species and *L. rosea* Sars in the Chilka Lake (Sewell, 1924), and further examples of this latter species have been taken in Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands; and Gurney (1927c, p. 483 *et seq.*) obtained *L. coronata* Claus, *L. scotti* Sars, *L. minor* Scott and *L. brevispinosa* Gurney from the Suez Canal.

##### *Longipedia coronata* Claus.

*Longipedia coronata*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 10, pls. iv, v; Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 257; A. Scott, 1909, p. 195, pl. lix, figs. 5-8; Sewell, 1924 (part), p. 804, pl. xlvi, fig. 1; Gurney, 1927b, p. 482, fig. 122; Wilson, 1932, p. 170, fig. 116.

OCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldives Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—The total length of these specimens was only 0.66 mm.; they are thus much smaller than the examples that I have previously recorded (Sewell, 1924) from the Chilka Lake, which measured from 0.96-1.12 mm.



The proportions of the body are as follows :

Anterior region, 53 (cephalic segment 36).

Posterior region, 47.

Gurney (1927, p. 484) has called attention to the difficulty of distinguishing this species from *L. weberi* A. Scott, and is doubtful whether this latter can be maintained as a distinct species. I am inclined to think that he had before him examples of both species; in my report on the Chilka Lake collection (Sewell, 1924, p. 805) I called attention to the apparent variability in the character of the 5th leg, and it now seems probable that I too failed to distinguish the present species from *L. weberi*.

In *L. coronata* the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 1st leg is devoid of any seta on its inner margin; it thus bears only five setæ and spines, three external marginal spines, an end-spine and a single seta from the inner distal angle; Monard (1928, p. 287) has called attention to this difference from *L. weberi*, in which an additional inner seta is present. As in the Chilka Lake specimens, the middle of the three spines arising from the distal end of the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 2nd leg has a bifid appearance, owing to the presence of a large subsidiary spinule that arises a little beyond the middle of its length; there are a few smaller spinules on the proximal side of the larger one.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has now been recorded from the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott) and the Pearl Banks of Ceylon (Thompson and A. Scott), between which localities I have obtained examples from Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands and the Chilka Lake. It occurs in Addu Atoll in the Maldives, and throughout the Suez Canal (Thompson and A. Scott, Gurney), in the Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Thompson and A. Scott, Monard, Brian), and in the North Atlantic and its off-shoots, having been taken on the east coast of North America at Rhode Island and at Wood's Hole (Wilson), in the North Sea off Heligoland (Claus), in Kiel Bay (Kunz), and on the coast of Norway (Sars).

Thompson and A. Scott (1903) record it both in tow-nettings and in washings from marine invertebrates; Sars found it in the surface muds of the fjords; whereas I have only taken it in washings from weed.

*Longipedia weberi* A. Scott. (Text-fig. 1, A-F.)

*Longipedia weberi*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 196, pl. lix, figs. 9-12; Monard, 1928a, p. 287, figs. 1, 2.

*Longipedia coronata*, (part) Sewell, 1924, p. 804, pl. xlviii, fig. 1, ♀, p. 5 (a).

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. The total length was 0.77 mm., and the proportional lengths of the two regions of the body were as follows :

Anterior region, 64 (rostrum 7).

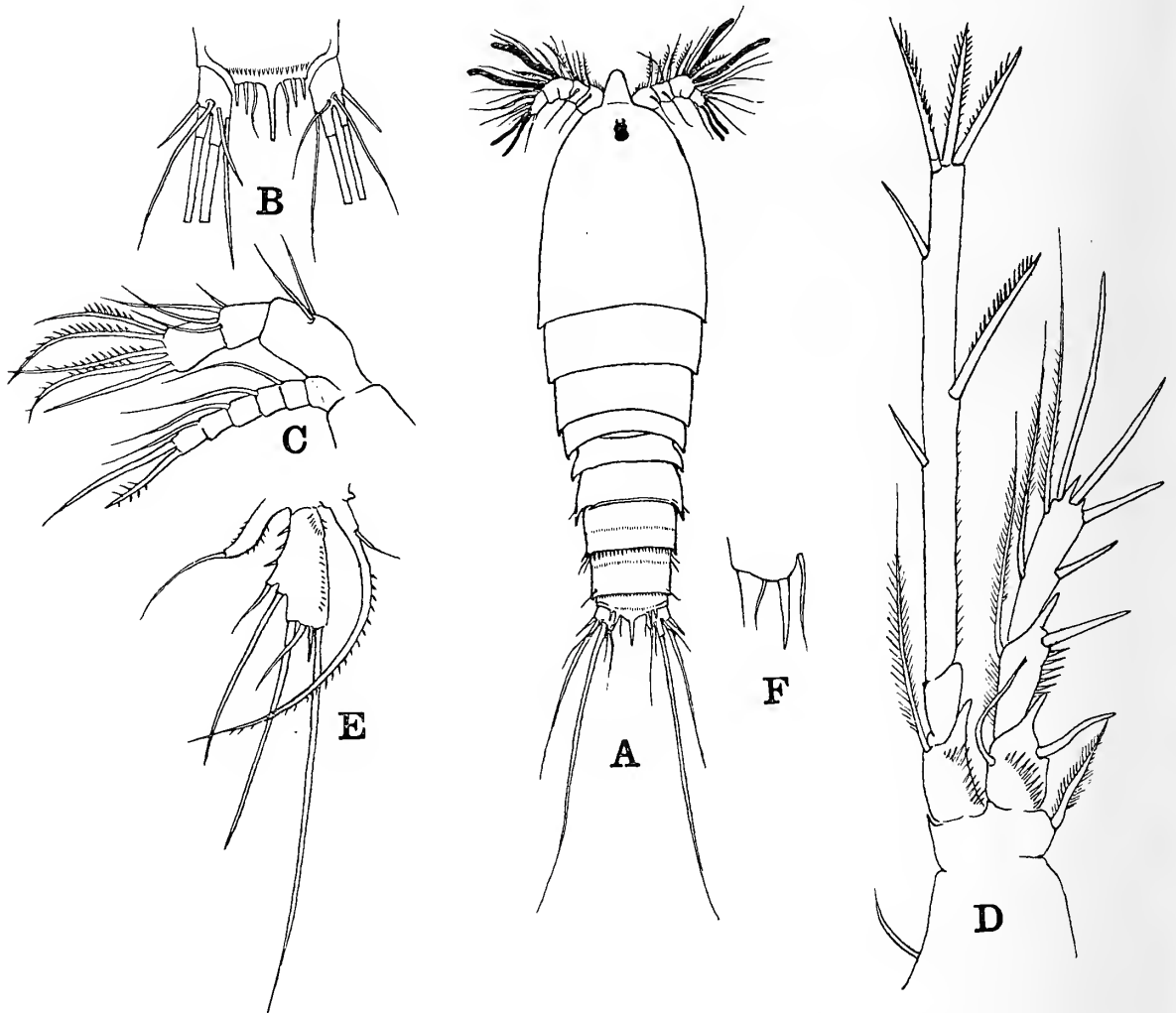
Posterior region, 36.

These examples agree with the form that I described as Group A of *L. coronata* Claus in my account of the Copepoda of the Chilka Lake.

A comparison of this form (Text-fig. 1, A) with *L. coronata* reveals a number of minor differences. As already pointed out, the proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are different, the abdomen being relatively shorter in *L. weberi*, in spite of the fact that in preserved specimens of *L. coronata* the abdominal segments are as a rule more or less telescoped into each other, thus shortening the length of the abdomen as a whole. In *L. weberi* the cephalon is more rounded, and the widest part of the body lies

at about the junction of the middle and posterior thirds of this segment, whereas in *L. coronata* the body is widest at the level of the 2nd thoracic segment.

The 3rd abdominal segment, *i. e.* the 2nd free segment, bears a transverse row of very fine spinules across the dorsal aspect about the middle of its length, and a row of somewhat coarser spinules runs along the posterior margin. The 4th abdominal segment is similarly armed, but the spinules of the posterior row are not so well developed as in the



TEXT-FIG. 1.—*Longipedia weberi* A. Scott. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Anal segment and furca. C, 2nd antenna. D, 2nd leg. E, 5th leg. F, Genital armature.

preceding segment. The anal operculum (Text-fig. 1, B) is crossed dorsally by a row of minute spinules, and the posterior margin is armed, as in *L. coronata*, with a large median spine, that reaches beyond the level of the tips of the furcal rami; on either side of this there arise first a delicate seta and then two smaller and sub-equal spines on each side; these latter spines are more delicate than those of *L. coronata* and arise at about the same level, owing to the posterior margin of the operculum being more "square-shouldered" and not so sloping.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 1, E) shows a close degree of similarity to the appendage figured by Brady (1880, pl. xxxiv, fig. 8), and attributed by him to *L. coronata*.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has now been taken in the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Chilka Lake (Sewell), the Maldive Archipelago, in the Western Mediterranean and the coast of Normandy (Monard). A. Scott obtained his specimen from washings from dredged Invertebrata (depth 13 fathoms), whereas the examples from the Mediterranean, the Chilka Lake and the Maldives were taken in weed.

*Longipedia scotti* Sars.

*Longipedia scotti*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 11, pl. v, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; a single female.

DISTRIBUTION.—Prior to the work of Sars (1903-11) this species was confused with *L. coronata* Claus, and in consequence it is impossible to determine its exact distribution. It has now been recorded from the English and Scottish coasts by several observers; Norman and T. Scott record it from the coast of Devon and Cornwall, and Sars obtained it on the coast of Norway. Gurney records it from the Suez Canal, and A. Scott obtained it in the "Siboga" collections from the Malay Archipelago. Its occurrence in the Nicobar Islands is therefore not unexpected.

*Longipedia rosea* Sars.

*Longipedia rosea*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 13, pl. v, 3; Sewell, 1924, p. 806, pl. xlvi, 2.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DISTRIBUTION.—Nankauri Harbour (present record), Chilka Lake (Sewell), and the coast of Norway (Sars).

Genus *Canuella* T. and A. Scott.

*Canuella*, T. and A. Scott, 1893, p. 92; T. Scott, 1893, p. 200.

This genus was created by T. and A. Scott to accommodate the species *Canuella perplexa* T. and A. Scott, which is therefore the type of the genus; the 4th pair of legs are said to resemble those of *Longipedia* and therefore consist of three segments in both rami, and this is the case in the type species.

Thompson and A. Scott (1903) in their account of the Copepoda of the Ceylon Pearl Banks recorded the occurrence of *Canuella perplexa* T. and A. Scott, as well as three species of the genus *Sunaristes*, *S. inopinata* Thompson and A. Scott, *S. longipes* Thompson and A. Scott and *S. curticauda* Thompson and A. Scott. Subsequently A. Scott (1909) transferred these last three species to the genus *Canuella*; but, as he points out, the specimens of what he took to be examples of *curticauda* showed a division of the endopod of the 4th leg into three segments, whereas Thompson and A. Scott described their specimens as having only two segments in this ramus, and in consequence remark that "the fact that this species has the inner branch of the 4th pair of legs only 2-jointed may, sometime, necessitate its removal to a new genus". A. Scott, however, concludes that "the illustrations given in the Supplementary Report VII 'On the Copepoda in Professor Herdman's Report to the Government of Ceylon on the Pearl Oyster Fisheries of the Gulf of Manaar' were taken from a single immature specimen, and are obviously unsatisfactory". In the "Investigator" collections I have found examples that agree with Thompson and

A. Scott's form, in which the endopod of the 4th leg consists of only two segments, as well as others in which this ramus has the normal three segments, and I cannot agree with A. Scott that they are examples of the same species in different stages of development. I am convinced that they are two perfectly distinct species, and that whereas the one is a true *Canuella*, the other, with a two-jointed ramus, should be placed at least in a separate subgenus.

I therefore propose that the Genus *Canuella* (*sensu lato*) be subdivided into two subgenera, viz. *Canuella* (*sensu stricto*), in which the 4th swimming-leg possesses an endopod composed of three segments, and a new subgenus *Ellucana*, in which this ramus possesses only two segments. The subgenus *Canuella* will include the species, *C. perplexa* T. and A. Scott, *C. furcigera* Sars, *C. inopinata* Thompson and A. Scott, and *C. longipes* Thompson and A. Scott, as well as the form found by A. Scott (1909) in the Malay Archipelago, and included under the name *C. curticauda* Thompson and A. Scott; for this latter form a new name is required and I suggest *C. scotti* nom. nov. The subgenus *Ellucana* is at present represented by the species *Canuella* (*Ellucana*) *curticauda* Thompson and A. Scott, and a closely related species to which I have given the name *longicauda*.

#### Subgenus *Canuella* nov.

The endopod of 4th swimming leg is composed of three segments.

#### *Canuella* (*Canuella*) *furcigera* Sars.

*Canuella furcigera*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 18, pl. x; Sewell, 1924, p. 807, pl. xlix, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE.—I (1924) recorded the occurrence of this species in the Chilka Lake, and more recently further specimens have been obtained in the "Investigator" collections from Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—The specimens from the Nicobar Islands are considerably larger than those previously taken in the Chilka Lake and closely approximate to Norwegian specimens.

A single immature female was taken in the Nicobars, measuring 1.15 mm. in total length. In this individual the abdomen consists of only four segments, segments 4 and 5 not yet having become defined; the proportional lengths of these segments were as follows:

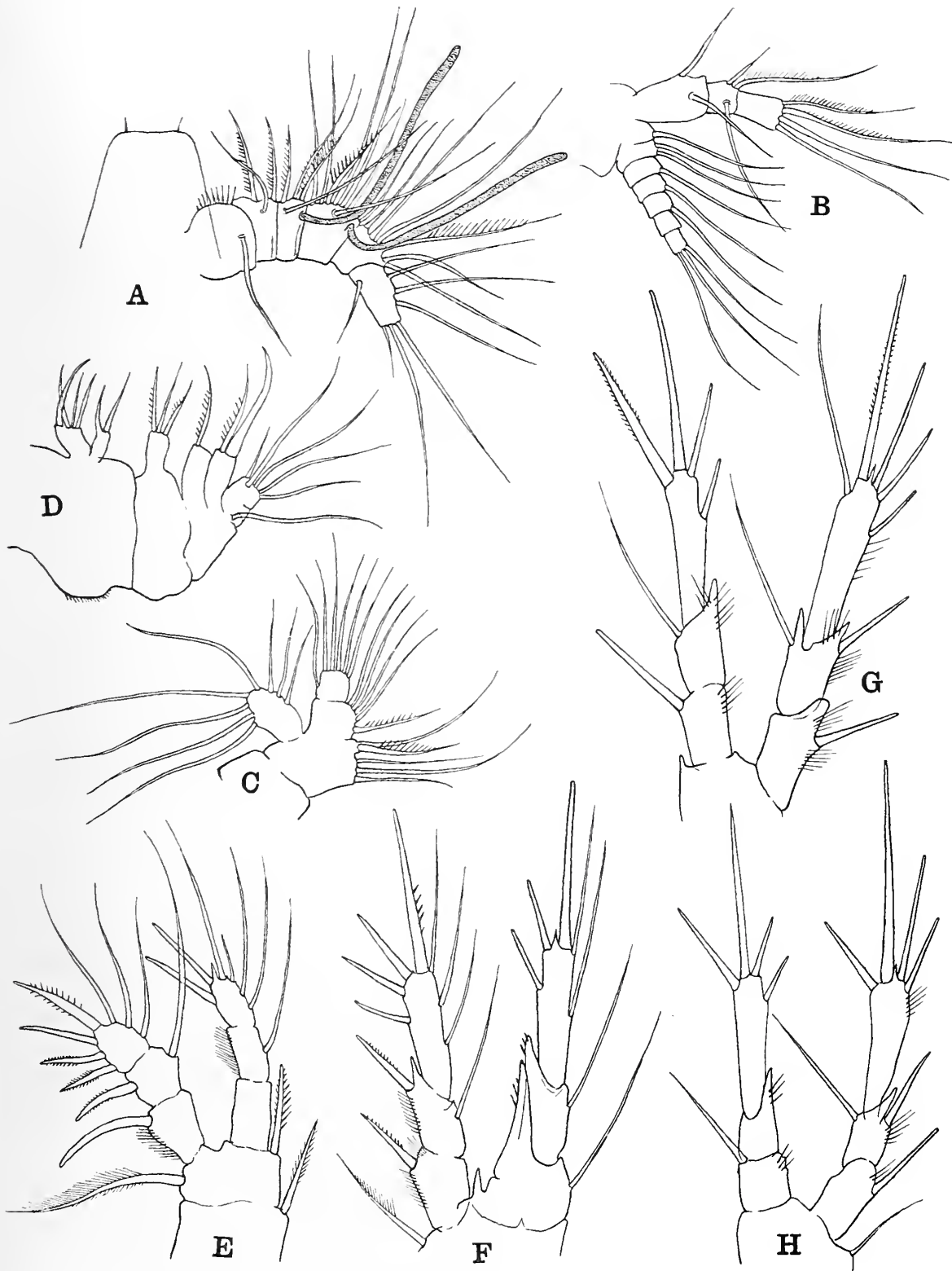
Abdominal segment	1.	2.	3.	4-5.	Furca.
	20	18	13	12	37 = 100.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body were as follows:

Rostrum . . . . .	6
Anterior region . . . . .	54
Posterior region . . . . .	40
	—
	100

Of the two strong setæ arising from the distal end of the furcal ramus, the inner was equal in length to the whole body and the outer was about half this length. Along the outer margin of the furcal ramus ran a strengthening keel.





TEXT-FIG. 2.—*Canuella (Canuella) scotti* nom. nov. A, Rostrum and 1st antenna. B, 2nd antenna. C, Mandibular palp. D, 2nd maxilla. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has now been recorded from Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, and the Chilka Lake (Sewell), the Mediterranean Sea and Normandy coast (Monard) the English coast (Brady), the Scottish coast (T. Scott), the coast of Norway (Sars), the east coast of North America (Wilson), and off Greenland (Jespersen, Lang).

*Canuella (Canuella) scotti* nom. nov. (Text-fig. 2, A-H.)

*Canuella curticauda*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 197, pl. lxiv, figs. 1-6 [not *Canuella curticauda* (Thompson and A. Scott)].

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—A well-marked line of demarcation runs across the dorsal aspect of the genital segment of the abdomen. The furcal rami are of moderate length, being about twice the length of the anal segment.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 2, A) is composed of six segments, of which the distal is the longest; a well-developed sensory filament arises from both the 4th and 5th segments.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 2, B) appears to possess three segments in the endopod and thus differs from *C. perplexa*, which according to Sars (1903-11, pl. viii) has only two. The outer ramus is slightly shorter than the inner, and is composed of six segments.

The palp of the 1st maxilla closely resembles that of *C. perplexa*.

The 2nd maxilla (Text-fig. 2, D) is stout, and strong and closely resembles that of *Sunaristes paguri* Hesse.

The swimming-legs (Text-fig. 2, E, F, G and H) agree with the figures given by A. Scott (*loc. cit.*, figs. 2, 3 and 4). The spine on the inner margin of basal 2 in the 1st leg (Text-fig. 2, E) reaches to half the length of endopod 2; the terminal segment of the endopod bears two spines and three setæ, and there is a spine-like prolongation of the segment at the base of the distal seta on the inner margin.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 2, F) the proximal segment of the endopod is produced in a long spine-like process that reaches nearly as far as the corresponding projection of the 2nd segment.

In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 2, H) both rami are composed of three segments.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has been taken up to the present time in the Malay Archipelago in washings from dredged material from a depth of 13-32 metres and in the Nicobar Islands in washings from weed.

Subgenus *Ellucana* nov.

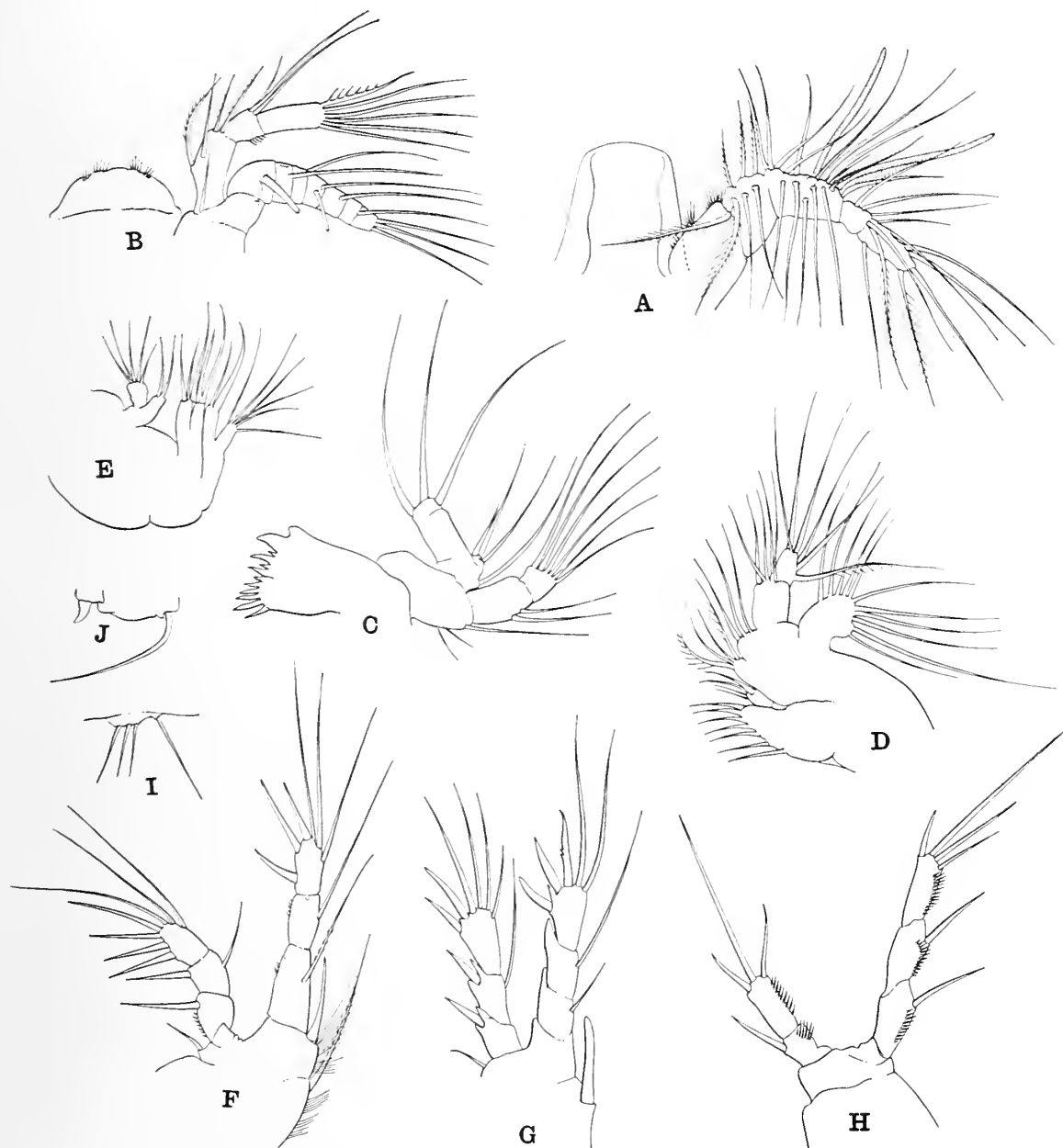
The endopod of the 4th swimming-leg is composed of only two segments.

*Canuella (Ellucana) longicauda* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 3, A-J.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—This form closely resembles the species that was originally described by Thompson and A. Scott from a female taken on the Ceylon Pearl Banks under the name *Sunaristes curticauda*. As already pointed out, A. Scott (1909, p. 197) later transferred this and two other forms from the same locality to the genus *Canuella*. There are, however, certain differences between the present form and *C. curticauda*

(Thompson and A. Scott) that seem to me to form sufficient grounds for considering it a new, though closely related species.



TEXT-FIG. 3.—*Canuella (Ellucana) longicauda* sp. nov. A, Rostrum and 1st antenna. B, Labrum and 2nd antenna. C, Mandible. D, 1st maxilla. E, 2nd maxilla. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg. J, Genital armature.

The general form of the body is the same as in *C. curticauda* but the furcal rami are considerably longer. The proportional lengths of the abdominal segments are as follows :

Abdominal segments 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.	
36	16	11	10	27	= 100

The furcal rami are two and a half times as long as the anal segment and are widely divergent.

The rostrum (Text-fig. 3, A) is broad and is bluntly rounded anteriorly.

The 1st antenna consists of five segments, but the line of division between segments 2 and 3 is incomplete; Thompson and A. Scott state that in *C. curticauda* there are only four segments. The 3rd segment bears two sensory filaments.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 3, B) possesses three clearly defined segments in the inner ramus, the distal being twice as long as the 2nd. The outer ramus is strong and is composed of seven segments, closely resembling the corresponding structure in the genus *Sunaristes*.

The mandible and 1st and 2nd maxillæ (Text-fig. 3, C, D and E) resemble those of *Sunaristes paguri* Hesse.

The swimming-legs closely resemble those of *Canuella (Ellucana) curticauda* Thompson and A. Scott. In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 3, F) basal 1 bears a long seta on its inner margin; basal 2 bears a small delicate seta on its outer border, thus differing markedly from *Canuella (Canuella) scotti*, in which this seta is long and greatly thickened; on the inner margin is a stout spine which reaches as far as the distal end of endopod 1. Both rami consist of three segments; exopod 1 bears one large marginal spine but has no inner seta; the outer margin is armed with a row of small spinules; exopod 2 bears a smaller marginal spine and an inner seta; exopod 3 carries three long marginal spines, a long end-spine and three setæ on the distal half of its inner margin. In the inner ramus endopods 1 and 2 each bear a single inner seta, and both segments are armed with a group of needle-like spines on the distal half of the outer border; endopod 3 bears two spines on its outer margin and a third at the distal end, and three setæ arise from the distal half of the inner border. In *C. curticauda* Thompson and A. Scott (1903, pl. iii, fig. 14) figure only two spines and three setæ on endopod 3.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 3, G) the 1st basal segment bears a stout blunt spine that reaches to the middle of the proximal segment of the endopod; basal 2 bears a delicate marginal seta on its distal outer angle; both rami are three-jointed; exopod 1 bears a marginal spine but has no inner seta; exopod 2 bears both a marginal spine and an inner seta; and exopod 3 is armed with two marginal spines and a long end-spine and bears three setæ at the distal inner angle. In the inner ramus endopods 1 and 2 each bear a single seta, and both segments, especially the second, are produced distally at the distal outer angle; endopod 3 bears three stout spines, the most distal, arising from the distal margin, showing two small teeth about half-way along its length; two setæ arise from the distal inner angle.

In the 4th (Text-fig. 3, H) swimming-leg the exopod consists of three segments, all of which are fringed along the outer margin with a row of needle-like spinules. Exopods 1 and 2 are each armed with a single marginal spine, but bear no inner seta; exopod 3 bears four spines, of which the 3rd is long, nearly equalling in length the whole ramus. The endopod consists of only two segments, a feature that is characteristic of the subgenus; endopod 1 bears a single spine-like seta on its inner margin; and endopod 2 bears three spine-like setæ at its distal end, of which the middle is by far the longest; both segments are fringed along the outer border with needle-like spinules.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 3, I) is greatly reduced and is represented by a slight projection of the posterior margin of the segment, bearing a row of three setæ, while a fourth seta arises a little further externally.



DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been taken in weed-washings in Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands.

Family ECTINOSOMIDÆ.

Genus *Ectinosoma* Boeck.

*Ectinosoma melaniceps* Boeck.

*Ectinosoma melaniceps*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 34, pl. xix, fig. 1; Sewell, 1924, p. 808, pl. xlviii, fig. 3; Monard, 1928a, p. 292, fig. iii, 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 61, northern part of Arabian Sea, surface, Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—Sars (*loc. cit.*, p. 34) describes the coloration of this species as being "greyish white, with a very conspicuous dark shade occupying the greater part of the cephalic segment"; the examples from Nankauri Harbour, however, were of a pale yellow colour with a dark band across the genital segment of the abdomen. Monard (*loc. cit.*, p. 293) gives the colour as "jaunâtre". It would thus appear that there may be considerable variation.

There seems to be little doubt that *E. melaniceps* Boeck and *E. australe* Brady (= *E. antarcticum* Giesbrecht) are synonyms. Sars (1905, p. 380) first called attention to the similarity of these forms, and I (1934, p. 93) was by no means certain that the Indian form taken in the Chilka Lake should not be referred to the Antarctic form; in the same year Lang (1934, p. 4) has combined the two under the prior name *E. melaniceps*.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has a very wide distribution. It has been recorded from Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, the Calcutta Salt Lakes, the Chilka Lake (Sewell), the Arabian Sea, the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard, Brian), the British Isles (Brady, Scott), the coast of Norway (Sars), Hudson Bay, Grinnel Land (Monard), Franz-Josef Land (T. Scott) and Barents Sea (T. and A. Scott). If we accept Lang's view that *E. australe* Brady is a synonym, the distribution extends to the Antarctic Ocean (Brady) and the Pacific Ocean (Sars, Lang).

Genus *Pseudobradya* Sars.

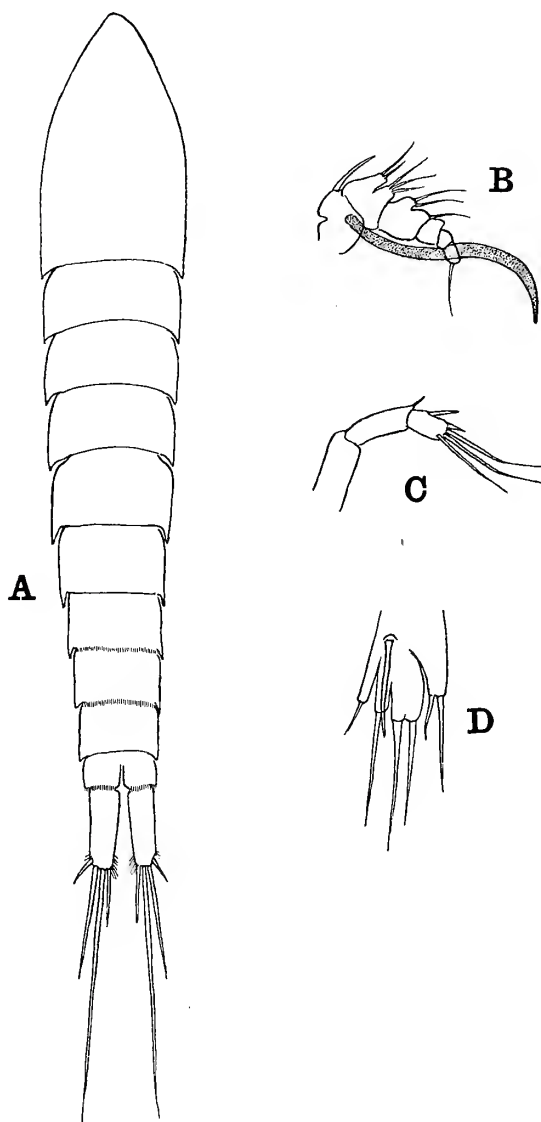
*Pseudobradya similis* (T. and A. Scott). (Text-fig. 4, A-D.)

*Pseudobradya similis*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 42, pl. xxiii, fig. 2.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length 0.527 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are 53 to 47. The cephalon is fused with the 1st thoracic segment, and the combined mass is almost exactly equal in length to the next four segments. The general shape of the body (Text-fig. 4, A) is long and slender and tapers gradually towards the posterior end. There is a clearly marked division between the 1st and 2nd segments of the abdomen. Segments 2 and 3 of the abdomen are fringed along their posterior margins with a row of minute spinules, and similar rows occur along the posterior margin of segment 5 where this articulates with the furcal rami. The furcal rami are long, being nearly three times as long as wide, and they bear four setæ, of which the 2nd is by far the longest.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been recorded from the British Isles (T. and A. Scott), the coast of Norway (Sars) and the Maldive Archipelago.



TEXT-FIG. 4.—*Pseudobradya similis* (T. and A. Scott). A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, Endopod of 2nd antenna. D, 5th leg.

Genus *Microsetella* Brady and Robertson.

*Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).

*Microsetella norvegica*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 44, pl. xxiv; van Breemen, 1908, p. 173, fig. 188a-c.

*Microsetella atlantica*, Giesbrecht, 1892, p. 550, pl. xlv, figs. 33, 34, 36, 39, 40, 42, 44, 45.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands. The Laccadive Sea— $5^{\circ} 56' N.$ ,  $76^{\circ} 22' E.$

DISTRIBUTION.—This species is widely distributed throughout all the three great oceans, its range extending from the Antarctic as far south as  $66^{\circ} 30' S.$  to Franz-Josef and (T. Scott) in the Arctic.

## Family TACHIDIIDÆ.

Genus *Euterpina* Norman.*Euterpina acutifrons* (Dana).

*Euterpe acutifrons*, Giesbrecht, 1892, p. 555, pl. xlv, figs. 16-31; van Breemen, 1908, p. 176, fig. 191a-d.  
*Euterpina acutifrons*, Sars, 1921, p. 97, pl. lxxviii; Monard, 1928a, p. 300, fig. iv, 3.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour and Expedition Harbour, Nicobar Islands.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species is widely distributed throughout the three great oceans; it has been recorded from the San Diego region of the Pacific, where it is abundant (Esterly), New Zealand (Brady, Farran), the Australian Barrier Reefs (Farran), the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Aru Archipelago (Früchtl), the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldivé Archipelago (Wolfenden), Durban Bay, East Africa (Brady), the Arabian Sea and Red Sea (Cleve, Thompson and A. Scott), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Cleve, Giesbrecht, Thompson and A. Scott, Monard), the Adriatic Sea (Früchtl, Steuer), the North Atlantic Ocean (Cleve, Thompson, van Breemen, Farran), the South Atlantic Ocean (T. Scott, Farran), the coasts of Devon and Cornwall (Norman and T. Scott) and the coast of Norway (Sars).

## Family MACROSETELLIDÆ.

Genus *Macrosetella* A. Scott.*Macrosetella gracilis* (Dana).

*Setella gracilis*, Giesbrecht, 1892, p. 559, pl. i, fig. 11; pl. xlv, figs. 1-15; van Breemen, 1908, p. 178, fig. 192a-d.

OCCURRENCE.—

Sta. 56, South coast of Arabia, surface: 11 specimens.

Sta. 61, Northern area of Arabian Sea, surface; Nankauri Harbour and Expedition Harbour, Nicobar Islands.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species appears to be widely distributed in the Plankton throughout the three great oceans; it has been recorded from the western Pacific Ocean, China Sea and Sunda Straits (Giesbrecht), the Barrier Reefs of Australia (Farran), the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Aru Archipelago (Früchtl), the Pearl Banks of Ceylon (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldivé Archipelago (Wolfenden), Durban Bay, East Africa (Brady), the Arabian Sea and Red Sea (Cleve, Thompson and A. Scott), the Mediterranean Sea (Cleve, Thompson, A. Scott and Pesta), Chesapeake Bay on the American coast (Wilson), North and South Atlantic Ocean (Brady, T. Scott) as far south as 32°.

Genus *Miracia* Dana.*Miracia efferata* Dana.

*Miracia efferata*, Giesbrecht, 1892, p. 563, pl. xlv, figs. 39-49.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has been taken in the southern Pacific Ocean (Brady), the Arabian Sea (Thompson and A. Scott), the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott), the Equatorial and North Atlantic (Giesbrecht).

## Family CLYTEMNESTRIDÆ.

Genus *Clytemnestra* Dana.*Clytemnestra scutellata* Dana.

*Clytemnestra scutellata*, Giesbrecht, 1892, p. 566, pl. i, fig. 9, pl. xlv, figs. 16-18, 21, 23, 24, 27-30, 32, 34-38 ; van Breemen, 1908, p. 179, fig. 193a-c ; Sars, 1921, p. 100, pl. lxix.

OCURRENCE.—Sta. 61C, Northern part of Arabian Sea, surface ; the Nicobar Islands.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species is widely distributed ; it has been taken in the Pacific Ocean (Giesbrecht), off New Zealand and the Great Barrier Reefs (Farran), the Malay Archipelago (Cleve), the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldive Archipelago (Wolfenden), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott, recorded as *C. rostrata*, vide A. Scott, 1909, p. 232), Arabian Sea (Cleve, Thompson and A. Scott), the Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Pesta), the North Atlantic Ocean (T. Scott, van Breemen, Farran, Giesbrecht), and the coast of Norway (Sars).

## Family PONTOSTRATIOTIDÆ.

Genus *Ægisthus* Giesbrecht.*Ægisthus aculeatus* Giesbrecht.

*Ægisthus aculeatus*, Giesbrecht, 1892, p. 573, pl. xlvi, figs. 44, 45, 50, pl. xlix, figs. 1, 4, 5, 7-9, 11 ; van Breemen, 1908, p. 181, fig. 195 a, b.

OCURRENCE.—“ Investigator ” Station 682, Laccadive Sea, 10° 26' N., 74° 32' 30" E., surface ; a single female.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Pacific Ocean (Giesbrecht), the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Laccadive Sea (present record), the North Atlantic Ocean (van Breemen).

*Ægisthus mucronatus* Giesbrecht.

*Ægisthus mucronatus*, Giesbrecht, 1892, p. 573, pl. xlvi, figs. 46-49, 51 ; pl. xlix, figs. 2, 3, 6 and 10 ; van Breemen, 1908, p. 183, fig. 197a-c.

*Ægisthus longirostris*, T. Scott, 1894, p. 104, pl. xi, figs. 31-44.

OCURRENCE.—“ Investigator ” Sta. 682, Laccadive Sea, 10° 26' N., 74° 32' 30" E., surface ; one female.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Pacific Ocean (Giesbrecht), the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Laccadive Sea (present record), the coast of South Africa (Cleve), the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott), the Massachusetts coast of North America (Wilson), the North Atlantic Ocean (Farran, Thompson), the North Sea (van Breemen).

## Family PELTIDIIDÆ.

Genus *Peltidium* Philippi.

This genus appears to be very well represented in Indian waters, no less than ten species having been recorded, namely :

*Peltidium angulatum* Thompson and A. Scott.

*P. aurivillii* (Cleve).

*P. elegans* Wolfenden.



- P. exiguum* A. Scott.  
*P. intermedium* A. Scott.  
*P. minutum* A. Scott.  
*P. ovale* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. perplexum* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. serratum* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. speciosum* Thompson and A. Scott.

*Peltidium ovale* Thompson and A. Scott. (Text-fig. 5, A-G.)

*Peltidium ovale*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 273, pl. xiii, figs. 1-6.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single specimen. Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in a tow-netting.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.5 mm.; breadth, 0.89 mm.

Each segment of the body (Text-fig. 5, A) is raised into a claw-like hump in the mid-dorsal line.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 5, B) consists of the usual six segments, that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
	29	29	19	6	6	11 = 100

Segments 3 and 4 each bear a long sensory filament.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 5, C) the exopod appears to consist of three segments. Segments 1 and 2 each bear a seta at the distal end and the very short terminal segment carries three setae. Thompson and Scott, in their original account, appear to have confused the two rami of this appendage, for they describe the outer ramus as having only two joints and the inner three, whereas the reverse is the case.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been taken in the Nicobar Islands, the Ceylon Pearl Banks and the Maldive Archipelago.

*Peltidium intermedium* A. Scott.

*Peltidium intermedium*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 203, pl. lxxv, figs. 6-10.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—The total length of this specimen was 1.26 mm., and the greatest breadth, which was situated at the posterior end of the cephalic segment, was 0.81 mm.; this is considerably larger than Scott's specimen, which had a total length of only 0.87 mm.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has only been recorded from the Malay Archipelago (Scott) and the Maldive Archipelago. Scott's specimen was taken in a surface tow-netting.

*Peltidium exiguum* A. Scott.

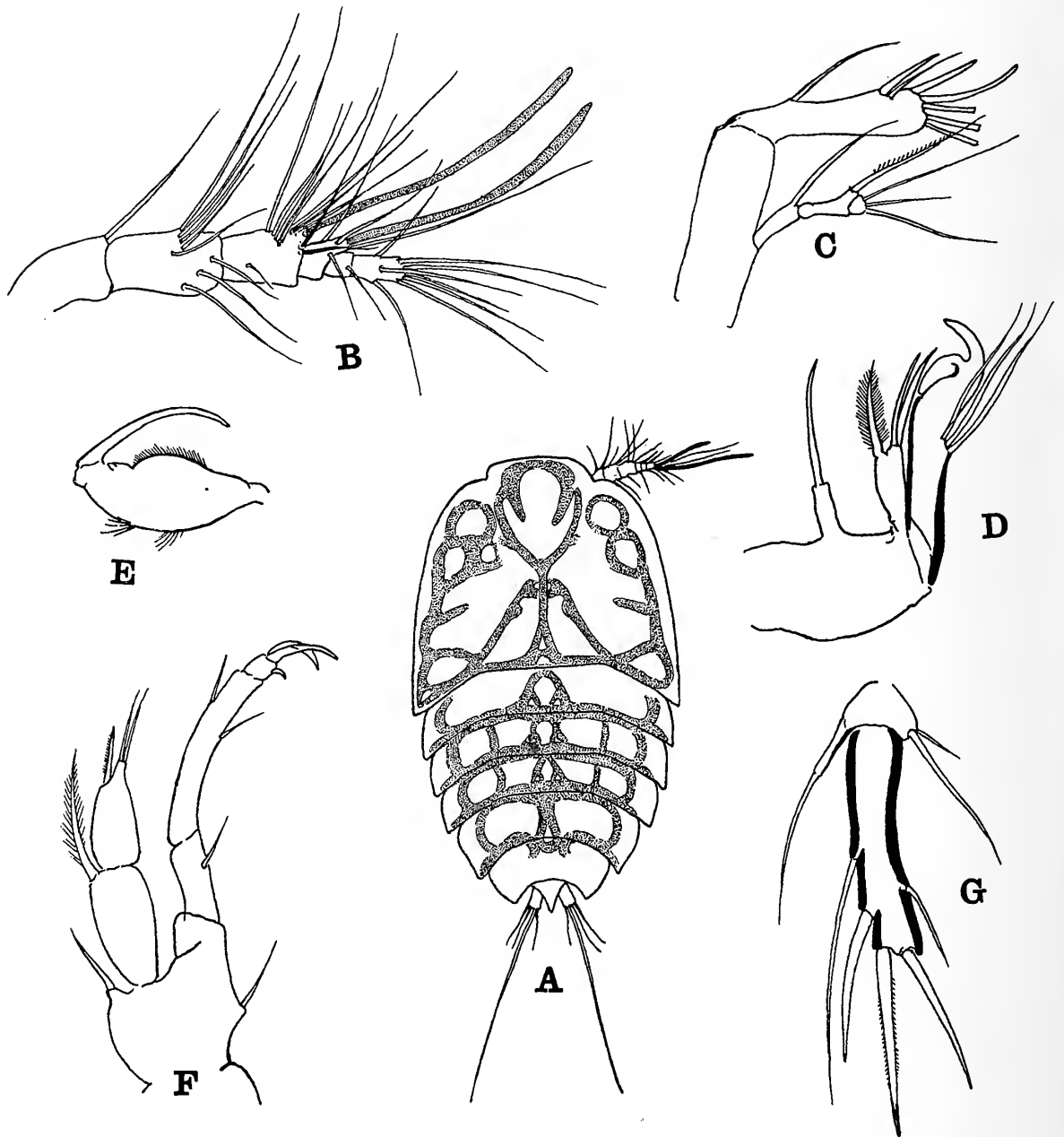
*Peltidium exiguum*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 204, pl. lxxv, figs. 11-15.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Malay Archipelago (Scott) and the Maldive Archipelago. Scott's specimen was from material from dredged invertebrata.

*Peltidium minutum* A. Scott.*Peltidium minutum*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 205, pl. lxxv, figs. 16-20.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings ; a single female.



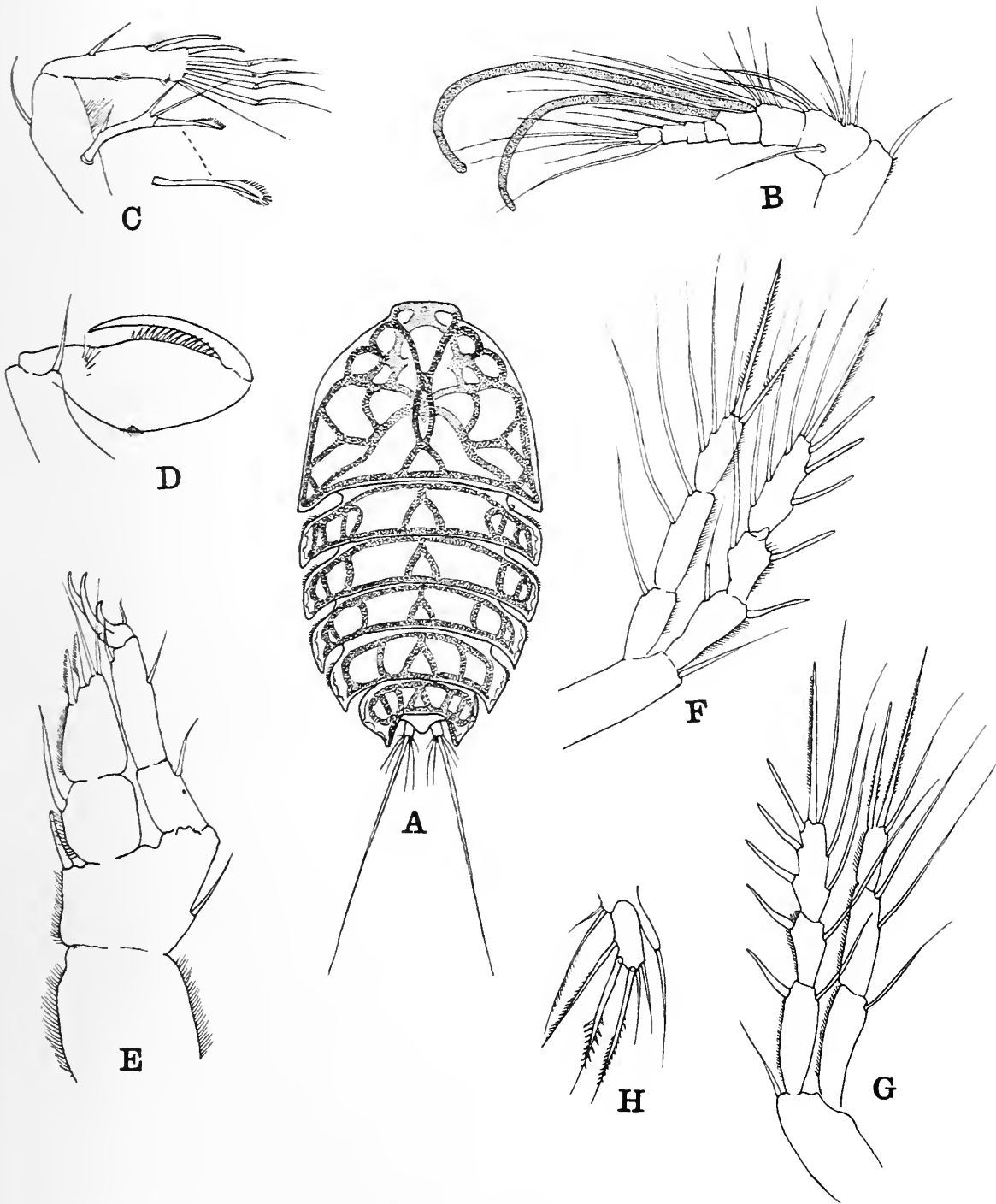
TEXT-FIG. 5.—*Peltidium ovale* Thompson and A. Scott. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 2nd maxilla. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 5th leg.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Malay Archipelago (Scott) and the Maldive Archipelago. Scott's specimen was in washings from dredged Invertebrata.

*Peltidium maldivianum* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 6, A-H.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings ; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.65 mm. The general shape of the body (Text-fig. 6, A) is oval, the greatest breadth being at the level of the 1st thoracic segment.



TEXT-FIG. 6.—*Peltidium maldivianum* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Maxilliped. E, 1st leg. F, 3rd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.

The rostrum is truncate. The distal ends of the cephalic and thoracic segments are pointed. The genital segment is rounded posteriorly, and the process extends back nearly to the level of the tips of the furcal rami.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 6, B) consists of eight segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
24	22	16	12	6	6	7	7 = 100

Segments 7 and 8 appear to be only partially separated.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 6, c) has the usual form, but the terminal seta arising from the extreme end of the exopod is modified, being broadened or spatulate in the distal third, and the margin of this expanded area is fringed with fine spinules.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 6, D) forms the usual grasping organ, and the inner margin of the hand is armed with a row of curved spines.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 6, E) has the form characteristic of the genus. The exopod arises from a short prolongation of the 2nd basal joint. Basal 2 bears a seta at about the junction of the middle and distal thirds of the outer margin, and a spine springs from the distal inner angle ; the inner border is fringed with hairs. The exopod consists of three segments, of which the 2nd is about twice the length of the 1st, and the 3rd is quite short ; each segment bears a spine on its outer margin ; the 3rd segment bears distally three unequal curved claw-like spines. The endopod consists of only two segments and reaches nearly to the end of the 2nd segment of the exopod ; the segments are flattened and lamellar in character ; segment 1 bears an inner seta, and segment 2 bears two delicate setæ at the distal end and two serrated spines on the inner margin near the distal end.

The 2nd-4th legs are each composed of three-jointed rami of the usual type ; the 2nd segment of the endopod bears two inner setæ. In the 3rd leg (Text-fig. 6, F) the terminal segment of the endopod bears two serrated spines at the distal end and three setæ on the inner margin. In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 6, G) two serrated spines spring from the distal end, but there is only one seta on the inner margin near the distal end. In all three legs the endopod and exopod are of nearly equal length.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 6, H) consists of a basal portion that is produced externally in a long pedicle that carries a single seta, while two very unequal setæ spring from the distal inner angle ; the terminal segment is about two and a half times as long as wide, and bears two delicate setæ at the distal end and three spine-like setæ on the inner margin ; of these latter, the middle one is strongly serrated along the distal half of its length.

This species comes very near to *Peltidium elegans* Wolfenden (1906, p. 1033, pl. xcix, figs. 21-27), but in that species the 1st antenna consists of nine segments. In both species the exopod of the 2nd antenna bears a modified spine distally. The present species differs, however, in that the 2nd basal segment of the 1st leg bears an ordinary seta on its inner border and not a club-like spine, and the distal segment of the 5th leg bears only five setæ, three on the outer margin and two distally, whereas *P. elegans* has an additional seta on the outer margin of the segment, making six in all. The character of the 5th foot in this species closely resembles that of *P. exiguum* A. Scott and *P. minutum* A. Scott.

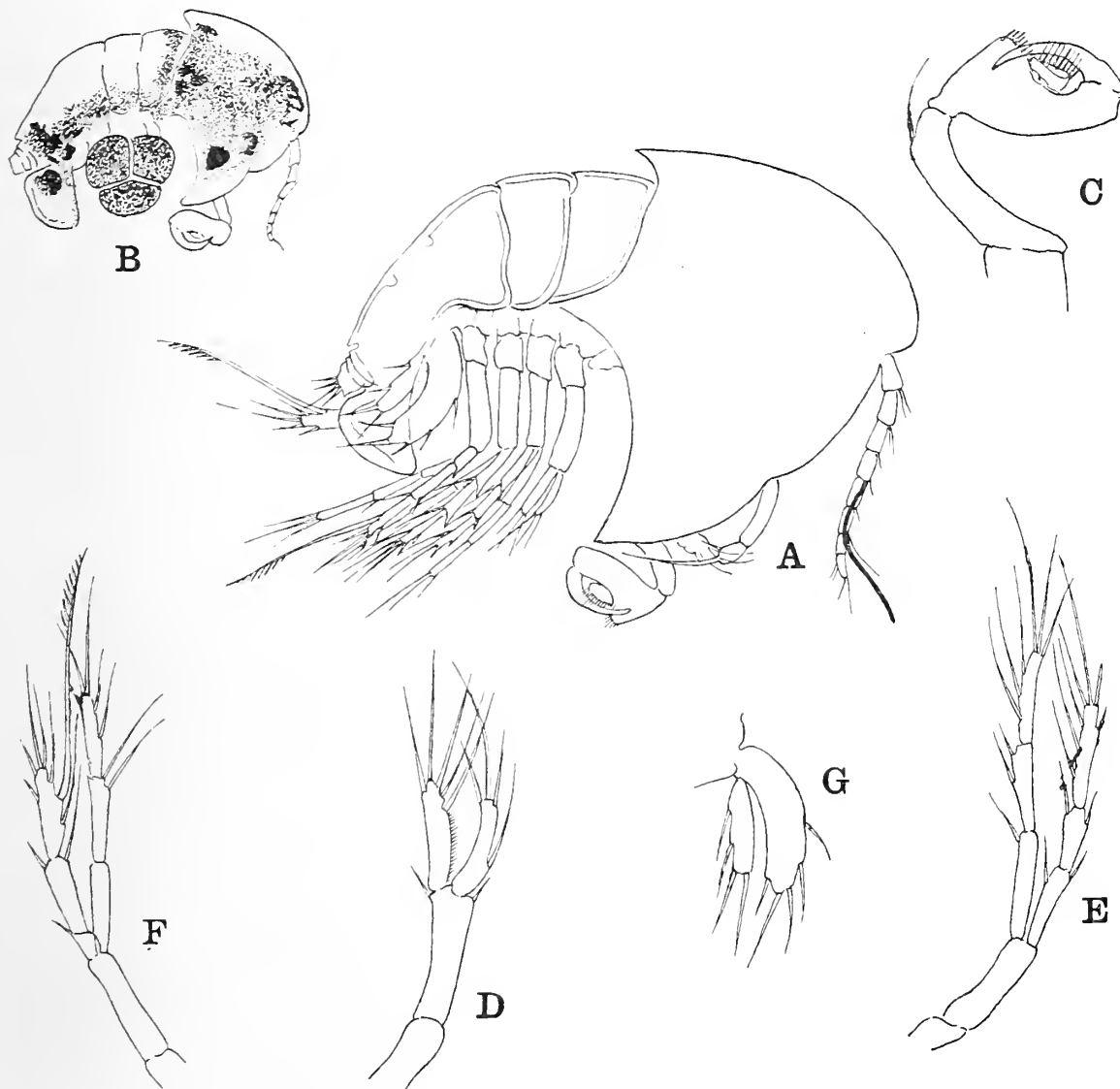
DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldivé Archipelago.

#### Family TEGASTIDÆ.

Originally this family consisted of only a single genus, *Tegastes* Norman (= *Amygone* Claus), but Sars (1903-11, p. 72) created a second genus, *Parategastes*, and more recently



Monard (1928a, p. 324) has added a third, *Syngastes*. In 1903 Thompson and A. Scott recorded the occurrence on the Ceylon Pearl Banks of five species, namely *Tegastes nigrans* (T. and A. Scott), and *imthurni* Thompson and A. Scott, *donnani* Thompson and A. Scott, *twynami* Thompson and A. Scott and *chalmersi* Thompson and A. Scott, all of which were referred to the genus *Tegastes*. Sars (1903-11, p. 73), when creating the new genus



TEXT-FIG. 7.—*Tegastes minutus* sp. nov. A, Female, lateral view. B, Sketch showing the distribution of pigment. C, Maxilliped. D, 1st leg. E, 3rd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg.

*Parategastes*, transferred to it *sphaerica*, *imthurni*, *donnani* and *twynami*; and Monard (1928a, p. 336), by the creation of the genus *Syngastes*, has rendered it necessary to transfer *imthurni*, *donnani* and *twynami* to this new genus.

#### Genus *Tegastes* Norman.

*Tegastes minutus* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 7, A-G.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—Total length, 0.29 mm. The anterior region of the body

(Text-fig. 7, A) is large and is produced ventrally in a pointed process. The whole body is dotted over, especially on the cephalo-thorax and the ventro-lateral parts of the following segments, with scattered patches of dark brown pigment.

Behind the cephalosome are two separate segments, and then follows a mass, composed of three fused segments. The genital segment is produced ventrally in a triangular plate with rounded angles.

The 1st antenna is composed of eight segments, of more or less equal length; the 4th bears a large sensory filament.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 7, c) is strongly developed.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 7, D) consists of a basal portion of two elongate slender segments, the distal of which bears a small seta at both the inner and outer distal angles; each ramus is composed of a single segment.

The 2nd–4th legs each have three-jointed exopods and endopods.

In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 7, F) the 2nd inner seta of exopod 3 is very strongly developed and is serrated along its distal third.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 7, G) the inner lobe is larger than the outer and bears three setæ on its inner margin, one distally and a smaller one on its inner border near the distal end; the outer lobe is about three times as long as broad, and bears two setæ on its outer margin and two on the truncated distal end.

In spite of its very small size this specimen was sexually mature and was bearing three ova.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been taken in the Maldivé Archipelago.

#### Genus *Syngastes* Monard.

*Syngastes*, Monard, 1928a, p. 336.

As a result of Monard's work this genus now comprises seven species, namely :

- Syngastes chalmersi* (Thompson and A. Scott),
- S. clausi* (Thomson),
- S. cornalinus* Monard,
- S. donnani* (Thompson and A. Scott),
- S. imthurni* (Thompson and A. Scott),
- S. macrognathus* Monard,
- S. twynami* (Thompson and A. Scott),

to which must be added an eighth, *Syngastes indicus* sp. nov. These species fall into three groups according to the number of segments in the 1st antenna. *Syngastes clausi*, *S. imthurni* and *S. twynami* all possess in the female six segments; *S. macrognathus* and *S. cornalinus* have only five; and in *S. chalmersi*, *S. donnani* and *S. indicus* there are seven.

In both *S. clausi* and *S. imthurni* the 3rd segment of the 1st antenna is only about half the length of the 2nd, and the characters of the 4th swimming-leg appear to be identical. As I (1924, p. 815) have previously pointed out, I believe that the Ceylon form, *S. imthurni* (Thompson and A. Scott), is identical with the form described by Thomson (1883, p. 98, pl. v, figs. 1–8) from New Zealand under the name *Amymome* (sic) *clausi*.

The genus appears to be limited in its distribution to the south-western region of the Pacific, the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea.

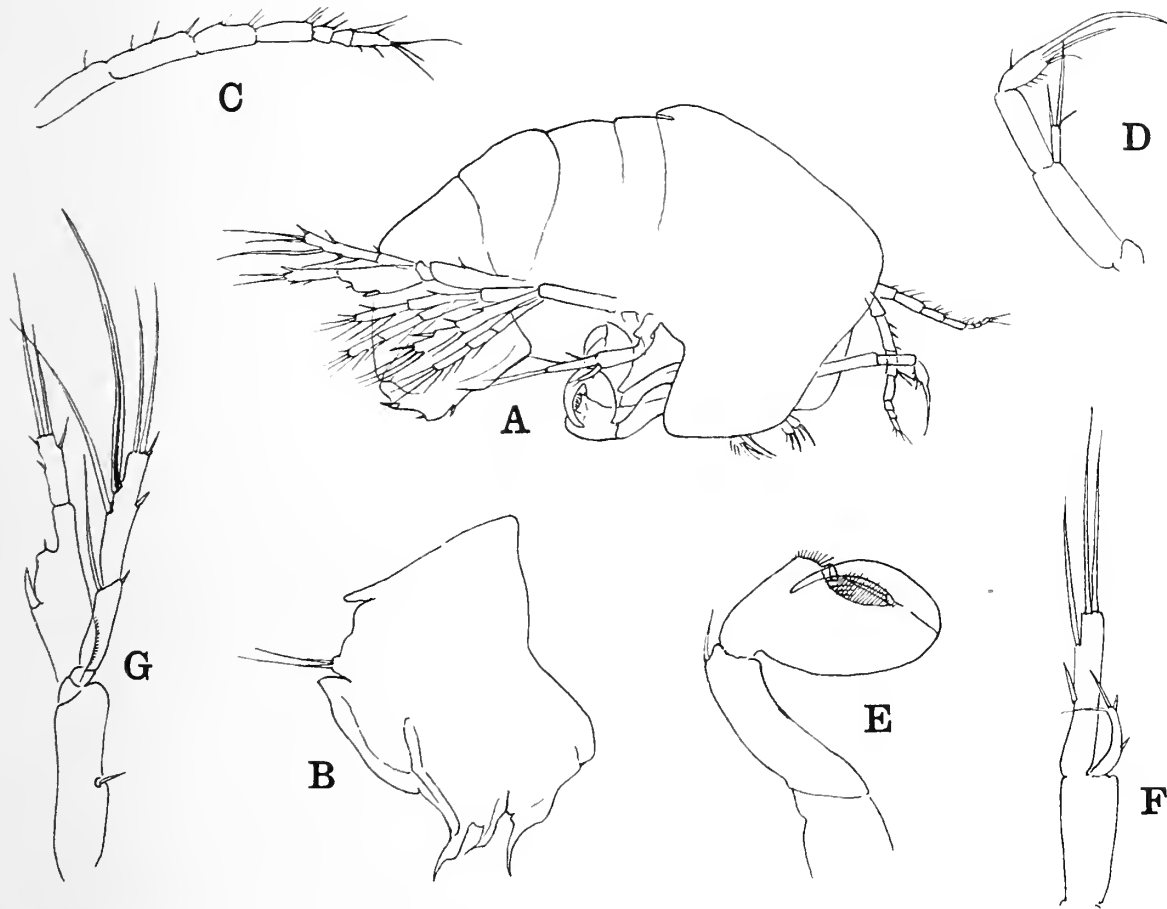
*Syngastes imthurni* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*Tegastes imthurni*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 258, pl. iv, figs. 1-9.

*Amyome* (sic) *clausi*, Thomson, 1883, p. 98, pl. v, figs. 1-8.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—As I have already mentioned, I am of the opinion that the New Zealand form, *S. clausi*, is identical with the Ceylon form, *S. imthurni*. Thomson's figures appear in certain details to be inaccurate and misleading, so that the actual proof



TEXT-FIG. 8.—*Syngastes indicus* sp. nov. A, Female, lateral view. B, Abdomen of female. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 4th leg.

of identity must wait till further material from both sources can be carefully examined. Should the two forms ultimately prove to be identical, Thomson's name, *clausi*, will have priority.

DISTRIBUTION.—From the Ceylon Pearl Banks and the Maldive Archipelago and probably also from the New Zealand coasts.

*Syngastes indicus* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 8, A-G.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.47 mm. The body (Text-fig. 8, A) is

compressed laterally and the cephalosome and genital segments are deep ; the posterior abdominal segments are small and barely distinguishable.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 8, c) is composed of seven segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
27	27	14	12	5	5	10 = 100

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 8, D) the exopod is very short and bears three setæ distally ; the endopod is composed of two segments, of which the distal is about half the length of the proximal.

The maxilla is strongly developed.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 8, F) the exopod is remarkably short, being only about half the length of the endopod ; each ramus consists of only a single segment.

In the 2nd and 3rd legs the exopod consists of two segments, the proximal of which appears to have been formed by the fusion of segments 1 and 2 ; the line of fusion is marked by the presence of a small marginal spine ; the endopod consists of the usual three segments.

In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 8, G) the exopod consists of three segments, the 1st being very small ; the distal segment bears two small external marginal spines, and a long end-spine that is equal in length to the segment ; the 2nd inner seta is very strongly developed. In the endopod the proximal portion is swollen, and this portion appears to be composed of the 1st segment and the proximal part of the 2nd ; from the inner border of the swelling, a little beyond the middle of its length, arises a short, stout spine, and a small delicate seta is situated at its distal angle.

The character of the 1st leg serves to distinguish this species from all others in the genus that have hitherto been described.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldive Archipelago.

#### Family PORCELLIDIIDÆ.

#### Genus *Porcellidium* Claus.

Up to the present time five species belonging to this genus have been recorded from Indian waters, namely :

*Porcellidium acuticaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.

*P. brevicaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.

*P. fimbriatum* Claus.

*P. ravanæ* Thompson and A. Scott.

*P. tuberculatum* Wolfenden.

#### *Porcellidium fimbriatum* Claus.

*Porcellidium fimbriatum*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 76, pls. xlv, xlv ; Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 275.

? *Porcellidium fulvum*, Thomson, 1883, p. 107, pl. vi, figs. 10, 11, pl. vii, figs. 8-13.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in a tow-netting, surface.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species appears to be widely distributed. It has been recorded from the Norwegian coast (Sars), the British Isles (Brady, Norman and T. Scott), the



Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Monard and Brian), the Normandy coast (Monard), the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Nicobar Islands, and the Aru Archipelago (Früchtl).

The form described by Thomson (1883) from New Zealand under the name *P. fulvum* shows a close degree of resemblance to *P. fimbriatum*, but neither the description nor the figures are sufficiently detailed to permit of a definite identification.

*Porcellidium acuticaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.

*Porcellidium acuticaudatum*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 275, pl. xii, figs. 15-18; Gurney, 1927c, p. 494, fig. 128.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.80 mm. Maximum breadth, 0.54 mm. The present specimen is therefore somewhat larger than Thompson and A. Scott's examples, which measured only 0.6 mm. in length.

The 1st antenna consists of six segments, which have the following lengths:

	Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
	20	30	20	15	9	6 = 100
Thompson and A. Scott	26	26	18	14	9	7 = 100

The length of the 1st segment appears to be much shorter in the present example than in those from Ceylon; for convenience of reference I have calculated Thompson and Scott's measurements as parts of 100, and have given them above.

As both Thompson and A. Scott (1903) and Gurney (1927c) have pointed out, the chief distinguishing character of this species is the acutely pointed furcal rami; Thompson and A. Scott (*loc. cit.*, pl. xii, fig. 18) show only a single spine-like seta arising from the outer margin just where this makes an angle; Gurney (*loc. cit.*, fig. 128a), however, shows two small setæ arising at this point, and in my example there was a group of three unequal spine-like setæ, of which the middle one was the longest.

The apex of the 5th leg is broadly rounded.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldive Archipelago, and the Suez Canal (Gurney).

*Porcellidium tuberculatum* Wolfenden.

*Porcellidium tuberculatum*, Wolfenden, 1906, p. 1034, pl. xcix, figs. 28-30.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. The 1st antenna consists of six segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
22	31	18	13	9	7 = 100

Gurney (1927c, p. 495) remarks that "*P. tuberculatum* Wolfenden has the same red colour and exactly similar furcal rami (as *P. acuticaudatum*) but differs in the body being much rounder. Wolfenden does not say if he had more than one specimen, or if the female described was fully mature, but it seems very possible that his form was an immature stage of *P. acuticaudatum*".

In the example that I attribute to this species, the 5th legs were much less bluntly rounded at the apex than in *P. acuticaudatum* and the furcal rami showed a much less marked angle in the outer margin, this being somewhat rounded, while the three setæ that arise from the distal part of this outer margin differed in character, the proximal being a short serrated spine, the second a long and delicate seta and the third being very small.

In these circumstances it appears to me to be preferable to regard this as a separate species.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands (present record) and the Maldivé Archipelago (Wolfenden).

#### Family HARPACTICIDÆ.

##### Genus *Harpacticus* M. Edwardes.

I find this genus one of great difficulty, for in the first place the structural differences between the so-called species are often extremely small, and secondly, various observers have described different forms under the same specific name. This confusion regarding even the well-known species has been pointed out by Sars (1903–11, p. 52), who maintains that the form described by Giesbrecht under the name *Harpacticus chelifer* is in reality an example of *Harpacticus gracilis* Claus; Brady also, it seems, has confused the two species, and to make the matter still more confusing the form that Sars believed to be *H. gracilis* Claus is, according to Monard (1928, p. 306), some other species. In these circumstances it seems impossible, without an examination of the types, if such still exist, to be certain of one's diagnosis, and all identifications in this genus must be regarded as provisional.

##### *Harpacticus littoralis* Sars.

*Harpacticus littoralis*, Sars, 1903–11, p. 363, Suppl. pl. 8; Sewell, 1924, p. 810, pl. 1, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has been taken in the Nicobar Islands, and the Chilka Lake (Sewell), in Chesapeake Bay (Wilson), and on the coast of Norway (Sars).

##### *Harpacticus gracilis* Claus.

*Harpacticus gracilis*, Claus, 1863, p. 135, pl. xix, fig. 20; Monard, 1928a, p. 306, fig. vii, 1.  
? *Harpacticus gracilis*, Sars, 1903–11, p. 52, pl. xxx, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—I have little doubt that this form corresponds with the species described by Claus under the above name and redescribed by Monard.

♀. The proportional lengths of the segments of the 1st antenna are given below, and for convenience of reference I have recalculated the measurements given by Monard as parts of 100:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
20	13	19	23	7	7	4	3	4 = 100
(Monard) . 20	11	19	25	7	7	4	2	5 = 100

The 5th leg agrees closely with the figure given by Monard.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has been taken in the Nicobar Islands and in the Mediterranean Sea. If this form is the same as that described by Sars under the same name, then the distribution extends to Chesapeake Bay (Wilson), the British Isles (Brady), Roscoff (Monard), and the coast of Norway (Sars). Brian (1928*b*, p. 306) has, however, expressed doubts that the form described by Monard under the name *H. gracilis* Claus is actually that species. He remarks: "Forse la forma descritta da Monard col nome di *Harpacticus gracilis* dovrebbe essere considerata come nuova e come speciale al Mediterraneo e in questo caso sarebbe da cambiarle il nome." Owing to the confusion that has arisen regarding this and other species, a number of records of this species are somewhat doubtful; Brady (1910, p. 551) states that he has examined a specimen from Kerguelen that agreed exactly with Sars' description, and T. Scott (1899, p. 111, pl. viii, figs. 10–13) under the name *H. chelifera* has recorded a form from Franz-Josef Land that seems actually to be *H. gracilis*.

*Harpacticus gracilis* Claus, var. *orientalis* Sewell.

*Harpacticus gracilis* var. *orientalis*, Sewell, 1924, p. 811, pl. l, fig. 2.

*Harpacticus gracilis*, Gurney, 1927*c*, p. 492, fig. 127, A–F.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands. In Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—A comparison of the description and figures given by Gurney (*loc. cit.*) with my original account of examples from the Chilka Lake seems to indicate beyond doubt that these two forms are identical. As Gurney points out (1927*c*, p. 494), "*Harpacticus gracilis* seems to be a variable and very widely-distributed species, and it seems possible that *H. clausi* A. Scott and *H. fucicolus* T. Scott may be forms of it". I am not, however, prepared to agree with this latter suggestion, and prefer to regard them as separate, though closely allied species.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this form has only been recorded from the Indian Ocean and the Suez Canal.

*Harpacticus clausi* A. Scott. (Text-fig. 9, A–H, ♀; Text-fig. 10, A–I, ♂.)

*Harpacticus clausi*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 201, pl. lxi, figs. 9–14.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.6 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 9, A) are as 61 : 39.

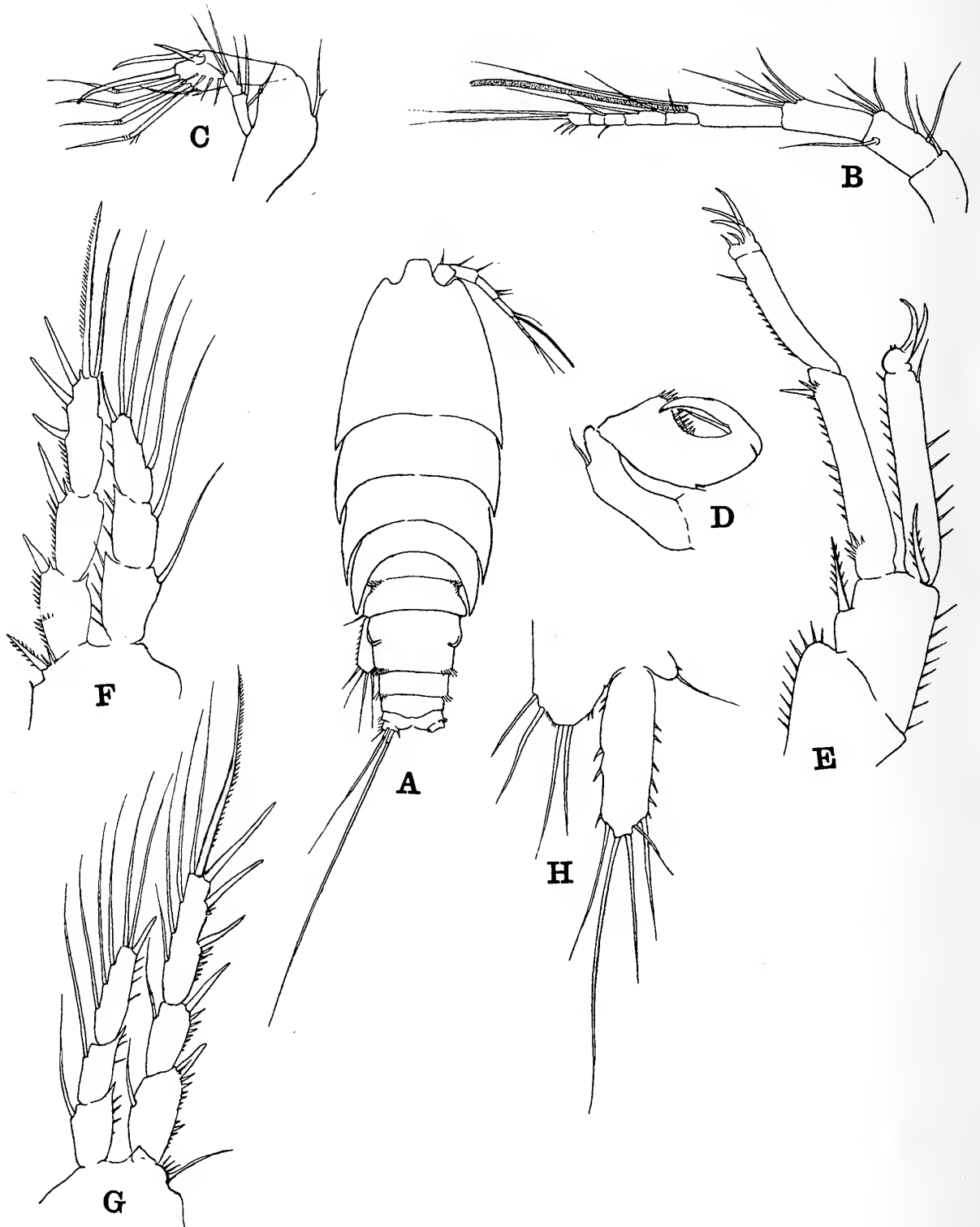
The proportional lengths of the various segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1–2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	19	45	17	9	6	4 = 100

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 9, B) consists of the usual nine segments, of which the first four form the basal portion and the distal five the apical. The proportional lengths of these antennal segments are as follows :

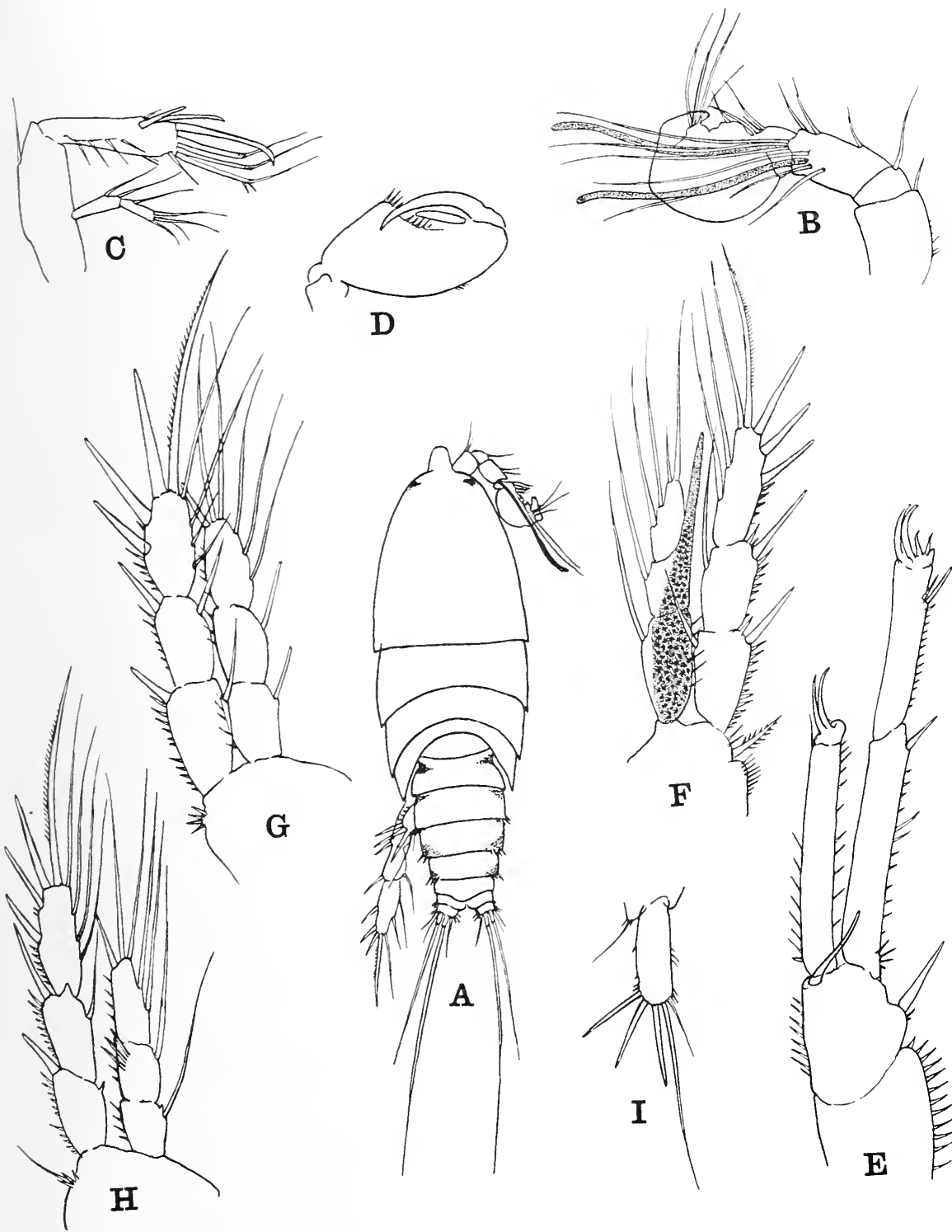
Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
	20	16	20	18	7	7	4	3	5 = 100

The proximal basal portion is thus to the distal portion in the proportion of 73 : 27.



TEXT-FIG. 9.—*Harpacticus clausi* A. Scott, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Maxilliped. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 5th leg.





TEXT-FIG. 10.—*Harpacticus clausi* A. Scott. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Maxilliped. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.

There is but little difference, if indeed any, in the mouth-parts and swimming-feet of this form and of *Harpacticus gracilis*, var. *orientalis*, but the 5th leg (Text-fig. 9, H) is clearly different. In the present form the distal segment, although armed with setæ that in their arrangement and proportional lengths closely resemble those of *H. gracilis*, var. *orientalis*, is very considerably longer and the sides are parallel instead of being curved; the proportion of length to breadth is 3 : 1.

There is a difference between the armature of the inner expansion of the proximal segment of the 5th leg in the present examples and the description given by A. Scott. Scott (*loc. cit.*, p. 201) describes this as being "broadly rounded. It is furnished with two sub-apical spines and one outer marginal spine. There is a considerable space between the inner marginal spine and the inner sub-apical spine. The surface of the expansion is furnished with two small setæ near the distal end of the inner margin". Gurney (1927c, p. 494) has, however, pointed out that "Scott's figure rather leads one to suppose that his single specimen was abnormal", and with this I entirely agree.

♂. Total length, 0.6 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 10, A) are as 64 to 36.

The proportional lengths of the various segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.	
24	21	21	16	8	5	5	= 100

As in the female, there is but little difference in the appendages from those of *Harpacticus gracilis*, var. *orientalis*, but the 5th leg (Text-fig. 10, I) is, as in the female, decidedly longer and narrower than in that form.

Gurney has put forward the suggestion that this form is merely a variety of *H. gracilis*, but the difference in the 5th leg of both sexes is so marked that I think it advisable, at any rate for the present, to regard them as separate species.

*Harpacticus fucicolus* T. Scott. (Text-fig. 11, A-H.)

*Harpacticus fucicolus*, T. Scott, 1912, p. 543, pl. viii, figs. 20-24.

OCCURRENCE.—In Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—This species was described from examples taken by the "Scotia" in floating weed in the North Atlantic Ocean between Cape Verde and the Azores.

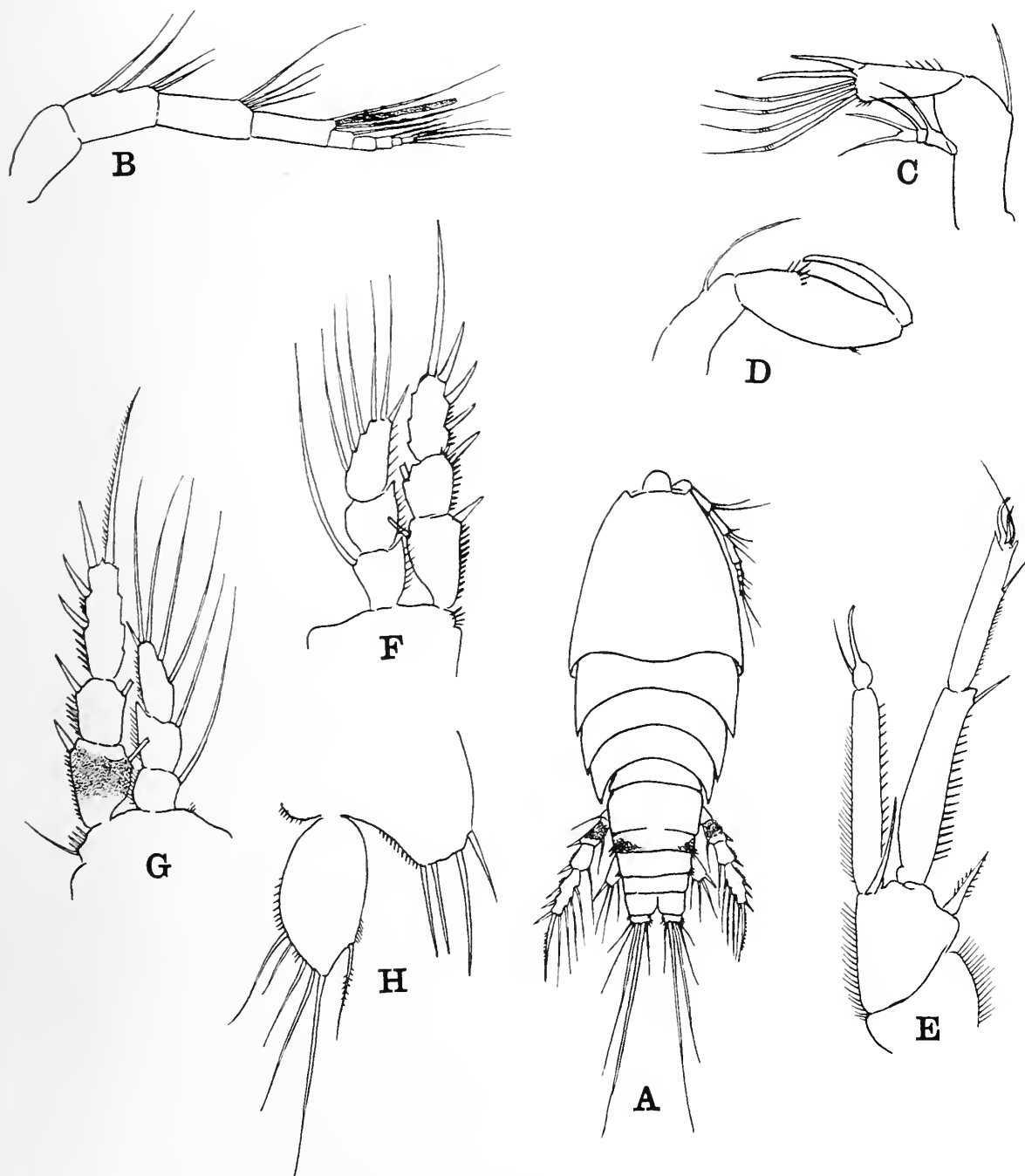
♀. Total length, 0.466 mm. Scott does not mention the size of his specimens.

The anterior region of the body (Text-fig. 11, A) is moderately robust, its greatest width being at the level of the 2nd thoracic segment; the posterior region tapers gradually to the furca. The proportional lengths of the two regions are as 63 : 37. The lengths of the various segments of the posterior region of the body are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.	
16	44	15	11	11	3	= 100

The postero-lateral region of the genital segment of the abdomen is tinged a red-brown colour, and a band of similar colour runs across the middle of the 1st segment of the

exopod of the 4th leg. The postero-lateral margins of the genital and the next following segment of the abdomen bear fine spines. The furcal rami are about twice as broad as long.



TEXT-FIG. 11.—*Harpacticus fucicolus* T. Scott. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Maxilliped. E, 1st leg. F, 3rd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 11, B) reaches back for about two-thirds of the cephalic segment and is composed of nine segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
	20	20	23	18	5	5	4	2	3 = 100

The basal part of the appendage, consisting of four segments, is four-and-a-quarter times as long as the distal part.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 11, c) is less strongly developed than in *H. gracilis*; T. Scott states that the outer ramus is short and is composed of two joints, but in the present examples this ramus possessed three segments, the middle one being very small.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 11, d) is more delicate than in *H. gracilis*, the hand being less powerful.

The swimming-legs (Figs. 11, e, f and g) closely resemble those of *H. gracilis*, but the 5th leg (Text-fig. 11, h) is somewhat different. The inner portion of the basal segment is rather wider than in *H. gracilis*, and though it is armed with four spine-like setæ, the proportional lengths of these are different; taking these in order from without inwards, the first two are about equal in length, the 3rd is the longest and the 4th is about three-fourths as long as the first two, whereas in *H. gracilis* the 2nd is the longest and the 4th is considerably smaller than the others. In the distal segment one seta springs from the inner margin, a long seta arises from the extreme apex, and in my examples four setae arise from the outer border, two from close together near the distal end, and then after a short two very unequal setæ from about the junction of the middle and distal thirds. Scott does not figure the short 5th seta. No corresponding males were seen.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been recorded from the Nicobar Islands (present record) and the North Atlantic Ocean (T. Scott).

#### Family TISBIDÆ (= IDYIDÆ).

A considerable degree of confusion in the nomenclature has arisen in this family. According to Sars (1903–11), the family includes the genera *Aspidiscus* Norman, *Psamathe* Philippi, *Machairopus* Brady, *Idya* Philippi, *Idyanthe* Sars and *Idyella* Sars. To these must be added *Tisbella* Gurney, *Bathyidia* Farran and *Chappaquiddicka* Wilson. As Stebbing (1910, p. 544) and Wilson (1932, p. 195) have pointed out, the name *Idya*, proposed by Philippi in 1843 for his genus, is preoccupied, and therefore Lilljeborg's name, *Tisbe*, proposed in 1853, is valid, thus rendering Sars' new name *Idyæa*, proposed in 1903–11, p. 367, unnecessary. Again, as Brian (1928, p. 311) and Wilson (1924, p. 16) have pointed out, the name *Psamathe*, adopted by Philippi in 1840, is invalid as it is already preoccupied, and therefore the name *Scutellidium*, proposed by Claus in 1866, becomes valid for this genus. The name *Idyanthe* Sars was proposed for the original name *Idyopsis* Sars (*vide* Sars, 1903–11, pp. 97 and 369) as this latter was preoccupied. A study of the accounts given by Gurney (1927c, p. 500) of his new genus *Tisbella* and that of Wilson (1932, p. 198) for his genus *Chappaquiddicka* fails to reveal any difference that would justify the separation of these forms, and thus *Chappaquiddicka* becomes a synonym of *Tisbella*.

The correct nomenclature of the various genera in the Family would thus appear to be as follows :

- Aspidiscus* Norman.
- Bathyidia* Farran.
- Idyanthe* Sars (= *Idyopsis* Sars).
- Idyella* Sars.
- Machairopus* Brady.



*Pseudoidya* Brady.

*Scutellidium* Claus (= *Psamathe* Philippi).

*Tisbe* Lilljeborg (= *Idya* Philippi, *Idycea* Sars).

*Tisbella* Gurney (= *Chappaquiddicka* Wilson).

To these I propose adding two new genera, *Tisbintra* and *Paraidya*, to accommodate new forms from Indian waters.

Genus *Tisbe* Lilljeborg (= *Idya* Philippi, *Idycea* Sars).

This genus is represented in Indian waters by six species, namely,

*Tisbe ensifera* var. *indica* Sewell.

*T. furcata* (Baird).

*T. gracilis* (T. Scott).

*T. longicornis* (T. and A. Scott).

*T. longisetosa* Gurney.

*T. tenera* Sars.

*Tisbe furcata* (Baird).

*Idya furcata*, Brady, 1880, p. 172, pl. lxxvii, figs. 1-11; Sars, 1903-11, p. 88, pls. li and lii, 1; Monard, 1928a, p. 328, fig. xiii, 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.6 mm.

The anterior and posterior regions of the body have the proportional lengths of 69 to 31. The segments of the posterior region are in the proportions as follows:

Segment	Th. 1.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	13	41	15	15	6	10 = 100

The 1st antenna reaches back to about the posterior margin of the cephalosome; it consists of eight segments having the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	17	24	24	13	5	5	4	8 = 100
(Brady)	15	28	20	12	5	5	3	12 = 100

There would thus seem to be some degree of variation in the lengths of the segments and especially in the terminal segment, which in the Nicobar specimens is only twice the length of the 7th, whereas in Brady's examples it was no less than four times the length.

DISTRIBUTION.—In all three great oceans from New Zealand in the Pacific to the Arctic Seas; it has been recorded from the Alaskan coast (Willey), New Zealand (Thomson, Brady), Chatham Island in the Pacific (Sars), Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Chilka Lake (Sewell), the Red Sea (A. Scott), the North Atlantic Ocean off Madeira (Fischer), the Mediterranean Sea (Car, Pesta, Brian, Monard), the east coast of North America (Wilson, Williams, Sharpe), the French coast (Canu), the British Isles (Brady), the North Sea (Timm, Klie), Kiel Bay (Giesbrecht), the Baltic Sea (Klie), E. Greenland (Jespersen), the Norwegian coast (Sars), off Franz-Josef Land (T. Scott) and Nova Zembla (Brady).

*Tisbe gracilis* (T. Scott).

*Idya gracilis*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 94, pl. lv, fig. 1.

OCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in tow-netting from 12 fathoms, very near bottom; 2 examples.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands (present record), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard), the North Atlantic Ocean, Bermuda (Willey), the Brittany coast, Roscoff (Monard), the Scottish coast (T. Scott), E. Greenland (Jespersen), the coast of Norway (Sars) and Grinnel Land (Monard).

*Tisbe ensifera* var. *indica* (Sewell).

*Idyæa ensifera*, Sars, 1903-11, pp. 90, 367, pl. liii, fig. 1.

*Idyæa ensifera* var. *indica*, Sewell, 1924, p. 817, pl. lii, fig. 1.

OCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in tow-netting, 12 fathoms, near the bottom.

DISTRIBUTION.—*Tisbe ensifera* has been recorded from the North Atlantic Ocean, Madeira (Fischer), and Bermuda (Willey), the Mediterranean Sea (Brian), the Norwegian coast (Sars) and Grinnel Land (the Fram Expeditions). This variety, *indica*, has now been taken in the Nicobar Islands and the Chilka Lake (Sewell).

*Tisbe tenera* (Sars).

*Idya tenera*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 91, pl. liii, fig. 2; Gurney, 1927c, p. 497, fig. 129.

OCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

REMARKS.—The form recorded by Brady (1910, p. 360, pl. liv, fig. 2, text-fig. xlvii, 1-9) from Kerguelen and Simon's Bay, Cape of Good Hope, under the name *Tisbe tenuimana* Giesbrecht, is certainly not that species, and much more nearly resembles *Tisbe tenera* (Sars).

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been recorded from the coast of Norway (Sars), the English Channel, Roscoff (Monard), and the Suez Canal (Gurney). Its occurrence in Nankauri Harbour, Nicobars, increases its range very considerably.

? *Tisbe longisetosa* Gurney.

*Tisbe longisetosa*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 497, fig. 130.

OCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.6 mm.

The proportional lengths of the thoracic and abdominal regions of the body were as 66 to 33. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	11	26	22	17	14	10 = 100

The 1st antenna is long and reaches back as far as the 3rd abdominal segment; it consists of eight segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	10	23	29	20	5	4	3	6 = 100

The 2nd antenna is very long and slender and appears to consist of four segments, the normal 3rd segment presenting an appearance of subdivision into two, a long proximal and a short oval distal part: from the distal end of the proximal part two slender setæ arise, and the distal part bears a row of hairs on its margin and five setæ distally. The exopod is very short and is composed of two segments, of which the proximal bears a spine and a delicate seta on its margin and the distal segment bears one seta on its margin and three distally.

The maxilliped is long and slender, as in *Tisbella timsæ* Gurney: the 2nd joint is very long and slender, and the 3rd joint is short and bears two setæ: the claw is long, and bears a spine about half-way along its inner margin.

The legs agreed with Gurney's description.

DISTRIBUTION.—If I am correct in regarding this specimen as an example of *Tisbe longisetosa* Gurney, then this species has now been taken in the Maldive Archipelago and the Suez Canal (Gurney).

#### Genus *Tisbintra* nov.

DESCRIPTION OF THE GENUS.—The general body-form resembles that of *Tisbe*. The cephalosome is produced forwards in a rounded rostral projection. The epimeral plates of the 2nd and 3rd thoracic segments are produced laterally and posteriorly, and are rounded at the tip; that of the 4th segment is rounded. The urosome is slender. The genital segment is long with a trace of division laterally; a long delicate spine is situated at the lateral end of the genital aperture on each side. The furcal rami are short and the 2nd seta is elongate, being approximately as long as the whole abdomen. The 1st antenna consists of 8 segments. In the 2nd antenna the exopod consists of 2 segments only, as in *Idyella*; the endopod is composed of three segments. The mandible (Text-fig. 12, E) possesses a slender biting ramus, provided with several teeth distally and with a truncate projection on its posterior margin, as in *Tisbe*. The 1st maxilla (Text-fig. 12, F) is as in *Tisbe*. The maxilliped (Text-fig. 12, G) possesses a long terminal claw as in *Tisbella*. In the 1st leg the exopod consists of three segments, diminishing in size distally; the endopod possesses two segments only and is considerably longer than the exopod; endopod 1 bears a single inner seta, and endopod 2 has a single straight spine at the distal end. Legs 2-4 possess rami of approximately equal length; both rami are composed of three segments. The setal formula of the swimming-legs is as in *Tisbe* and *Tisbella*. In the 5th leg the basal segment is not produced, and the distal segment is elongate and bears four setæ.

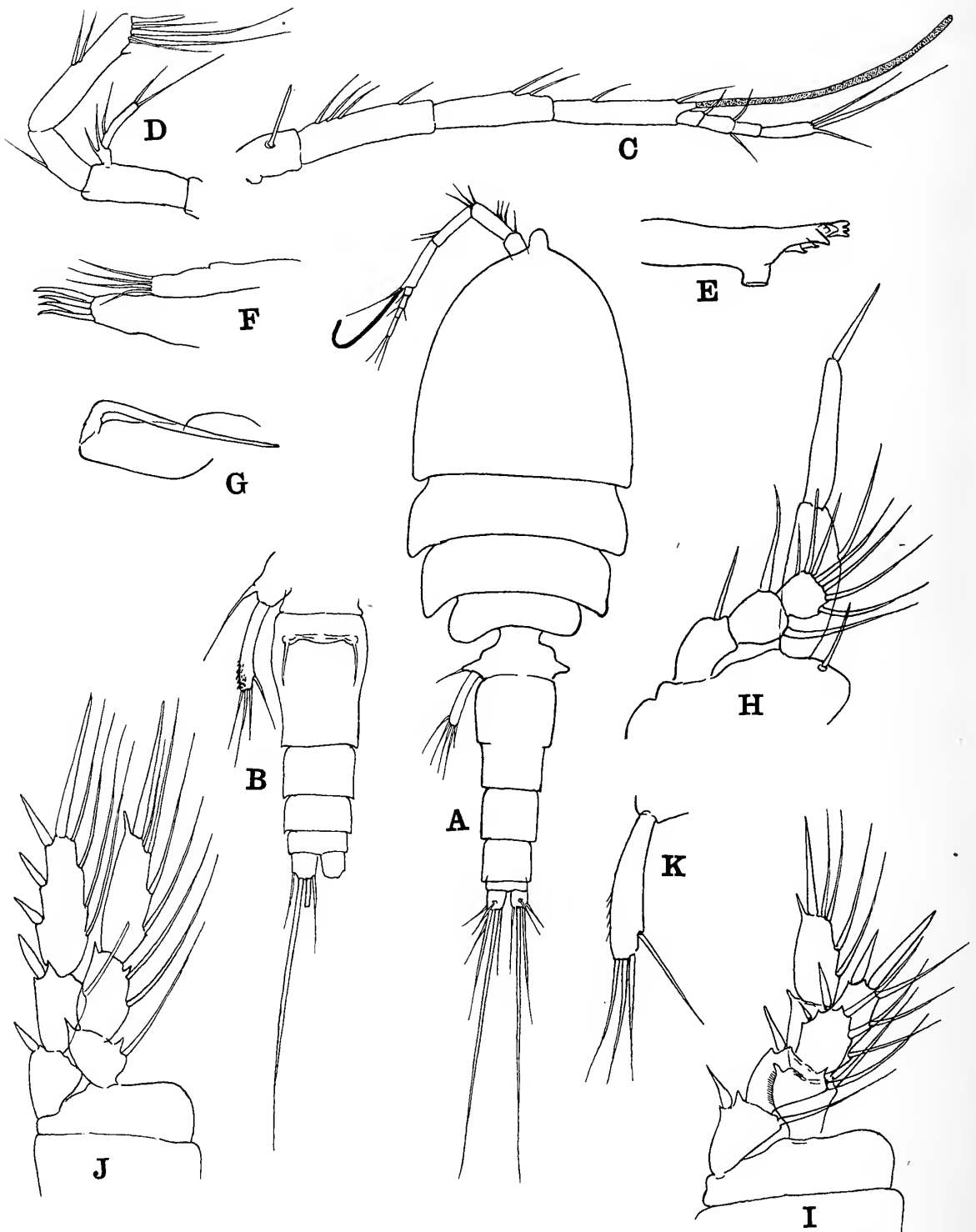
#### *Tisbintra nankaurica* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 12, A-K.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in tow-netting at the surface; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.23 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 62 to 38. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
22	38	14	13	4	9 = 100

The genital segment is thus approximately equal in length to the remainder of the abdomen.



TEXT-FIG. 12.—*Tisbintra nankaurica* gen. nov., sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Abdomen, ventral view. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandible. F, 1st maxilla. G, Maxilliped. H, 1st leg. I, 2nd leg. J, 4th leg. K, 5th leg.



The genital segment shows traces of division laterally, and the genital aperture is guarded by a long slender spine on each side (Text-fig. 12, B).

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 12, c) reaches back as far as the posterior margin of the cephalosome and consists of 8 segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
12	25	21	22	3	5	4	8 = 100

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 12, D) the endopod consists of three segments, of which the terminal is nearly twice as long as the preceding. The distal segment bears two setæ on the anterior margin a little beyond the middle of its length, and one spine and four setæ distally. The exopod is composed of two segments only, as in *Idyella* : of these the proximal bears two setæ and the distal one basally and two distally.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 12, H) the exopod is stoutly built and consists of the usual three segments, but the marginal spine on the 1st segment is of moderate length, whereas that on the 2nd segment is considerably longer. Exopod 2 is of about the same length as exopod 1 and bears a single inner seta : exopod 3 is quadrate in form, and bears three delicate seta-like spines on the outer margin and four setæ on the distal and inner margins. The endopod is considerably longer than the exopod and consists of only two segments, of approximately equal length : the proximal segment is moderately stout, and bears a single inner seta at about the junction of the middle and distal thirds ; the distal segment is slender and bears a single straight spine distally.

In the swimming-legs the setal formula is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	2	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 12, I) the proximal spine on the 3rd segment of the exopod is markedly reduced in size.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 12, K) the basal segment is produced externally in a conical process that bears a single seta, but I was unable to detect any inner projection or setæ ; the distal segment is cylindrical in form and is about five times as long as broad ; it bears a single seta on its outer margin near the distal end and three setæ distally.

#### Genus *Paraidya* nov.

I propose the erection of this new genus to accommodate two closely allied species, which, while exhibiting considerable resemblances to the genera *Tisbe*, *Tisbella* and *Bathyidia*, possess certain characteristic features.

DESCRIPTION OF THE GENUS.—The body is cylindrical in form and there is but little difference between the anterior and posterior regions, whereas in the genera *Tisbe*, *Tisbella*, *Idyanthe* and *Idyella* the two regions are sharply defined from each other, the anterior region being expanded. The caudal rami are of moderate length and the 2nd furcal seta is much elongated.

The 1st antenna in the female, as in the genus *Tisbella*, consists of only seven segments, the proximal stouter portion comprising four segments, while the slender distal portion is composed of three only; in the male it consists of ten segments and forms a grasping organ. The 2nd antenna resembles that of *Tisbe*. The mandibular palp (Text-fig. 13, E) somewhat resembles that of Wilson's species *Chappaquiddicka pulchella* in that both rami are composed of a single segment and the outer arises from the extreme distal end of the basal segment; about half-way along the outer ramus a group of setæ arises, suggesting that this branch has been formed by the fusion of two originally separate segments, as in the genus *Tisbella*. The 2nd maxilla (Text-fig. 13, F) resembles that of *Tisbe finmarchica* (Sars) and *Chappaquiddicka pulchella* Wilson, in that there is no trace of the lateral lobe on the basal segment and the distal claw is extremely long, and bears near the middle of its length a stout spine that is fringed with hairs. The maxilliped (Text-fig. 13, G) resembles that of *Tisbe*. In the 1st leg both rami are composed of three segments, but the endopod is not markedly elongated, as in the genus *Tisbe*; this appendage presents a close similarity to that of *Bathyidia* Farran and differs from that of *Chappaquiddicka* and *Tisbella*, in which the endopod consists of only two segments; the 3rd joint of the endopod carries two long setæ and one spine at the outer distal angle, thus differing from *Bathyidia*, in which there are three long setæ. The 3rd and 4th legs are similar to those of *Tisbe*; the setal formula is as follows:

Segments.	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	2	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

In the 5th leg the proximal portion exhibits no inner seta-bearing expansion, and the distal segment is somewhat elongate, but bears only four setæ distally.

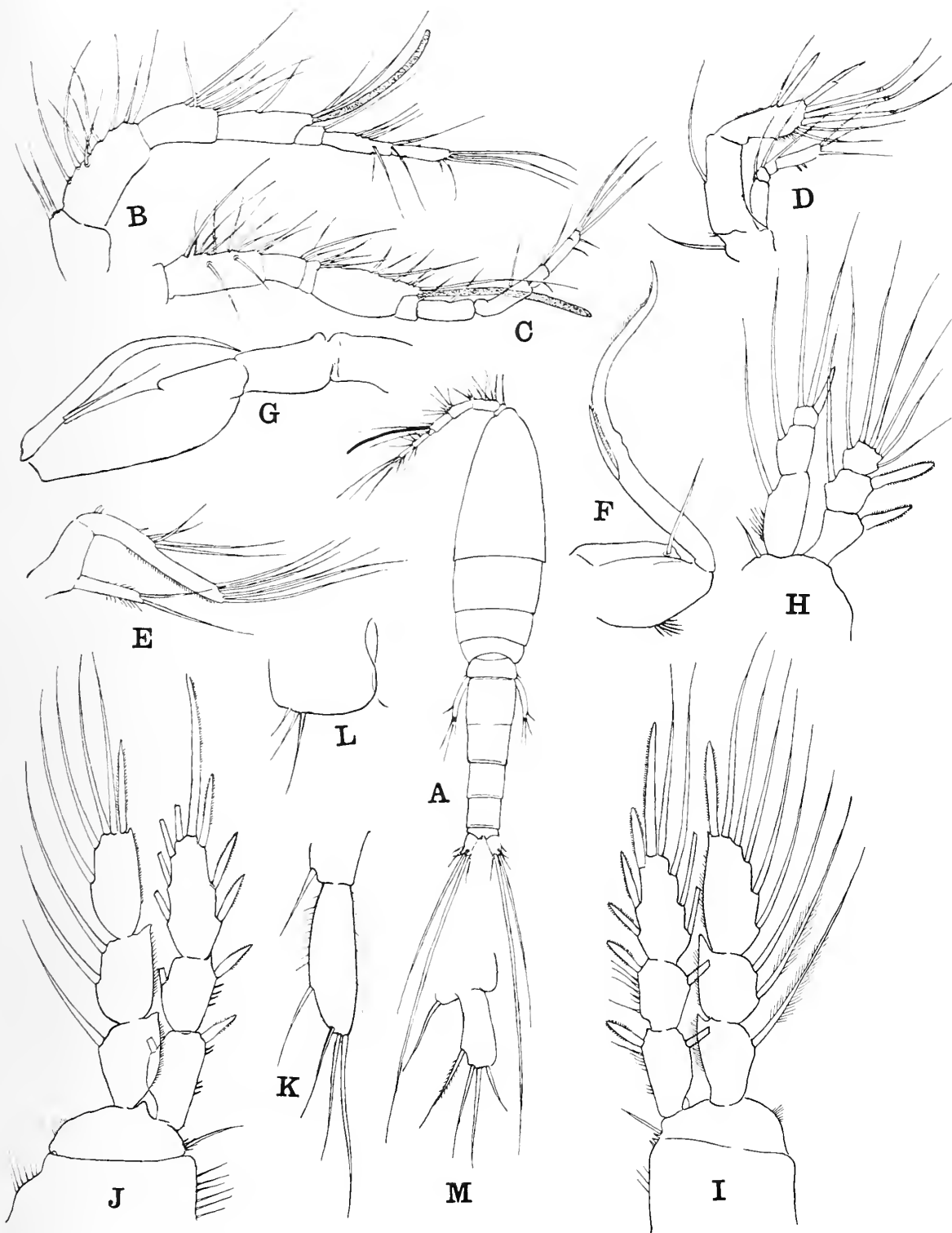
In the male the 1st antenna consists of ten segments and the hinge-joint falls between segments 7 and 8, so that the distal portion is composed of three segments, instead of only two as in the genus *Tisbe*. The genital armature consists of a broad lamellar flap that bears three delicate setæ; there is no strong spine such as one gets in *Tisbe furcata* (Baird), *T. gracilis* (T. Scott), *T. gurneyi* Lang and *T. armatus* Brady, *Scutellidium longicaudum* (Philippi), *S. machairopoides* (Monard), *S. plumosum* Brady and *Machairopus digitatus* Brady.

*Paraidya major* nov. (Text-fig. 13, A-M.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; several examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.07 mm.

The anterior and posterior regions of the body are in the proportion of 54 to 46. The body (Text-fig. 13, A) is somewhat compressed laterally, not dorso-ventrally as in the genera *Tisbe*, *Tisbella*, *Bathyidia*, etc. The forehead is rounded, and the rostrum is depressed and invisible from the dorsal aspect; it is broadly rounded and appears to be fused with the cephalon. The cephalic segment is fused with the 1st thoracic segment, and the



TEXT-FIG. 13.—*Paraidya major* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna, female. C, 1st antenna, male. D, 2nd antenna, female. E, Mandibular palp, female. F, 2nd maxilla. G, Maxilliped. H, 1st leg, female. I, 3rd leg, female. J, 4th leg, female. K, 5th leg, female. L, Genital armature, male. M, 5th leg, male.

combined mass is more than half the length of the anterior region of the body, the proportional lengths being as follows :

Cephalon and thoracic segment 1 (fused) . . . . .	60
The 2nd, 3rd and 4th thoracic segments . . . . .	40

The genital segment is long, and the line of fusion of segments 1 and 2 is clearly visible running across the dorsal aspect. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
11	37	19	14	3	16 = 100

The furcal rami are twice as long as broad, and each bears five setæ and a dorsal accessory seta ; seta 2 is very long, being about two-thirds the length of the whole body.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 13, B) reaches back beyond half the length of the cephalosome ; it consists of a moderately stout basal portion of four segments and a more slender distal portion composed of only three segments, of which the proximal is short. The proportional lengths of the segments are as follows :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
13	21	16	17	6	16	11 = 100

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 13, D) consists of a basal segment, a two-jointed endopod and a well-developed exopod of four segments.

The characters of the mouth-parts have been given under that description of the genus.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 13, H) the two basal segments appear to be fused. Both rami are composed of three segments, and the endopod is comparatively stout and but little longer than the exopod ; the 1st and 2nd segments of the exopod each bear a stout serrated marginal spine, but the 1st segment has no inner seta ; the marginal spines of the 3rd segment are long, slender and setiform in character, so that the segment appears to carry six setæ, as in *Bathyidia remota* Farran (1926, pl. 10, fig. 16). Endopod 1 is slightly longer than the two following segments together ; it bears a single inner seta ; endopod 3 bears a stout spine at its distal outer angle and two setæ arise from the distal margin ; it thus differs from *Bathyidia remota* Farran, in which the spine is situated between the two setæ.

The 2nd-4th legs (Text-figs. 13, I, J) resemble those of *Tisbe*.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 13, K) is composed of the usual two segments, a basal and a distal. The basal segment carries a single seta on its outer margin, but there is no inner expansion of the segment and no seta arises from the inner margin. The distal segment is moderately elongate-oval in shape, being about four times as long as broad ; it bears a single seta on its outer margin and three at the distal end ; both margins are fringed with hair.

♂. The body has the same general shape as in the female. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
10	20	20	16	15	8	11 = 100

The furcal rami are not so long as in the female, and the length is to their breadth as 64 to 36.



In the 1st antenna (Text-fig. 13, c) the proportional lengths of the segments are as follows :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
13	22	9	3	17	4	10	11	3	8 = 100

The very short 4th segment appears to be derived by a segmentation of the original segment 3 into two parts ; the 5th segment is somewhat swollen and bears a sensory seta at its distal end. The hinge-joint is formed between segments 7 and 8, so that the distal portion is composed of only three segments.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 13, m) in its general form resembles that of the female, but the distal segment is shorter and the terminal part is truncated so that all the three distal setæ arise at the same level : one seta springs from the outer margin.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands.

*Paraidya minor* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 14, A-L.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings ; several examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.70 mm.

In its general shape and appearance this species very closely resembles *Paraidya major*. The body is laterally compressed, and the proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions are as 59 to 41. The rostrum is large and depressed, and the rounded anterior margin is fringed with short processes forming a crest that is interrupted in the middle line ; it is fused with the cephalon.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 14, c) is composed of seven segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
15	25	18	16	4	11	11 = 100

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 14, d) is of the same type as in *Paraidya major*, but the exopod, although consisting of the same four segments, is considerably smaller and shorter in proportion to the endopod.

The mouth-parts (Text-figs. 14, E-H) resemble those of *P. major* and have the form characteristic of the genus.

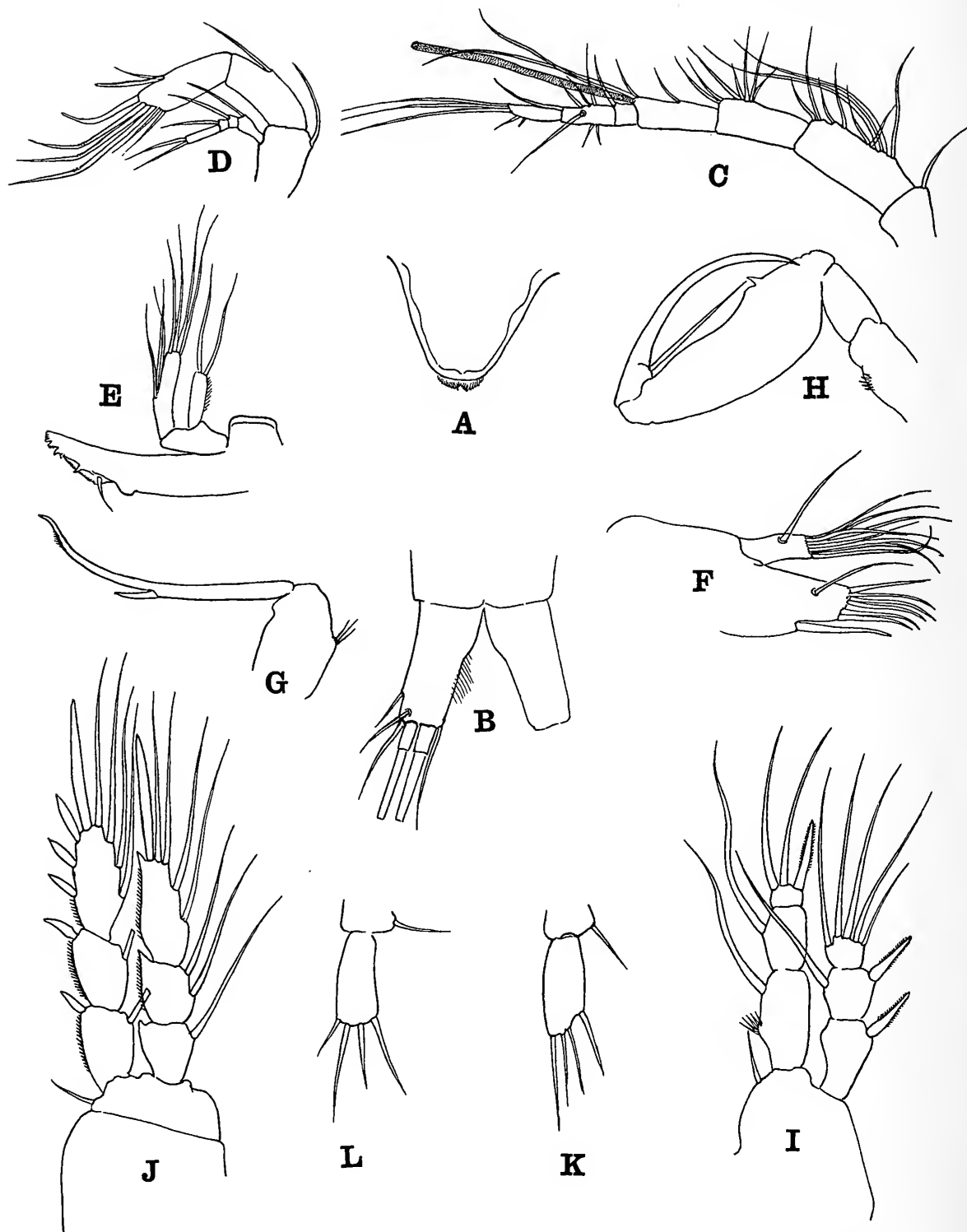
In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 14, i) the two basal segments appear to be fused. The two rami closely resemble those of *P. major* but the endopod is slightly longer in proportion to the exopod, this latter reaching only as far as the middle of the 2nd segment of the endopod instead of to the joint between the 2nd and 3rd segments. In the exopod the marginal spine on the 2nd segment is not so strongly developed as in *P. major*, and I could only detect five setæ on the terminal segment instead of six.

The 2nd-4th legs closely resemble those of *P. major*.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 14, k) the free segment is much shorter than in *P. major*.

♂. The 1st antenna closely resembles that of *P. major* and the segments have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
13	25	8	2	19	4	9	10	4	6 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 14.—*Paraidya minor* sp. nov. A, Rostrum. B, Furcal rami, female. C, 1st antenna, female. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandible. F, 1st maxilla. G, 2nd maxilla. H, Maxilliped. I, 1st leg. J, 4th leg. K, 5th leg, female. L, 5th leg, male.

The appendages all closely resemble those of *P. major* and present only slight differences of detail.

I have previously (*vide supra*, p. 121) called attention to several species in which two forms are known to exist, differing but little from each other except in size and small details of structure; it is possible that the above two forms may be stages in the life-history of one species rather than two distinct species, but the fact that they were taken together seems to contra-indicate any suggestion that they can be different races of the same species.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands.

Genus *Scutellidium* Claus (= *Psamathe* Philippi).

*Scutellidium longicaudum* (Philippi).

*Psamathe longicauda*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 83, pl. xlix; Monard, 1928a, p. 330, fig. xiii, 4.

? *Psamathe sargassi*, Sars, 1916.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; several specimens.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.71 mm. This is somewhat smaller than usual; Monard's specimens from the Mediterranean measured 1.0 mm., and Sars' examples from Norway 0.88 mm. The anterior and posterior regions of the body are in the proportions of 63 to 37.

The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
14	40	19	14	6	7 = 100

In one example the genital segment carried a single egg-sac containing about 24 ova.

The 1st antenna is composed of nine segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
15	30	17	6	3	3	4	8	14 = 100

DISTRIBUTION.—From New Zealand (Thomson), the Maldive Archipelago, the Mediterranean Sea (Philippi, Claus, Brian, Monard), the Black Sea (Karawaiew), the North Atlantic, Madeira, Ireland (Farran), the Brittany Coast, Roscoff (Monard), the British Isles (Brady), the coast of Norway (Sars), and Franz-Josef Land (T. Scott).

*Scutellidium machairopoides* (Monard). (Text-figs. 15, A-H, ♀; 16, A-J, ♂.)

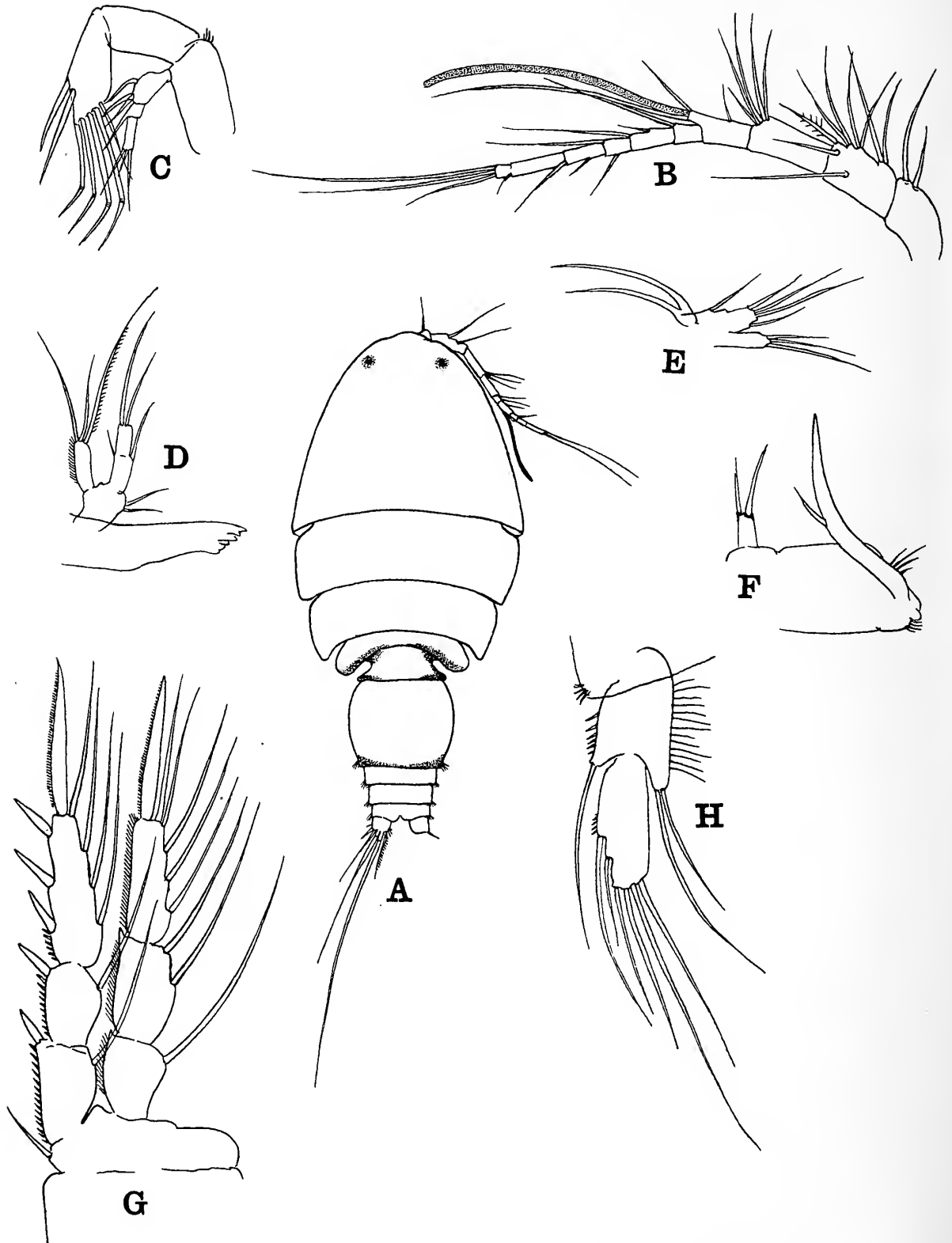
*Psamathe machairopoides*, Monard, 1928, p. 331, figs. xiii, 5, and xiv, 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.70 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 58 to 42. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
12	51	13	9	6	9 = 100

The anterior border of the cephalon (Text-fig. 15, A) is rounded; on either side, behind and a little to the outer side of the attachment of the 1st antenna, is a well-marked spot of purple pigment. In this respect it seems probable that this species closely resembles



TEXT-FIG. 15.—*Scutellidium machairopoides* (Monard). ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, Maxillary palp. F, 2nd maxilla. G, 3rd leg. H, 5th leg.



the form described by Brady from Kerguelen under the name *Machairopus idyoides*, and in which, he states, a pair of widely distant eyes are present on the cephalon. The posterior margins of segments 2 to 4 and the lateral parts of segment 5 are armed ventrally with minute spines; Monard noted their presence on segments 2-4.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 15, B) consists of nine segments, that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	
17	17	17	10	5	10	5	8	11 = 100	
(Monard) 20	20	19	8	5	7	5	5	10 = 99	

For comparison I have recalculated the measurements of the segments given by Monard as parts per 100 and have included these in the table above; such slight differences as appear may well be due to variations in the length of the segments, or to the difficulty of measuring such small objects with complete accuracy.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 15, c) bears on the distal segment of the endopod two spines and four geniculate setæ; the former seem to be more delicate in the present examples than in those examined and figured by Monard (*loc. cit.*, fig. xiv, 1). In the specimen examined the exopod consisted of only three segments, instead of four, thus resembling *Machairopus idyoides* Brady (1883, pl. xli, fig. 4); the proximal segment is stouter than the others and bears three setæ, the 2nd segment bears a single seta and the distal three, so that the total number of setæ is the same as in Monard's type; the proximal segment would thus appear to have been formed by the failure of the 1st and 2nd segments to separate, and this is borne out by the fact that in the male the exopod consists of the normal four segments. The mandible (Text-fig. 15, D) has the form that is present in the genus *Machairopus* (*vide* Brady, 1883, pl. xli, fig. 5, and Sars, 1903-11, pl. 1); it consists of a basal segment and two rami, each of a single segment, and the endopod springs from the anterior margin and not the terminal end of the basal segment, as in the genus *Tisbe*. The 1st and 2nd maxillæ (Text-fig. 15, E, F) also very closely resemble the corresponding appendages in *Machairopus*. As regards the maxilliped, Monard has already called attention to its resemblance to that of the genus *Thalestris*.

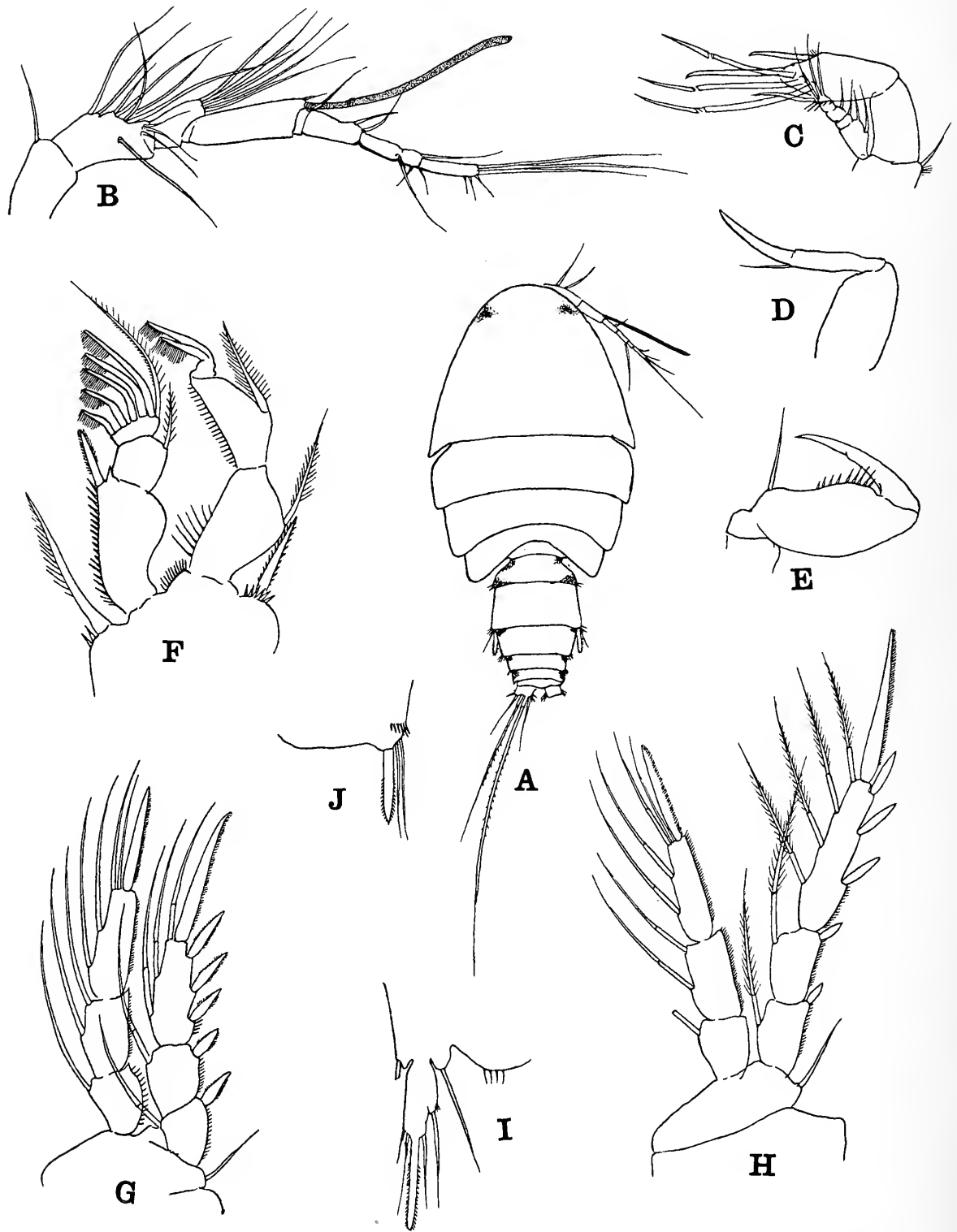
The 1st leg, as Monard points out, closely resembles that of *Machairopus minutus* Sars, but the 2nd segment of the exopod is unarmed. Monard states that the terminal segment bears one spine, five brush-like setæ and one plumose seta; I have, however, been unable to detect the spine, though the setæ are quite clear.

In the 2nd-4th legs the proportional lengths of the endopod and exopod differ; in leg 2 the endopod is longer than the exopod; in leg 3 (Text-fig. 15, G) the rami are of the same length; and in leg 4 the exopod is slightly the longer. In all three legs the 2nd segment of the endopod bears two setæ, thus placing the species in the genus *Scutellidium*.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 15, H) the basal segment is relatively narrow and bears a single seta at the external angle and two at the inner, while both inner and outer margins are fringed respectively with hairs and small needle-like spines. The oval distal segment in the present specimen bears six setæ, whereas Monard (*loc. cit.*, fig. xiv) figures only five.

♂. Total length, 0.6 mm.

The anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 16, A) have the proportional



TEXT-FIG. 16.—*Scutellidium machairopoides* (Monard). ♂. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 2nd maxilla. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg. J, Genital armature.

lengths of 58 to 42. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
13	32	17	13	11	6	8 = 100

The forehead is rounded and, as in the female, two widely separated purple-coloured spots lie behind and to the outer side of the articulation of the 1st antenna. The segments of the posterior region are armed with spines on the posterior and lateral margins. The genital segment is swollen, and the genital aperture is armed (Text-fig. 16, J) with a stout, backwardly-directed, serrated spine, on the outer side of which arise two delicate setæ.

The furcal rami are short and broad, and the 2nd furcal seta is long.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 16, B) forms a grasping organ. The proximal segments are not markedly swollen; the 3rd segment is short, and the 4th long and bears a sensory seta. The hinge-joint lies between the 6th and 7th segments.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 16, I) is armed with a stout serrated spine, that is as long as the distal segment; two setæ arise from the inner margin and two unequal delicate setæ from the outer distal angle of the free segment.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been recorded from the Mediterranean Sea (Monard) and the Brittany Coast, Roscoff (Monard). If I am correct in the identification of this form the range must now be extended to the Nicobar Islands.

*Scutellidium plumosum* Brady. (Text-fig. 17, A-I, ♀; Text-fig. 18, A-H, ♂.)

*Scutellidium plumosum*, Brady, 1899, p. 45, pl. cii, figs. 16-21, 23-25.

*Psamathe plumosum*, Lang, 1934, p. 18, figs. 33-39.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.60 mm.

In the general proportions of the body this species closely resembles the preceding two species.

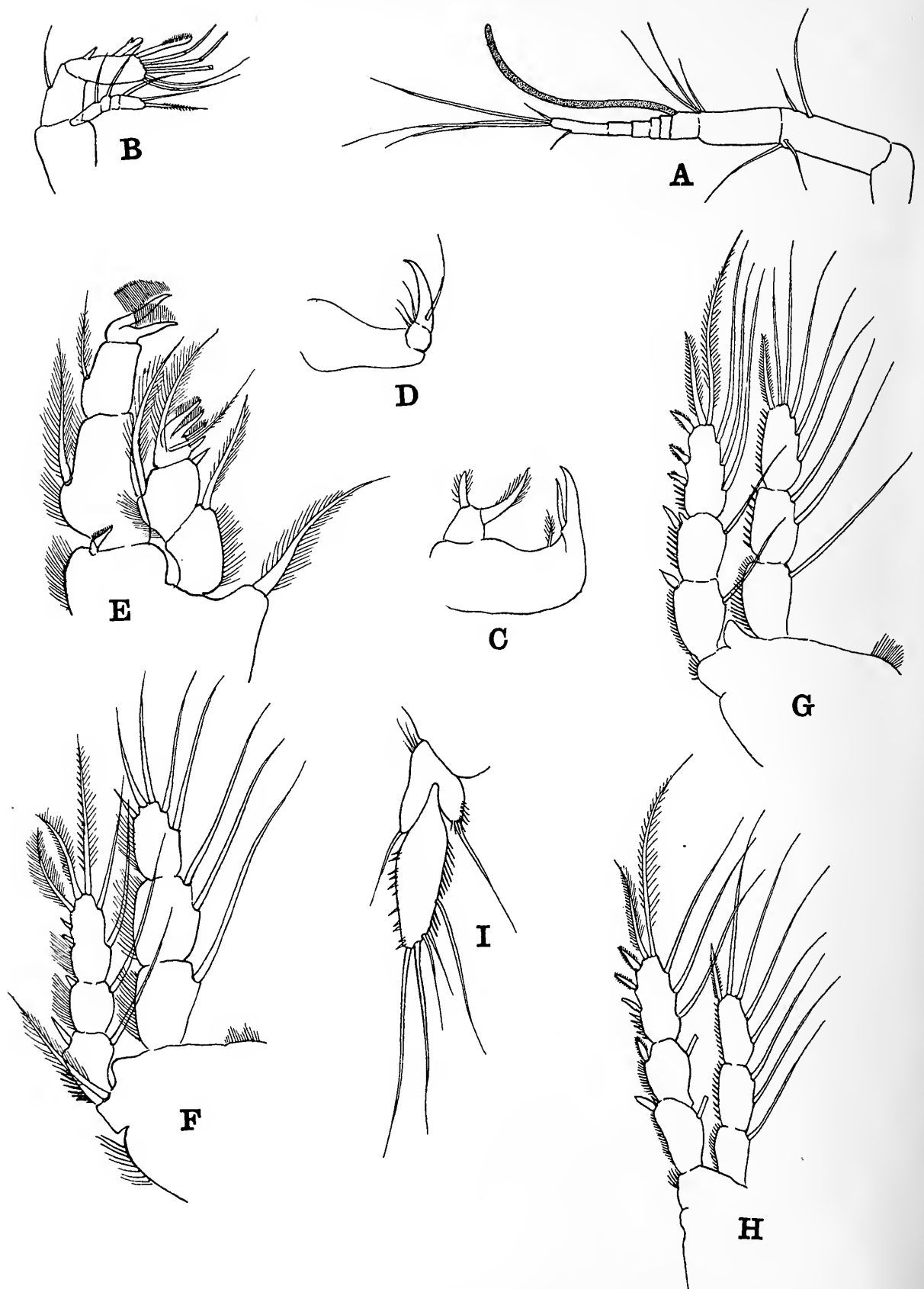
The segments of the 1st antenna (Text-fig. 17, A) are very difficult to make out. The first three segments are long and comparatively slender; the 4th segment, though of the same or very similar breadth to the preceding three, is short, and this is followed by a distal portion of four or five segments, the width of which is considerably less. The proportional lengths of the segments appear to be as follows :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
16	32	25	6	2	2	3	4	10 = 100
(Lang) 12	32	18	5	4	5	3	6	15 = 100

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 17, B) the main ramus is composed of three comparatively short segments, of which the distal appears to bear two brush-like spines, three geniculate setæ and two simple setæ. The exopod is comparatively well developed and is composed of four segments.

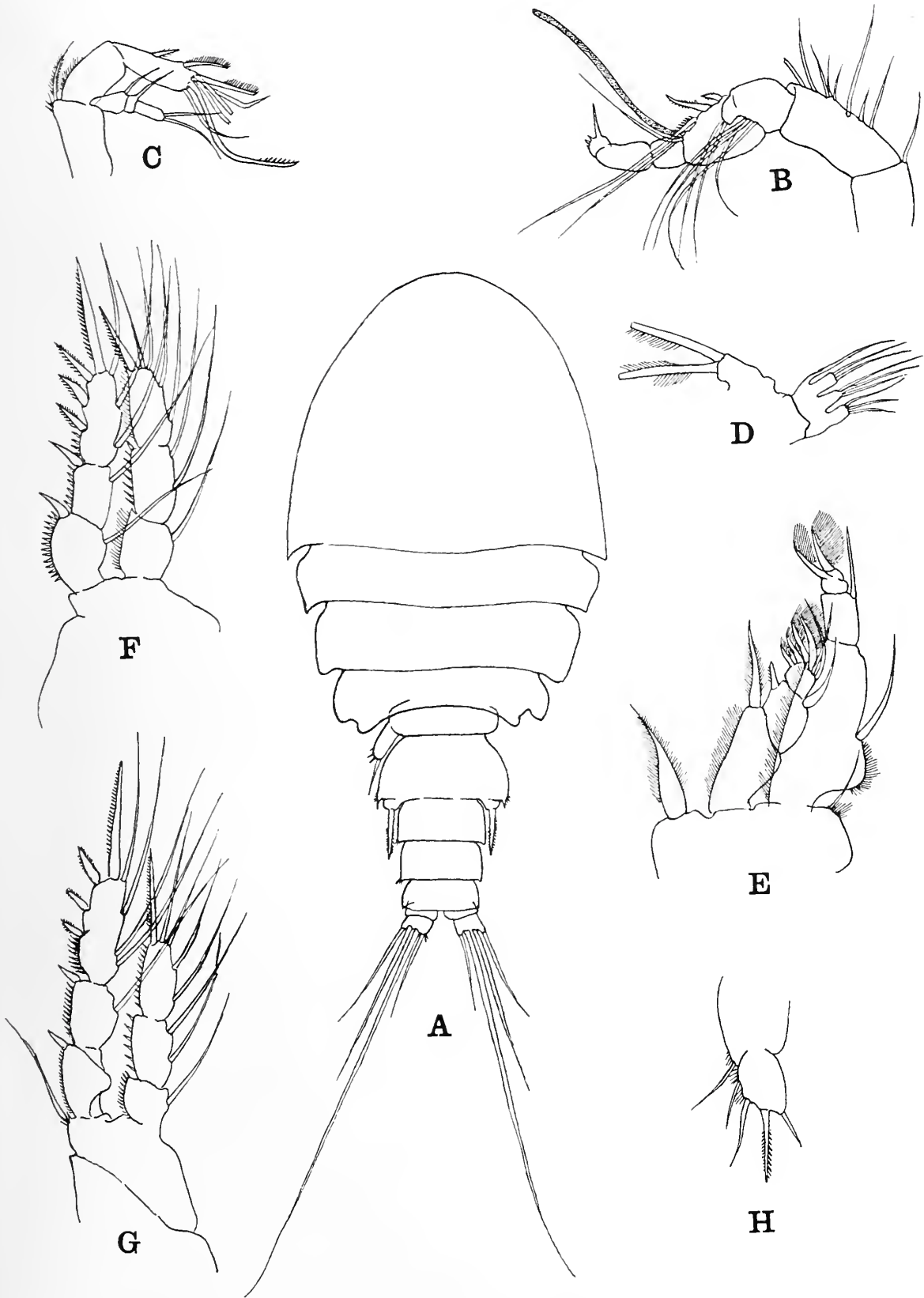
The 2nd maxilla (Text-fig. 17, C) exhibits a well-developed lobe, bearing two stout setæ, near the base of the penultimate segment, very similar to that possessed by *Machairopus minutus* Sars (*vide* Sars, 1903-11, pl. I, fig. mp<sup>1</sup>) and *Scutellidium machairopoides* (Monard) (*vide* text-fig. 15, F).

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 17, E) the exopod is relatively short, and does not reach as far



TEXT-FIG. 17.—*Scutellidium plumosum* Brady, ♀. A, 1st antenna. B, 2nd antenna. C, 2nd maxilla. D, Maxilliped. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.





TEXT-FIG. 18.—*Scutellidium plumosum* Brady, ♂. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Maxillary palp. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.

as the distal end of the 1st segment of the endopod. The seta at the distal inner angle of the 2nd basal segment is very small.

In the 2nd-4th legs (Text-fig. 17, F, G and H) the 2nd segment of the endopod bears two setæ. In the 2nd leg the exopod is considerably shorter than the endopod and reaches only to the end of the 2nd segment. The 3rd segment of the exopod in the specimen examined was abnormal and carried on the outer margin two small marginal spines, then a plumose seta and an end spine. In the 3rd leg the terminal segment of the exopod carried three marginal spines, of which the proximal is smaller than the other two. The two rami are of nearly equal length. In the 4th leg the endopod is considerably shorter than the exopod, and here too the proximal marginal spine on the 3rd segment of the exopod is smaller than the other two.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 17, I) is somewhat similar to that of *S. longicauda*.

The specimen was a mature female, and was carrying an egg-sac containing only 9-10 ova.

In weak formalin the specimen was of a yellowish colour, and a well-marked broad transverse bar of pink or mauve ran across the dorsal region of thoracic segments 2, 3 and 4.

♂. Total length, 0.53 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 18, A) are as 67 to 33. The postero-lateral margin of the 4th thoracic segment is distinctly notched.

The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
15	24	17	16	13	7	8 = 100

The genital segment is armed at each postero-lateral angle with a stout, backwardly-directed serrated spine. The 5th abdominal segment is almost completely telescoped into the 4th.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 18, B) forms a grasping organ, the 4th segment being swollen and bearing two unequal spines on its anterior margin, the proximal being the smaller.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 18, C) the exopod appeared to consist of only three segments instead of four.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 18, H) consists of a stout basal segment and a comparatively small distal segment, that is, pyriform. From the extreme tip arises a short seta, and from the outer margin spring two unequal setæ and a stout serrated spine. Lang (1934, fig. 38) figures only three setæ, the inner simple and the two outer plumose.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been recorded from the South-west Pacific Ocean (Brady, Lang); the present record extends its distribution to the tropical region of the Indian Ocean.

## Family THALESTRIDÆ.

Genus *Phyllothalestris* Sars.*Phyllothalestris mysis* (Claus).

*Phyllothalestris mysis*, Sars, 1903, p. 116, pls. lxx, lxxi; A. Scott, 1909, p. 214, pl. lxii, figs. 1-5; Monard, 1928, p. 344, fig. xvii, 1.

? *Phyllothalestris mysis*, f. *harringtoni*, Willey, 1935, p. 93, figs. 173-173c.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

REMARKS.—As Willey (1935, p. 93) has pointed out, Sars in his figure of the 2nd leg has shown four setæ arising from the inner margin and distal end of the terminal segment of the exopod, and as the example that he found in Bermuda possessed only three setæ, in addition to the marginal and end-spines, on this segment, he considered it a variety and named it f. *harringtoni*. Neither Sars nor Monard have given any account of the number of setæ on this segment nor has Monard figured it, but A. Scott in his figure (1909, pl. lxii, fig. 1) shows only three setæ, as occurs in other species in the genus, and it would appear probable that Sars was either incorrect in his drawing—a suggestion that one hesitates to make in view of the extreme accuracy of his work—or else was dealing with an abnormal specimen. The form described by Willey differs, however, in the character of the free segment of the 5th leg; the angular projection at the distal end of the outer margin is absent and so is the large spine that replaces the usual 2nd seta, and it seems best to regard this form as representing a different species from *P. mysis* (Claus) with the name *P. harringtoni* Willey.

DISTRIBUTION.—Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Pearl Banks of Ceylon (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldive Archipelago, the Gulf of Suez (Thompson and A. Scott), the Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Monard, Brian Car), the North Atlantic Ocean, Madeira (Fischer), the British Isles (Brady), and the coast of Norway (Sars).

*Phyllothalestris orientalis* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 19, A-H, ♀; Text-fig. 20, A-F, juv., ♀.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; two females, one mature and the other in Stage V.

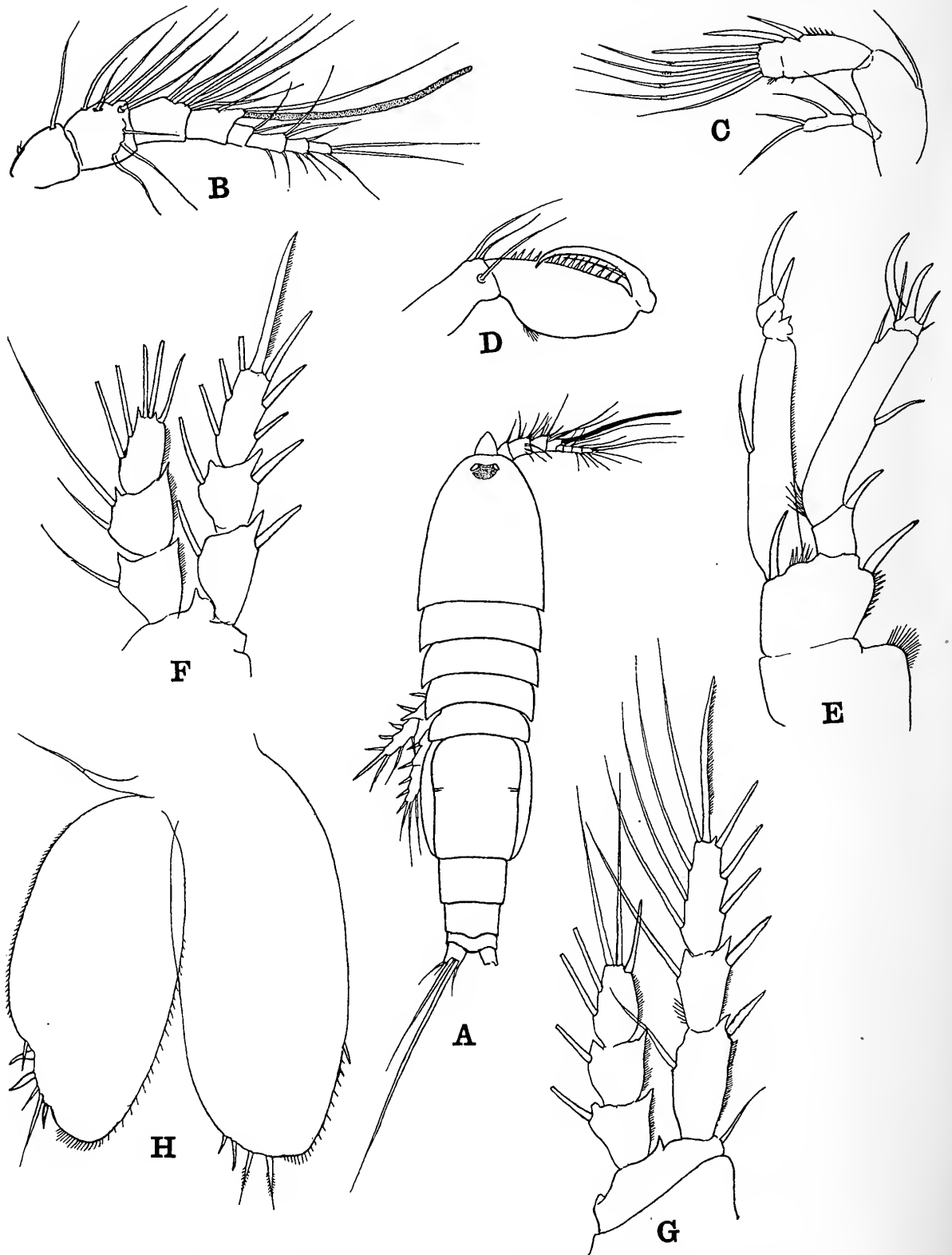
DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Adult. Total length, 1.06 mm. The lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are almost exactly equal. The general shape of the body (Text-fig. 19, A) is rather more slender than in *P. mysis* (Claus). The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
12	47	17	12	7	5 = 100

The genital segment is crossed on either side by a groove, that indicates the line of fusion of the two segments.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 19, B) reaches back about half the length of the cephalosome, and consists of only eight segments, instead of the usual nine; these have the following proportional lengths:

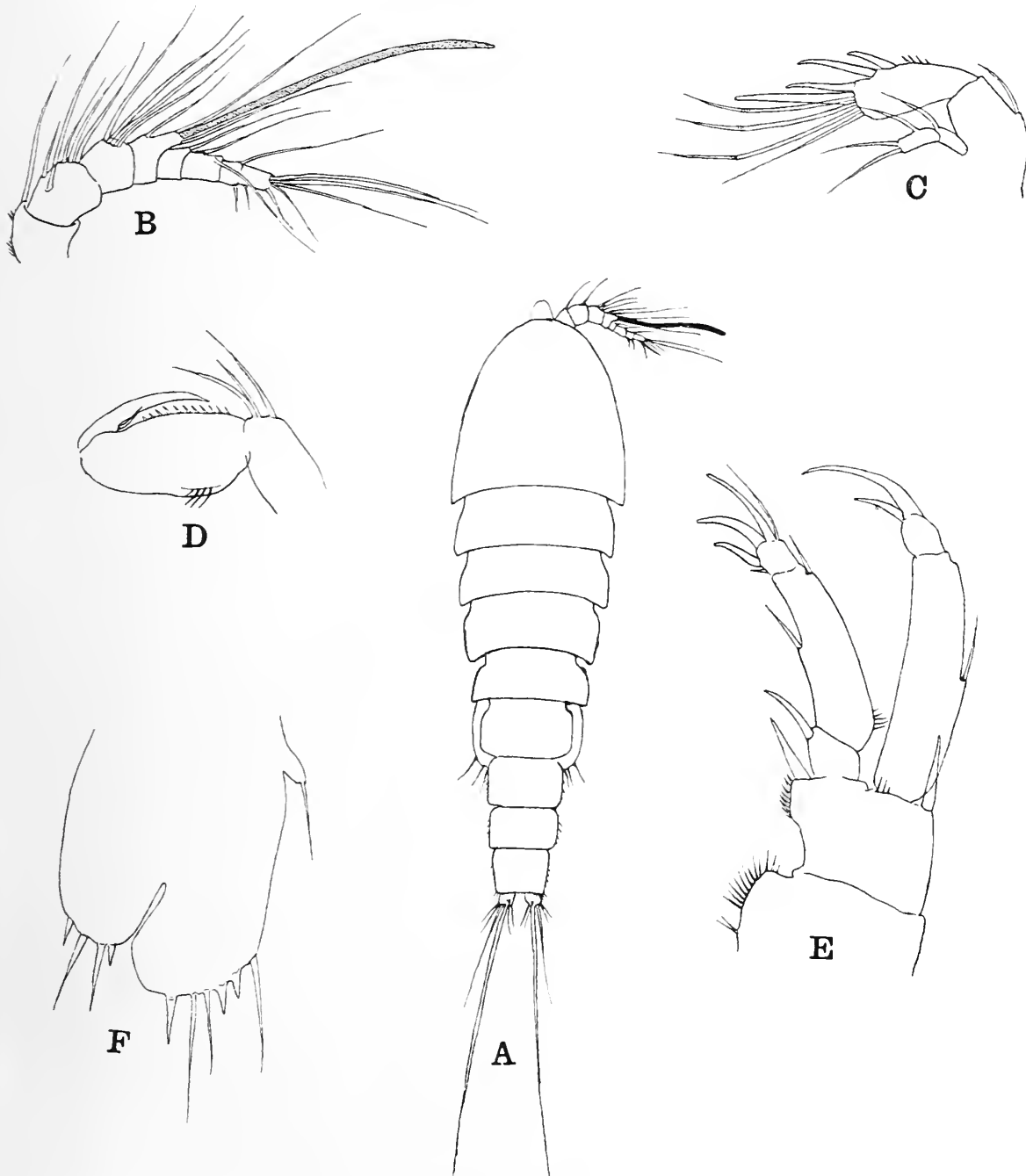
Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
18	20	17	13	6	10	8	8 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 19.—*Phyllothalestris orientalis* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Maxilliped. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.



The first four segments are well developed, and a sensory filament arises from the distal end of the 4th; there are only four segments in the slender distal part of the appendage.



TEXT-FIG. 20.—*Phyllothalestris orientalis* sp. nov., ♀, juv. A, Dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Maxilliped. E, 1st leg. F, 5th leg.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 19, c) is robust and the exopod consists of two segments, of which the 1st bears one seta and the other three.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 19, d) is more stoutly built than in *P. mysis* (Claus) and the "hand" is armed with a row of sharp spines along the anterior margin; the terminal claw is shorter and is more curved.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 19, E) closely resembles that of *P. mysis*, but is somewhat more robust.

The 2nd leg (Text-fig. 19, F) has the usual two setæ on the 2nd segment of the endopod, and the terminal segment of the exopod bears three setæ on the inner margin and distal end; the end-spine and marginal spines are similar to those figured by Sars in *P. mysis* (Claus) (*loc. cit.*, pl. lxxi). The formula for the 2nd leg is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3

This species thus resembles *P. mysis*, f. *harringtoni* Willey.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 19, H), as in *P. mysis*, consists of two foliaceous plates; but the shape of the outer, free segment differs from that of *P. mysis* in that the distal end is more sharply rounded and both the 2nd and 3rd setæ on the margin, counting from the outer side, are modified to form spines, but less stout and smaller than the single spine, corresponding to seta 2 of *P. mysis*.

Associated with the adult female was an immature stage (Stage V) that I think must be referred to the same species.

♀. Juv. Total length, 0.95 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 56 to 44. The body (Text-fig. 20, A) has the same somewhat slender shape and the genital segment is not widened. There are in this stage only four segments in the abdomen; segments 1 and 2 have not yet become fused and segments 4 and 5 are not yet differentiated. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4-5.	Furca.
	15	22	22	16	18	7 = 100

Most of the appendages have already assumed the adult form, but the 5th legs (Text-fig. 20, F) have not yet become fully differentiated.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.

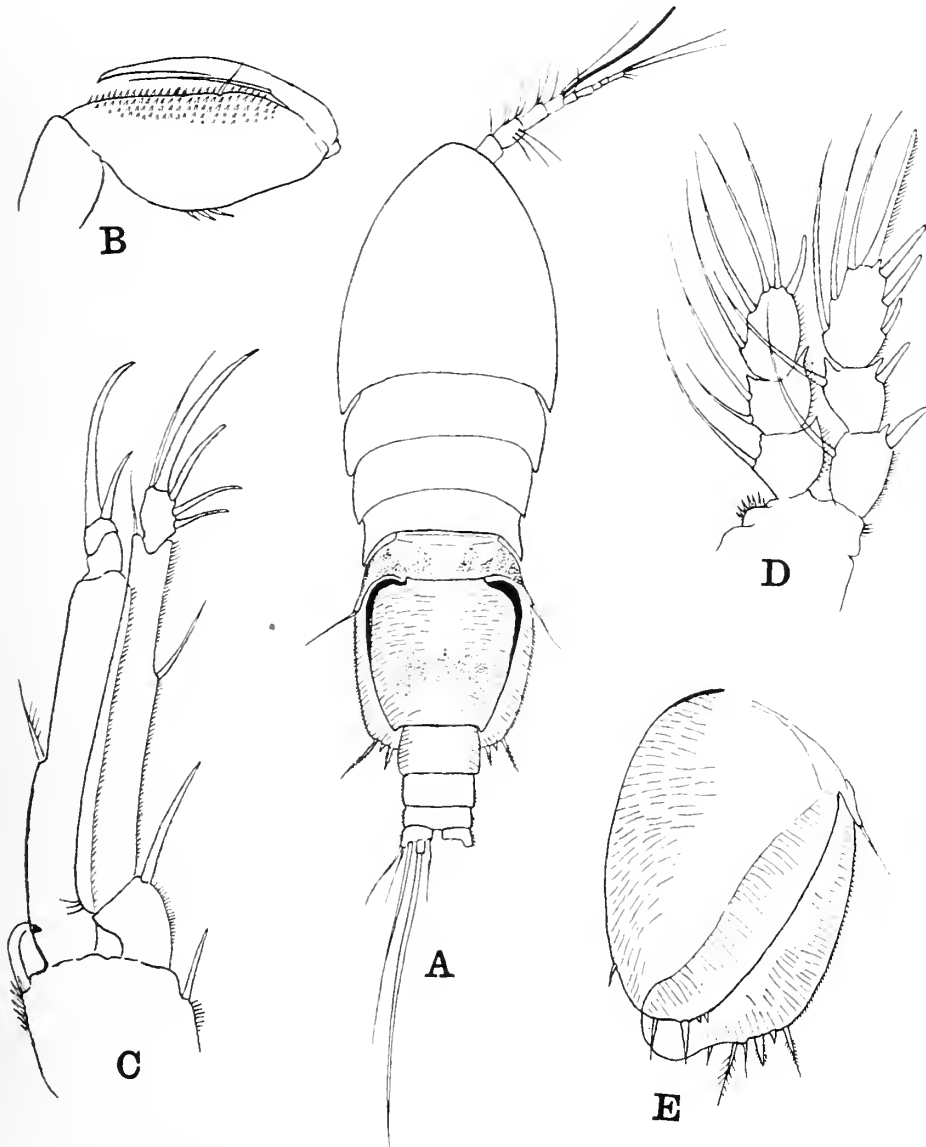
*Phyllothalestris sarsi* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 21, A-E, ♀; Text-fig. 22, A-F, ♂; Text-fig. 23, A-F, juv., ♂.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldivé Archipelago, in weed-washings; two females, one adult male and one immature male. Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands; one female, in weed.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.22 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 55 to 45. In its general shape the body (Text-fig. 21, A) is more robust than in either *P. mysis* (Claus) or *P. orientalis* and the genital segment is considerably broadened. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	12	48	16	12	7	5 = 100

The dorsal aspect of the genital segment is ornamented by a number of fine imbricated lines, and the lateral aspects of the 3rd segment are similarly marked. The sides of the 4th and 5th segments and the furcal rami are covered with small spinules. The furcal rami are considerably broader than long and the outer distal angle is somewhat produced.



TEXT-FIG. 21.—*Phyllothalestris sarsi* sp. nov., ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Maxilliped. C, 1st leg. D, 2nd leg. E, 5th leg.

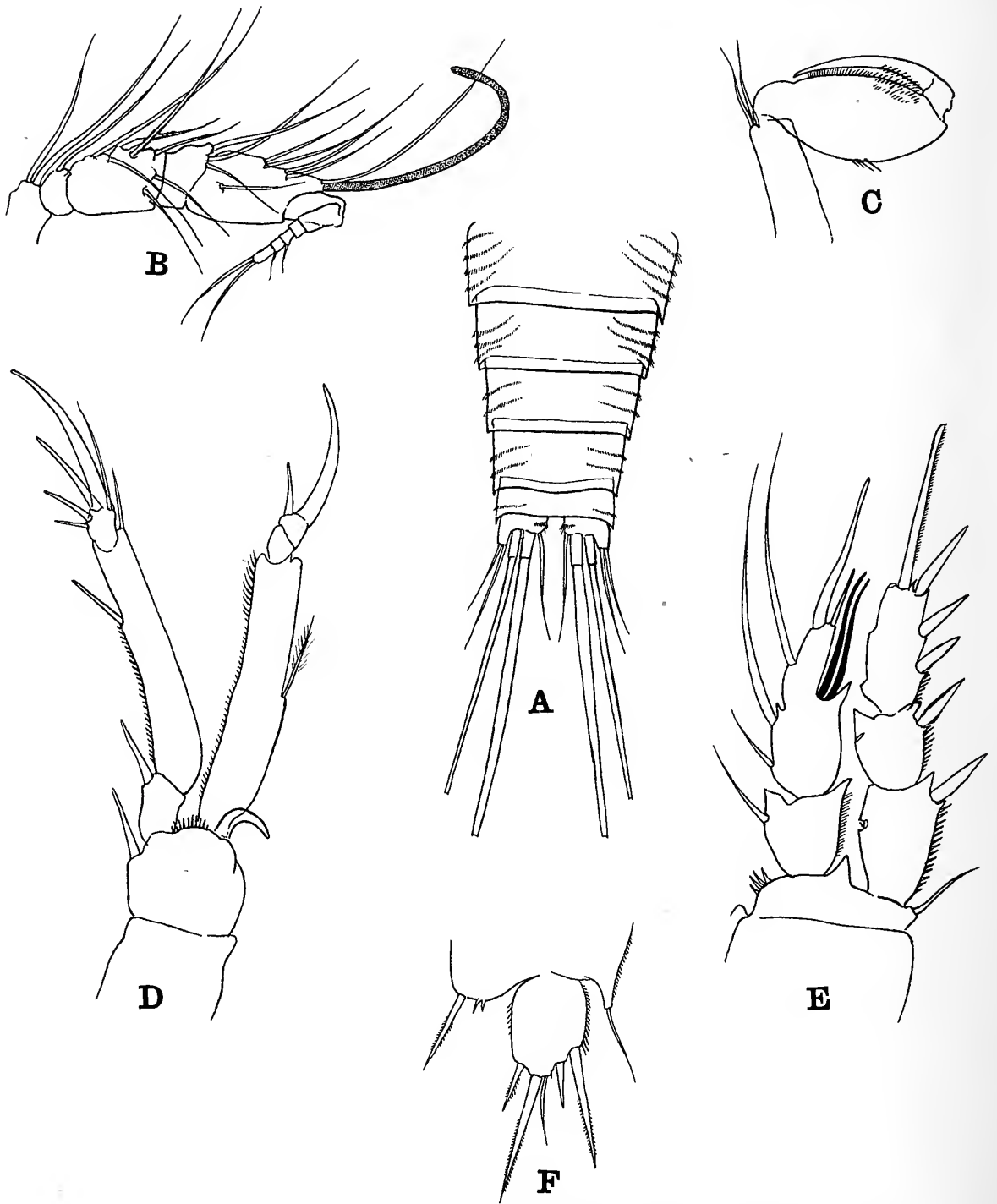
The 1st antenna reaches back to about two-thirds the length of the cephalosome ; it consists of nine segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
25	21	16	9	6	7	5	4	7 = 100

The 2nd antenna is stoutly built and resembles that of *P. orientalis*.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 21, B) is strong, and the anterior margin of the "hand" is covered with numerous rows of spinules.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 21, c) is long and slender and closely resembles that of *P. mysis* (Claus).



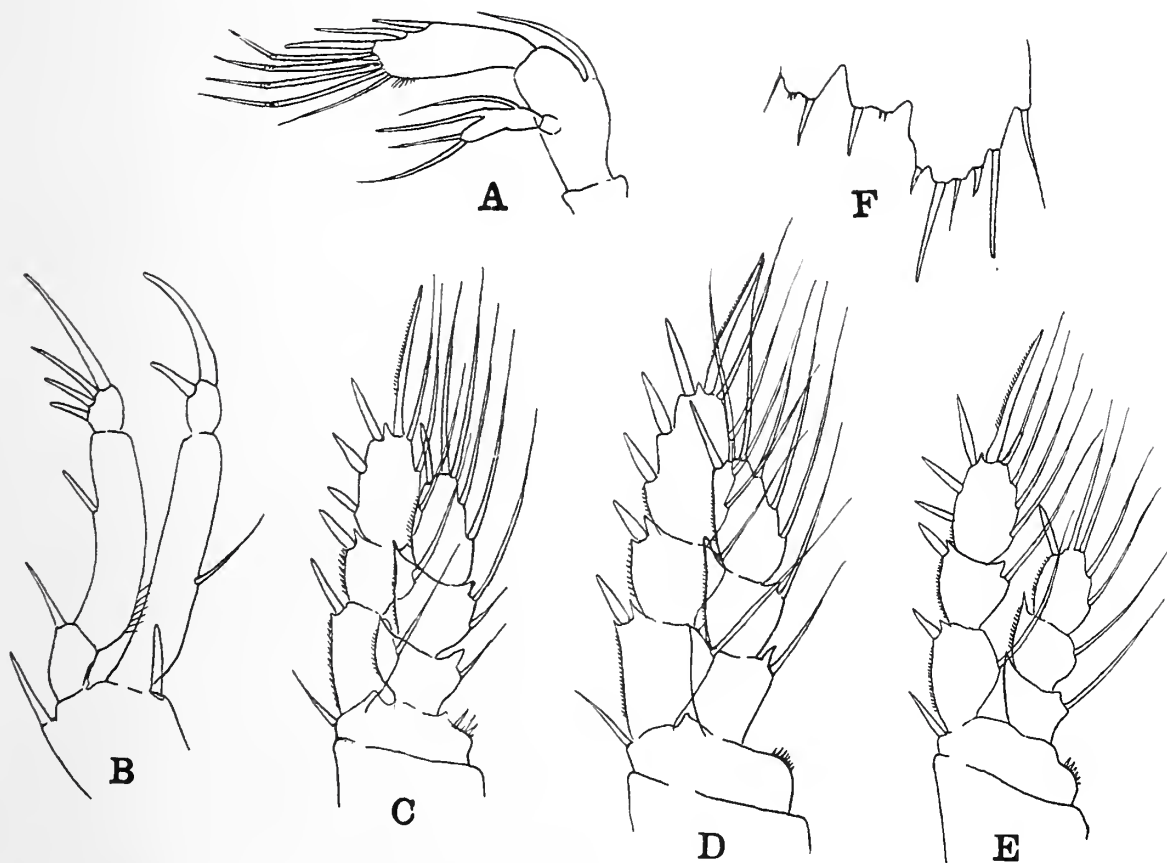
TEXT-FIG. 22.—*Phyllothalestris sarsi* sp. nov., ♂. A, Male abdomen, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, Maxilliped. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg. F, 5th leg.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 21, D) the terminal segment of the endopod bears only three setæ on the inner margin.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 21, E) possesses the foliaceous plates that are characteristic of



the genus, but in details of structure these differ from other described species. The inner proximal plate is broad, and on the distal part of the margin from within outwards there is first a small seta, then at the distal end arises a delicate seta, followed by a moderately stout spine-like seta and finally two small spines. The outer distal segment is very markedly produced in a rounded lobe at the distal end: on the outer margin this segment bears from without inwards a seta, then a small spine followed by a somewhat larger spine, which is succeeded by a small delicate seta and a larger plumose seta, and after a short interval by another delicate small seta. The surface of both segments is traversed by numerous fine imbricated lines.



TEXT-FIG. 23.—*Phyllothalestris sarsi* sp. nov., ♂, juv. A, 2nd antenna. B, 1st leg. C, 2nd leg. D, 3rd leg. E, 4th leg. F, 5th leg.

♂. The male of this species exhibits similar modifications from the female as are found in *P. mysis* (Claus).

The segments of the abdomen (Text-fig. 22, A) are traversed by lines of minute spinules or hairs, extending from the lateral region on to the dorsal aspect, but not meeting in the mid-dorsal line. On the 1st segment there are four such lines running upwards and somewhat forwards. On the 2nd segment there are three lines of spinules, while on the 3rd and 4th segments there are two lines and on the anal segment only a single row. A short row of similar spinules runs across the inner aspect of the furcal rami.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 22, B) is modified to form a grasping organ and appears to consist of a proximal part, in which the segments are somewhat swollen and are six in

number, and a distal part, beyond the hinge-joint, consisting of five segments, the last four being quite small.

The spine on the distal inner angle of the 2nd basal segment of the 1st leg (Text-fig. 22, D) is modified and forms a curved hook.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 22, E) the 2nd and 3rd segments of the endopod are fused together, though the line of demarcation between them is shown by a distinct notch in the inner border; from the proximal part of the combined segment (segment 2) arise two unequal setæ, the proximal being small and delicate, and beyond the notch another seta arises from the inner margin. From the distal end arise a large spine-like seta and a smaller spine, and from a deep notch in the outer margin spring two modified setæ. Thus, while closely resembling the corresponding appendage of *P. mysis* (Claus), this form differs in that the 2nd marginal seta of the terminal segment is modified to form a spine instead of being plumose.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 22, F) agrees fairly closely with that of *P. mysis*, but the free segment is somewhat broader.

♂. Juv.

A single specimen of a young male in the 5th copepodid stage was taken in weed-washings in Addu Atoll.

In this stage the spine arising from the inner distal angle of the 2nd basal joint of the 1st leg (Text-fig. 23, B) is unmodified, and is quite straight instead of being curved.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 23, C) the endopod consists of the normal three segments, segments 2 and 3 not having become fused, and the setæ arising from these segments are also normal.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 23, F), though as yet not completely differentiated, clearly shows the characteristic form and spinulation of the adult.

I have much pleasure in dedicating this species to the late Prof. G. O. Sars, to whom we owe so much of our knowledge regarding the Harpacticoida and other Crustacea.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been taken in the Nicobar Islands and the Maldivé Archipelago, but it is probably more widely distributed in Indian waters.

#### Genus *Rhynchothalestris* Sars.

Gurney (1927c, p. 502) has recorded the occurrence of *Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman) at both ends of the Suez Canal; A. Scott (1909, p. 215) previously had recorded its presence in the Malay Archipelago, and from the same locality he described a second species, *R. similis*, of which he states that he had only the female; at Station 164 (Siboga) he obtained 2 females and 2 males, and from Station 273 1 female and 1 male, all of which he attributes to *R. rufocincta* (Norman), and from this latter station he also got a single female of a different species, which he has named *R. similis*. In the present collection the same two species occur, but I believe that Scott has attributed the males to the wrong species, and that they should be referred to his new species, *R. similis*.

#### *Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman), Brady.

*Rhynchothalestris rufocincta*, Brady, 1880, p. 125, pl. lvii, figs. 1-9; Sars, 1903-11, p. 120, pls. lxxiii, lxxiv;

A. Scott (♀ only), 1909, p. 215, pl. lxii, figs. 12-16; Gurney, 1927c, p. 502.

*Rhynchothalestris vanhoeffeni*, Brady, 1910, p. 532, fig. xxiii.

OCCURRENCE.—At "Investigator" Station 669, Perseus Reef, Camorta Island, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings: a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.91 mm. Sars gives the length of specimens from the coast of Norway as "slightly exceeding 1 mm.", and Scott's specimens were 0.98 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions are as 62 to 38. The rostrum is acutely pointed but, as it is curved ventrally and is bent downwards, it appears to be rounded when viewed from the dorsal aspect.

The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region of the body are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
14	43	15	12	11	5 = 100

The postero-lateral angles of the 4th thoracic segment are produced backwards in pointed wings, and the posterior corners of the genital and next succeeding segment are also produced backwards, while the margins of these segments are fringed with short hairs.

The 1st antenna reaches back only about half-way along the cephalosome; the proportional lengths of the segments are as follows:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
23	20	16	13	5	8	4	4	7 = 100

The 4th segment is decidedly shorter than the 3rd.

The 2nd antenna and mouth-parts appear to be exactly as described and figured by Sars (*loc. cit.*).

The 1st pair of legs agree in general form with the description and figures given by Sars and Monard, but seem to be on the whole rather more delicate.

The 2nd, 3rd and 4th legs agree with previous descriptions.

The 5th leg differs in small details: the proximal segment appears to be somewhat shorter than in the European form and reaches only as far as the junction of the middle and distal thirds of the distal free segment, which appears to be rather more elongate-oval in shape, being longer and narrower than in the European form, and more nearly approaching the form as described and figured by A. Scott (*loc. cit.*, pl. lxii, fig. 15, A).

The example was ovigerous, carrying an egg-sac containing about 24 ova.

I can detect no valid distinction between this species and the form described from the Cape of Good Hope, Simon's Bay, under the name *R. vanhoeffeni* (*vide* Brady, 1910, p. 532, fig. xxiii).

DISTRIBUTION.—The Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Nicobar Islands and Maldive Archipelago (present collection), the Gulf of Suez and the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Cape of Good Hope (Brady, as *R. vanhoeffeni*), the North Atlantic Ocean, Madeira (Fischer) and Bermuda (Willey), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard, Brian), the British Isles (Norman, Brady), the coast of Norway (Sars) and Greenland (Jespersen).

*Rhynchothalestris similis* A. Scott. (Text-fig. 24, A-H, ♀; Text-fig. 25, A-G, ♂.)

*Rhynchothalestris similis*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 215, pl. lxii, figs. 6-11 (♀ only).

*Rhynchothalestris rufocincta*, ♂, A. Scott, 1909, p. 215, pl. lxii, figs. 17-20.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; one female and one male.



DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.03 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 24, A) are as 58 to 42; the posterior region would thus appear to be somewhat longer than in the preceding species. The rostrum is large and is acutely pointed anteriorly. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths:

Segment Th. 5	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
12	43	17	13	11	4 = 100

Both the 4th and 5th thoracic segments and the genital segment are produced at their postero-lateral angles and are fringed on the margins with small spinules. The 3rd, 4th and 5th abdominal segments are fringed with minute spinules.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 24, B) is composed of nine segments and reaches back a little beyond half the length of the cephalosome; it thus appears to be a little longer than in the preceding species. The proportional lengths of the segments are as follows:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
22	18	14	14	6	9	6	4	7 = 100

The 4th segment is of the same length as the 3rd. The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 24, C), mouth-parts and swimming-legs appear to agree with those of the preceding species.

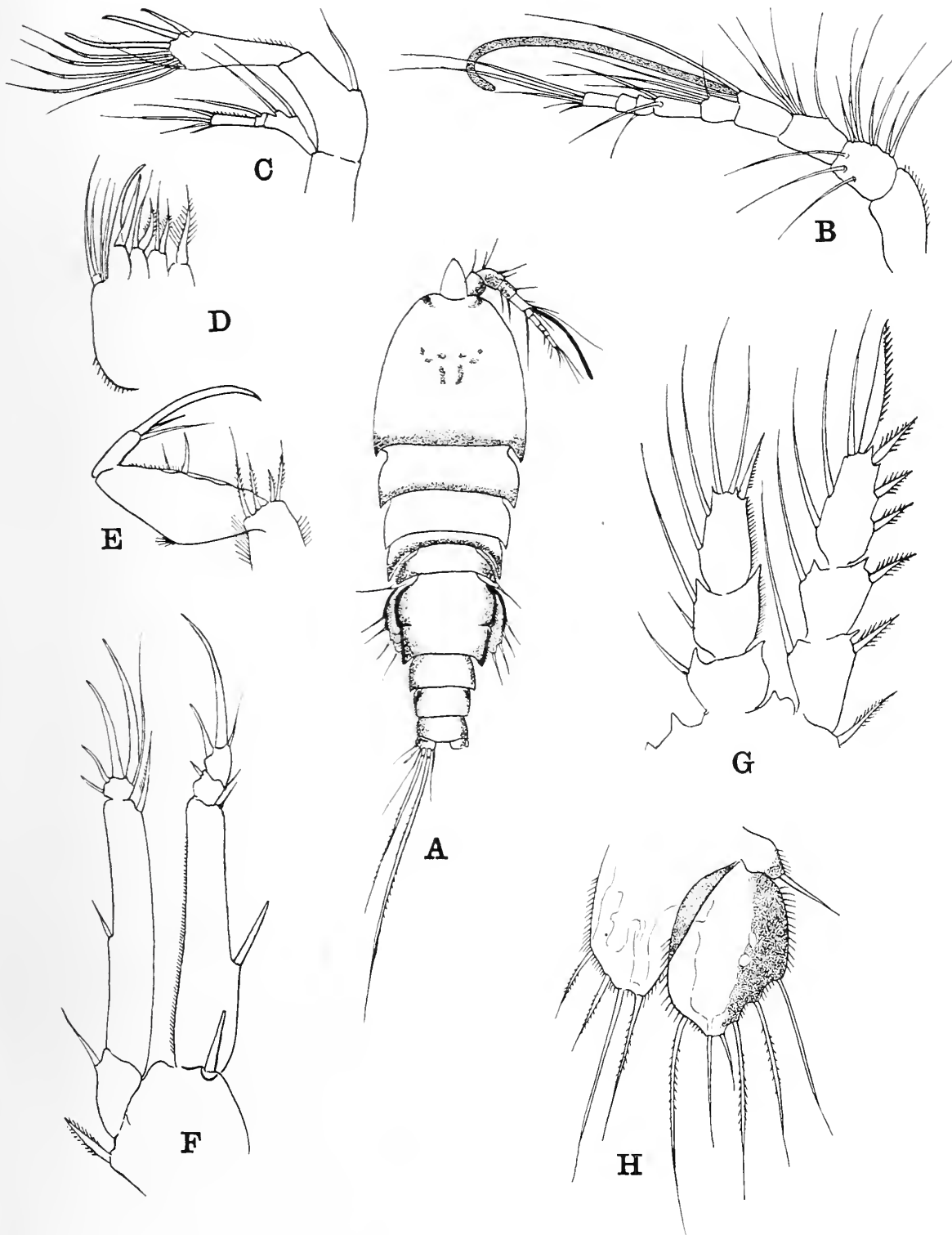
In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 24, H) the basal segment is produced in a flap that extends as far as the junction of the third and fourth quarters of the distal segment and bears four setæ instead of five; of these the 2nd, counting from without inwards, is the longest and the two inner setæ are small and subequal. A. Scott (*loc. cit.*, pl. lxii, fig. 10) figures a very minute sixth seta, the innermost, but I was unable to detect it in the specimen examined by me. The distal segment is broadly oval and bears six setæ; three subequal setæ arise from the outer margin, two smaller and unequal setæ from the distal extremity and one, equal in length to the outer seta, from the distal end of the inner margin. Both inner and outer borders are fringed with hairs.

In colour this species is yellowish brown, with purple-brown bands across the posterior margins of the cephalosome and the 2nd thoracic segment; there are also some pigmented patches on the cephalosome in the position indicated (*vide* Text-fig. 24, A). The posterior margin of the 4th thoracic segment and the lateral borders of the abdominal segments are tinted with the same purple-brown colour, and the outer border of the free segment and the basal segment of the 5th leg are also similarly pigmented.

♂. Associated with this female was a male. As in *R. rufocincta*, this specimen exhibited modifications in the endopod of the 2nd and 3rd legs. In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 25, D), the two terminal segments of the endopod are fused, though a notch in both the inner and outer margins indicates the limits of each portion. The inner seta arising from the distal end of the joint is modified, as in *R. rufocincta*, but the shape of this modified seta differs appreciably from that of *R. rufocincta*, as figured by Sars (1903-11, pl. lxxiv) and Monard (1928, fig. xviii, 1), and agrees exactly with the figure given by A. Scott (1909, pl. lxii, fig. 18) for the form which he believed to belong to *R. rufocincta*. In the 3rd leg (Text-fig. 25, E) the modification of the endopod agrees closely with that found in *R. rufocincta*.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 25, G) also agrees with that of *R. rufocincta*.

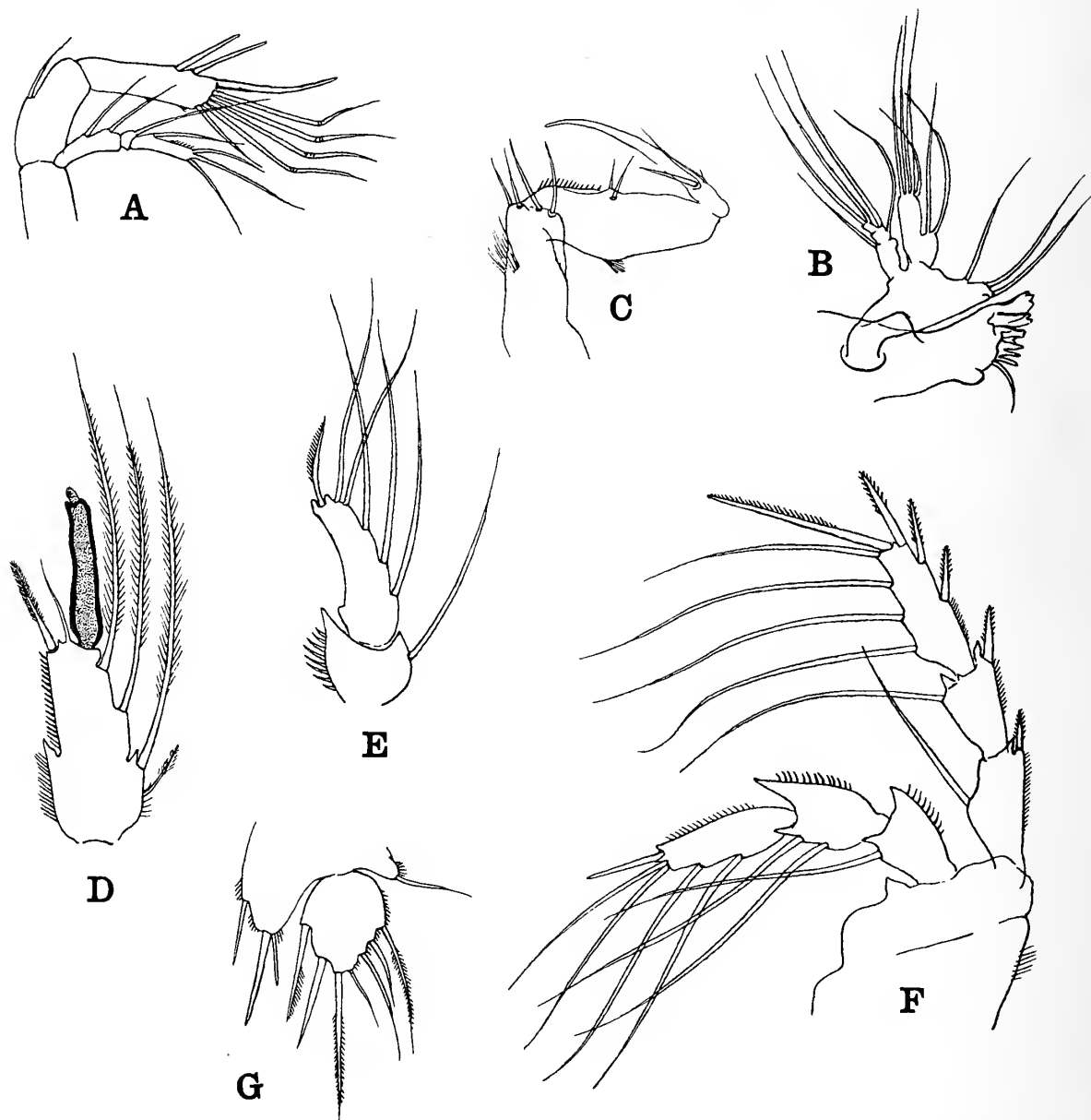




TEXT-FIG. 24.—*Rhynchothalestris similis* A. Scott, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 2nd maxilla. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 5th leg.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been recorded from the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott) and the Maldive Archipelago.

Such differences as exist between this species and *R. rufocincta* are very slight, and it



TEXT-FIG. 25.—*Rhynchothalestris similis* A. Scott. A, 2nd antenna. B, Mandible. C, Maxilliped. D, Terminal segment of endopod of 2nd leg. E, Endopod of 3rd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg.

may well be doubted whether these forms really represent different species. In a species that is so widely distributed as *R. rufocincta* it is only to be expected that variations will be found to occur, and it is possible that *R. similis* A. Scott is merely an Indo-Pacific race of *R. rufocincta* (Norman).

Genus *Parastenhelia* Thompson and A. Scott (= *Microthalestris* Sars).

This genus was created by Thompson and A. Scott (1903, p. 263) to accommodate two species taken on the Ceylon Pearl Banks, *P. hornelli* and *P. similis*: later Sars (1903-11, p. 122) created the genus *Microthalestris*, to which he assigned two species, *M. forficula* (Claus) (= *Thalestris forficula* Claus) and *M. littoralis* Sars. Lang (1934, p. 22 *et seq.*) has discussed the relationship of these two genera and has reached the conclusion that they are synonymous, thus *Microthalestris* becomes a synonym of *Parastenhelia*. Lang has also called attention to the great degree of variability that is found within the limits of this genus, and this is very clearly seen in the setal formula of various species. The number of setae on the swimming-legs 2-4 reaches its maximum in *P. anglica* Norman and T. Scott, in which it would appear to be as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3*

\* *Vide* Norman and T. Scott, 1906, pl. xiv, fig. 6.

In the other two species that were originally referred to the genus *Parastenhelia*, *P. hornelli* and *P. similis*, as well as in the species *P. antarctica* T. Scott (= *P. gracilis* Brady) the setal formula for the 4th leg is as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3

In *Parastenhelia forficula* (Claus) the setal formula according to Sars (*vide* Sars, 1903-11, pl. lxxvi) is—

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

but in *P. forficuloides* (T. Scott), which most authors seem to consider as being synonymous with *P. forficula*, there is an additional seta on the terminal segment of both the endopod and exopod of the 4th leg, so that the formula for this appendage is—

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 3

and this additional seta on the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 4th leg also occurs in *P. littoralis*, f. *penicillata* described by Willey from the Wood's Hole Region of the coast of North America.

Lang (1934, p. 30) gives the formula for the form which he regards as *P. forficula* var. *littoralis* as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

There is also a variation in the number of segments composing the 1st antenna. Claus (1863, p. 131), in his original description of *P. forficula*, both states that there are present and figures only eight segments; Sars, however, states that there are nine, and T. and A. Scott record and figure nine segments in their account of *P. forficuloides*. Similarly, *Parastenhelia anglica* Norman and T. Scott, *P. hornelli* Thompson and A. Scott and *P. similis* Thompson and A. Scott all have nine segments in the 1st antenna. Both T. Scott (1894, p. 100) and Monard (1928, p. 348), when describing individuals that they referred to *P. forficula*, state that this appendage was composed of eight segments, but the character of the 5th leg clearly shows that they were dealing with examples that belong to the form described by Sars as *littoralis*. Lang (1934, p. 26) in his examples of *littoralis* from the Antarctic found nine segments; and Willey in examples taken in the Wood's Hole region of N. America found that typical examples possessed nine segments, but that a variety, that he named f. *penicillata*, possessed only eight.

The character of the inner furcal seta exhibits a considerable range of variation. Claus in his account of *P. forficula* describes and clearly figures (1863, pl. xvii, fig. 8) the inner seta as swollen at the base, and Sars (1903-11, p. 123, pl. lxxvi, F) states that they are "abruptly bent at the base" and figures them as slightly enlarged; T. Scott in his account of *P. forficuloides* shows them as being markedly swollen.

In *P. littoralis* Sars states that these furcal setæ are "simple, none of them being conspicuously dilated at the base", whereas Lang remarks, "die innere Furcalborste an der Basis verbreitert ist", and in his figure (1934, fig. 49a, b) shows this as being enlarged and in some examples abruptly bent. Finally, Willey in his account of *P. littoralis* f. *penicillata* (1935, p. 82, fig. 124) figures both the 2nd and 3rd setæ as being greatly swollen at the base, and remarks that this form "possesses the forcipately curved caudal setæ (with swollen bases) of *M. forficula*".

Finally, in the character of the 5th pair of legs of the male there appears to be a certain degree of variability. In the male of *P. forficula* the outer free segment, according to Sars (1903-11, pl. lxxvi, p. 5), is composed of three separate joints, and exactly the same type of appendage occurs in the male of *P. hornelli* Thompson and A. Scott (1903, p. 263, pl. vii, fig. 10). On the other hand, in *P. forficuloides* (T. and A. Scott) this joint is unsegmented (*vide* T. Scott, 1894, pl. x, fig. 24), and according to most observers in *P. littoralis* also this free segment of the 5th leg is entirely undivided (*vide* Willey, 1935, p. 82, fig. 126, and Monard, 1937, p. 54, fig. 3, D); but Lang (1934, p. 27, fig. 56) both



describes this appendage as follows—"5 Bem stimmt beinahe ganz mit dem von *P. hornelli* überein", and clearly figures the triple division of the free segment. This has led Monard (1937, p. 51) to postulate a dimorphism in the males, but such a suggestion can only be accepted if we also accept the view that *P. forficula* and *P. littoralis* are synonyms and represent different forms of the same species. Monard has apparently recently adopted this attitude; in 1935 he recorded both forms from Roscoff, and remarked that the males of *M. forficula* obtained in that locality exhibited the subdivision of the free segment into three joints, but in 1937 he describes the form taken in the Mediterranean under the name *P. forficula littoralis*, and shows the 5th leg as having an undivided free segment. Lang (1934, p. 25) also regards the *littoralis* form as a variety of *forficula*. I cannot but suspect that both these authors, and possibly many others before them, were dealing with a mixture of both forms or, as I prefer to regard them, species, and that the males of *P. hornelli* Thompson and A. Scott and *P. forficula* (Claus) possess a 5th leg in which the free segment is subdivided into three joints, whereas in *P. littoralis* Sars and *P. forficuloides* (T. and A. Scott) this segment is, as is usual, unsegmented.

*Parastenhelia littoralis* (Sars). (Text-fig. 26, A-K.)

*Microthalestris littoralis*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 369, Suppl. pl. xi, fig. 1; Wilson, 1932, p. 205, fig. 136.

*Microthalestris forficula*, Monard, 1928a, p. 348, fig. xviii, 2.

*Thalestris forficula*, Thomson, 1883, p. 104, pl. x, figs. 16-21.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.44-0.56 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 26, A) are as 55 to 45. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

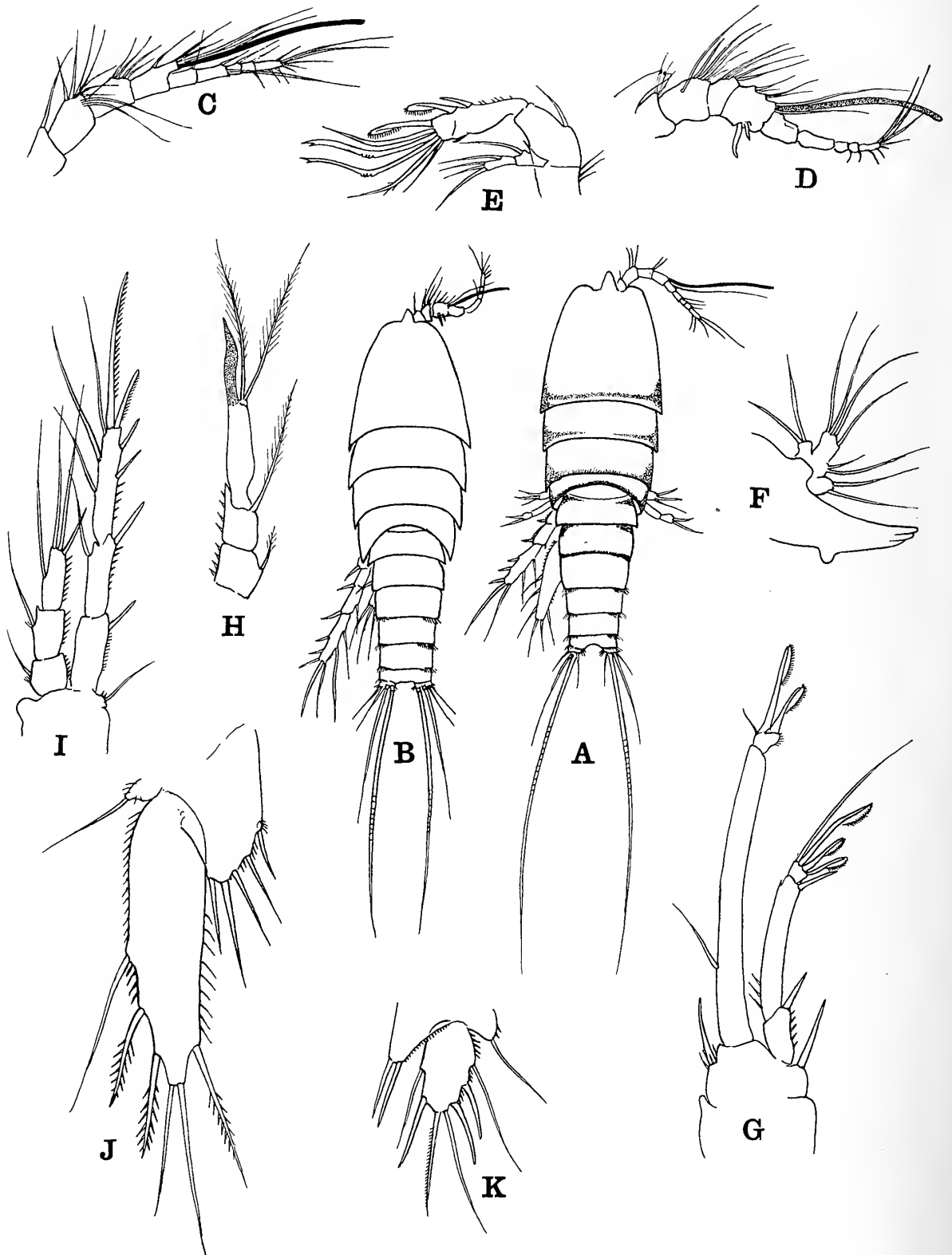
Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	16	40	15	13	13	3 = 100

The posterior margins of abdominal segments 2 to 4 and the articular margin of segment 5 are fringed with rows of small spines, which do not meet in the dorsal region. The base of the large 2nd furcal seta is in most cases normal, though in a few instances it appears to be slightly swollen, but this is never as marked as in the following form. In no instance was the 3rd furcal seta enlarged at the base.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 26, c) consists of nine segments, that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
	15	19	17	13	10	10	4	4	8 = 100
(Lang)	14	20	15	12	8	8	7	5	10 = 99

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 26, E) the exopod is composed of two segments. The terminal segment of the endopod bears three spines, of which the 2nd and 3rd are furnished with a fringe of spines; Monard in his account of *Microthalestris forficula* states that "All forte, a deuxième article portant 3 fortes épines dont 2 munies de brosse". As I have indicated in the reference list, Monard has mistaken the species with which he was dealing and his account refers to *P. littoralis*. In the present specimens in addition to the spines the terminal segment of the endopod carried four geniculate setae, of which the 2nd and 3rd show a distinctly bifid termination.



TEXT-FIG. 26.—*Parastenhelia littoralis* (Sars). A, Female, dorsal view. B, Male, dorsal view. C, 1st antenna, female. D, 1st antenna, male. E, 2nd antenna. F, Mandible. G, 1st leg. H, Endopod of 2nd leg, male. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg, female. K, 5th leg, male.

In the 1st leg (Fig. 26, G) the endopod in the present specimens possesses the same general structure as in *P. forficula* and agrees with the accounts of this appendage as given by Monard and Lang, but the exopod is distinctly shorter than usual.

The 2nd-4th legs very closely resemble those of *P. forficula*.

The 5th pair (Text-fig. 26, K) of legs has the same general form as in *P. forficula*, but the free distal segment bears only 6 setæ, instead of 8 as in *P. forficula*: the basal segment bears 5 setæ.

In the fresh state these specimens exhibited a very beautiful coloration: the general colour was a pale fawn, with purple-brown markings at the sides and along the posterior margins of the cephalosome and the 2nd-4th thoracic segments: the 5th thoracic segment and the genital segment were stained with the purple brown at their anterior lateral regions, and a narrow band of this colour ran across the middle of the dorsal aspect of the genital segment, indicating the line of junction of the segments 1 and 2.

Associated with these females was a single male (Text-fig. 26, B) that agrees closely with the description of the male given by Monard (*loc. cit.*, 1928, under the name *M. forficula*). The free segment of the 5th leg (Text-fig. 26, K) was composed of a single piece, and was not subdivided into three, as Sars has shown to be the case in *P. forficula*.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species appears to be widely distributed, but its exact limits are very uncertain owing to certain authors holding different opinions regarding the question whether this species is specifically distinct from *P. forficula*. Lang (1934, p. 25) has recorded *P. forficula* var. *littoralis* from the Antarctic region, and other observers have recorded the form from New Zealand (Thomson, as *M. forficula*), the Maldive Archipelago (present record), the coast of Massachusetts, Woods Hole region (Wilson), Chesapeake Bay (Wilson), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard, Brian, Steuer), the English Channel (Monard), the west coast of Ireland (Farran) and the coast of Norway (Sars).

*Parastenhelia littoralis*, f. *penicillata* (Willey). (Text-fig. 27, A-J.)

*Microthalestris littoralis* f. *penicillata*, Willey, 1935, p. 82, figs. 119, 120, 122-126.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

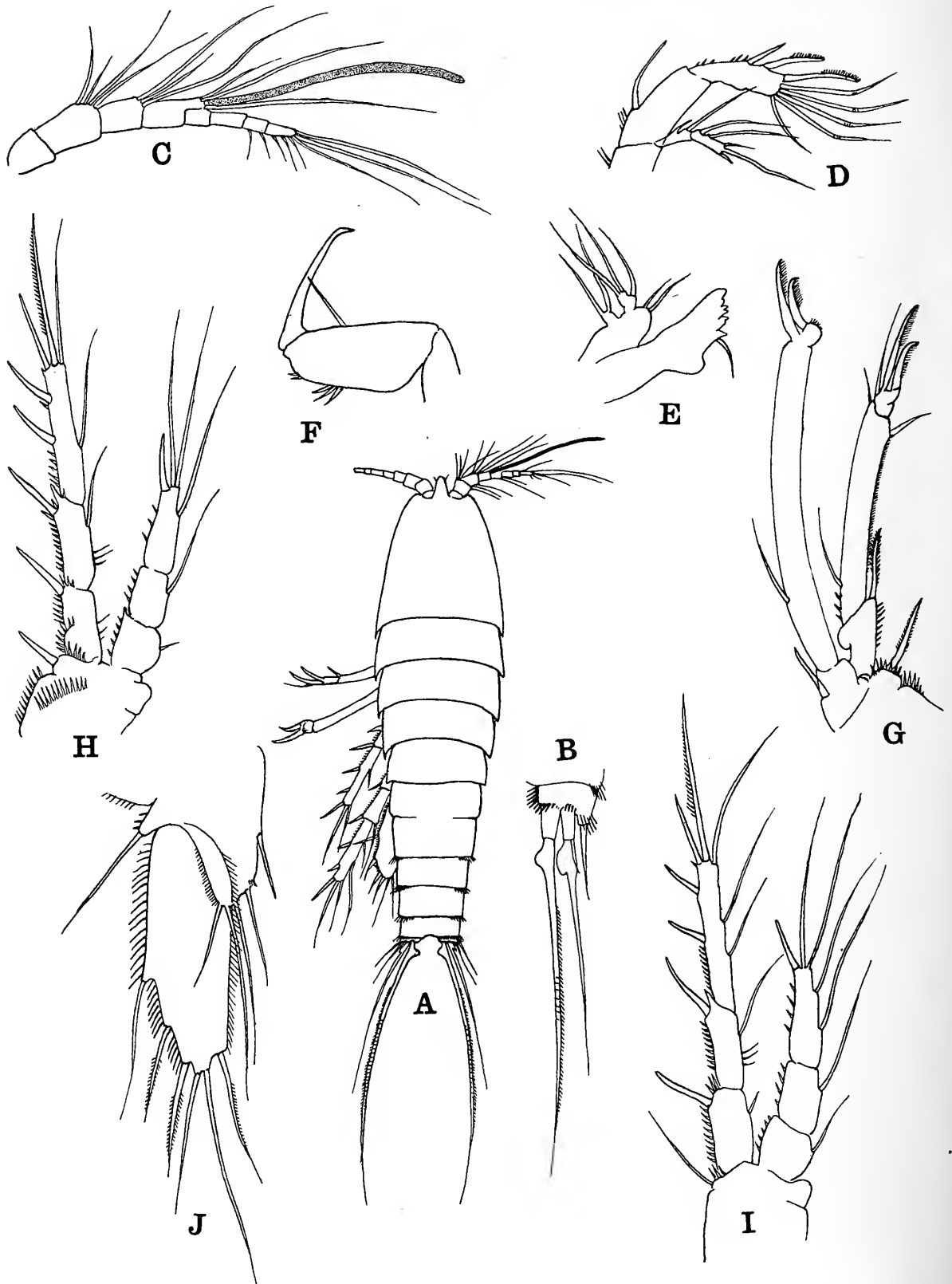
DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.60 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 27, A) are as 52 to 48. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	16	37	18	16	10	3 = 100

Abdominal segments 2, 3 and 4 are armed on their lateral aspects with a row of spines that runs parallel to the posterior margin but is interrupted in the mid-dorsal region. The furcal rami (Text-fig. 27, B) are very short and broad, and there is a row of spines along the margin of the 5th abdominal segment that borders the articulation of the furcal ramus. The basal parts of the 2nd and 3rd furcal setæ are markedly swollen in most instances, though in certain examples the swelling on the 3rd seta is not well developed.

In the 1st antenna (Text-fig. 27, C) there are only eight segments instead of the usual nine. The proportional lengths of the segments are as follows:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	14	19	16	13	10	12	7	9 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 27.—*Parastenhelia littoralis* (Sars), f. *penicillata* Willey. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Furcal ramus. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandible. F, Maxilliped. G, 1st leg. H, 2nd leg. I, 3rd leg. J, 5th leg.



In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 27, D) the terminal segment of the endopod bears three spines, of which the 2nd and 3rd are fringed or penicillate, and four geniculate setæ.

The mouth-parts and swimming-legs for the most part agree with those of *P. littoralis*; but the terminal segment of the endopod of the 4th leg bears one more seta on its inner margin, thus having the setal formula 2, 2, 1, as in the 3rd leg, instead of 1, 2, 1 as is the case in *P. littoralis* and *P. forficula*.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 27, J) the free distal segment is long and bears six setæ, as in *P. littoralis*; the proximal segment is produced in a comparatively narrow flap bearing five setæ, of which the 5th or innermost is the smallest.

In the fresh state the colour of these examples was a pale blue-green.

DISTRIBUTION.—There can be no doubt that these examples agree with those recorded from Bermuda by Willey (*loc. cit. supra*) under the name *Microthalestris littoralis* f. *penicillata*.

*Parastenhelia littoralis*, f. *scotti* nom. nov. (Text-fig. 28, A-E.)

*Thalestris forficula*, T. Scott. 1894, p. 100, pl. xii, figs. 33-41.

OCCURRENCE.—In Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings: a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.56 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 28, A) are as 56 to 44. The combined length of the fused cephalon and 1st thoracic segment is approximately equal to that of the next three segments. There is but little difference in the breadth of the two regions of the body.

The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	17	39	15	13	13	3 = 100

The abdominal segments are fringed along their posterior margins with a row of fine needle-like spines. The furcal rami are four and a half times as broad as long. The inner furcal seta is at least twice as long as the next and is dilated in a pyriform swelling at its base, exactly as figured by T. Scott (*loc. cit.*, pl. xii, fig. 41), and also as shown by Claus (1863, pl. xvii, fig. 8) for the form that he described under the name *Thalestris forficula*.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 28, B) consists of only eight segments, as in the preceding form; these have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	14	18	16	15	11	11	7	8 = 100

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 28, C) is composed of three segments, of which the 2nd is the longest. The distal segment bears three spines and four geniculate setæ, but the penicillate fringes on the 2nd and 3rd spines are very much less developed than in *P. littoralis* and in f. *penicillata*. The exopod consists of only two segments.

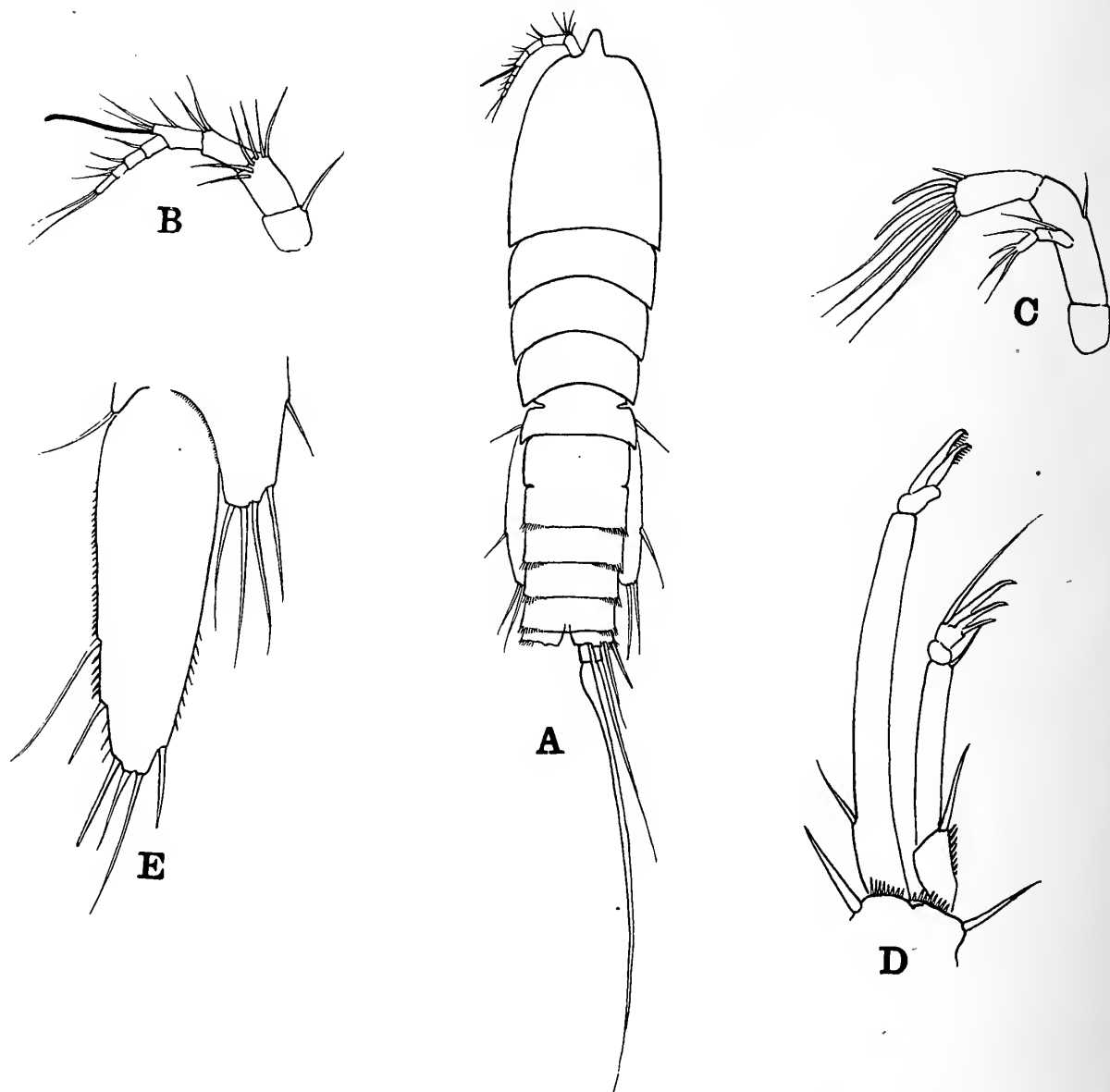
The 1st leg (Text-fig. 28, D) is of the usual type, but the exopod only reaches as far as the junction of the middle and distal thirds of the 1st segment of the endopod.

The swimming-legs appear to resemble those of *P. littoralis*.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 28, E) is very elongate, the distal segment reaching back to the middle of the 4th segment of the abdomen. The free segment is decidedly widest at about one-fourth of its length from the proximal end, and it tapers gradually to the distal end,

exactly as figured by T. Scott (*loc. cit.*, pl. xii, fig. 40); it bears six setæ. The basal segment is narrow and bears five setæ; T. Scott figures only four, but he appears to have overlooked the 5th, that arises from the inner margin at some little distance from the others.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldivé Archipelago (present record) and the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott).



TEXT-FIG. 28.—*Parastenhelia littoralis*, f. *scotti* nom. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 5th leg.

Genus *Xouthous* Thomson (= *Megarthurum* Norman and T. Scott).

*Xouthous*, Thomson, 1883, p. 103.

*Megarthurum*, Norman and T. Scott, 1906, p. 174.

This genus was erected by Thomson to accommodate a species that he obtained on the coast of New Zealand, and named *Xouthous novæ-zealandiæ*. Norman and Scott created the genus *Megarthurum* to accommodate a species that they had described in 1905 under the

name *Dactylopusia purpurocincta*, and in this genus included two other species, *Dactylopusia laticaudata* and *D. cemula*, that had been recorded by Thompson and A. Scott (1903) from the Ceylon Pearl Banks. Sars (1903-11, p. 134), in his account of the genus *Idomene* Philippi, claimed that these two last species seemed to belong to Philippi's genus. Brady (1910) described a fifth species of *Megarthrum* from the "Valdivia" Collection under the name *M. simulans*.

As Monard (1928, p. 156 *et seq.*) has pointed out in his key to the Thalestridæ, the genera *Xouthous* (or *Megarthrum*) and *Idomene* are separated by the character of the endopod of the 1st leg, which in the former consists of only two segments, whereas in the latter it possesses three: Monard also remarks that the two genera *Xouthous* and *Megarthrum* cannot be distinguished from one another, and therefore the earlier name *Xouthous* has priority and *Megarthrum* must be relegated to the synonymy list.

*Xouthous purpurocinctum* (Norman and T. Scott). (Text-fig. 29, A-I.)

*Megarthrum purpurocinctum*, Norman and T. Scott, 1906, p. 175, pl. x, fig. 17; pl. xii, fig. 10; pl. xiv, fig. 9; pl. xviii, fig. 1; and pl. xx, figs. 4, 5.

OCCURRENCE.—Off Burleigh Rock, Nankauri Island, Nicobars, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.38 mm. The example is thus considerably smaller than the specimens taken by Norman and T. Scott, which measured 0.5 mm. The body (Text-fig. 29, A) is crossed on the dorsal aspect of the 2nd, 3rd and a small part of the 4th thoracic segments by a broad band of purple colour; this band appears, however, to be slightly less broad than in the typical form.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 29, B) consists of seven segments.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 29, C) possesses a two-jointed exopod.

The mandibular palp (Text-fig. 29, D) closely resembles the account of that structure given by Norman and T. Scott, and the lower branch of the palp bears the characteristic two strong spines.

The rest of the appendages (Text-fig. 29, E-I) agree closely with the description given by Norman and T. Scott, and such small differences as may be present fall within the limits of the amount of variation that one may well expect from individuals whose habitats lie so far apart.

DISTRIBUTION.—The English Channel (Norman and T. Scott) and the Nicobar Islands.

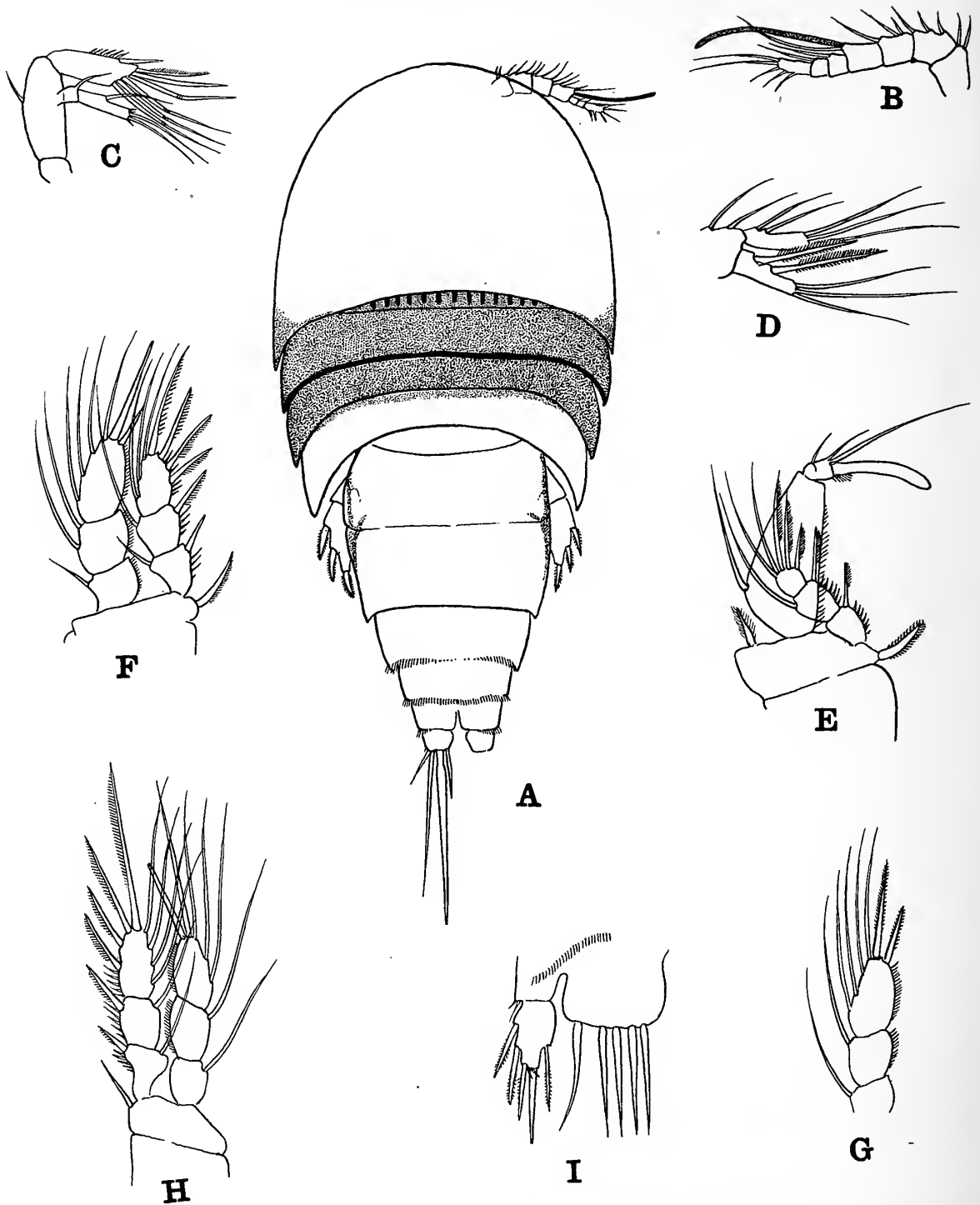
*Xouthous laticaudata* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*Dactylopusia laticaudata*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 271, pl. xi, figs. 1-5.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed washings; a single female.

REMARKS.—Lang (1934, p. 26) has included this species in his list of those that belong to the genus *Idomene*, overlooking the fact that the character of the endopod of the 1st leg, which is composed of two segments only, separates it from that genus and puts it in the genus *Xouthous*.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott) and the Maldive Archipelago.



TEXT-FIG. 29.—*Xouthous purpurocinctum* (Norman and T. Scott). A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandibular palp. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, Endopod of 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.

*Xouthous maldivicæ* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 30, A-E.)

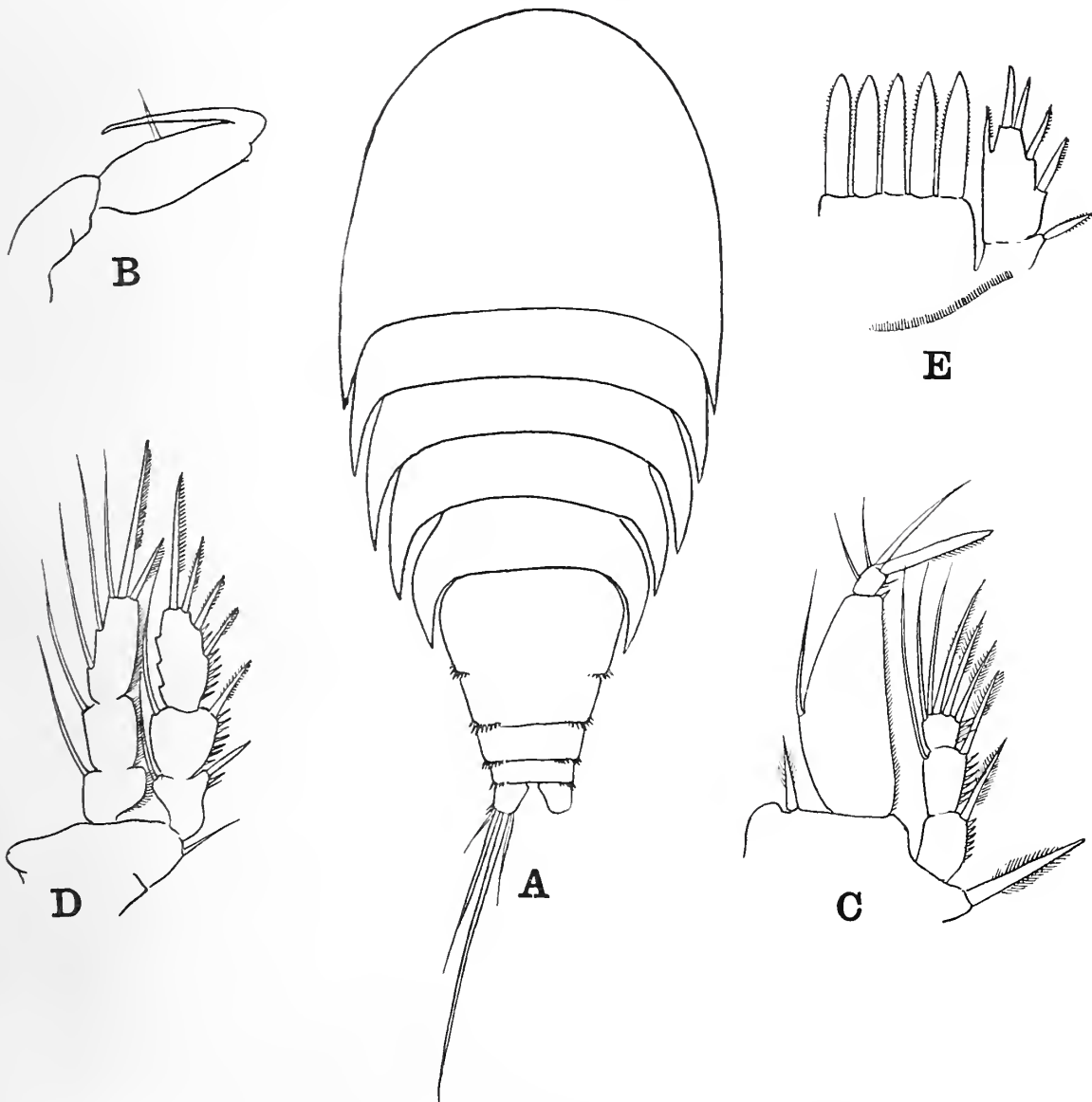
OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; one female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.62 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 66 to 34. The general shape of the body



(Text-fig. 30, A) agrees closely with that of other members of the genus, being flattened ventrally and the anterior region being wide and rounded anteriorly, without a rostrum, while the posterior region is short and tapers markedly to the furca. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
13	33	21	14	11	S = 100



TEXT-FIG. 30.—*Xouthous maldivia* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Maxilliped. C, 1st leg. D, 4th leg. E, 5th leg.

The posterior margins of the abdominal segments are fringed with rows of small spinules. The furcal rami are broader than long in the proportion of 10 to 6. The furcal setae are short and simple.

The 1st antenna consists of only six segments.

The mouth-parts are as in *Xouthous purpurocinctum* (Norman and T. Scott), and the inner branch of the mandibular palp bears the usual two serrated spines.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 30, c) has the form usual in this genus, the exopod being short and composed of three segments, while the endopod possesses only two segments, the proximal of which is much swollen, and the distal short and bearing a large serrated spine at its distal outer angle.

In the 2nd–4th legs (Text-fig. 30, d) inclusive the terminal segment of the endopod bears two unequal spines, instead of two setæ, at the distal end.

The 5th legs (Text-fig. 30, e) somewhat resemble those of *X. laticaudata* (Thompson and A. Scott) and *X. æmula* (Thompson and A. Scott) in that the fixed basal segment is crowned with a row of six flat spines, forming a palisade. The distal segment in its general shape closely resembles that of *X. laticaudata*, bearing one spine on the inner border, two distally and two on the outer border; but whereas in both *X. laticaudata* and *X. æmula* this segment does not extend beyond the distal margin of the basal segment, in the present form the margin of the basal segment lies at a level that is less than half the length of the distal free segment, as in *X. purpurocinctum*, but in this latter species the basal segment is fringed with six setæ and not with broad flat spines.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.

#### Genus *Eudactylopus* A. Scott.

*Eudactylopus*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 219.

*Plesiothalestris*, Brian, 1928, p. 2.

This genus was created by A. Scott (1909) in his report on the "Siboga" collection in order to accommodate a species that had been recorded by T. Scott from the Gulf of Guinea under the name *Dactylopus latipes*, and to this species and genus he referred certain examples from the Malay Archipelago. The characters of the genus, as given by him, are as follows:

"The body is moderately stout in front and rather slender behind. The anterior division is more or less depressed. The cephalic segment is provided with a well-developed and very motile rostrum. The abdomen of the female is composed of four segments. The antennules are short, stout and seven-jointed. The exopodite of the antennæ is two-jointed. The mandibles, maxillæ and maxillipeds are normal and are similar to those of the genus *Dactylopusia* Norman. The exopodite of the first pair of feet is three-jointed and is considerably shorter than the endopodite. The terminal joint is short and armed with claws. The endopodite is two-jointed or very indistinctly three-jointed. The 1st joint is long. The 2nd joint is very short and is armed with a very powerful claw. The exopodite and endopodite of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th pairs of feet are three-jointed and are similar to *Dactylopusia*. The 5th pair of feet are large, foliaceous and transparent and completely cover the ovisac below." As the type of this new genus Scott cites *Dactylopus latipes* T. Scott (1893). Unfortunately A. Scott appears to have overlooked a difference in the structure of the 1st antenna in the two forms, for T. Scott clearly states that in his examples the 1st antenna is definitely composed of nine segments, whereas A. Scott's form possessed an antenna composed of only seven, the terminal portion comprising only three segments instead of five.

Monard (1928, p. 356) later redefined this genus as follows: "Corps renflé en avant, atténué en arrière. Furca courte, avec les soies bien développées. Rostre bien délimité à la base. AI à 9 articles, plutôt courte. AII à 2 articles, l'exp. à 1 ou 2 articles. Palpe

mand. à 1 lobe seulement. Palpe max. à lobes bien conformés. MpII à main ovale, ciliée. End. de PI à 2 articles, le premier long, le deuxième court, armé de crochets. Toutes les autres rames triarticulées. Médiens des end. II-IV porteur de 2, 2, 1 soies, ce qui place le genre près de *Rhynchothalestris* et *Thalestris*. PV énorme, foliacée, rappelant celle de *Phyllothalestris*, à 2 articles se recouvrant partiellement et à soies courtes."

As thus defined, the genus conforms with the description given by T. Scott of the examples taken by him in the Gulf of Guinea, but differs from that of A. Scott of the examples from the Malay Archipelago. To this genus Monard has added a second species, *Eudactylopus spectabilis* Brian, in which the exopod of the 2nd antenna is composed of only a single segment, and in which the setal formula of the swimming-legs is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

It thus becomes necessary to amend the definition of the genus as follows : "The 1st antenna is composed of seven or nine segments," and thus combine the two definitions as given by A. Scott and Monard respectively.

In the same year Brian (1928, p. 2) created a new genus, *Plesiothalestris*, to accommodate a species that he obtained in the Ægean region of the Mediterranean Sea.

I am, however, unable to discover any feature that will differentiate between these two genera, and Brian's genus *Plesiothalestris* must be relegated to the synonymy of *Eudactylopus*.

*Eudactylopus latipes* T. Scott.

*Dactylopusia latipes*, T. Scott, 1893, p. 99, pl. x, figs. 38-43.

This species was obtained by T. Scott in the Gulf of Guinea, and in his description he clearly states that the 1st antenna consists of nine segments. Subsequently, A. Scott (1909, p. 217, pl. lxiii, figs. 8-14) obtained, in the "Siboga" collections, a form that he regarded as belonging to the same species, but in which the 1st antenna consists of only seven segments. In all other respects the two forms appear to be identical. The possession of only seven segments in the 1st antenna of the female is a character that, as we shall see, is characteristic of the 5th Copepodid stage, and in the males of the form that were taken by the "Investigator" the 5th pair of legs in the adult also exhibit characters that, in other members of the genus, are associated with the 5th Copepodid stage, namely the incomplete separation of the free segment of the appendage.

It thus appears probable that whereas the form obtained by T. Scott in the Atlantic Ocean undergoes a normal development, in the form that occurs in the Indo-Pacific region the attainment of sexual maturity in both sexes is accompanied by the retention of certain immature characters. I therefore propose for the Atlantic form obtained by T. Scott the name f. *typica*, and for the Indo-Pacific form the name f. *andrewi*.

f. *andrewi*. (Text-fig. 31, A-I, ♀; Text-fig. 32, A-E, ♂; Text-fig. 33, A-I, ♀, juv.)

*Eudactylopus latipes*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 217, pl. lxiii, figs. 8-14.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; examples of both sexes and some immature females. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed; both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.28 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 31, A) are as 48 to 52. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
10	37	17	17	10	9 = 100

The rostrum is well defined and is sharply pointed at its free end. The posterior margins and sides of the abdominal segments are fringed with small spinules, and the last three thoracic segments also bear scattered spinules laterally. The furcal rami are longer than broad and are slightly divergent. The 2nd furcal seta is much longer than the others and equals the abdomen in length. The outer distal angle of the ramus bears a seta and not a spine.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 31, B) reaches back nearly to half the length of the cephalosome; it is composed of only seven segments, of which the proximal four are much stouter than the distal three. The proportional lengths of the segments are as follows:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
31	15	13	12	7	7	15 = 100

The proximal segment bears a row of spinules on its anterior margin and a tuft of spinules at the distal anterior angle. The 4th segment bears the usual long sensory filament.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 31, C) bears on the distal segment four spines, that increase in length distally; and these are followed by two geniculate setæ, a straight needle-like spine and a delicate seta. The exopod consists of two segments, the distal being quite short.

The mandible (Text-fig. 31, D) is provided with a very stout, biting ramus, armed with powerful teeth, and the palp consists of a basal segment, bearing two very unequal unjointed rami; the outer ramus is very small and bears two setæ.

The 1st maxilla (Text-fig. 31, E) resembles that of species of the genus *Dactylopusia*.

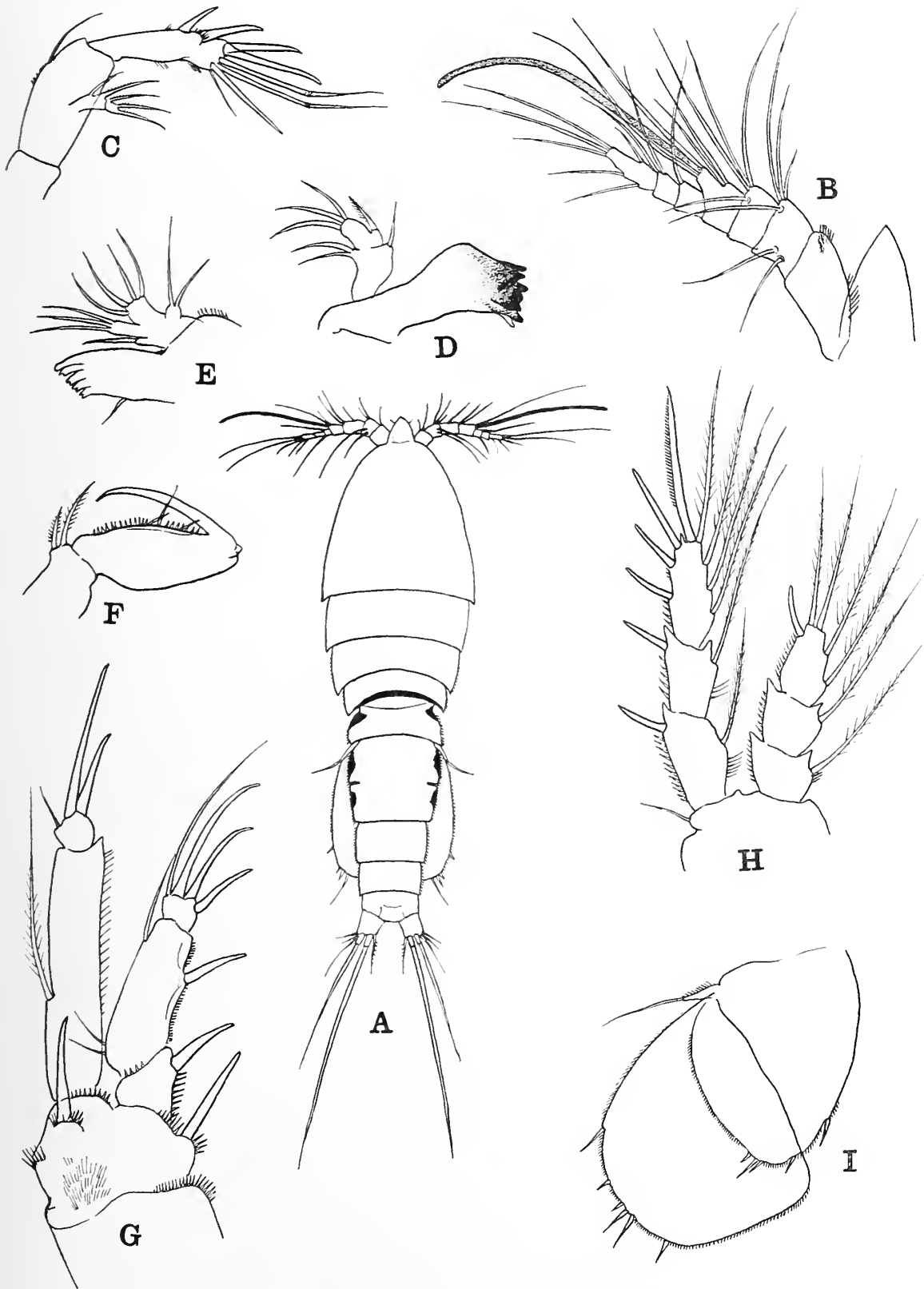
In the 2nd maxilla the 1st lobe bears two setæ, the 2nd and 3rd lobes each bear a single spine; the 4th lobe bears two serrated spines, and the 5th lobe bears a strong serrated spine and two setæ.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 31, F) forms a powerful grasping claw, the anterior margin of the "hand" being fringed with a row of spinules.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 31, G) consists of a three-jointed exopod and a two-jointed endopod. Basal 1 is fringed with spinules at its distal outer angle. From basal 2 a stout spine arises from both the inner and outer border, while the margin of the articulation with both the endopod and exopod, the base of both the inner and outer spines and the inner margin about the middle of its length are fringed with needle-like spinules; a patch of fine needle-like spines is situated on the surface of the segment.

In the 2nd and 3rd legs the rami are both three-jointed, and the 2nd segment of the endopod bears two setæ.





TEXT-FIG. 31.—*Eudactylopus latipes* (T. Scott), f. *andrewi*, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st maxilla. F, Maxilliped. G, 1st leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.

In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 31, H) the 2nd segment of the endopod, as a rule, bears only a single seta, but I have dissected a specimen in which two setæ arose from this segment, as in the 2nd and 3rd legs.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 31, I) is composed of two wide flaps, that reach back to about the middle of the 4th abdominal segment. The outer free flap is considerably the larger and is sub-triangular in outline, while the inner flap is oval. Each flap bears a few short setæ on the distal margin, five on the inner flap and six on the outer, and the margins are fringed with short spinules.

The body is uniformly coloured a pale greenish-yellow, with no markings except small purple patches on the lateral margins of the 5th thoracic and 1st abdominal segments.

♂. Total length, 0.9 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 32, A) are as 48 to 52. The present specimens agree closely with the descriptions and figures given by A. Scott (*loc. cit.*). The abdomen possesses five segments, of which the 1st and 2nd are fringed along their posterior margins with fine spinules, while other spinules are scattered on the lateral aspects of segments 3, 4 and 5. The furcal rami are about as long as broad and are slightly divergent. The 2nd furcal seta is by far the longest, and is about twice the length of the 3rd, and equal in length to the whole abdomen.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 32, B) forms a grasping organ and is composed of seven segments, of which the 3rd and 4th each bear a long sensory filament.

The endopod of the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 32, C) is, as usual, modified, and is composed of only two free segments, the 2nd and 3rd being fused. From the inner margin of the combined 2nd and 3rd segments arise four setæ, the proximal two being reduced in size. The distal end of the joint terminates in a cone-like process bearing a small straight seta. The inner margin near the distal end is markedly notched and from the floor of this notch arise two modified setæ, the inner being setiform and bent near the base at an angle, while the outer is thickened and tapers to a minutely bifid extremity.

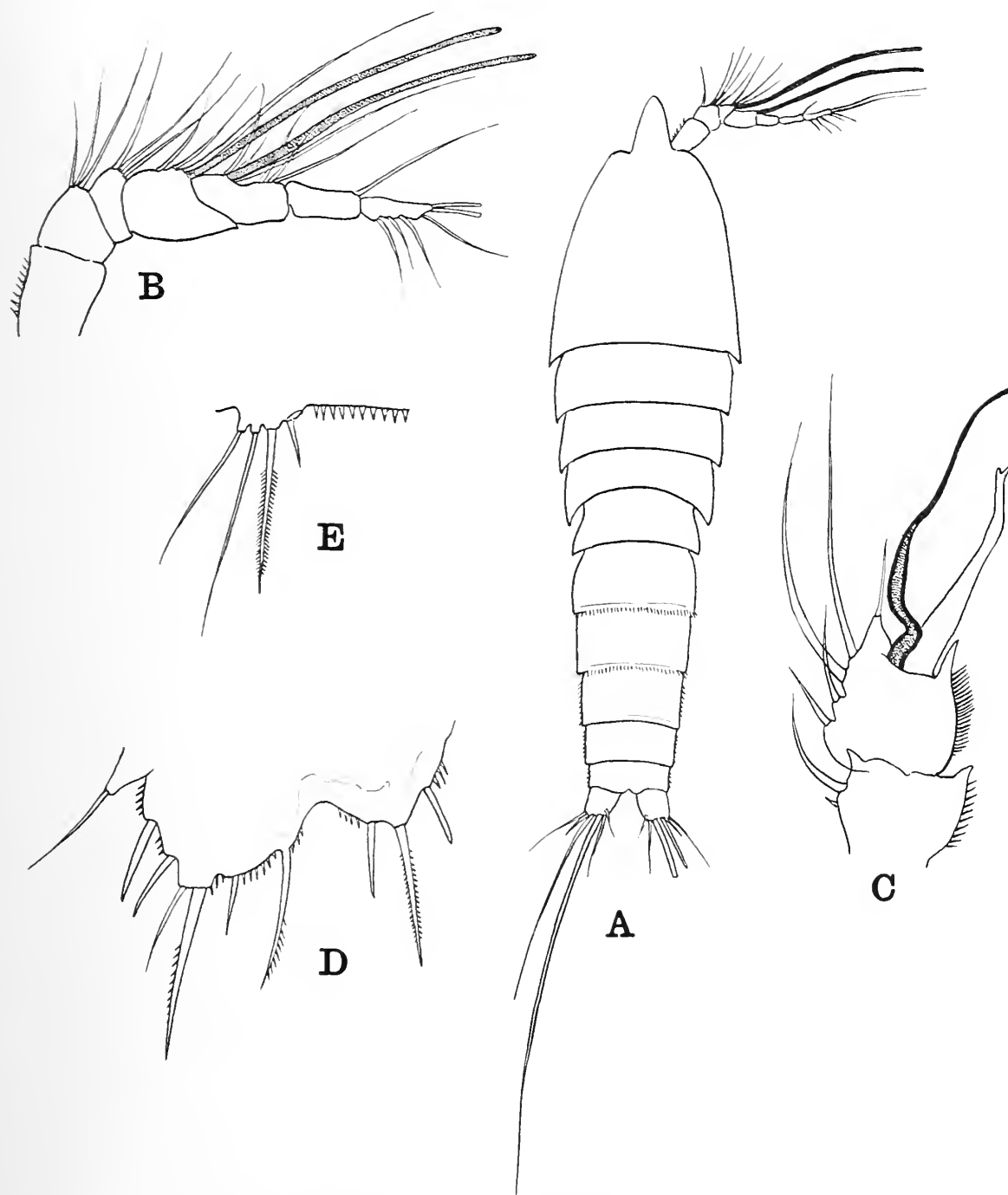
The 5th pair of legs (Text-fig. 32, D) are not fully developed and exhibit the characteristics of this appendage in the 5th copepodid stage. Each limb is composed of two projections, of which the outer is triangular and bears six setæ; of these, two subequal spine-like setæ arise from the outer margin, a small seta and a long serrated spine spring from the distal extremity, and two unequal spine-like setæ arise from the inner border. The inner and smaller triangular projection bears three spine-like setæ, of which the middle is much the longest. The margins of both flaps are armed with small spinules.

The genital segment (Text-fig. 32, E) is produced on each side in a low prominence, bearing externally two setæ and externally two unequal spines, the outer much the larger and serrated. Between the two prominences the margin is fringed with a row of triangular spinules.

*Copepodid stage V.*—♀. Total length, 1.04 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 33, A) are as 47 to 53. The rostrum is large and appears to be minutely bifid at its free extremity. The segments of the posterior region of the body have the following proportional lengths:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4-5.	Furca.
16	21	17	17	20	9 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 32.—*Eudactylopus latipes* (T. Scott), f. *andrewi*, ♂. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, Endopod of 2nd leg. D, 5th leg. E, Genital armature.

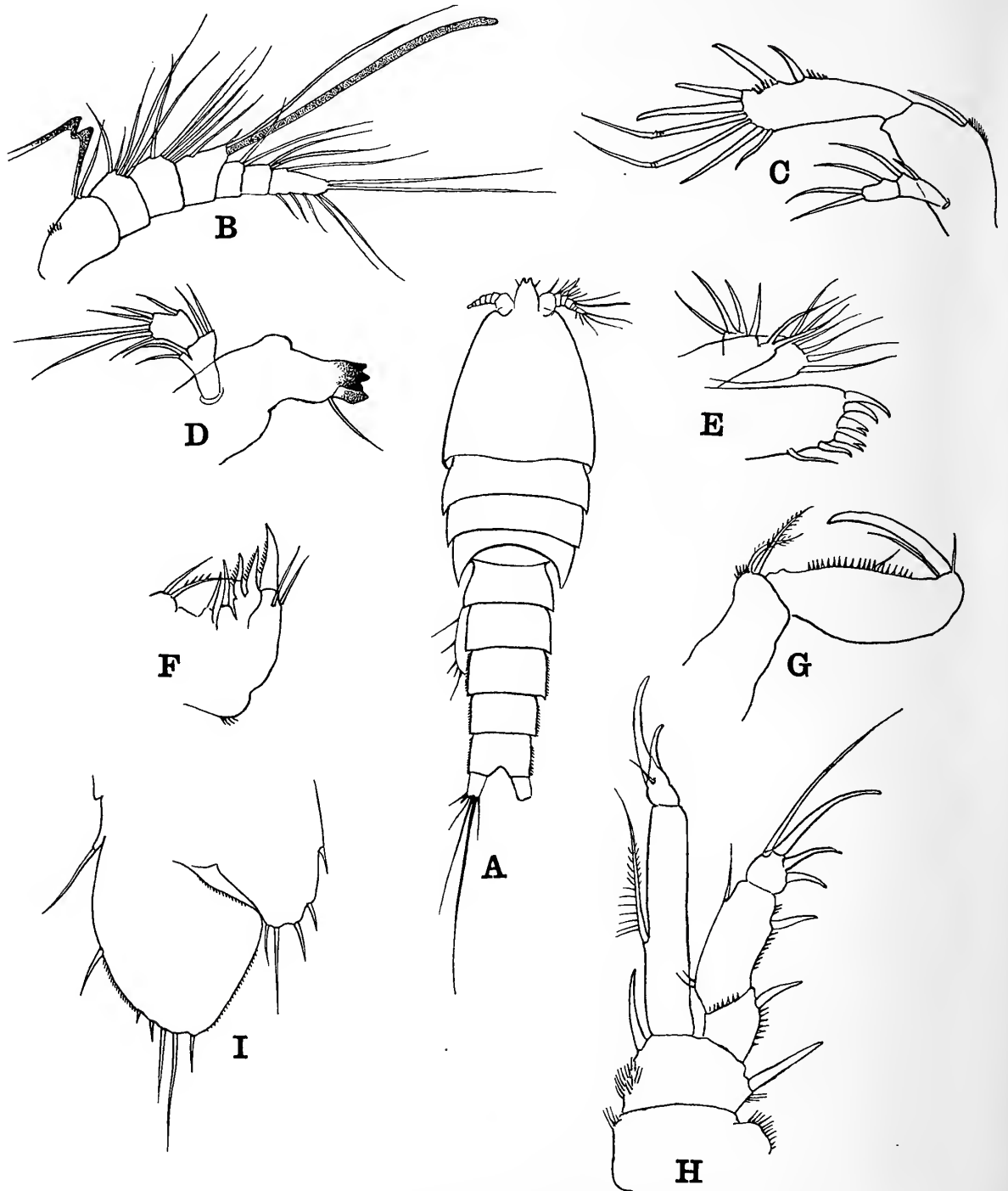
The posterior margins and sides of the abdominal segments are fringed with spinules.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 33, B) consists of seven segments, having the following proportional lengths :

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
	34	11	14	11	7	6	17 = 100

There is thus little or no change in this appendage at the last moult. The four proximal

segments are considerably stouter than the distal three, and the 4th bears the usual sensory filament.



TEXT-FIG. 33.—*Eudactylopus latipes* (T. Scott), f. *andrewi*, juv. Stage V. A, Immature female, dorsal view. B, Rostrum and 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st maxilla. F, 2nd maxilla. G, Maxilliped. H, 1st leg. I, 5th leg.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 33, c) and mouth-parts closely resemble those of the adult, but in the mandible (Text-fig. 33, d) the biting ramus appears to bear only two stout teeth, whereas there are three in the adult stage.



The swimming-legs agree with those of the adult.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 33, 1) is not yet fully differentiated, and the two flaps are fused together and to the segment at their bases, though their shape clearly foreshadows the adult condition.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has been recorded from the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Nicobar Islands, the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldive Archipelago, and the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott).

*Eudactylopus opima* (Brian).

*Plesiothalestris opima*, Brian, 1928a, p. 2, figs. 1-12; *id.*, 1928b, p. 315, fig. 16.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour and East Coast of Camorta Island, Nicobar Islands, and Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; several examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—The examples of this species that were obtained in the above localities fall into two definite size groups, in each of which examples of both males and females were sexually mature. Associated with these mature specimens were a few immature forms.

forma *major*. (Text-fig. 34, A-G).

♀. Total length, 1.65-1.76 mm. These examples are somewhat larger than the specimens taken by Brian in the Ægean Sea, which measured 1.35-1.4 mm. in length.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 34, A) are as 48 to 52. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
12	35	19	15	7	12 = 100

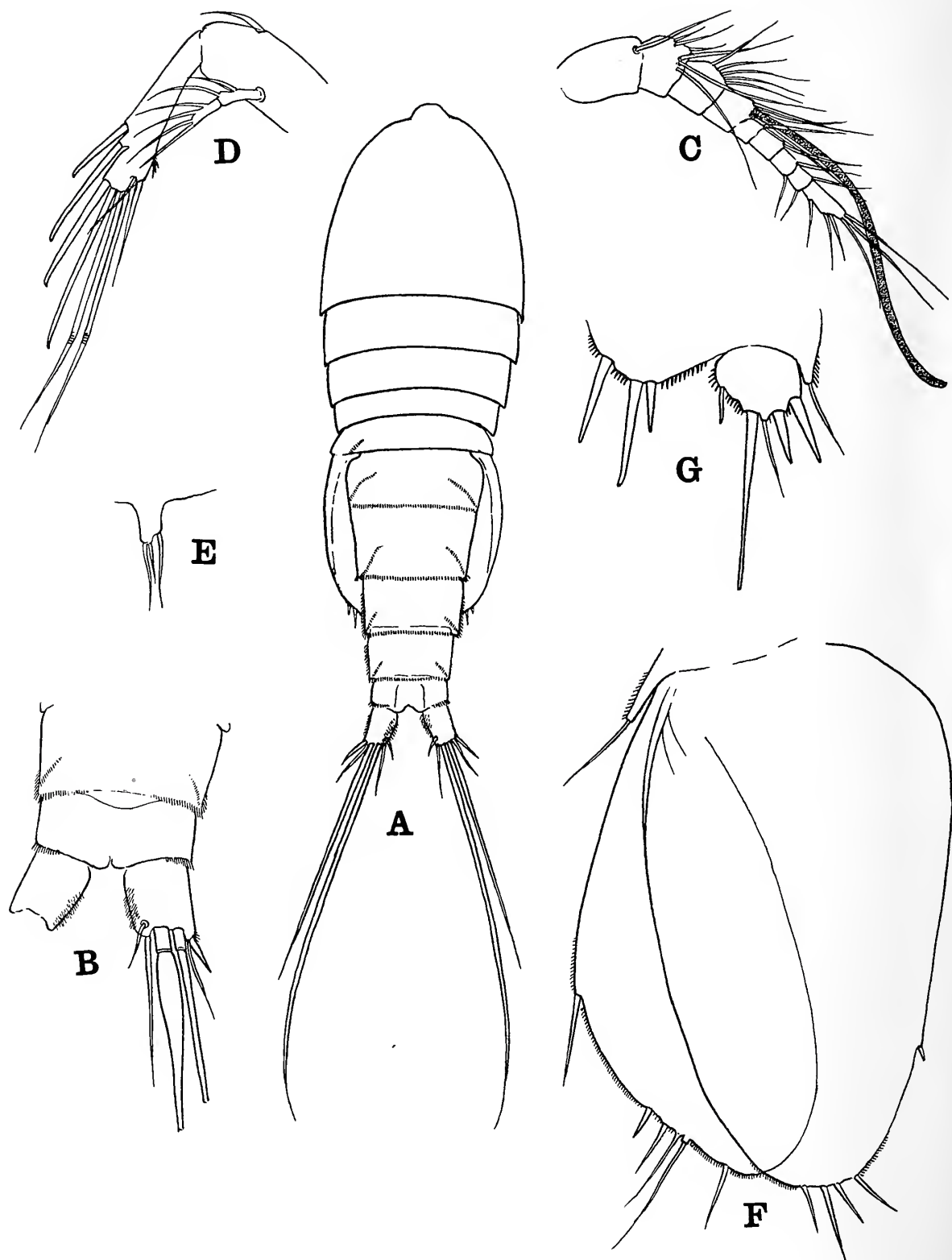
The posterior margins of all the abdominal segments are fringed with fine spinules, and a row of similar spinules runs forwards and upwards on the dorso-lateral aspects of segments 1 to 4 inclusive. The furcal rami (Text-fig. 34, B) are longer than broad, and are fringed with fine spinules along the lateral aspect, while the inner surfaces are fringed with short hairs. The 2nd furcal seta is the stoutest, and exceeds the length of the posterior region and the 4th thoracic segment together; it is somewhat swollen at the base.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 34, c) consists of nine segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
26	13	13	10	8	8	6	6	10 = 100

The first four segments are comparatively stout, while the distal five are more slender. The 1st segment bears a row of fine spinules along its anterior margin, and the 4th segment bears the usual long sensory filament.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 34, d) the exopod is composed of two segments, thus differing from Brian's specimens; but the line of demarcation between the two joints is not very clearly marked. As in Brian's specimens, the terminal segment of the endopod bears three spines on its anterior margin and on the distal end it carries a long slender



TEXT-FIG. 34.—*Eudactylopus opima* (Brian), f. major. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Anal segment and furcal rami. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Genital armature, male. F, 5th leg, female. G, 5th leg, male.

spine, then two geniculate setæ, and below these another rather stouter spine, followed by a delicate simple seta.

The mouth-parts and the first four pairs of legs agree exactly with Brian's specimens.

The 5th pair of legs (Text-fig. 34, F) agrees closely with Brian's description, but the outer foliaceous plate seems to reach a trifle further towards the end of the inner plate.

Dr. Brian, in his figure of the 4th swimming-leg (1928*a*, p. 3, fig. 9), shows the 2nd segment of the exopod as being devoid of an inner seta, and the terminal segment as bearing four setæ on its inner margin, and a seta and a spine at its distal end, but, as he has very kindly informed me in a personal letter, this is an error, and the distribution of the setæ agrees exactly with the formula given above for the genus. Dr. Brian was also kind enough to send me a specimen for examination, and I was unable to detect any difference between the Mediterranean and Indian examples.

♂. Total length, 1.162 mm. The length of Brian's specimens from the Ægean Sea was 1.125 mm.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 34, G) in the present examples differs slightly from the Mediterranean form in the degree of development of the spines on the free segment.

The genital armature consists of three unequal setæ arising from a narrow prominence.

forma *minor*. (Text-fig. 35, A-L.)

♀. Total length, 0.899 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 49 to 51. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 1.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
9	34	18	16	9	14 = 100

The posterior margins and lateral aspects of the abdominal segments are fringed with rows of fine spinules, and there are scattered spinules on the lateral aspects of the thoracic segments. The furcal rami are longer than broad in the proportion of 57 to 43. The 2nd furcal seta is swollen at the base.

The 1st antenna consists of nine segments, having the following proportional lengths :

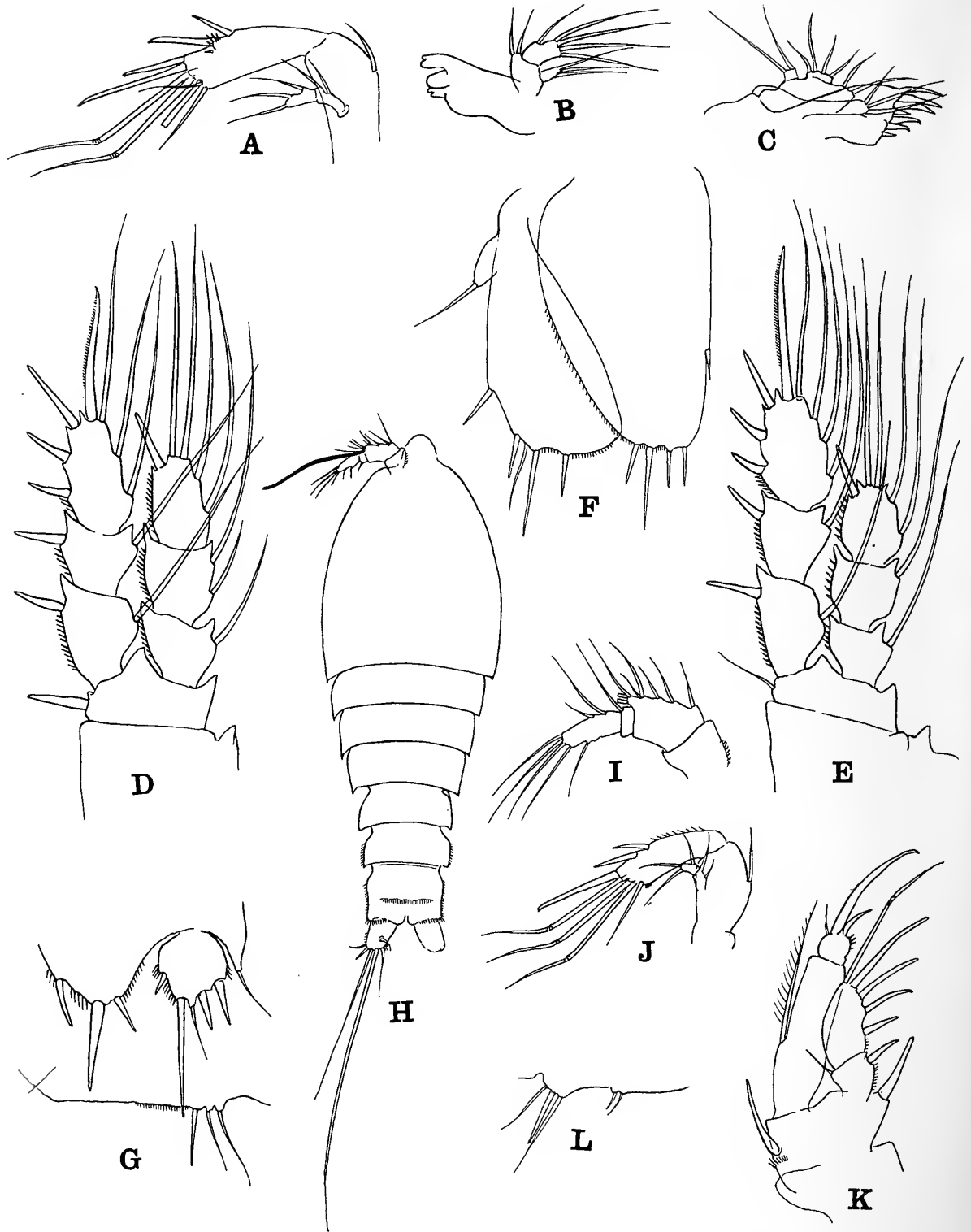
Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
29	11	13	11	8	8	5	4	11 = 100

The various appendages of the body appear to correspond closely with those of the larger form.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 35, F) differs slightly and appears to be less clearly differentiated at the base ; the outer plate is triangular in shape, instead of oval, being truncated at its apex, and it bears only five setæ and spines instead of six.

♂. Total length, 0.866 mm.

So far as I have been able to discover, this form agrees almost exactly with the larger form except for very slight differences in the 5th leg (Text-fig. 35, G). In this form the free segment is somewhat longer in proportion to its breadth and is thus more triangular and less oval in shape ; in this respect it conforms more nearly to the shape of the free segment in the Mediterranean examples, but, as in the larger form, the spine that arises from the apex of the triangle is very much longer.



TEXT-FIG. 35.—*Eudactylopus opima* (Brian), f. *minor* and Stage III. A, 2nd antenna. B, Mandible. C, 1st maxilla. D, 2nd leg. E, 4th leg. F, 5th leg, female. G, 5th leg and genital armature, male. H, Stage III, dorsal view. I, 1st antenna, Stage III. J, 2nd antenna, Stage III. K, 1st leg, Stage III. L, 5th leg, Stage III.



With these adults were a few examples of an immature stage.

*Copepodid Stage III*.—Total length, 0.628 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 35, H) are as 64 to 36. In this stage the abdomen is composed of only three segments, having, with the furca, the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3-5.	Furca.
24	28	30	18 = 100

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 35, I) is composed of only four segments, having the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.
30	33	6	31 = 100

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 35, J) the exopod, though small, is composed of two segments.

The 1st-3rd swimming-legs inclusive at this stage show only two segments in each ramus, the exopod being 2-jointed, owing to the separation of segments 2 and 3 not yet having taken place.

In the 4th leg the exopod resembles that of the anterior limbs and is composed of only two segments, segments 2 and 3 not yet being differentiated ; the endopod, however, is composed of a single segment.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 35, L) is hardly differentiated ; on the posterior margin of the segment are two slight projections, the inner bearing two setæ, and the outer, which is somewhat more pronounced, three.

Brian describes the coloration of his fresh examples as being "rouge foncé" ; my examples, which had been preserved in formalin, were colourless.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Ægean Sea in the Mediterranean region (Brian), the Maldivé Archipelago and the Nicobar Islands (present records).

*Eudactylopus striatus* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 36, A-J, ♂ ; Text-fig. 37, A-K, ♀, Stage V.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings ; several males and immature females.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♂. Total length, 1.014 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 36, A) are almost exactly equal. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths :

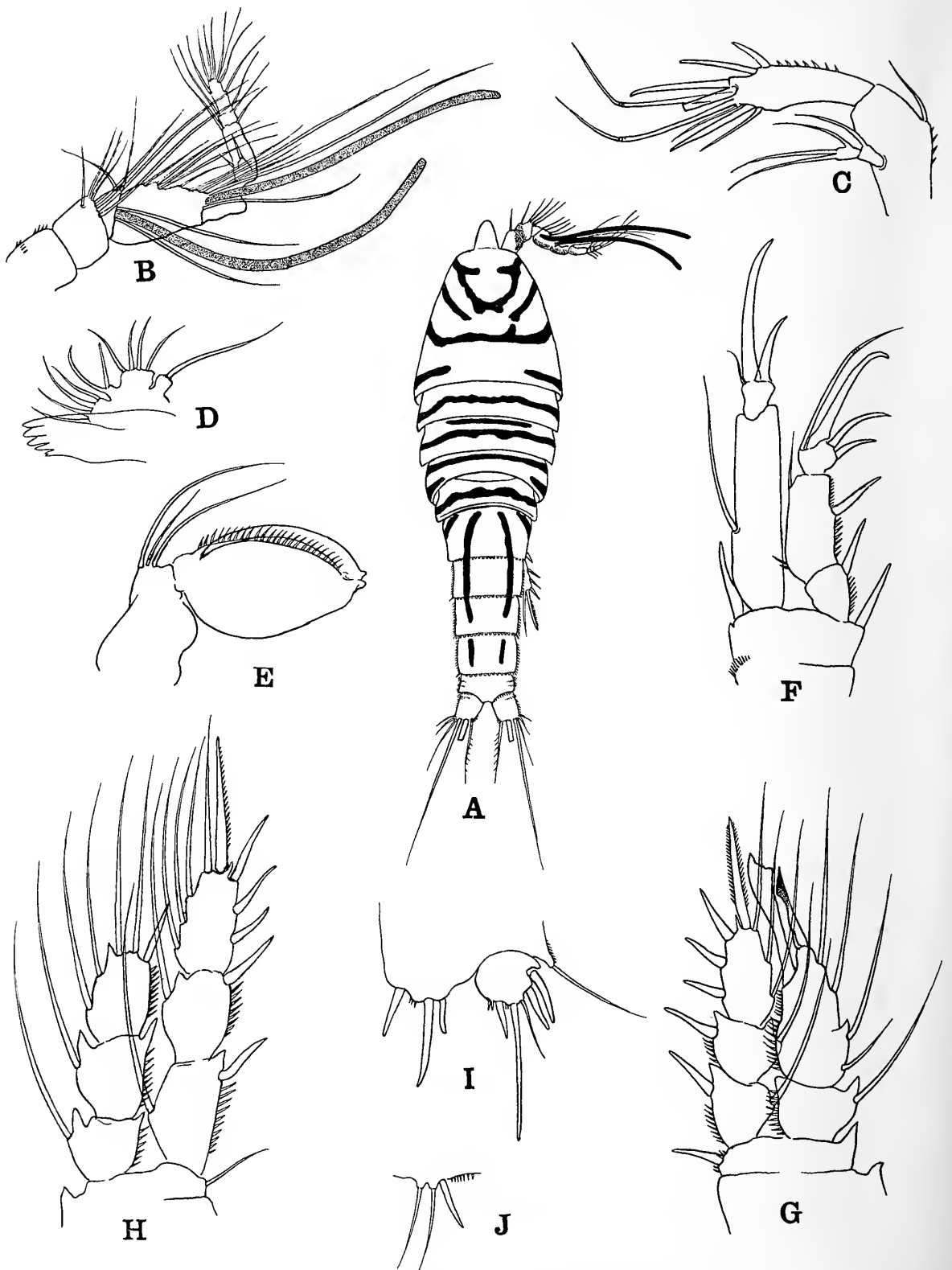
Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
10	17	17	17	17	10	12 = 100

The rostrum is well developed and is hinged to the cephalon.

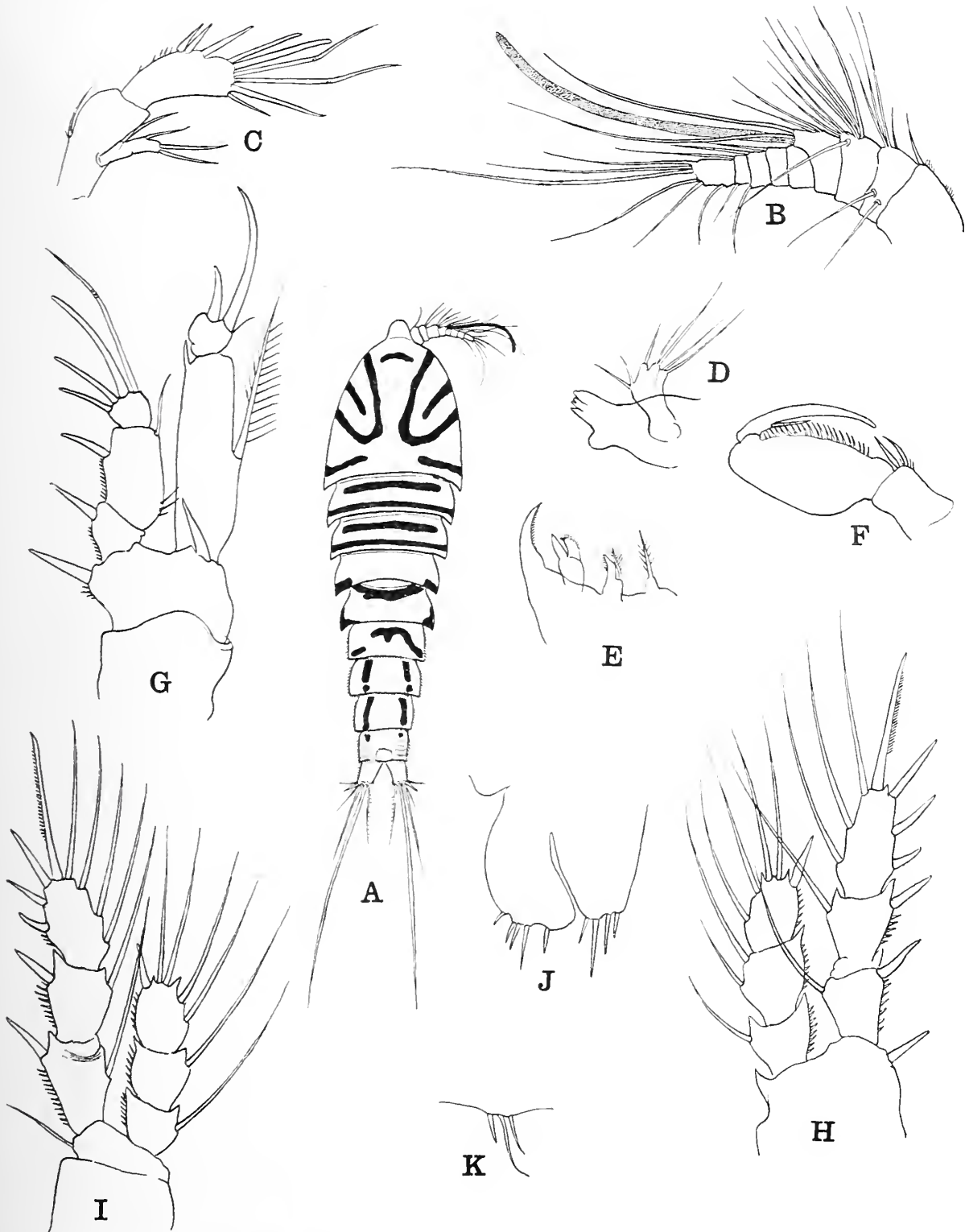
The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 36, B) is composed of nine segments and is modified to form a grasping organ, the hinge being situated between segments 5 and 6 ; the four proximal segments are inflated, and both the 3rd and 4th segments bear a long sensory seta. The whole appendage reaches back a little beyond half the length of the cephalosome.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 36, C) resembles that of the preceding species, the exopod consisting of two segments and the terminal segment of the endopod showing the same two geniculate setæ, followed by a stout spine and a simple seta.

The mouth-parts (Text-fig. 36, D, E) and swimming-legs (Text-figs. F, G and H) agree



TEXT-FIG. 36.—*Eudactylopus striatus* sp. nov., ♂. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st maxilla. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg. J, Genital armature.



TEXT-FIG. 37.—*Eudactylopus striatus* sp. nov., ♀, Stage V. A, Dorsal view. B, 1st antenna C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 2nd maxilla (part). F, Maxilliped. G, 1st leg. H, 2nd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg. K, Genital armature.

almost exactly with those of the preceding species; the endopod of the 2nd leg is modified and consists of only two segments, the 2nd and 3rd being fused together. The line of junction of the two joints can be recognized by the presence on the inner margin of a distally directed spinous projection, and on the outer margin by a break in and a change of character of the hairy fringe; the portion corresponding to segment 2 carries two setæ on its inner margin, the proximal one being small; from the distal end of the combined segment arise two spines, the outer club-shaped with a narrow stalk and a swollen extremity and the inner scalpelliform, and the inner border bears two setæ.

The 5th pair of legs (Text-fig. 36, I) agrees almost exactly with those of the preceding species.

Almost the only distinguishing character between this and the preceding species is to be found in the coloration, which in this form consists of a marked and handsome pattern of blue-black stripes, that run transversely across the thoracic segments and longitudinally down the dorsal aspect of the abdominal segments (*vide* Text-fig. 36, A).

♀. No adult females were found, but associated with the males were several examples in the 5th copepodid stage.

*Copepodid Stage V.*—Total length, 1.055 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 37, A) are as 56 to 44. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4-5.	Furca.
10	18	22	17	20	13 = 100

The rostrum is well developed and is deflexed; it is sub-triangular in shape with a rounded anterior end. The cephalon is equal in length to the three following segments. The abdomen is composed of only four segments, the last two, as yet, not being differentiated. The posterior margins of all the segments of the abdomen are fringed with fine spinules, and other similar spinules are scattered over the lateral regions of the segments and the postero-dorsal region of the last abdominal segment.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 37, B) is short and stout but is composed of the typical nine segments.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 37, C) the terminal segment of the endopod carries three spines on the anterior margin, and two of the geniculate setæ on the distal margin are replaced by long slender spines; the exopod in this species consists, as in the Mediterranean form of *E. opima* (Brian), of a single segment.

The mouth-parts (Text-fig. 37, D, E and F) and swimming-legs (Text-fig. 37, G, H and I) agree closely with those of other species in the genus.

The 5th legs (Text-fig. 37, K) are not yet fully developed, and the distal segment has not yet been separated off from the basal part. The shape of the two lamellæ, however, clearly foreshadows the condition that will be found in the adult.

The coloration of the animal is conspicuous. The cephalon bears two curved bands in each antero-lateral region, enclosing a linear band within the loop; a short transverse band crosses the anterior region, and posteriorly on each side a transverse band runs inwards from the lateral margin towards, but not reaching the middle line. The two following thoracic segments are traversed by two transverse bands, the anterior one not quite reaching the sides, while the other lies close to the posterior margin of the segment.



The 5th thoracic segment has a transverse band along the anterior margin and a patch of the same colour in each postero-lateral region. The 1st abdominal segment is marked with a bow-shaped band: that in the specimen figured was interrupted on the left side. Segments 2 and 3 are marked with a pair of bands running longitudinally.

All these bands were in the fresh state of a blue-black colour, that turned to a bright red in formalin.

DISTRIBUTION.—Nicobar Islands.

*Eudactylopus fasciatus* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 38, B-J, ♀; Text-figs. 38, A, 39, A-D, ♂, adult; Text-fig 39, E-J, ♂, Stage V.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, from among weed growing on the stems of colonies of Stag's Horn Madrepore coral.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.165 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 56 to 44. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths:

Segment Th.	5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	11	34	20	12	9	14 = 100

The posterior margins of all the abdominal segments are bordered with spinules, and small spinules are scattered over the surface. The furcal rami are slightly longer than broad and are fringed laterally with similar spinules. The distal outer angle bears a spine-like seta and the 2nd seta is longer and thicker than the others.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 38, B) consists of nine segments; a basal portion of four segments, the 4th bearing a long sensory filament, is followed by a more slender distal portion of five segments. The basal segment bears two oblique rows of spinules.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 38, C) the distal segment of the endopod bears three marginal spines on the anterior border, and two of the usual geniculate setæ on the distal border are replaced by needle-like spines. The exopod consists of two segments.

The mandible bears a reduced palp (Text-fig. 38, D), consisting of a basal portion and two rami each composed of one segment, the outer very small.

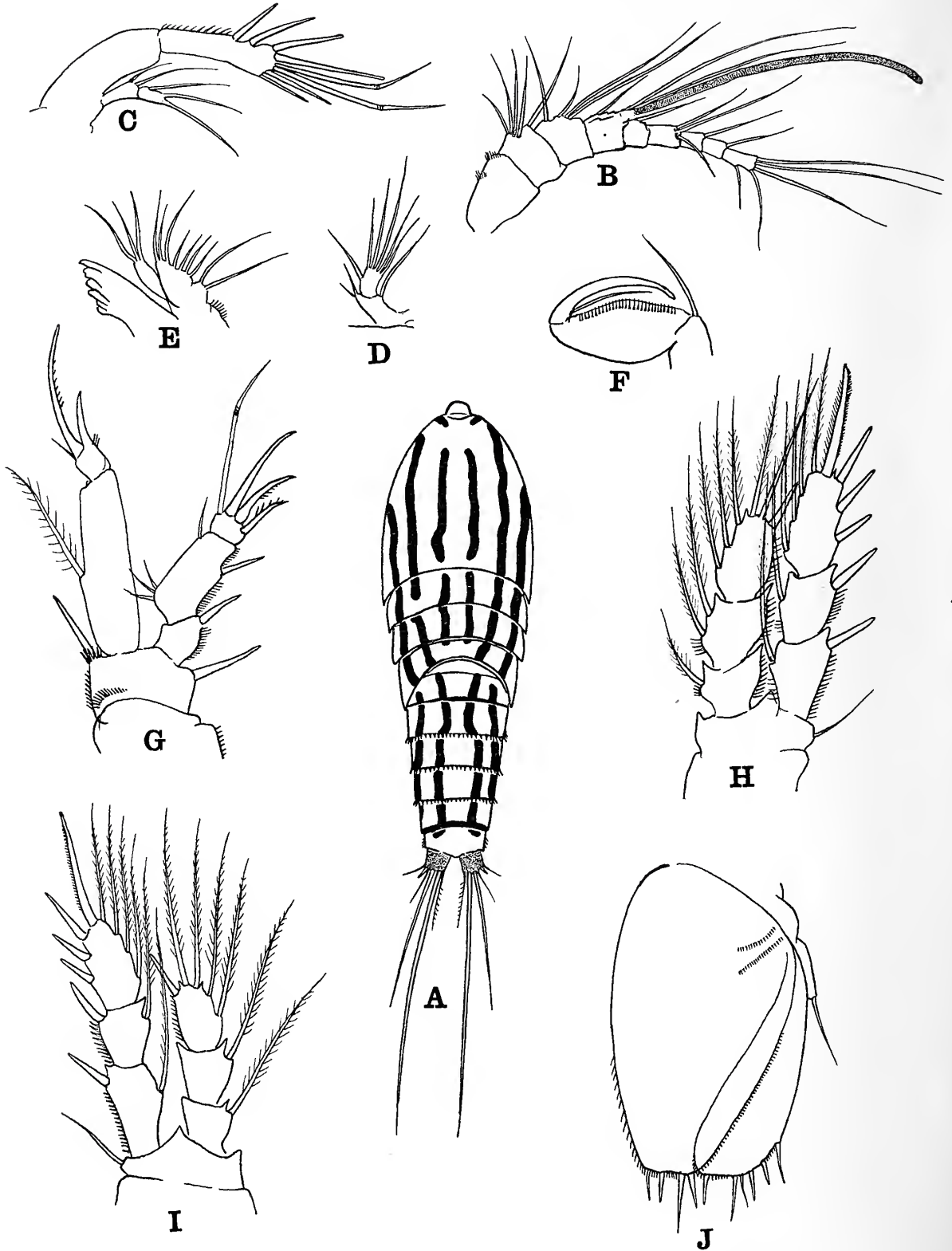
The 1st maxilla (Text-fig. 38, E) possesses a biting-edge, armed with strong teeth, and a palp composed of three lobes.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 38, F) is strongly developed, the penultimate segment is swollen to form a "hand" and is armed along the anterior margin with a row of spines; the distal segment forms a stout claw, from the base of which arises a single seta.

The 1st pair of legs (Text-fig. 38, G) consists of a three-jointed exopod, in which the 2nd segment is much longer than the others, and a two-jointed endopod, the terminal segment bearing two strong unequal claw-like spines.

In the 2nd-4th pairs of swimming-legs (Text-fig. 38, H, I) both rami are composed of three segments; the 2nd segment of the endopod bears two inner setæ in the 2nd and 3rd legs but only a single seta in the 4th.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 38, J) is composed of two large foliaceous plates that reach back almost to the hinder edge of the 3rd abdominal segment. The inner plate is oval,



TEXT-FIG. 38.—*Eudactylopus fasciatus* sp. nov. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna, female. C, 2nd antenna, female. D, Mandibular palp, female. E, 1st maxilla, female. F, Maxilliped, female. G, 1st leg, female. H, 3rd leg, female. I, 4th leg, female. J, 5th leg, female.

with the distal margin somewhat truncated and provided with four setæ; the outer plate is very narrow at the base, but expands somewhat distally and reaches to the same level as the inner plate; its distal margin is provided with six setæ or spines.

The coloration of this species is very conspicuous. The cephalothorax is marked with six bands that run from before backwards: the centre pair terminate at the posterior margin of the 4th thoracic segment, while the remaining four bands are continued across the 5th thoracic segment and then down the abdomen as far as the anal segment.

♂. The male is less than half the length of the female, measuring only 0.74 mm. in total length. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior region of the body (Text-fig. 38, A) are as 55 to 45. The body is robust, and the cephalon bears a bluntly-rounded rostrum of moderate size. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	13	15	15	15	15	12	15 = 100

The anterior four abdominal segments are armed along their posterior margins with small spinules, and others are scattered over their surfaces. The furcal rami are slightly longer than broad, and the 2nd furcal seta is stouter and considerably longer than the 3rd; from the outer distal corner arises a stout spine-like seta.

The genital segment (Text-fig. 39, D) is armed with a slight, posteriorly projecting flap, carrying three setæ, of which the inner is spine-like.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 39, A) forms a grasping organ, the basal segments being somewhat swollen.

The 2nd antenna and mouth-parts resemble those of the female.

The 1st pair of legs resemble those of the female.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 39, B) the endopod is modified, the 2nd and 3rd segments being fused together, and from the distal part of the outer and the distal end arise two stout modified spines.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 39, C) the inner basal segment is rounded distally and bears three spines, of which the middle one is by far the largest and strongest, the other two being subequal. The margin of the segment is fringed with small spinules. The distal segment is sub-triangular in shape: from the outer margin arise two stout spines and a delicate seta; a very long spine arises from the apical border and a small spine from the inner margin, which is also fringed with spinules.

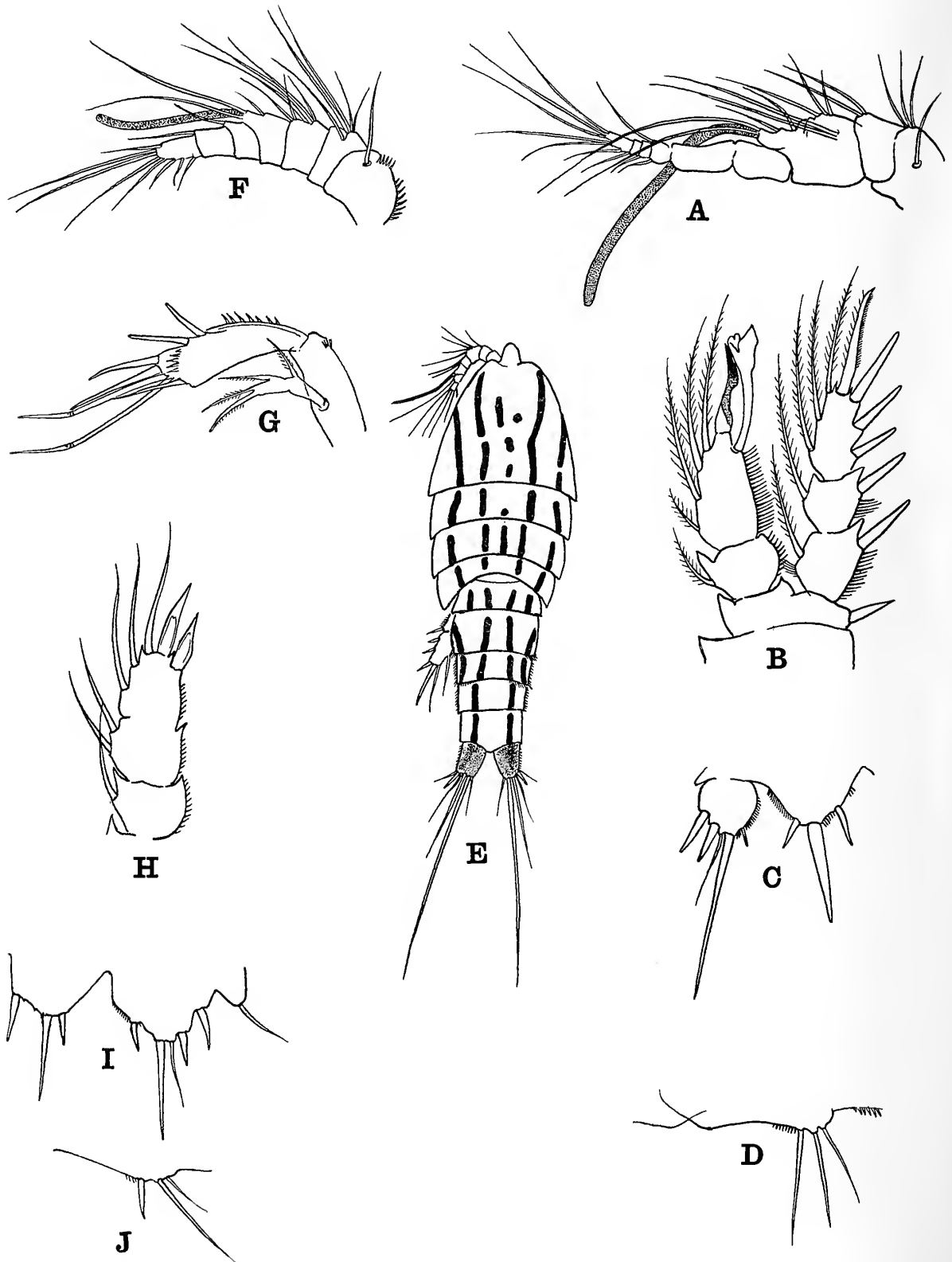
The coloration of the male resembles that of the female. In formalin, soon after being collected, the longitudinal bands were of a rich red colour.

♂. Juv.—*Copepodid Stage V.*

Total length, 1.15 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 39, E) are as 56 to 44. The cephalothorax resembles that of the adult, so far as its structure is concerned; the abdomen, however, consists of only four segments, the 4th and 5th not yet having become differentiated. The anterior three segments are armed along their posterior margins with small spinules, while others are scattered over the surfaces.

In this stage the 1st antenna (Text-fig. 39, F) consists of only seven segments, the distal, more slender portion of the appendage possessing only three segments, instead of



TEXT-FIG. 39.—*Eudactylopus fasciatus* sp. nov., ♂. A, 1st antenna, adult. B, 2nd leg, adult. C, 5th leg, adult. D, Genital armature, adult. E, Male, Stage V, dorsal aspect. F, 1st antenna, Stage V. G, 2nd antenna, Stage V. H, Endopod, 2nd leg, Stage V. I, 5th leg, Stage V. J, Genital armature, Stage V.



five as in the adult female; the 1st segment carries two rows of small spinules, and the 4th segment bears a long sensory filament.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 39, G) the main branch resembles that of the adult, but the exopod consists of only a single segment, scarcely a trace of the division into two being as yet visible.

The mouth-parts and the 1st swimming-legs resemble those of the adult.

The 2nd leg (Text-fig. 39, H) is beginning to show the modification of the endopod that is characteristic of the adult male; the 2nd and 3rd segments are fused, and distally there are two pointed thickened spines at the distal outer angle.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 39, I) is unsegmented, and the two rami are represented by backwardly-directed extensions of the margin of the 5th thoracic segment; the characters of the spines and setæ that are to be found in the adult are clearly shown.

In this stage the characteristic markings of the adult are not yet fully developed, though such as are present clearly approximate to the final type. On the cephalothorax only four longitudinal stripes, two on each side, are fully formed, and these, as in the adult, are continued backwards on to the abdomen, but the outermost band only reaches the posterior margin of the 2nd segment, and the innermost is continued to the posterior margin of the 4th segment and then is faintly continued along the dorsal aspect of the furcal ramus. The inner pair of stripes that are present in the adult are here represented by a series of interrupted dots and lines on the cephalothorax and the 2nd and 3rd thoracic segments, the only trace of the double condition being seen in the anterior part of the cephalon.

The furcal rami are uniformly tinged with purple.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Nicobar Islands and the Maldivé Archipelago.

? *Eudactylopus anomala* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 40, A-J.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldivé Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single specimen, male.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♂. Total length, 0.65 mm. The anterior region is robust and the body (Text-fig. 40, A) tapers gradually to the posterior end, without any very marked difference between the anterior and posterior regions. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions are as 64 to 36. The rostrum is of moderate size and tapers to a rounded point. The cephalosome is large and is equal in length to the following five segments. The abdomen is composed of the usual five segments, which are subequal in length. The furcal rami are as long as broad. The 2nd furcal seta is long, and equals in length the whole body.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 40, B) is modified to form a moderately strong grasping organ; it is composed of eight segments; the 1st and 4th segments are subequal and the 2nd and 3rd are considerably shorter. The 3rd and 4th segments bear a sensory filament. The hinge is situated between the 5th and 6th segments, so that the terminal part is composed of three segments.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 40, C) the endopod is composed of two segments. The 2nd segment bears a series of small spinules on its anterior margin proximal to the 1st spine; there are four spines, increasing in length, two geniculate setæ and two normal setæ at the distal end. The exopod is composed of only a single segment, as in *E. spectabilis*

(Brian), and bears two setæ close together at about the junction of the proximal and middle thirds, one seta at about the junction of the middle and distal thirds and two setæ distally.

The mandible (Text-fig. 40, D) bears a small palp with two unjointed rami.

The 2nd maxilla (Text-fig. 40, E) resembles that of *Parathalestris clausi*.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 40, F) is of stout build, with a markedly swollen "hand", the anterior margin of which is fringed with hairs.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 40, G) the 1st basal segment bears a seta on its inner margin, and distal to this the border is fringed with hairs: The 2nd basal segment is sub-triangular in shape, as in the genus *Thalestris*; it bears a short spine at the distal outer angle and the distal inner angle is produced in a blunt knob. The exopod is composed of three segments, of which the 2nd is very long. The 1st segment bears a single marginal spine, but has no seta on the inner border. The external margins of the 2nd and 3rd segments possess a rib of thickened chitin. The 2nd segment bears a single outer spine and the inner seta arises from near the distal end. The 3rd segment bears four spines that increase in size distally, the 4th spine being as long as the whole ramus. The endopod is shorter than the exopod, reaching only as far as the distal margin of the 2nd segment; it is composed of only two segments. The proximal segment is somewhat produced internally near the base, and from this swollen part arises a single seta. The distal segment bears two stout, unequal, claw-like spines and a minute seta.

The 2nd leg (Text-fig. 40, H) is modified. The exopod consists of three segments. The 2nd basal segment bears an outer spine and the inner margin is produced at the distal angle in a triangular spinous process. The exopod consists of three segments; the 1st and 2nd segments each bear a marginal spine and a single inner seta; the 3rd segment bears 2, 2, 3 spines and setæ. The endopod is composed of only two free segments, segments 2 and 3 being fused. The terminal segment bears a single seta on that part of its inner margin that corresponds to the 2nd segment, and the terminal part bears a single seta at the distal inner angle and three modified setæ at the distal end and the distal outer angle.

In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 40, I) the two rami are composed of three segments; the endopod is short, and only reaches as far as the distal end of the 2nd segment of the exopod; the setal formula for this leg is 1.1.2, 2, 1 : 1.1.3, 2, 3.

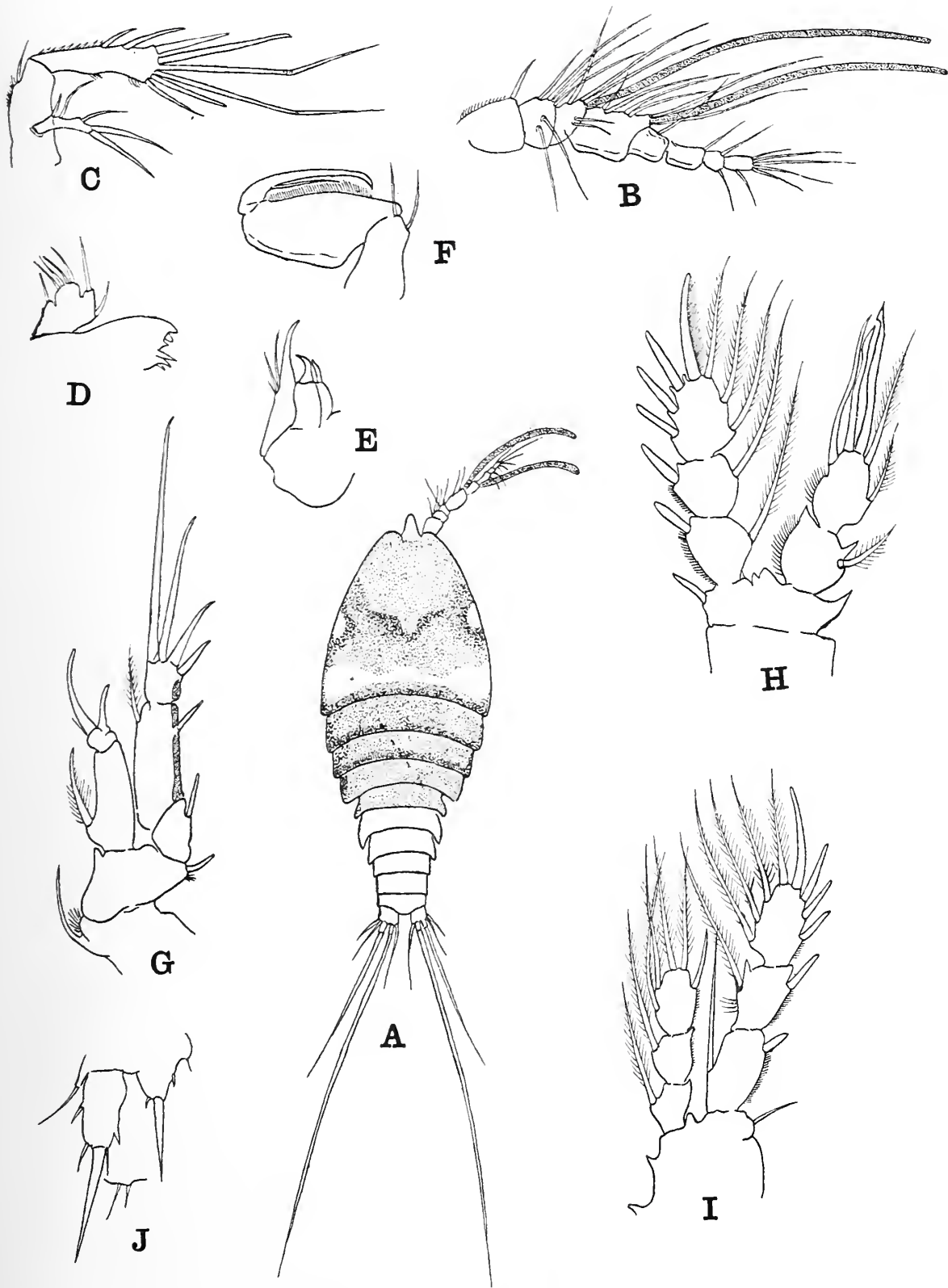
In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 40, J) the proximal segment is produced in a triangular process that reaches about one-third the length of the distal segment; from its apex arises a single stout spine, and a very small spine arises from both the inner and outer border. The distal segment appears to be incompletely separated off; the outer border bears two small setæ; from the apex arises a long stout spine, on the inner side of which is a delicate seta; the inner border is produced in a sharp pointed process.

The genital aperture is guarded by a delicate spine and a seta.

The cephalosome is stained brown, except for a light patch on each side about the middle of its length and a "dumb-bell" shaped area immediately in front of the posterior border. The 2nd-5th thoracic segments are also stained brown, and a darker band of the same colour runs along the posterior margin of segments 2 and 3.

REMARKS.—It is with very great hesitation that I provisionally refer this specimen to the genus *Eudactylopus*, and it is probable that when the female is discovered a new genus will have to be created.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.



TEXT-FIG. 40.—? *Eudactylopus anomala* sp. nov., ♂. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 2nd maxilla. F, Maxilliped. G, 1st leg. H, 2nd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg and genital armature.

Genus *Dactylopusia* Norman.

Thompson and A. Scott (1903), recorded from the Indian Ocean and the Ceylon Pearl Banks a number of species which they referred to this genus, but almost all of these have now been removed to other genera, as the following list indicates :

- Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus).  
*D. latipes* (T. Scott).  
 [= *Eudactylopus latipes* (T. Scott).]  
*D. dentatus* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Amphiascus dentatus* (Thompson and A. Scott).]  
*D. havelocki* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Amphiascus havelocki* (Thompson and A. Scott).]  
*D. hirsuta* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Amphiascus hirsuta* (Thompson and A. Scott).]  
*D. ceylonica* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Amphiascus cinctus* (Claus).]  
*D. robusta* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Amphiascus robusta* (Thompson and A. Scott).]  
*D. hamiltoni* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Diosaccus hamiltoni* (Thompson and A. Scott).]  
*D. laticaudata* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Xouthous laticaudata* (Thompson and A. Scott).]  
*D. cemula* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [= *Xouthous cemula* (Thompson and A. Scott).]  
*D. platysoma* Thompson and A. Scott.  
 [? Genus.]

A. Scott (1902) recorded the occurrence of *Dactylopusia strömii* (Baird) from the Gulf of Suez ; but Sars later pointed out that some confusion had arisen regarding this species, and that the form considered by Claus to be *D. strömii* is not the same as Baird's species, which belongs to the genus *Laophonte* ; he therefore renamed Claus' form *Dactylopusia vulgaris* ; it is thus uncertain whether Scott's example should be referred to *D. vulgaris* Sars or to *Laophonte strömii* (Baird), but in all probability it was an example of the former.

Gurney (1927c) recorded the occurrence of *Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus) and a second species, *D. oculata* Gurney, from the Suez Canal.

*Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus).

*Dactylopusia thisboides*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 126, pl. lxxviiib, lxxviii, 1 ; Monard, 1928a, p. 349, fig. xix, 1.  
*Dactylopusia spinipes*, Brady, 1910, p. 540, fig. xxxi, 1-5.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length 0.71 mm. This is somewhat smaller than Monard's specimens from the Mediterranean, that measure 0.9 mm. in length. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 56 to 44. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	18	34	17	19	8	4 = 100



The 2nd furcal seta is somewhat dilated at the base, as Brady (1910, p. 540, fig. xxxi, 5) has shown it in his *D. spinipes*; the ground on which he separated his form from *D. thisboides* (Claus), namely the presence of spines on the inner flap of the proximal segment of the 5th leg, is, I think, due merely to a misconception.

The 1st antenna reaches back a little beyond the middle of the cephalosome: it consists of eight segments having the following proportional lengths:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
18	16	13	11	11	10	8	13 = 100

DISTRIBUTION.—The species appears to be widely distributed throughout all the three great oceans from the Antarctic to the Arctic regions.

Wilson (1932, p. 207, fig. 138a-c) has recorded what he took to be examples of this species from various localities in the Wood's Hole region, including one of brackish water. In his account of the female he states that the 5th leg possesses a basal segment that is "broadly foliaceous, reaching the tip of the distal segment". In my examples this inner expansion reaches only to about two-thirds of the length of the free segment, which is much longer than in Willey's specimens; there are also slight differences in the respective lengths of certain of the setae arising from the free segment, and it seems doubtful whether Willey was correct in his diagnosis.

*Dactylopusia falcifera* Willey.

*Dactylopusia falcifera*, Willey, 1935, p. 73, figs. 92-97.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; several examples of both sexes.

These examples of the female fall into two quite distinct groups according to their coloration. In one group the specimens were of a purple coloration, whereas in the other they were of a golden-orange tint. Of the two forms, the latter appear to agree more closely with the description given by Willey, and the colour difference is very reminiscent of the similar difference observed by Willey in *Amphiascus cinctus* (*vide* Willey, 1935, p. 53), but whereas in this latter species Willey found that the pale specimens were immature, there was nothing to be found in the structure of the pale examples of *Dactylopusia falcifera* that would warrant any such assumption.

f. *violacea*. (Text-fig. 41, A-N.)

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length 0.74 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 41, A) are as 57 to 43. The anterior region is robust. The rostrum is well developed and is bluntly rounded anteriorly; two small sensory hairs arise near the apex. The posterior region tapers slightly. The 5th thoracic and the first three abdominal segments each bear a row of fine spinules in the lateral region; those on the 5th thoracic and the 1st and 3rd abdominal segments run approximately parallel to the posterior margin of the segment, but that on the 2nd abdominal segment runs from in front backwards and slightly dorsalwards across the greater part of the width of the segment (*vide* Text-fig. 41, A). A row of spinules fringes the articulation of the 5th abdominal segment with the furcal rami.

The furcal rami are considerably wider than long and the 2nd furcal seta is the longest, and is in most individuals, though not in all, thickened at the base.

The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region of the body are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
19	33	19	16	9	4 = 100

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 41, B) consists of eight segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
23	20	15	9	7	6	7	13 = 100

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 41, D) and mouth-parts (Text-fig. 41, E-H) closely resemble those of *D. thisboides* (Claus).

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 41, I) both rami are composed of three segments, but the 2nd and 3rd segments of the endopod are extremely small. The exopod reaches to about half the length of the proximal segment of the endopod. Basal 1 bears a pointed serrated spine at the distal inner angle, and a spine at the distal outer angle.

In the 2nd (Text-fig. 41, K) leg the 2nd basal segment is produced in a spine-like process at the distal inner angle, and the seta on exopod 1 is reduced to a small pointed process.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 41, M) closely resembles that of *D. thisboides* (Claus), but lacks the thickening of the chitin along the internal margin of the proximal segment.

In life these examples were coloured a purple hue, the depth of colouring being much deeper on the anterior abdominal segments and forming a pattern on the cephalosome, as indicated in the figure (Text-fig. 41, A).

♂. In the corresponding male the grasping antenna (Text-fig. 41, C) appears to consist of seven segments.

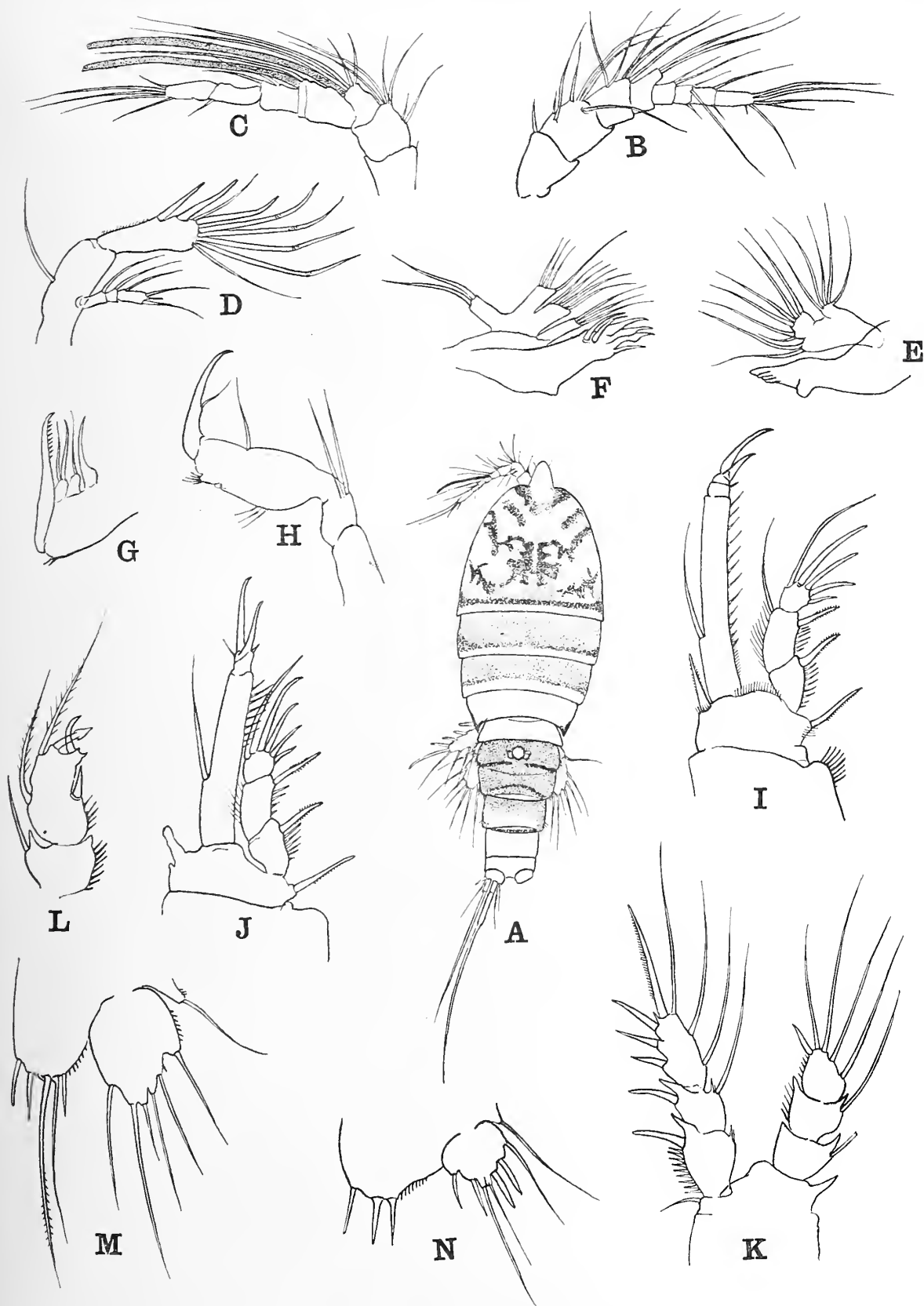
The 1st leg (Text-fig. 41, J) exhibits a slight modification of the spine at the distal inner angle of the 2nd basal segment, for in this sex it is stouter and is bluntly rounded at its apex.

The 2nd leg shows the characteristic modification of the endopod (Text-fig. 41, L). The 2nd and 3rd segments are fused together and from the inner margin of the combined joint arise two setæ, the distal springing from close to the distal end ; on the outer margin about half-way along its length arises a single spine, and from the distal end, which is emarginate, arise two spines, of which the outer is curved, and the inner is arrow-like and is directed outwards ; these two spines thus cross each other, and closely resemble the condition that is found in *Westwoodia assimilis* Sars (*vide* Sars, 1903-11, pl. lxxxvii).

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 41, N) the proximal segment bears three subequal spines, and the distal free segment, which is broader than long, bears two short setæ on its inner margin, two unequal delicate setæ on its apex, and two subequal spines and a delicate seta on its outer margin.

There is a close degree of similarity in the endopod of the 2nd leg and the 5th leg of the male of this species and the corresponding parts in the male of *Pseudothalestris imbricata* as figured by Brady (1883, pl. xlii, fig. 5).

Associated with these examples were a few others, of approximately the same size



TEXT-FIG. 41.—*Dactylopusia falcifera* Willey, f. *violacea*. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna, female. C, 1st antenna, male. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandible. F, 1st maxilla. G, 2nd maxilla. H, Maxilliped. I, 1st leg, female. J, 1st leg, male. K, 2nd leg, female. L, Endopod of 2nd leg, male. M, 5th leg, female. N, 5th leg, male.

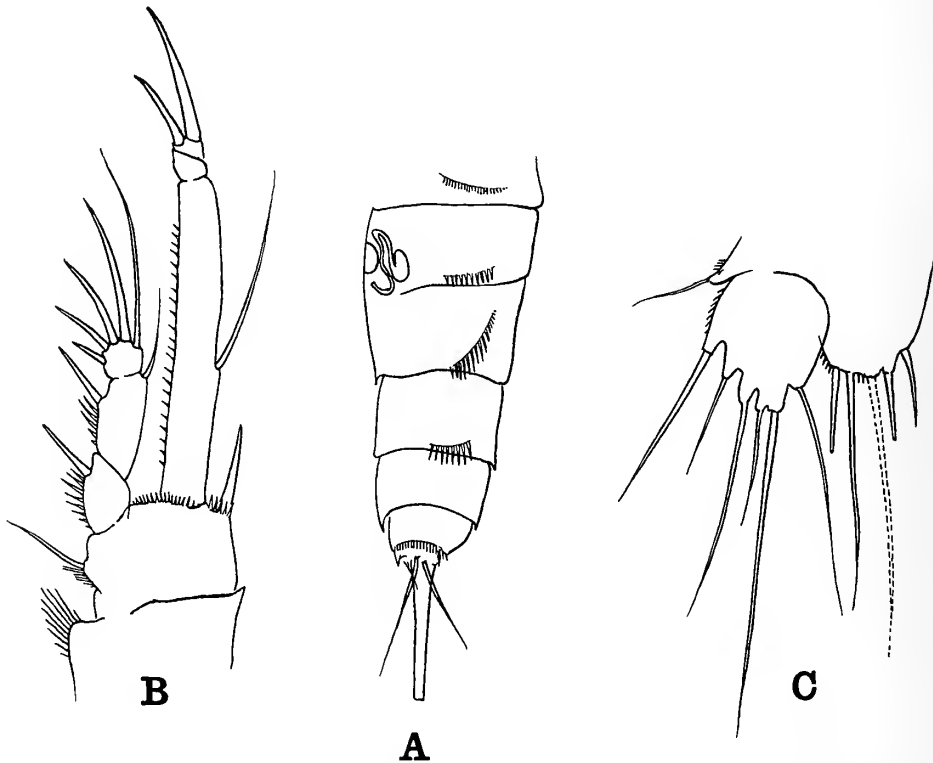
but differing in coloration and in certain details of structure ; to these specimens I propose to give the name f. *pallida*.

f. *pallida*. (Text-fig. 42, A-C.)

♀. Total length, 0.72 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 58 to 42. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	20	35	18	16	8	3 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 42.—*Dactylopusia falcifera* Willey, f. *pallida*, ♀. A, Abdomen, lateral view. B, 1st leg. C, 5th leg.

It would thus appear that the 4th abdominal segment is somewhat shorter in this form than in f. *violacea*, but it is possible that this may be apparent rather than real, and may be due to a state of contraction of the abdomen masking the true length of the segment. The 2nd furcal seta in these examples was simple and was not dilated at the base.

The 1st antenna consists of eight segments having the following proportional lengths :

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	22	18	16	9	8	8	6	13 = 100

The mouth-parts and swimming-legs are identical in the two forms.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 42, c) the distal segment is somewhat broader in proportion to its length than in *F. violacea*, and the margin is more deeply indented between the points of origin of the setæ that arise from it.

These examples, instead of being tinged with purple, were of a golden-orange colour.



DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Nicobar Islands and from Bermuda (Willey).

*Dactylopusia brevicornis* (Claus).

*Dactylopusia brevicornis*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 130, pl. lxxx; T. Scott, 1906, p. 276, pl. xiv, figs. 10-18; Sewell, 1924, p. 819; Wilson, 1932, p. 206, figs. 137a-e.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♂. Total length, 0.55 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions are as 66 to 34. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
27	18	15	15	18	7 = 100

The 4th and 5th abdominal segments are fringed with small spines laterally, and the furcal rami also bear small spinules.

The mouth-parts and appendages agree closely with the description and figures given by Sars (*loc. cit.*).

The specimens were coloured with blue and pink patches and bands, as follows: On the cephalosome a blue patch in the middle line anteriorly and a larger hemispherical blue patch on the posterior part in the middle line, with smaller patches of the same colour at the postero-lateral angles: small patches of pink colour on the lateral aspect and at the base of the 1st antenna. The 2nd thoracic segment shows a band of blue right across the posterior half of the segment. On the 3rd thoracic segment is a transverse blue patch extending across the dorsal area but not reaching the sides. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd abdominal segments are marked with a band of pink, that on the 2nd and 3rd segments being close against the anterior border.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Chilka Lake (Sewell), the Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Brian, Monard, Lang), the coast of North America, Chesapeake Bay (Wilson) and Wood's Hole (Willey), the British Isles (Brady, T. Scott), the coast of Norway (Sars) and the Arctic region, Grinnel Land (Sars).

*Dactylopusia tropica* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 43, A-I.)

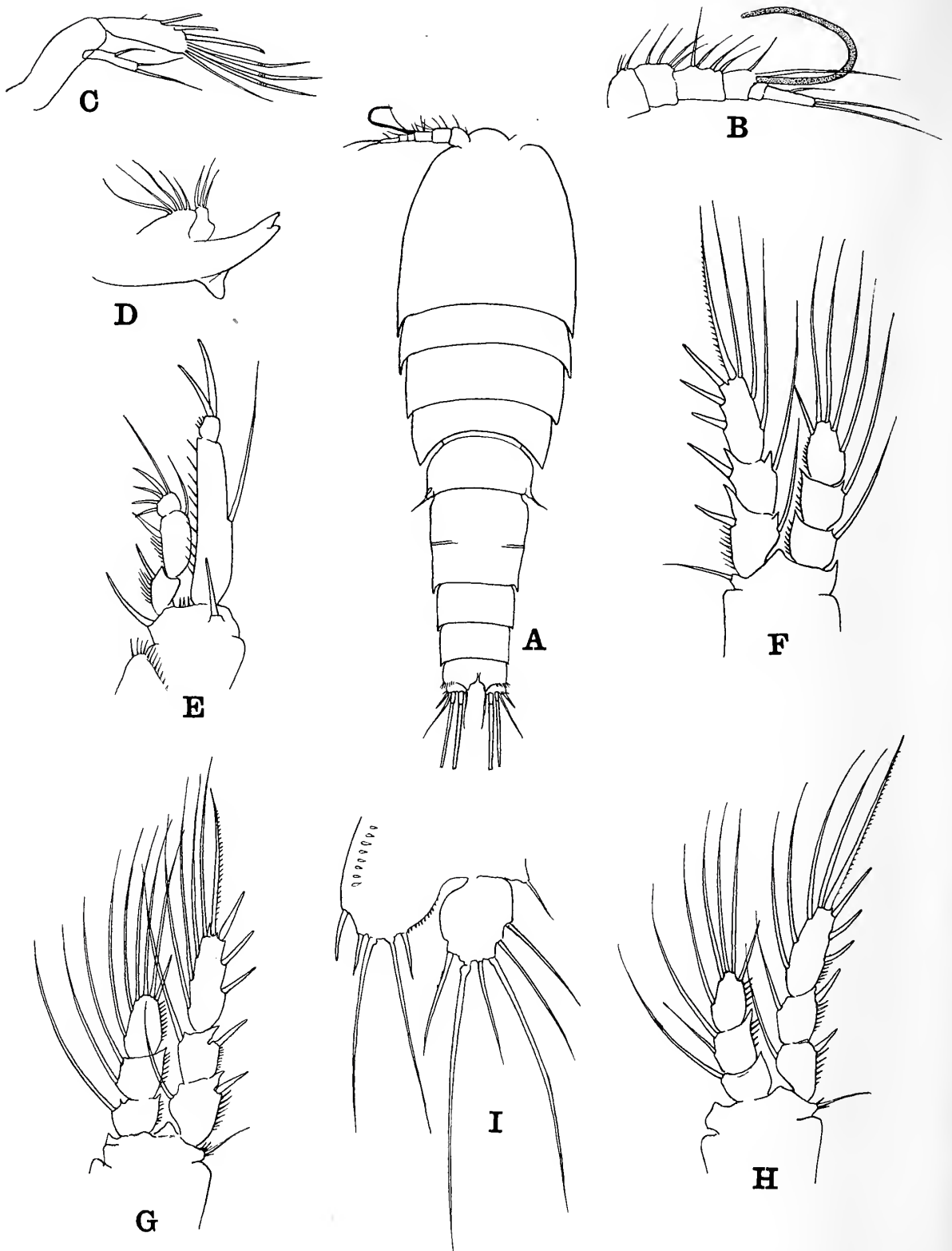
OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.56 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 43, A) are as 30 to 20. The anterior region is moderately robust; the anterior margin is rounded, and the rostrum, when the animal is viewed from the dorsal aspect, does not project. The cephalosome is equal in length to the following three segments. The posterior region tapers slightly and the proportional lengths of the segments are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
22	32	16	16	9	5 = 100

There is a distinct line of fusion between the 1st and 2nd segments in the lateral region. The anal segment bears a row of small spinules along the articulation with the furcal rami. The furcal rami are twice as broad as long.



TEXT-FIG. 43.—*Dactylopusia tropica* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 43, B) consists of only six segments, of which the 3rd is longer than either the 2nd or 4th: the 5th segment is very short. The 4th segment bears a long sensory filament.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 43, C) is composed of two segments; the exopod is reduced, and consists of only a single segment that bears three setæ.

The mandible (Text-fig. 43, D) tapers to a biting edge that is formed of only two teeth, and there is a sharply conical projection on the posterior border; the palp is small, and appears to possess two branches.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 43, E) basal 1 bears a row of spinules on its outer surface; basal 2 is furnished with two, somewhat delicate spines at the inner and outer distal angles respectively. The exopod is composed of three segments and is a little more than half the length of the endopod; the 2nd segment is nearly twice the length of the 1st. The endopod is composed of two segments only; the proximal segment is long, and bears one seta on the inner margin at about the middle of its length; the distal segment is short and bears two long claw-like spines.

The 2nd, 3rd and 4th legs (Text-fig. 43, F-H) are of the usual *Dactylopusia* type, and the arrangement of setæ and spines on the various segments is shown in the following table:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	2	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 43, I) the basal segment bears five setæ and a line of thickened areas runs down the inner margin, as in *Dactylopusia thisboides* and other species of the genus; the distal, free segment is oval in shape and bears 6 setæ.

In the structure of the 1st and 2nd antennæ this species differs from other members of the genus *Dactylopusia* and agrees with the genus *Dactylopusioides* Brian. This latter genus was erected by Brian (1928, p. 338) to accommodate a new species, *D. stampalia*, that he had taken in the Ægean Sea. In *D. stampalia*, however, there is a reduction in the number of marginal spines on the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 3rd and 4th legs, and possibly also on the 2nd, but Brian neither figures nor describes this last.

The present form thus appears to form a connecting link between the genera *Dactylopusia* and *Dactylopusioides*, and for the present I prefer to group it with the former genus.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldivé Archipelago.

#### Genus *Jalysus* Brian.

*Jalysus*, Brian, 1927.

This genus was created by Brian to accommodate a new species that was taken by him in the Ægean Sea; Gurney (1927c, p. 505, fig. 133) has recorded finding the same species in the Suez Canal. Two other species that appear to belong to this genus were taken in the Maldivé Archipelago.

*Jalysus investigatoris* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 44, A-K, ♀; Text-fig. 45, A-H, ♂.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.89 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 44, A) are as 60 to 30. The anterior region is robust and almost hemispherical, while the posterior region tapers considerably, so that the appearance of the whole animal closely resembles that of a *Westwoodia*. The rostrum is short and stout, bluntly pointed and depressed, so that it is barely visible from the dorsal aspect. The cephalosome is highly vaulted. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
15	30	15	19	14	7 = 100

The genital segment is considerably wider than long, and the line of fusion of the two segments is plainly visible in the dorso-lateral region. The furcal rami are considerably broader than long; the outer distal angle is armed with a short straight spine and from the distal border arise four setæ, of which the 2nd is by far the longest, the others being quite short and delicate.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 44, B) is short and is composed of eight segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
24	16	20	13	5	5	7	10 = 100

Segments 3 and 4 each bear a long sensory filament and segment 1 bears a row of spinules along the distal margin; but there is no stout spine present on segment 2, such as is present in *J. rufus* Brian.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 44, C) is stoutly built and consists of two segments. The exopod is reduced to a single segment that bears three setæ.

The mandible (Text-fig. 44, D) is provided with a straight rod-like palp, that bears four setæ on its distal margin.

Gurney (1927c, p. 505) states that the maxillæ are "as in *Dactylopusia*", but in the present species the 1st maxilla (Text-fig. 44, E) has a biting lobe bearing five teeth, and the palp is uniramous and bears four setæ at its distal end.

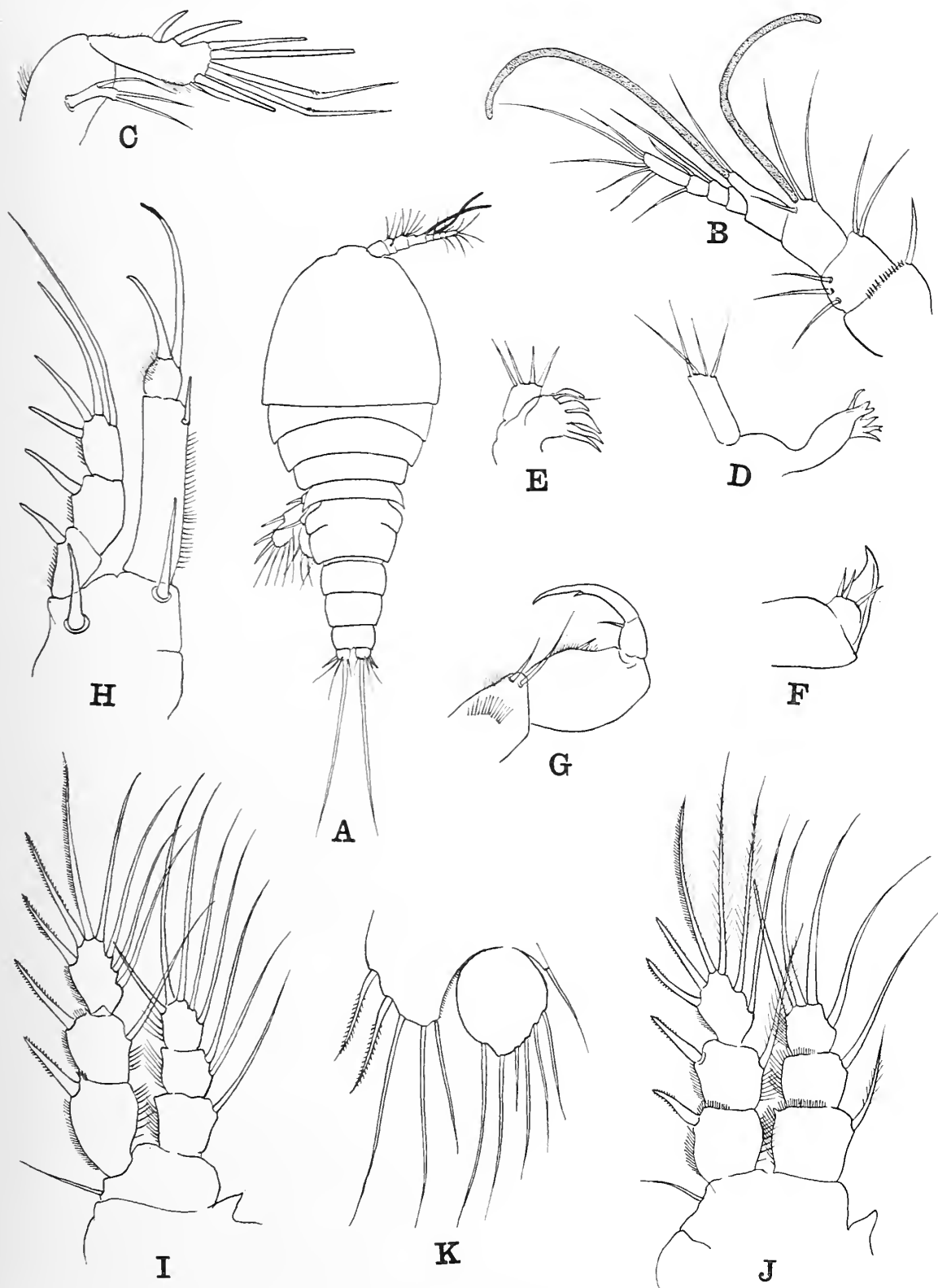
The 2nd maxilla (Text-fig. 44, F) is very stoutly built and the claw on the terminal lobe is stout and strong.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 44, G) forms a stout claw; the terminal claw bears a small spine on its inner margin about half-way along its length.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 44, H) the 2nd basal segment bears a short spine on both the inner and outer distal angles. The exopod is composed of three segments, and reaches almost to the distal end of the 1st segment of the endopod; the inner margins of the three segments of the exopod are devoid of setæ and the 3rd segment bears on its outer margin only two marginal spines, and an end-spine and a single seta arise from the distal border. The proximal segment of the endopod bears a short spine-like seta on its inner border near the distal end; the distal segment is globular and bears two long curved spines.

In the 2nd, 3rd and 4th legs (Text-figs. 44, I and J), both exopod and endopod are composed of three segments, and the terminal segment of the exopod bears only two





TEXT-FIG. 44.—*Jalysus investigatoris* sp. nov., ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st maxilla. F, 2nd maxilla. G, Maxilliped. H, 1st leg. I, 2nd leg. J, 4th leg. K, 5th leg.

marginal spines instead of the usual three. The setal formula for the swimming-legs is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 2
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 2
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 2

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 44, κ) is of the "*Dactylopusia*" type, but does not exhibit any line of thickenings of the chitin, such as is found in *D. thisboides* (Claus); the proximal segment is expanded and bears five setæ; the distal free segment projects somewhat beyond the distal end of the inner plate, is sub-circular in shape, and carries six setæ.

♂. Total length 0.81 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 68 to 32. There is no sharp line of division between the two regions, and the body tapers gradually to the posterior end.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 45, A) is modified to form a grasping organ and reaches back to about the middle of the cephalosome.

The 2nd antenna is very like that of *Jalysus rufus* Brian, but has two setæ at the distal end of the exopod instead of only one.

The 1st leg resembles that of the female.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 45, B) the endopod is modified, segments 2 and 3 being fused. From the base of the distal segment two modified setæ arise, and the distal part of the joint bears two normal setæ on its inner margin and one distally.

The 3rd and 4th legs resemble those of the female.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 45, C) the proximal segment bears two spines, and the distal free segment is almost circular in outline and bears 4 setæ, the inner two of which are thickened and spine-like; the distal of these setæ is of considerable length, and is equal to about three times the length of the segment itself and twice the length of the proximal.

The genital segment is armed on its posterior margin by a stout spine and two setæ, which arise from a short prolongation of the posterior border.

In colour the examples of this species were dark brown.

Associated with these adults was a young individual in the 5th Copepodid stage.

*Copepodid Stage V.*—Total length 0.62 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 71 to 29. The 4th and 5th abdominal segments have not yet become differentiated.

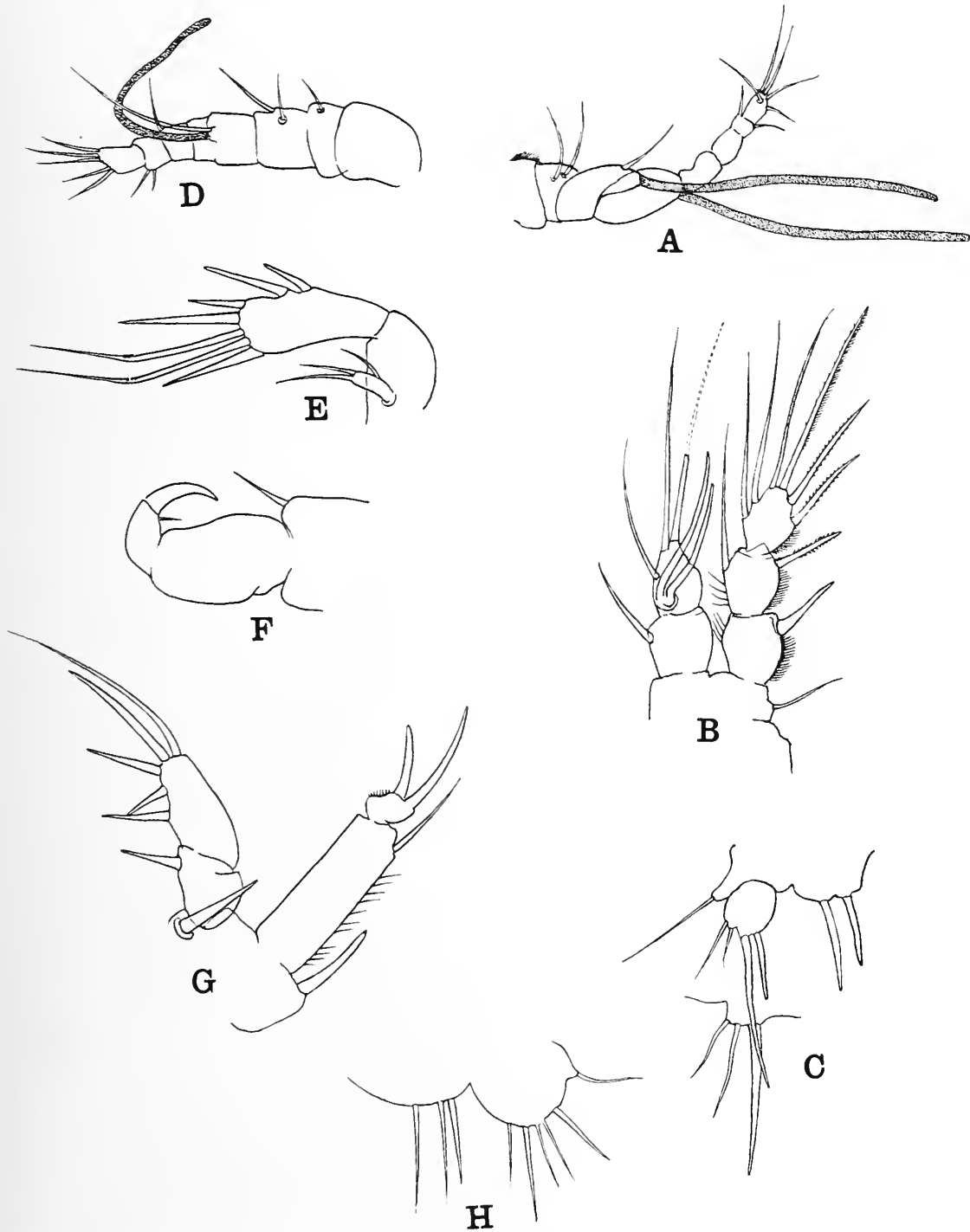
The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 45, D) is very short, but is composed of the full number—eight—of segments; the 4th segment bears a long sensory filament.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 45, E) is fully developed, and the exopod consists, as in the adult, of a single segment, bearing three setæ.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 45, F) is powerful and the terminal claw-like segment is very short.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 45, G) the exopod is composed of only two segments, thus resembling a *Parathalestris*; the distal segment represents segments 2 and 3, and on the outer margin bears three marginal spines and distally a single spine and a seta; thus at

the next stage when segments 2 and 3 become differentiated, the 3rd segment will, as we have seen, bear only two marginal spines.



TEXT-FIG. 45.—*Jalysus investigatoris* sp. nov., ♂. A, 1st antenna, male, adult. B, 2nd leg, adult. C, 5th leg and genital armature, adult. D, 1st antenna, juv. E, 2nd antenna, juv. F, Maxilliped, juv. G, 1st leg, juv. H, 5th leg, juv.

The segments of the 5th leg (Text-fig. 45, H) have not yet become differentiated; the inner lobe bears three setae and the outer five.

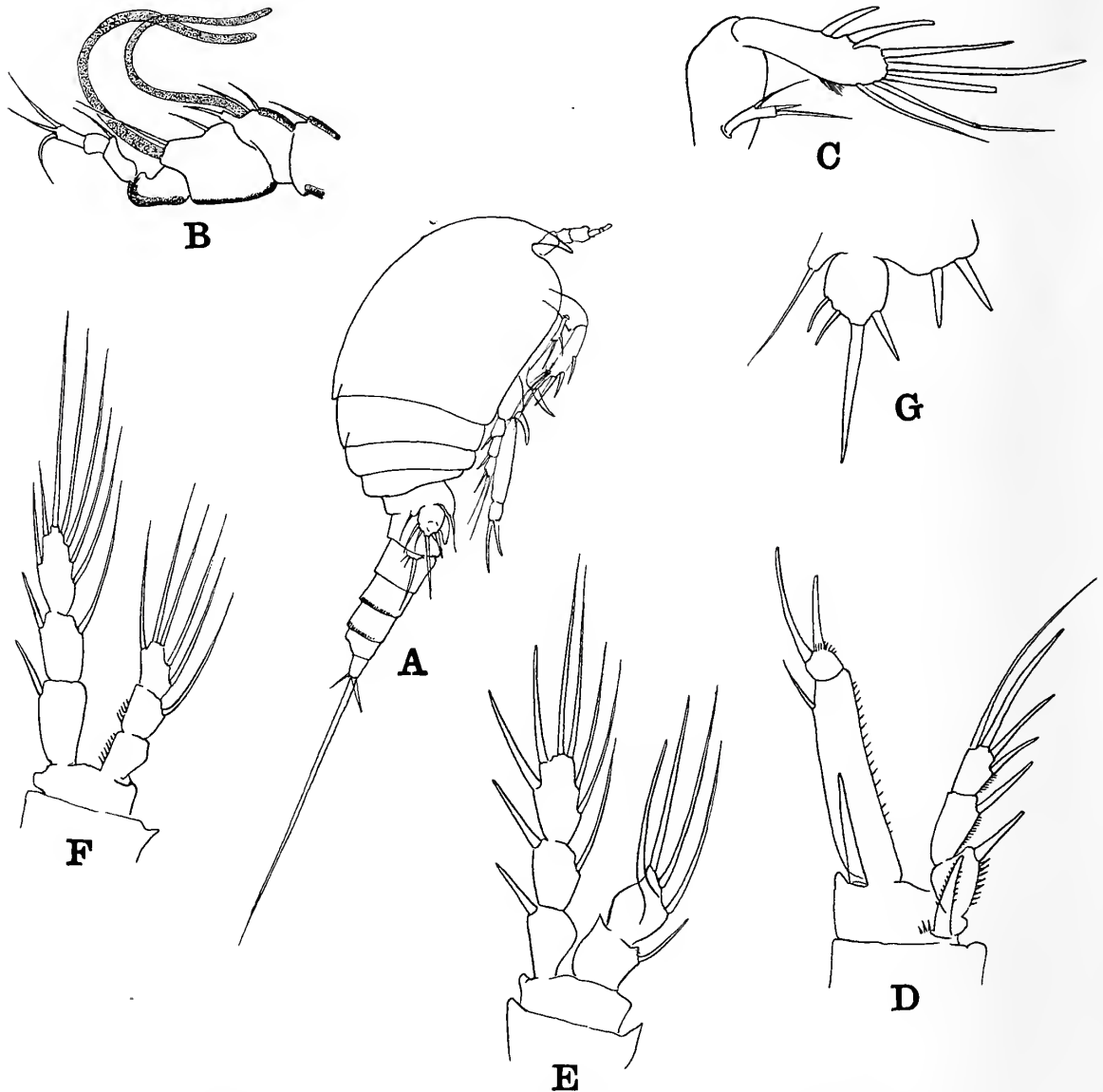
DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.

*Jalysus proximus* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 46, A-G.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♂. Total length, 0.51 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 46, A) are as 34 to 14.



TEXT-FIG. 46.—*Jalysus proximus* sp. nov., ♂. A, Male, lateral view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg. F, 3rd leg. G, 5th leg.

In its general appearance this species, like *Jalysus investigatoris*, closely resembles a *Westwoodia*. The abdominal segments have the following proportional lengths :

Segment	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	19	19	19	22	15	6 = 100

The posterior margins of segments 3 and 4 are either armed with a row of fine needle-like spinules, or else possess a band across them that is ridged like the "milled" edge of a



coin, but I was unable to determine which of the two interpretations is the correct one. The furcal rami are one and a half times as broad as long, and are armed at the distal outer angle with a straight spine. The 2nd furcal seta is long and well developed.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 46, B) forms a powerful grasping organ and appears to consist of eight segments, of which the 3rd and 4th bear each a long sensory filament.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 46, C) is composed of two segments, of which the proximal is stout; the distal segment bears four spines on the anterior margin and distal angle, two geniculate setae on the distal border and a single simple seta on the lower margin near the distal end. The exopod consists of a single segment bearing three setae, one on the anterior margin and two, very unequal, setae distally.

In the rest of its appendages this form very closely resembles the male of the preceding species, but there are slight differences. In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 46, D) the exopod is distinctly shorter and only reaches to about two-thirds the length of the proximal segment of the endopod. The two spines on the distal segment on the endopod are shorter.

In the 2nd, 3rd and 4th legs (Text-fig. 46, E and F) the rami are more slender, and the endopod, especially in the 3rd and 4th legs, is relatively shorter. In the 2nd leg the endopod consists of only two segments, and arising from the base of the distal segment I could detect only one modified seta instead of two. As in *Jalysus investigatoris*, the third segment of the exopods of the 2nd-4th legs bears only two marginal spines, but these are more slender in the present species.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 46, G) very closely resembles that of the preceding species; but the spine-like setae arising from both the inner and outer segments of the appendage are shorter and perhaps somewhat stouter.

It is possible that this male represents a small form of *J. investigatoris*, such as occur in several other species (*vide supra*, p. 121), but for the present and until more specimens are available for study I prefer to regard them as separate species.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldive Archipelago.

The possession in the 1st leg of an endopod that is composed of only two segments, a very long proximal segment and a short distal segment, places these species in the same group as the following genera:

*Dactylopodella* Sars.

*Flavia* Brady.

*Eudactylopus* A. Scott.

*Parastenhelia* Thompson and A. Scott (= *Microthalestris* Sars).

*Dactylopinga* Brady.

*Dactylopodopsis* Sars.

*Pelthestris* Monard.

*Xouthous* Thomson (= *Megarthrurum* Norman and T. Scott).

*Valentinia* Norman and T. Scott.

*Thalestrella* Monard.

*Tydemanellella* A. Scott.

*Jalysus* Brian.

Of these the possession of eight segments in the 1st antenna, and the presence of an exopod in the 2nd antenna that is composed of only a single segment, places the species in the same group with *Tydemanellella* A. Scott and *Jalysus* Brian; but in *Tydemanellella* the palp of the

mandible is biramous, whereas in *Jalysus*, as in the present species, this palp is composed of a single unbranched rod.

In the genus *Jalysus*, however, the setal formula of the 2nd–4th legs is given by Gurney (1927c, p. 506) as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 1, 4 (2, 2, 3)
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 1, 4 (3, 2, 3)
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 1, 4 (2, 2, 3)

It may therefore be necessary in the future to erect a new genus for these two species ; but for the present I prefer to group them with *rufus* in the genus *Jalysus*.

Genus *Parawestwoodia* Sharpe (= *Westwoodia* Dana, *nom. preocc.*).

Closely related to the genus *Parawestwoodia* Sharpe are the genera *Pseudothalestris* Brady and *Pseudowestwoodia* Scott, and Sars (1903–11, p. 139) regards the last two as synonyms of *Westwoodia*. Monard (1928a, p. 358), apparently in ignorance of the fact that Sharpe (1910) had already pointed out that the name *Westwoodia* was preoccupied, proposed reducing these three genera to the rank of subgenera within the genus *Westwoodia* Dana (*sensu lato*). Both Gurney (1927c, p. 507) and Lang (1934, p. 32) are of the opinion that it is best to regard these three groups as definite genera and I have followed their suggestion.

Gurney (1927c, pp. 507–9) recorded two species of *Parawestwoodia* from the Suez Canal, namely *P. nobilis* (Baird) and *P. purpurea* Gurney.

*Parawestwoodia nobilis* (Baird).

*Westwoodia nobilis*, Sars, 1903–11, p. 140, pls. lxxxv, lxxxvi.

*Westwoodia* (*Westwoodia*) *nobilis*, Monard, 1928a, p. 359, figs. xxii, 1, and xxiii, 1.

*Parawestwoodia nobilis*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 507, fig. 134, A.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldives Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single specimen.

DISTRIBUTION.—Maldives Archipelago (present record), Suez Canal (Gurney), Mediterranean Sea (Monard, Brian), coast of N. America, Wood's Hole region (Wilson), Irish coast (Farran), British Isles (Baird), English Channel (Norman and T. Scott, Monard), North Sea (Claus), the Baltic Sea (Klie), Kiel Bay (Kunz), the coast of Norway (Sars) and Franz Josef Land (Scott).

Genus *Pseudothalestris* Brady.

This genus is well represented in Indian waters, no less than four species having been recorded, namely *Pseudothalestris major* T. and A. Scott, from near Suez (A. Scott, 1902), *P. imbricata* Brady, from the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott, 1903), *P. sarsi* A. Scott, from the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott, 1909), and *P. nana* T. Scott, from the Suez Canal, Port Taufiq (Gurney, 1927c).

*Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady. (Text-fig. 47, A-I.)

*Pseudothalestris imbricata*, Brady, 1883, p. 101, pl. xlii, figs. 1-8; Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 272, pl. xi, figs. 19-24.

? *Pseudothalestris saturni*, Farran, 1913, p. 10, pl. i, figs. 1-4.

? *Westwoodia (Pseudothalestris) saturni*, Monard, 1928a, p. 362, figs. xxii, 4, and xxiii, 4.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length 0.74 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 47, A) are as 64 to 36. The cephalosome is large and bears a short rostrum, that is slightly emarginate on each side near the extreme tip, and from each emargination arises a very short and delicate hair. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region of the body are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
20	36	18	15	8	3 = 100

The anal segment bears a well-developed anal operculum with a semicircular posterior margin. The furcal rami are very short: the proportion of length to breadth being about 1 to 5. The 2nd furcal seta is swollen at the base.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 47, B) is short, and consists of six segments that have the following proportional lengths:

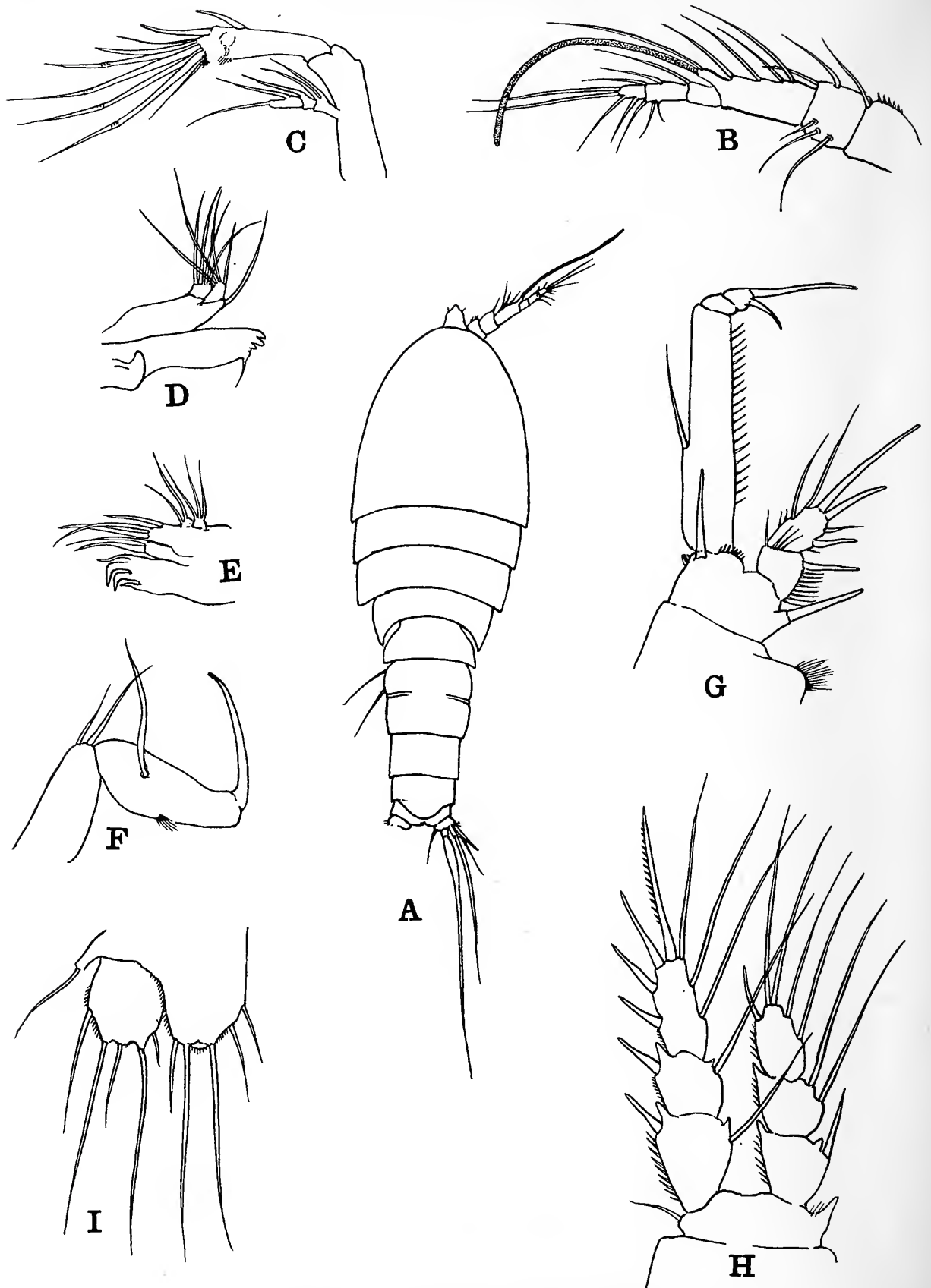
	Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	
	15	18	35	10	15	7	= 100
<i>imbricata</i> , Thompson and A. Scott	15	20	35	7	11.5	11.5	= 100
<i>saturni</i> , Farran	21	16	35	9	13	6	= 100

For comparison I have given above the corresponding measurements, calculated in parts per hundred of the total length, in *imbricata* as given by Thompson and A. Scott, and in *saturni* according to Farran. The line of division between segments 5 and 6 is not complete in some of my examples.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 47, c) closely resembles that of *Parawestwoodia nobilis* (Baird) as figured by Sars (1903-11, pl. lxxxv, a<sup>2</sup>); the terminal segment of the endopod is comparatively slender and bears on its anterior margin two spines, followed at the distal angle by a seta and a spine; on the distal margin arise four geniculate setae, followed by a simple seta. The exopod is composed of three segments, bearing respectively two, one and two setae; Monard, in his account of *P. saturni*, states (*loc. cit.*, p. 362) that the exopod "à 3 articles, armé de 5 soies", but in his figure (fig. xxii, 4) he shows three setae arising from the distal segment, making six in all.

The mouth-parts closely resemble those of *Parawestwoodia nobilis* as figured by Sars.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 47, G) the 1st basal segment bears a tuft of hairs at the distal external angle. The 2nd basal segment is armed at both inner and outer distal angles with a tapering spine, that arising from the inner angle being somewhat the longer. The exopod is short, and reaches barely as far as the origin of the inner seta on the proximal segment of the endopod; it consists of two segments of approximately equal length. The 1st segment of the exopod bears a marginal spine, and a row of long hairs arises from the inner part of the distal margin; the 2nd segment bears on the outer margin first a spine, then a



TEXT-FIG. 47.—*Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st maxilla. F, Maxilliped. G, 1st leg. H, 2nd leg. I, 5th leg.



delicate seta, and finally another spine at the distal outer angle; from the distal margin arise a long end-spine and a seta, and a second seta springs from the inner margin. In the seta-like character of the 2nd marginal spine these specimens agree exactly with the description of *saturni*, as given by Farran and Monard, but neither of these authors mentions any seta arising from the inner margin, as is shown in *imbricata* by Thompson and A. Scott. In the figure given by Thompson and A. Scott (1903, pl. xi, fig. 22) of this appendage in their examples of *imbricata* the delicate 2nd marginal seta appears to have been overlooked.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 47, 1) closely resembles the figure given by Thompson and A. Scott of this appendage (*loc. cit.*, pl. xi, fig. 23), and that of *saturni* as given by Farran (*loc. cit.*, pl. i, fig. 3) and Monard (*loc. cit.*, fig. xxiii, 4); in all cases the free segment bears five setæ, of which the middle one is much shorter than those on either side, and the innermost seta is also extremely short.

Farran, in his account of *P. saturni*, has commented on the resemblance between his examples and the account given by Thompson and A. Scott of the female of what they took to be *P. imbricata* Brady; he states that the differences between these two forms are:

(i) *P. saturni* is larger. Farran gives the length of his specimens as 0.8 mm.; those of *imbricata* measured by Thompson and Scott were only 0.65 mm. in length. The present examples, which measure 0.74 mm., are thus intermediate but approach more nearly to *saturni*.

(ii) In *P. saturni* there is a small additional outer edge seta on exopod 2 of the 1st leg, which is absent in *P. imbricata*. In my specimens this seta is present; they thus agree with *saturni*.

(iii) In *P. imbricata* there is an inner edge seta on the 2nd segment of the exopod of the 1st leg, which is absent in *saturni*. In these examples this seta is present; they thus resemble *imbricata*.

It thus appears probable that *P. saturni* Farran and the examples described by Thompson and A. Scott as the females of *P. imbricata* Brady are actually representatives of the same species that vary slightly, as one would expect from their wide geographical range. Whether Thompson and A. Scott are correct in assigning their examples to Brady's species cannot be determined, since Brady only had an example of the male and Thompson and A. Scott examples of the female.

DISTRIBUTION.—Kerguelen (Brady, ♂), Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott, ♀), Maldive Archipelago (present record, ♀), Mediterranean Sea (Monard, ♀), Irish Coast (Farran, ♀).

I can find no valid ground of distinction between the female *Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady as described above and the male as described by Brady, and the form that has been described from the Mediterranean Sea, Gulf of Genoa and the Ægean Sea by Brian under the name *Westwoodia assimilis* var. *dubia* (1928a, p. 7, figs. 26–35) and *Westwoodia dubia* (1928b, p. 320). His description of the male agrees very closely with Brady's original description, with the exception that in the 2nd segment of the exopod of the 1st leg the inner seta is absent, as in *saturni* Farran, and the exopod of the 2nd antenna consists of three segments, whereas Brady in his original account states and figures it of only two segments.

*Pseudothalestris minuta* (Claus).

*Westwoodia minuta*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 142, pl. lxxxviii, fig. 1.

*Westwoodia (Pseudothalestris) minuta*, Monard, 1928a, p. 360, fig. xxii, 2, and xxiii, 2.

*Pseudothalestris minuta*, Wilson, 1932, p. 211, fig. 141.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

According to Sars this species is identical with the form described by T. Scott under the name *Pseudothalestris major*.

DISTRIBUTION.—Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Red Sea near Suez (A. Scott), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard, Brian), the coast of N. America, Wood's Hole region (Wilson), the Irish Coast (Farran), the British Isles (Brady, T. Scott), the North Sea, Heligoland (Claus), the coast of Norway (Sars).

*Pseudothalestris nana* T. Scott.

*Pseudothalestris nana*, T. Scott, 1914, p. 372; Gurney, 1927c, p. 509, fig. 135.

*Pseudothalestris intermedia*, T. Scott, 1912, p. 559, pl. ix, figs. 1-4, pl. xii, figs. 27-29.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DISTRIBUTION.—Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Suez Canal, Port Taufiq (Gurney), S. Atlantic Ocean, Falkland Islands and S. Orkney Islands (T. Scott).

## Family DIOSACCIDÆ.

Genus *Diosaccus* Boeck.

Two species belonging to this genus were recorded by Gurney (1927c) from the Suez Canal, namely, *Diosaccus tenuicornis* (Claus) Sars and *D. truncatus* Gurney. One of these species, *D. truncatus* Gurney, occurs in the present collection, together with two others, *D. hamiltoni* (Thompson and A. Scott) and a new species for which I propose the name *D. monardi*.

*Diosaccus truncatus* Gurney.

*Diosaccus truncatus*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 513, fig. 136.

OCCURRENCE.—Mergui Harbour, Burma, in a surface tow-netting. Burma coast 11° 34' 45" N.; 98° 34' 30" E., in a surface tow-net. Several specimens of the female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.219 mm., slightly larger than the original specimens from the Suez Canal, which measured 1.12 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior region, including the rostrum, and the posterior region are as 58 to 42. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.	
47	18	14	16	5	= 100

The line of articulation between the furcal rami and the anal segment is armed laterally with a row of small spinules. Gurney describes the furcal rami as being apparently fused with the anal segment, but in the present specimens the separation was quite clear.

In the 1st antenna the eight segments have the proportional lengths as given below, and for convenience of reference I have also given the lengths as detailed by Gurney :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
23	23	16	15	4	7	4	8 = 100
(Gurney) 21	18	20	14	6	8	6	8 = 101

There thus appears to be some degree of variation in the length of individual segments, especially the 2nd and 3rd.

The mouth-parts and appendages agree closely with the description and figures given by Gurney, with the exception of the 4th swimming-leg. In this leg according to Gurney the 2nd segment of the endopod carries two inner setæ, but in the present examples only one was present, the setal formula for this leg being :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 3 (or 3, 1, 4)

DISTRIBUTION.—The coast of Southern Burma (present record) and Port Said (Gurney).

*Diosaccus hamiltoni* (Thompson and A. Scott). (Text-fig. 48, A-L.)

*Dactylophusia hamiltoni*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 270, pl. x, figs. 1-7.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in coral-washings. Henry Lawrence Island, Ritchie's Archipelago, Andaman Islands, in weed.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.09 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 48, A) are as 58 to 42. The rostrum is prominent and is sharply pointed. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region of the body are as follows :

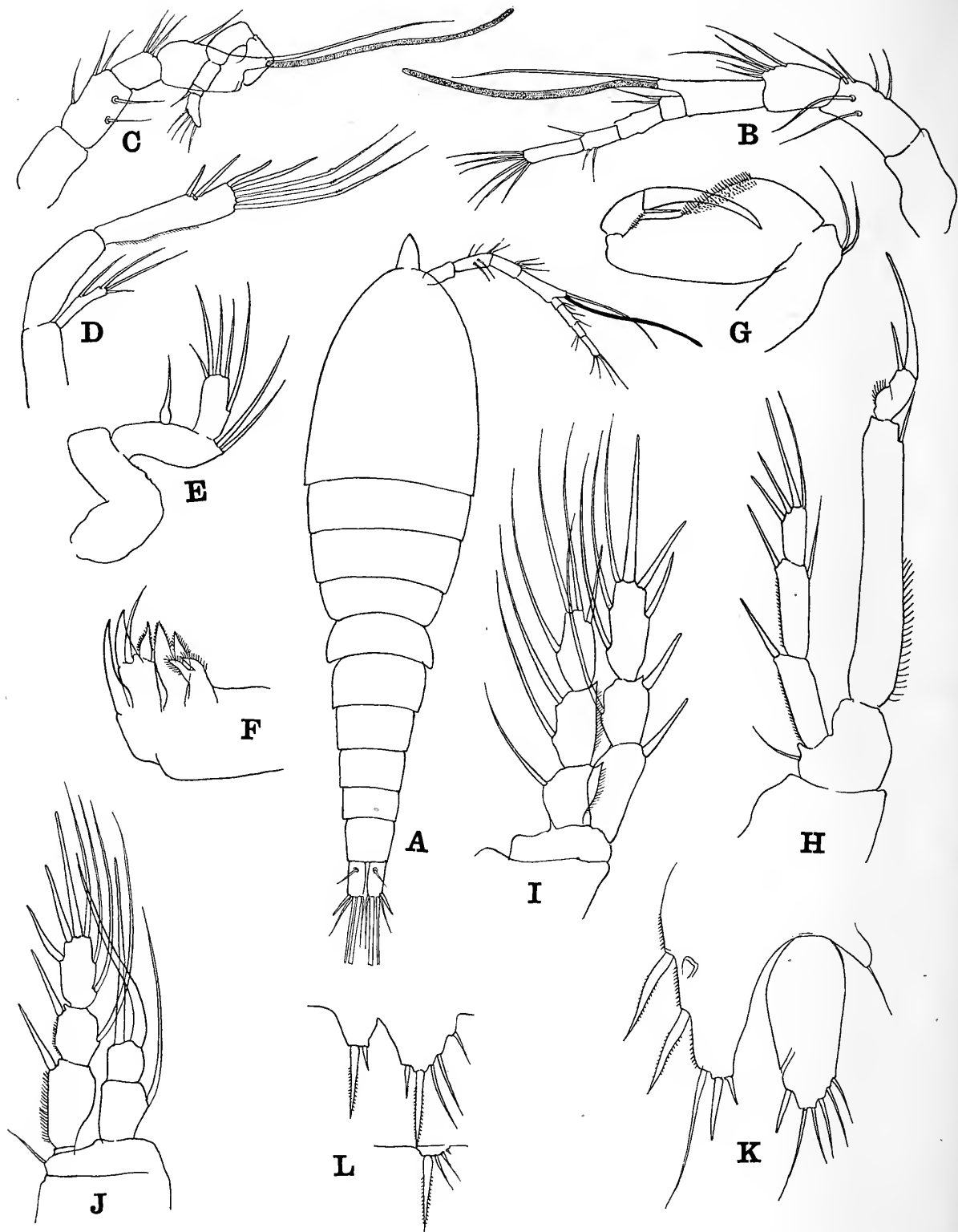
Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
13	28	15	12	18	14 = 100

The line of demarcation between the two parts of the genital segment, segments 1 and 2, is clearly visible across the dorsal aspect. The furcal rami are about twice as long as broad and are armed at the distal outer angle with a spine-like seta, that is not shown in Thompson and A. Scott's figure (pl. x, fig. 7).

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 48, B) is long and reaches back to at least two-thirds the length of the cephalosome; it consists of eight segments that have the proportional lengths given below: for convenience I have also given the lengths from Thompson and A. Scott recalculated in parts per 100 :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	
	16	18	16	18	4	10	6	12 = 100
Thompson and A. Scott	18	18	15	17	5	9	6	11 = 99

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 48, D) the exopod usually consists of only a single segment; Thompson and A. Scott in their account of this appendage state that the



TEXT-FIG. 48.—*Diosaccus hamiltoni* (Thompson and A. Scott). A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna, female. C, 1st antenna, male. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandible. F, 2nd maxilla. G, Maxilliped. H, 1st leg. I, 2nd leg, female. J, 2nd leg, male. K, 5th leg, female. L, 5th leg and genital armature, male.



exopod is composed of two segments; they have, unfortunately, transposed the two rami, for they state, "outer branch of posterior antennæ 3-jointed, a 2-jointed inner branch springing from the basal joint". In one of my examples the exopod was composed of two segments, but in this instance the line of segmentation fell beyond the origin of the 1st seta, so that the proximal segment carried one seta and the distal three; Thompson and A. Scott, in their figure (pl. x, fig. 3), show all four setæ arising from the distal segment.

The mandible (Text-fig. 48, E), like that of *D. tenuicornis*, possesses an expanded end that forms a crushing organ without any definite teeth. The palp possesses only a single ramus, the second ramus being represented by a single seta that is somewhat swollen at its base.

The 1st and 2nd maxillæ and the maxilliped (Text-fig. 48, F and G) closely resemble those of *D. tenuicornis*.

The 2nd-4th legs closely resemble those of *D. tenuicornis*, and the setal formula is as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 2
P3	1	2	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 3

In the 5th pair of legs (Text-fig. 48, K) the distal free segment reaches a short distance beyond the level of the apex of the proximal inner segment and tapers slightly towards the end. It bears three delicate setæ on its outer margin close to the distal end, two setæ, of which the inner is the longer, on the distal margin, and one spine on the inner border. The proximal segment bears two unequal spines and a seta on the distal border and two sub-equal serrated spines on its inner margin. Close to the inner margin and near the origin of the proximal seta in the expansion of the proximal segment is a pit-like depression bordered with thickened chitin. Sars (1903-11, pl. lxxxix, p. 5) shows a similar structure in the inner margin of the proximal segment of *D. tenuicornis*, but makes no mention of it in the text.

♂. Total length, 0.8 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body in this sex are as 58 to 42, as in the female. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
17	16	13	11	10	18	15 = 100

The furcal rami are slightly longer than in the female, and are more than twice as long as broad.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 48, C) forms a grasping organ.

The 1st leg resembles that of the female.

The 2nd leg (Text-fig. 48, J) is modified; the endopod consists of two segments only and the distal is much smaller than the proximal. The distal segment bears only two thickened setæ, that arise from the distal extremity; in *D. tenuicornis* this segment bears three setæ, of which two are modified.

As in *D. tenuicornis*, the 5th legs (Text-fig. 48, L) are not fully differentiated. The outer plate is about twice the size of the inner and is triangular in shape; it bears two delicate setæ on the outer aspect, a stout spine at the distal end, and a small seta on the inner margin. The inner plate bears a small spine externally and a stout serrated spine internally on its truncated extremity.

The genital segment bears an armature consisting of two delicate setæ and one large serrated spine, as in *D. tenuicornis*.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Andaman and Nicobar Islands (present records) and the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott).

*Diosaccus monardi* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 49, A-J.)

OCCURRENCE.—Perseus Reef, Camorta Island, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.85 mm.

The body (Text-fig. 49, A) is robust. The rostrum is depressed and terminates in a point. The line of demarcation between the cephalon and the 1st thoracic segment can be clearly traced across the dorsal aspect. The abdomen tapers markedly to the posterior end. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	14	34	18	14	11	9 = 100

The furcal rami are about as long as broad, and the distal outer angle is truncated and is armed with a spine. The 2nd seta is as long as the whole posterior region and is markedly swollen and bulbous at the base.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 49, B) is composed of eight segments, that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	17	19	19	20	4	7	6	8 = 100

The 4th segment bears a long, delicate sensory filament.

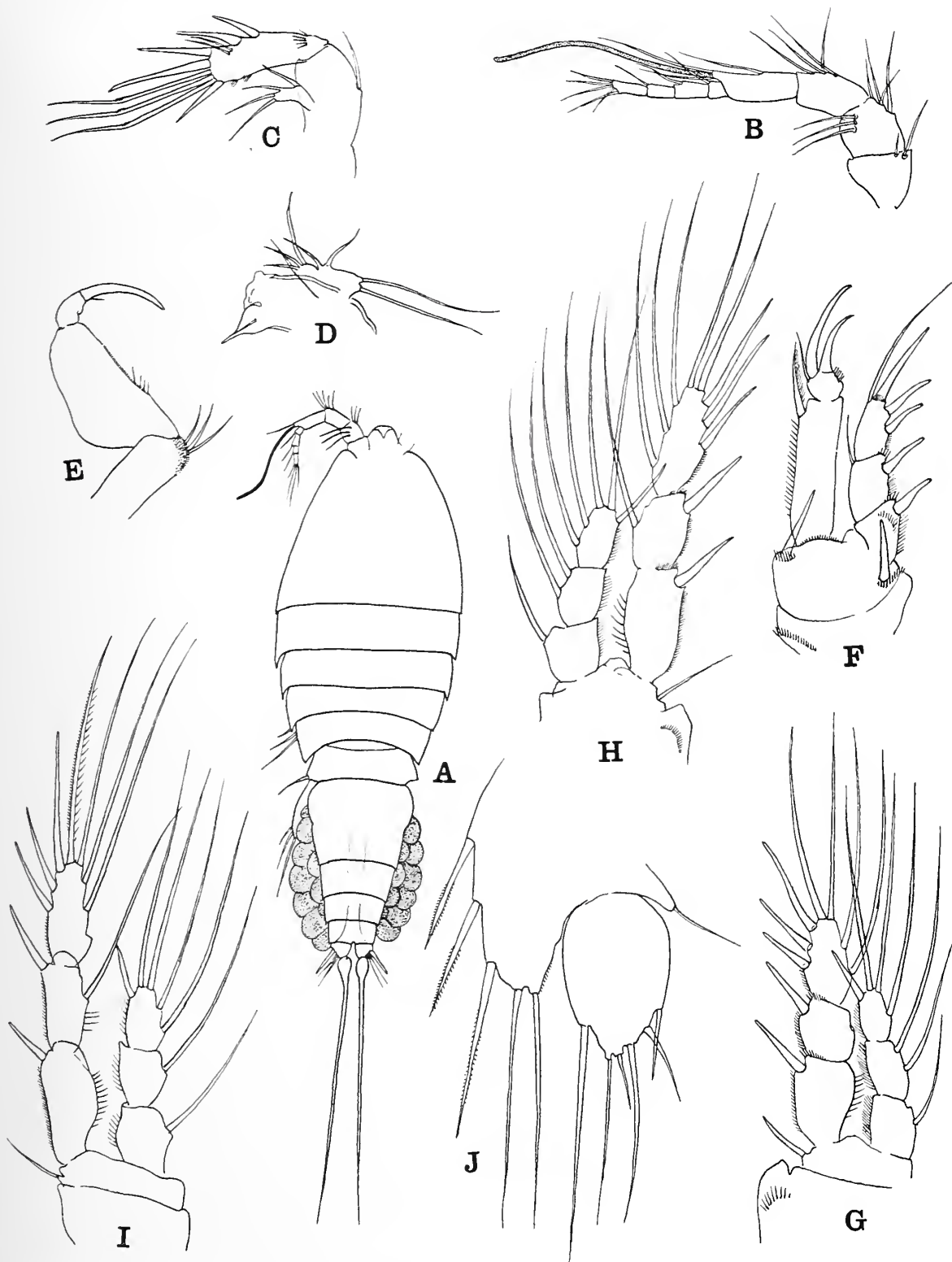
The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 49, C) is robust and is composed of two segments, the distal of which bears on the anterior margin two spines followed by two delicate setæ; from the distal margin spring two stout spines followed by three geniculate setæ and then another spine. The exopod is composed of a single segment that bears four setæ.

The mandibular palp carries a single ramus, as in *D. tenuicornis*.

The 1st maxilla (Text-fig. 49, D) appears to be considerably reduced and bears a small palp.

The 2nd maxilla closely resembles that of *Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus).

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 49, F) more nearly resembles that of a *Jalysus* (cf. *Jalysus investigatoris*, Text-fig. 44, H) than a *Diosaccus*. The 2nd basal segment bears a stout spine at both the inner and outer distal angles. The two rami are not markedly unequal in length. The exopod consists of three segments, of which the first bears only a marginal spine and is devoid of an inner seta; the outer margin is fringed with hair, and a curved row of needle-like spinules runs across the surface near the base of the marginal spine. The second segment bears both a marginal spine and an inner seta, and the outer border is fringed with hair; the terminal segment bears only two marginal spines, and from the distal end



TEXT-FIG. 49.—*Diosaccus monardi* sp. nov., ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st maxilla. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 3rd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg.

arise a long end-spine and a single seta. The endopod consists of only two segments, of which the proximal is equal in length to the whole exopod; a short spine-like seta arises from the inner margin near the distal end. The terminal segment is globular, and bears two unequal, claw-like spines and a delicate inner seta.

The setal formula for the 2nd-4th legs (Text-fig. 49, G-I) is as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 3

This species thus differs from *D. tenuicornis*, *truncatus* and *hamiltoni* in having three marginal spines on the terminal segment of the exopod of the 2nd leg, instead of only two.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 49, J) the proximal inner segment extends to about half the length of the outer, free segment, and bears five setæ, of which the inner three are stout and spine-like, while two delicate setæ arise from the distal margin; the distal free segment is somewhat pyriform in outline and tapers towards the apex, which bears six setæ.

The female bears two egg-sacs.

No corresponding male was seen.

I have much pleasure in dedicating this species to Dr. A. Monard.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Nicobar Islands.

#### Genus *Amphiascus* Sars.

There has in the past been a considerable diversity of opinion regarding the strict limits of this large and unwieldy genus. Gurney (1927c) attempted to introduce some order by separating off a number of species in a new genus to which he gave the name *Amphiascopsis*, while others he transferred to the genus *Robertsonia* Brady and removed this genus from the family Tachidiidæ, to which it was referred by Sars, to the family Diosaccidæ. A year later Monard (1928b) reviewed the whole position, and he showed that the species of *Amphiascus* can be separated into thirteen groups, and that the species separated by Gurney in his genus *Amphiascopsis* fall into several different groups; in the same paper he objected to the removal of *Amphiascus knoxi*, *irrasa* and *scotti* to the genus *Robertsonia* on the ground that in *Robertsonia* the females bear only a single egg-sac, whereas in *Amphiascus* and in these three species the number of egg-sacs is two. Another characteristic of the genus *Robertsonia* is the presence on the segments of the 1st antenna of certain serrated setæ; such setæ are present in *Amphiascus knoxi*, *irrasa* and *scotti*, but are absent from the other species of *Amphiascus*. Gurney (1932) has again discussed this question, and he points out that the presence of one or two egg-sacs is not a character on which one can rely for the distinction between genera, since in certain species, e. g. *Nannopus palustris* and *Laophonte mohammed*, some examples show only one egg-sac while others have two; I have myself examined a specimen of a female *Amphiascus ægyptius* Gurney in which there was only a single egg-sac instead of the usual two. Lang (1935b) has also questioned the importance that Monard attributed to the number of



egg-sacs, and he further points out that the structure of the genital opening in the females of species of *Robertsonia* is essentially the same as that of *Amphiascus* and differs markedly from that of the genus *Tachidius*; he therefore concludes that Gurney is correct in referring the genus *Robertsonia* to the family Diosaccidæ, and in including in this genus the species that were formerly attributed to *Amphiascus*. Monard (1928*b*, p. 355) in his first work admits that these species, characterized by the reduction in the number of segments in the 1st antenna and the presence of serrated spines on some of the segments, might form a new genus or sub-genus, and he groups them together in what he terms the "bulbifer" group of *Amphiascus*; but in a later paper (1935) he has created a new genus, *Teissierella*, to which he refers two species discovered by him in the Mediterranean Sea, and he is of the opinion that to this new genus should be referred *Amphiascus bulbifer* Sars, *irassus* (A. Scott) and *A. scotti* Sewell (= *Dactylopus propinquus* T. Scott).

In the following pages I have followed Monard.

#### THE "NASUTUS" GROUP, Monard, 1928*b*, p. 363.

In this group the various species possess the following characters: The 1st antenna is composed of nine segments. The exopod of the 2nd antenna usually possesses three segments, but in one species, *attenuatus* Sars, there are only two. The exopod of the 1st leg is shorter than the 1st segment of the endopod and the two terminal segments of the endopod are short. The 3rd segment of the 2nd-4th legs bears 7, 8 and 8 setæ and spines respectively, while the 3rd segment of the endopods bears 4, 5 and 5 setæ. The 2nd segment of the endopods bear 2, 2 and 1 setæ.

*Amphiascus hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott). (Text-fig. 50, A-J, ♀; Text-fig. 51, A-G, ♂.)

*Dactylophusia hirsutus*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 269, pl. ix, figs. 19-24.

*Amphiascus maldivensis*, Wolfenden, 1906, p. 1031, pl. xcix, figs. 34-41.

*Amphiascus hirsutus*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 221; Monard, 1928, p. 373, fig. xxvi, 1.

*Amphiascus hirsutus bermudas*, Willey, 1931, p. 611, figs. 38-43; *id.*, 1935, p. 57, figs. 24-28.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; numerous examples of both sexes. Henry Lawrence Island, Andaman Islands, in coral-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.20-1.27 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 50, A) are as 59 to 41 or 56 to 44 in two specimens.

The rostrum is long, about one-fifth the length of the cephalic segment, and tapers to a sharp point; along either margin the chitin is thickened, except at a point at about two-thirds of the length, where a minute seta arises on each side. A pair of small cuticular lenses, to which Willey (1935, p. 57, fig. 25) has called attention, is present on the dorsal aspect of the cephalon behind the articulation of the 1st antenna.

The posterior region tapers slightly and the proportional lengths of the segments are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	10	39	16	15	13	7 = 100

All the abdominal segments are decorated with rows of minute spinules. The furcal rami

are broader than long in the proportion of 1.8 to 1. The 2nd furcal seta is the longest and is slightly swollen in its basal part.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 50, B) consists of nine segments, having the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
26	17	8	15	6	8	5	5	10 = 100

Monard (1928, p. 364) in his key to the species of the "Nasutus" group separates *A. maldivensis* Wolfenden and *A. banyulensis* Monard from *A. hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott) by the length of the terminal part of the 1st antenna; he gives as a character of *A. hirsutus*, "Fouet de A 1 plus long que les deux articles précédents", and for *A. maldivensis*, "Fouet de A 1 égal aux deux articles précédents". Thompson and A. Scott (*loc. cit.*, p. 269) have given the proportional lengths of the antennal segments in their examples, and these, recalculated as parts per 100, are 20, 20, 10, 15, 4, 7, 6, 4, 13; the proportional lengths of the terminal part of the antenna, consisting of five segments, and the preceding two segments are as 34 to 25, or in the present examples as 34 to 23. Wolfenden unfortunately gives no measurements for the antennal segments in the form that he named *A. maldivensis*, but his figure (*loc. cit.*, 1906, pl. xcix, fig. 38) clearly shows that the terminal part of the antenna is considerably longer than the preceding two segments in the proportion of 34 to 26. It is thus clear that this distinction is invalid.

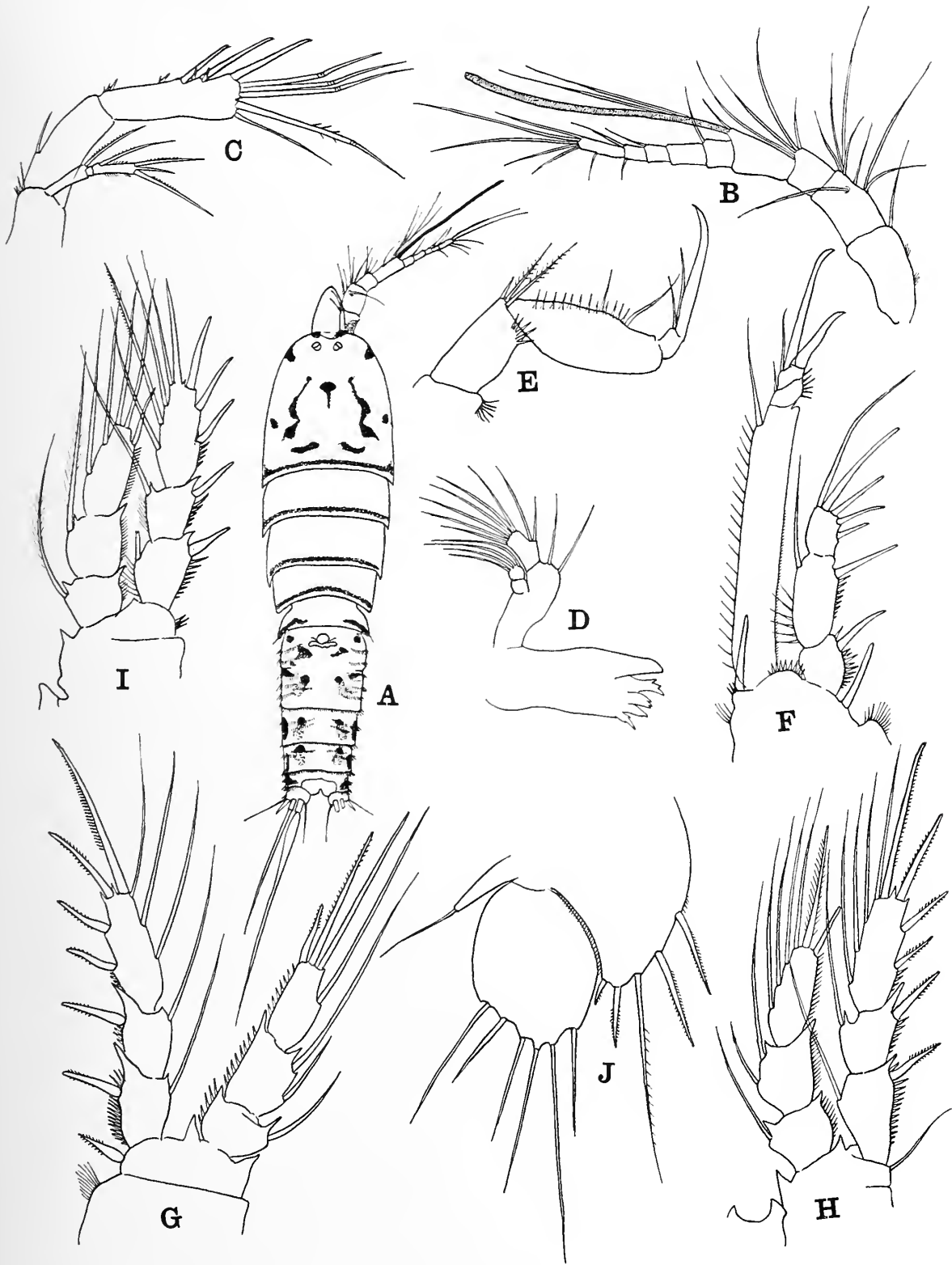
The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 50, C) consists of three segments, of which the distal bears three spines, four geniculate setæ and one straight seta. The exopod is composed of three segments, of which the basal is long and bears one seta distally, the second is very small and is devoid of a seta, and the third is again long and bears one seta on the anterior margin near the base and three at the distal end. Thompson and A. Scott figure this branch as having a seta on the small middle segment; Wolfenden states that in *A. maldivensis* the "basal with one long distal marginal spine, last joint with three terminal bristles", but in his figure (pl. xcix, fig. 40) he shows a seta arising from the distal end of the proximal segment, a seta springing from the small middle segment, but none from the base of the terminal segment.

The mandible (Text-fig. 50, D) is strong and is armed with a number of teeth; the palp, according to Monard, is composed of only a single ramus, but this is, I think, incorrect; in the present examples there are two distinct rami, the 1st or inner composed of a single segment, and the 2nd or outer smaller and apparently composed of two short segments.

The 2nd maxilla, as Willey (1931, p. 611) has pointed out in his description of the Bermuda form, possesses four lobes proximal to the unguiferous lobe, as a result of the deep subdivision of the 1st or proximal lobe. Willey states that this character seems to be unique in the genus, and Wolfenden in his account of *A. maldivensis* describes this appendage as having "setigerous lobes and one hook bristle on the 5th (?)".

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 50, E) has a somewhat slender "hand", the anterior margin of which is fringed with a row of small needle-like spinules. The end claw bears two setæ.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 50, F) both rami are three-jointed. The 2nd basal segment bears a spine at both the inner and outer distal angles, and a row of spinules runs along the free margin between the articulations of the rami. The exopod is about two-thirds the length of the 1st segment of the endopod, and both the 1st and 2nd segments are fringed along their outer margins with a row of spinules. The distal segment bears four spines



TEXT-FIG. 50.—*Amphiascus hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott), ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 3rd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg.



and one seta. The 2nd and 3rd segments of the endopod are clearly separated, and the distal segment bears two stout claws and a single delicate seta.

In the 2nd-4th legs (Text-fig. 50, G, H and I) the setal formula is identical with that of *A. cinctus* (Claus), as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

The 2nd seta on the terminal segment of the endopod of the 4th leg is somewhat modified and is serrated.

In his account of *A. maldivensis* Wolfenden states that in the 2nd leg "end. 3 square at end, with one marginal and four apical setæ and one long rather broad spine at outer angle"; he, however, figures it as possessing one seta on the inner margin, two at the apex and one spine at the distal outer angle, thus agreeing with the formula given above.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 50, J) the proximal segment is wide and the inner margin is curved; it bears two serrated spines and one seta on the inner border and two markedly unequal serrated spines, the outer being the shorter, at the distal end. The 2nd free segment is broadly oval, slightly emarginate in the distal outer portion; it is about one-and-a-half times as long as broad and bears six setæ; the present examples agree closely with the figure of the appendage in *A. maldivensis*, as given by Wolfenden (1906, pl. xcix, fig. 37).

The body is dotted over with a number of spots and streaks, as indicated in the figure, of a purple-black colour.

♂. Total length, 0.82-0.90 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 51, A) are as 60 to 40 or 62 to 38. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
15	24	15	13	13	13	7 = 100

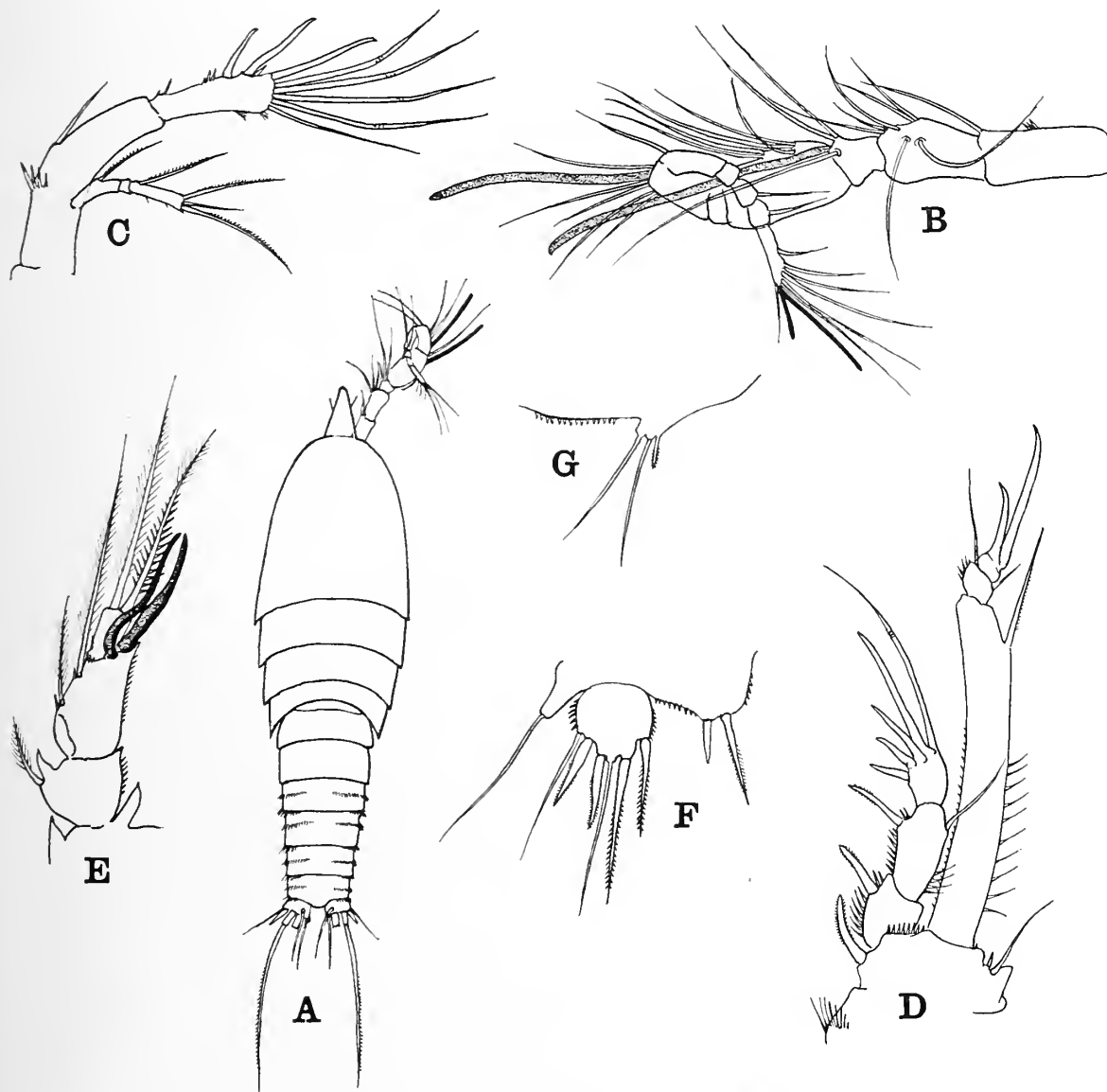
As in the female, the abdominal segments are ornamented with rows of minute spinules and the basal part of the 2nd furcal seta is somewhat swollen.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 51, D) the 2nd basal segment bears a stout serrated spine at the distal outer angle, but at the distal inner angle the inner border is modified into a blunt short process, immediately distal to which springs a delicate seta and a small spine. The exopod appears to be relatively somewhat shorter than in the female.

In the 2nd leg the endopod (Text-fig. 51, E) is composed of two segments only; the proximal segment bears one seta on its inner margin, and immediately distal to this the border is produced in a spine-like process; the distal segment bears two setæ on its inner border, the proximal being considerably the shorter, and two setæ distally, of which the outer is thickened and serrated along two-thirds of its length. At about two-thirds the length of the combined segment two modified setæ arise, and beyond the point of their origin the width of the segment narrows appreciably.



In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 51, F) the inner part of the basal segment is but little produced and bears two unequal spines. The distal free segment is sub-circular, being as broad as long; from the inner margin arise two unequal serrated spines, the distal being one-and-a-half times the length of the proximal; from the extreme apex springs a delicate seta, and



TEXT-FIG. 51.—*Amphiascus hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott). A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, Endopod of 2nd leg. F, 5th leg. G, Genital armature.

from the outer margin arise two subequal serrated spines and a delicate seta. Both inner and outer borders are armed with small spinules.

DISTRIBUTION.—If I am correct in my view that *A. hirsutus* and *A. maldivensis* are identical, this species has now been recorded from the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Andaman Islands (present record), the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldive Archipelago (Wolfenden and the present record), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard) and the coast of Bermuda (Willey).

*Amphiascus nicobaricus* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 52, A-H, ♀; Text-fig. 53, A-G, ♂.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; several examples of both sexes, some of the females ovigerous.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—This species presents a very close degree of resemblance to the preceding species, differing only in size and in small details of structure.

♀. Total length, 0.90–1.04 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior region, including the rostrum, and the posterior region of the body (Text-fig. 52, A) are as 55 to 45 or 59 to 41. The rostrum is a little less than one-fifth the length of the whole anterior region. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	14	35	14	12	17	8 = 100

All the abdominal segments are armed with transverse rows of small spinules. The furcal rami are broader than long in the proportion of 1.9 to 1, and the 2nd furcal seta is long, nearly as long as the whole body, and is thickened in a spindle-shaped swelling at the base.

The 1st antenna consists of nine segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
	23	18	9	18	6	7	5	4	10 = 100

The proportional lengths of the terminal 5-segmented region and the two preceding segments are as 32 to 27.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 52, C) is composed of two segments, of which the proximal bears a row of needle-like spinules near the base; and the distal segment bears three spines, four geniculate setæ and a straight, simple seta. The exopod consists of three segments, of which the middle one is very short; the proximal segment bears one seta at the distal angle, the 2nd segment is entirely devoid of any seta, and the terminal segment bears one seta near the base and three at the distal end.

The mandible (Text-fig. 53, B) is strongly built and is provided with a number of strong teeth; the palp possesses two single-jointed rami.

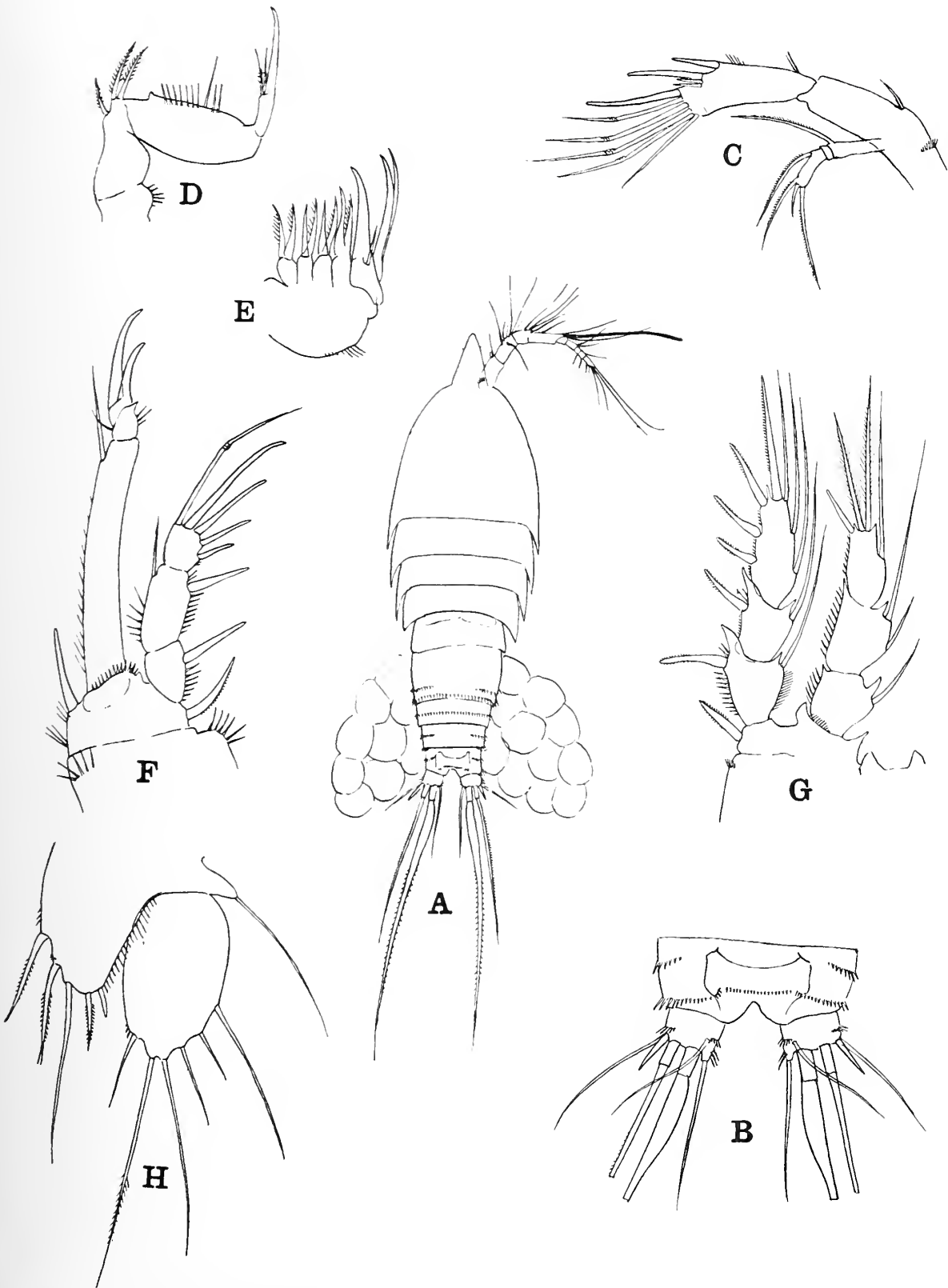
The 2nd maxilla (Text-fig. 52, D) is, as in the preceding species, furnished with five lobes, of which the distal bears two strong claws and the others each bear two stout setæ.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 52, E) possesses a somewhat slender "hand", that is fringed with needle-like spines along the proximal half of the anterior border.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 52, F) the 2nd basal segment bears a short spine at both the inner and outer distal angles, and the distal margin is armed with a row of spinules. The two rami are each composed of three segments. The exopod reaches to about two-thirds the length of the proximal segment of the endopod.

The setal formula of the 2nd–4th legs appears to be as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3



TEXT-FIG. 52.—*Amphiascus nicobaricus* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Anal segment and furca, female. C, 2nd antenna. D, 2nd maxilla. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 5th leg.

Unfortunately, when the female example was dissected, by an oversight no note was made of the number of setæ arising from the inner margin of the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 4th leg; in the male, however, this segment carried only two setæ on the inner margin.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 52, H) the proximal segment is slightly bowed on the inner margin, and the process extends to about half the length of the distal segment or slightly further; it bears five setæ, of which three, the proximal two being spine-like and the distal a long simple seta, are on the inner margin and two unequal setæ on the distal border; the outer border is fringed with hairs. The distal segment is an elongate oval, being about one and three-quarters as long as wide; it closely resembles the appendage in *A. banyulensis* Monard (1928, p. 375, fig. xxvi, 2). This free segment bears six setæ, of which three arise from the outer margin, the first being long and the next two short; two are situated distally and both are long, and one short seta on the inner margin.

This form is marked with a number of yellow spots and bands, that as regards position are very similar to the markings of the preceding species.

♂. Total length, 0.66 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 53, A) are as 59 to 41. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	12	23	17	15	13	12	8 = 100

The furcal rami are nearly twice as broad as long, and in this sex the 2nd furcal seta is not swollen at the base.

The 1st antenna forms the usual grasping-organ.

The 2nd antenna is composed of two segments, and of these the proximal is very long and on its anterior and inner aspect shows signs of division. The distal segment of the endopod bears three spines, four geniculate setæ and one simple seta. The exopod is composed of three segments, of which the proximal bears one seta at the distal angle, the 2nd is very small and has no seta, and the 3rd is again long and bears a single seta near the base and three distally. In one specimen the distal segment carried an additional seta near the base.

The mouth-parts are as in the female.

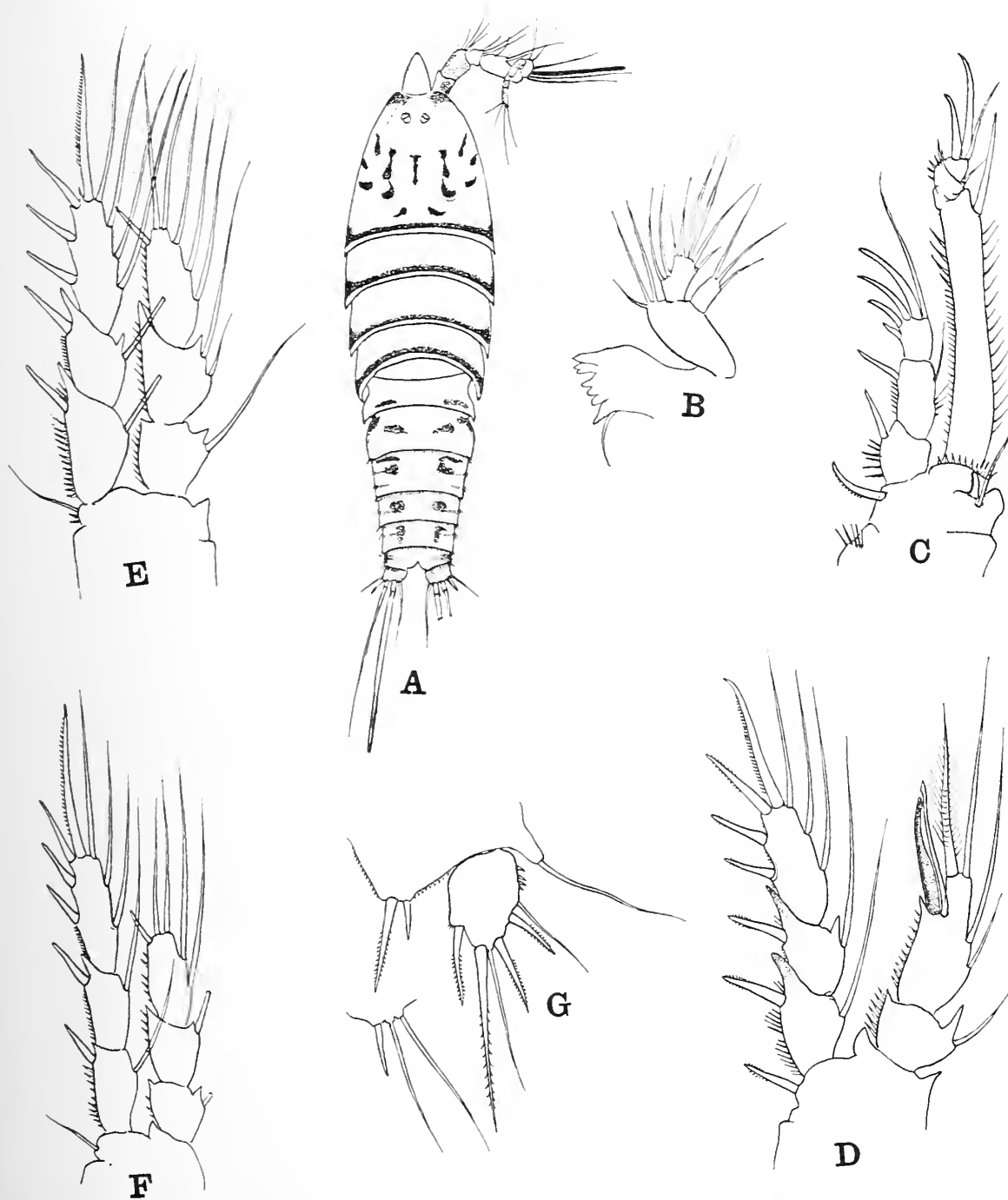
In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 53, c) the inner distal region of the 2nd basal segment is, as in the preceding species, produced in a short pointed process, on the outer side of which arise a delicate seta and a short blunt spine; a strong curved spine springs from the distal outer angle.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 53, D) the endopod is modified and is composed of only two segments, the 2nd and 3rd being fused; the distal segment bears two modified spines on the outer margin, and two setæ, the outer of which is modified and serrated, on the distal border. I have been unable to detect any real difference between this appendage in the present form and in the preceding species.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 53, G) the basal segment is slightly produced in a triangular prominence, from the apex of which arise two unequal spines, the outer much the smaller; the margin of the process is fringed with spinules. The distal segment is about one and a third times as long as broad; it is thus considerably longer than in the preceding species. It bears on its outer margin one delicate seta proximally and two subequal serrated spines;



from the apex arise a delicate seta externally and a very long serrated spine internally, and from the inner margin arises one serrated spine. The long apical serrated spine is much longer in this form than in the preceding species.



TEXT-FIG. 53.—*Amphiascus nicobaricus* sp. nov. A, Male, dorsal view. B, Mandible. C, 1st leg. D, 2nd leg. E, 3rd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg and genital armature.

The border of the genital segment (Text-fig. 53, G) is armed with one spine and two setae.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Nicobar Islands and the Maldivé Archipelago.

This species very closely resembles *Amphiascus banyulensis* Monard (1928a, p. 375), and it is possible that they are varieties of one species. There are, however, certain differences, namely: (1) *Amphiascus banyulensis* is devoid of any ornamentation on the segments of the body, whereas *A. nicobaricus* is armed with rows of spinules on the abdominal segments. (2) In *A. banyulensis* the crochet of the maxilliped bears a single accessory seta, whereas in *A. nicobaricus* there are two. (3) The apical segments of the exopods of the 2nd-4th legs bear 7, 8 and 8 setæ and spines in *A. banyulensis*, and 7, 8 and 7 in *A. nicobaricus*.

It thus seems to me to be preferable for the present to regard them as separate, though very closely related species.

#### THE "CINCTUS" GROUP, Monard, 1928b, p. 368.

This group includes robust forms, in which the structure of the 1st leg resembles that of *Dactylopusia*, the endopod being much longer than the exopod and the terminal two segments being short and more or less fused together. The 1st antenna is composed of eight segments. The exopod of the 2nd antenna has three segments. The 2nd segments of the 2nd to 4th legs bear 2, 2 and 1 setæ respectively. The 3rd segments of the exopod of the 2nd to 4th legs, according to Monard, bear 7, 8 and 8 setæ and spines, and the 3rd segment of the endopods of these legs 4, 6 and 5 setæ; while this is certainly true for the great majority of species assigned to the "Cinctus" group, one of the species taken in Indian waters (*A. rebus* sp. nov.) differs in that the terminal segment of the 3rd leg has only five setæ, as in the 4th leg. The 5th leg is large and well formed, and the distal free segment bears six, but occasionally seven, setæ. The furcal rami are short and the furcal setæ in most species are not modified.

*Amphiascus cinctus* (Claus). (Text-fig. 54, A-E, ♀; Text-fig. 55, A-J, ♂.)

*Amphiascus cinctus*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 149, pls. xci, xcii.

*Dactylopusia ceylonica*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 269, pl. ix, figs. 25-32.

*Amphiascopsis cinctus*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 516, fig. 137.

*Amphiascus cinctus*, Monard, 1928a, p. 382, fig. xxix, 3; Wilson, 1932, p. 221, fig. 149a-d; Willey, 1935, p. 52, figs. 2, 3, and 6-16.

As Monard (1928a, p. 382 *et seq.*) has pointed out, several species in this group are closely related to *Amphiascus cinctus* Claus, and within the limit of a species, individuals appear to be very variable. Thompson and A. Scott (1903, p. 269, pl. ix, figs. 25-32), under the name *Dactylopusia ceylonica*, briefly described and figured both sexes of a form that is very closely related to, if not identical with, *A. cinctus*, and Gurney (1927c, p. 516) obtained the same form at Port Said; Gurney notes that the females "agree exactly with Prof. Sars' description of the female" of *A. cinctus*, but he recognizes that the male is slightly different.

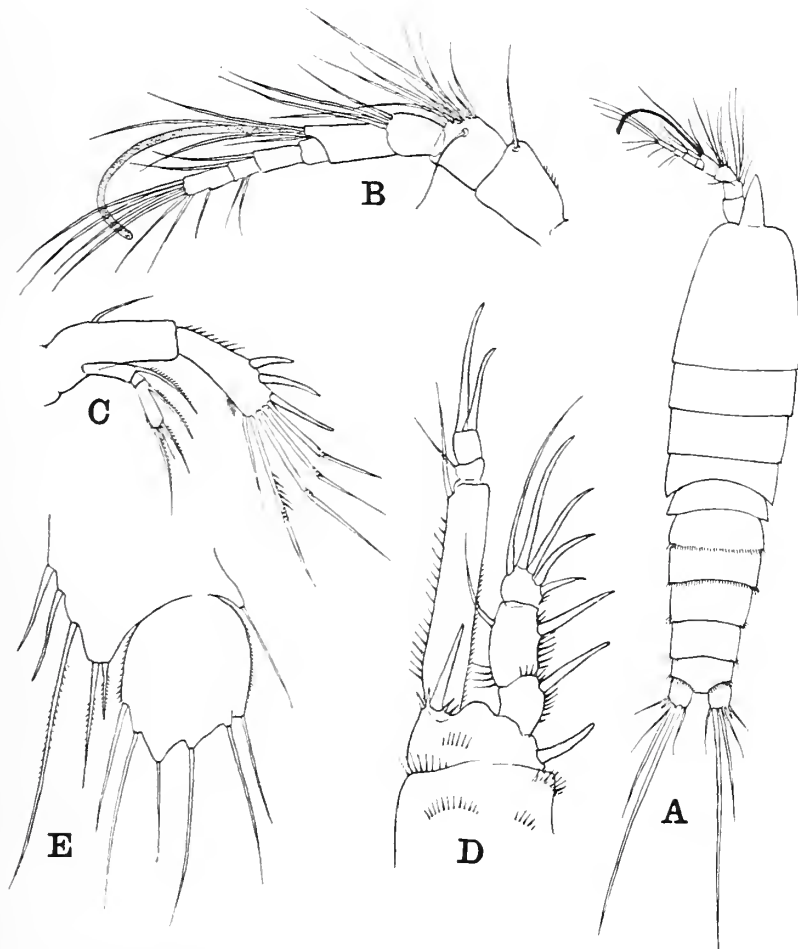
Willey has obtained this species off Bermuda and in his specimens has recognized several different forms, to which he has given names, that in his view are different stages in the development, namely, an immature form before the final ecdysis, a sub-mature form, prior to fertilization by the male, and a fully mature form, when the ova are extruded.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.97 mm. This is somewhat larger than the measurements given by Sars, 0.84 mm., or by Monard, 0.52, 0.8 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 54, A) are as 6 to 4. The rostrum is very long, measuring nearly one-fifth of the length of the whole anterior region and reaching beyond the distal end of the 2nd antennular segment. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
12	35	16	16	12	9 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 54.—*Amphiascus cinctus* (Claus). A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 5th leg.

The genital region appears to consist of two separate segments ; each of these has a ring of fine spinules along its posterior margin. The 3rd and 4th segments are also armed with fine spinules along their posterior margins ventrally, and a row of small spinules fringes the dorsal margin of the articulation of the furcal rami.

The proportional lengths of the segments of the 1st antenna (Text-fig. 54, B) are as follows :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
29	14	13	11	8	10	6	9 = 100

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 54, c) I was unable to detect any seta arising from the small 2nd segment of the exopod; in this respect these examples differ from the typical form, as described by Sars and Monard, but agree with the form *fissipes* obtained by Willey from Bermuda. These examples differ from the type in having only three spines on the distal segment of the endopod instead of four (*vide* Sars, pl. xci, a<sup>2</sup>).

The mouth-parts and swimming-legs agree closely with those of the typical form.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 54, e) the distal segment differs slightly from the typical form, in that the two proximal setæ on the outer margin arise close together; in this respect these specimens approximate to the condition found in f. *fissipes* Willey.

♂. Total length, 0.66 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 55, A) are as 61 to 39. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	11	16	15	20	20	10	8 = 100

Segments 1-4 are armed with a ring of needle-like spinules around the ventral and lateral aspects, but interrupted in the mid-dorsal line. The 5th segment is also armed with a row of small spinules along the articulation of the furcal rami. The furcal rami are one-and-a-half times as broad as long, and the outer distal angle is furnished with a delicate spine.

The 1st antenna forms the usual grasping organ.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 55, B) is stoutly built and consists of two segments. The distal segment, as in the female, bears three spines instead of four, and three geniculate setæ. The exopod is distinctly shorter than in *A. cinctus* and the short middle joint of the exopod is without a seta.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 55, D) the spine that arises from the distal inner angle of the 2nd basal segment is very much longer than in *A. cinctus* as figured by Sars (1903-11, pl. xcii), and reaches to the end of the proximal segment of the endopod.

In the 2nd leg the endopod (Text-fig. 55, F) shows a similar modification to that of the typical form, but the shape of the distal segment differs somewhat, for the inner margin, instead of being indented sharply just distal to the origin of the 2nd inner seta, forms a uniform curve throughout the whole length of the segment. Two modified setæ arise from the junction of the proximal and distal portions of the segment on the outer border, and a single modified seta springs from the extreme apex of the segment; the inner border bears three setæ, of which the proximal is reduced in size.

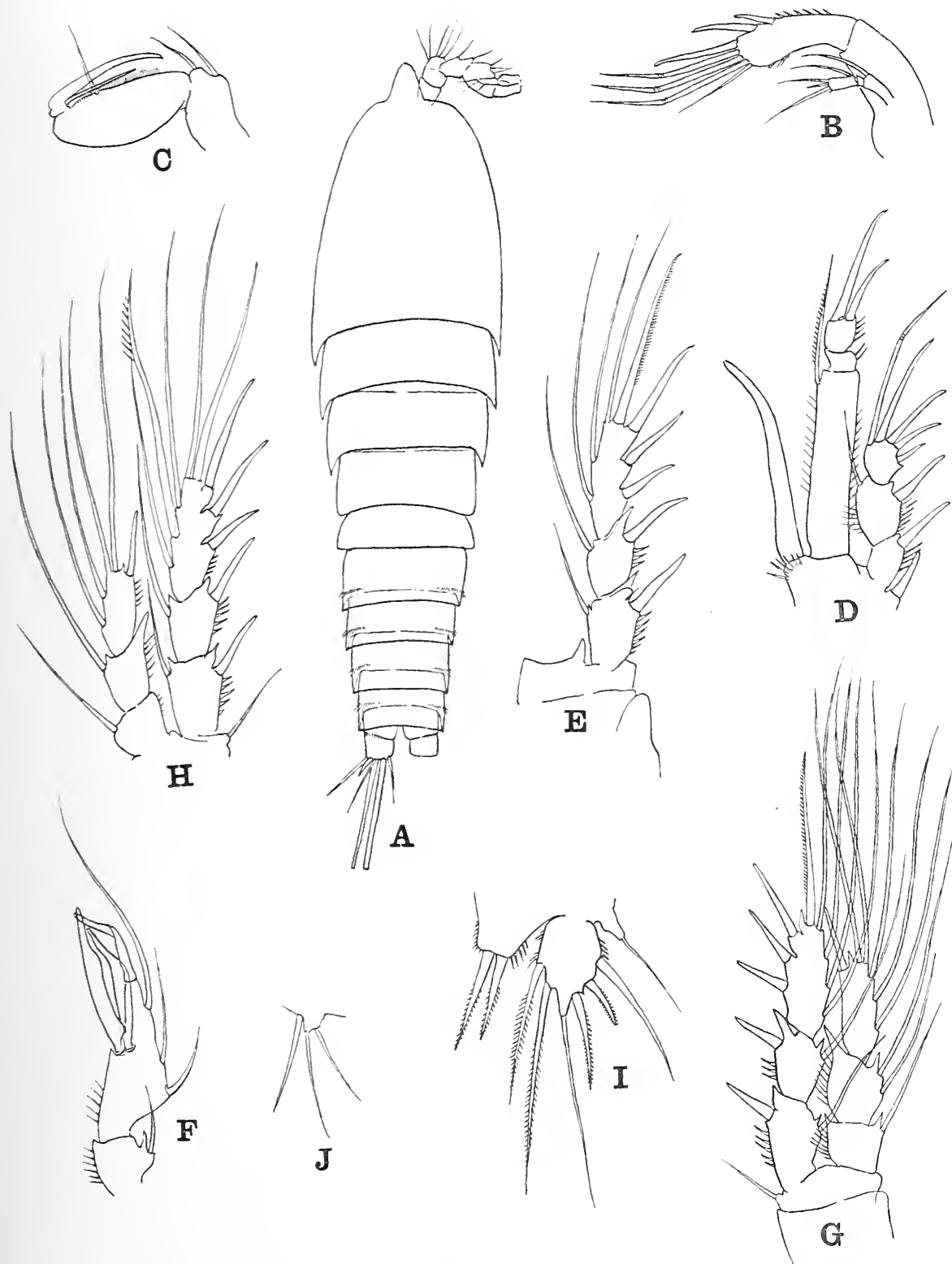
The 3rd and 4th legs (Text-fig. 55, G and H) agree with those of *A. cinctus*.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 55, I) the inner, proximal segment bears two subequal serrated spines; the distal free segment is sub-triangular in outline and bears six setæ; three of the setæ are on the outer margin, the 2nd and 3rd being spine-like and serrated, a long delicate seta arises from the extreme apex and two setæ spring from the inner margin.

While exhibiting a close degree of resemblance to the male of *A. cinctus* (Claus) Sars, the above form differs in small details and corresponds to the male of *A. ceylonicus* (Thompson and A. Scott).

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has been recorded from the Nicobar Islands (present





TEXT-FIG. 55.—*Amphiascus cinctus* (Claus). A, Male, dorsal view. B, 2nd antenna. C, Maxilliped. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg, exopod. F, 2nd leg, endopod. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg. J, Genital armature.

record), Port Said (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Brian, Grandori, Monard), the coast of Bermuda (Willey), the Wood's Hole region of the N. American coast (Wilson), the Brittany Coast, Roscoff (Monard), the Irish coast (Farran), and the coast of Norway (Sars).

*Amphiascus similis* (Claus) Sars.

*Amphiascus similis*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 151, pl. xciv.

*Amphiascopsis similis*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 517, fig. 138.

*Amphiascus similis*, Monard, 1928a, p. 379, fig. xxviii, 2.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—Sars (*loc. cit.*), in his account of this species, both describes and figures the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 1st leg as possessing only three spines and one seta; Monard, however, in his account figures the full complement of four spines and a seta. The present example agrees with Monard's account.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands (present record), Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard, Claus, Brian), the Brittany coast, Roscoff (Monard), the coast of Ireland (Farran), the British Isles (Brady), and the coast of Norway (Sars).

*Amphiascus aegyptius* Gurney.

*Amphiascus aegyptius*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 518, fig. 139; Monard, 1937, p. 38, fig. 2a, b.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. The present example, while agreeing in most particulars with Gurney's description, differs markedly in size, having a total length of 0.88 mm.; Gurney's specimens were only 0.45-0.55 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 53 to 47. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Abd.	1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	40	20	20	11	9 = 100

DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Suez Canal (Gurney), and the Mediterranean Sea (Monard).

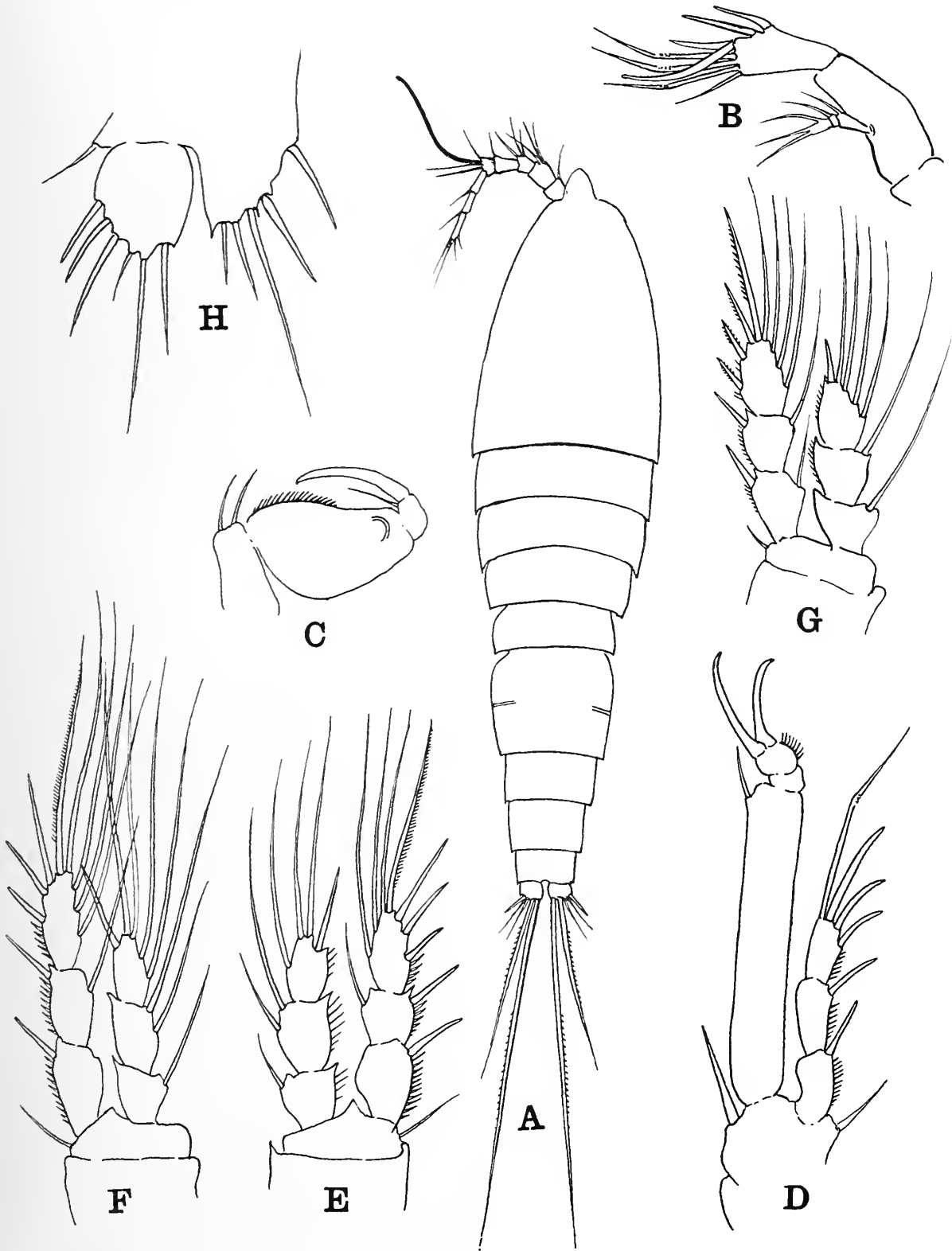
*Amphiascus rebus* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 56, A-H.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; several females, adult. Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; one immature female, Stage V.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.62-0.76 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 56, A) vary from 56 to 44, to 61 to 39. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th.	5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	14	35	19	17	10	5 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 56.—*Amphiascus rebus* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 2nd antenna. C, Maxilliped. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg. F, 3rd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.

The furcal rami are about one and a half times as broad as long. Each ramus bears at the distal outer angle a small spine. The two outermost setæ are very small, but the 2nd and 3rd setæ are well developed, the former being about twice the length of the latter and equal to the length of the posterior region of the body; both setæ appear to be either very finely serrated or plumose.

The 1st antenna is of moderate length, and is composed of eight segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
16	16	11	14	6	12	10	15 = 100

The terminal part of the antenna, consisting of the last four segments, is thus equal in length to the 2nd, 3rd and 4th segments together. The 4th segment bears the usual sensory filament.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 56, B) is stoutly built, the terminal segment being relatively short; this segment bears 4 spines, which increase in size distally, three geniculate setæ and a simple straight seta. The exopod is composed of three segments, but is comparatively short; the 1st and 2nd segments each bear one seta, and the distal segment bears three.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 56, C) is stoutly built and closely resembles that of *A. varicolor* Farran; the proximal half of the "hand" is fringed along its anterior margin with fine spines, and in the distal third of the segment there is a semicircular thickening of the chitin.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 56, D) resembles that of *A. cinctus*; the exopod is about half the length of the proximal segment of the endopod. The endopod consists of three segments, and the distal segment bears two stout, subequal, claw-like spines. The distal segment of the exopod bears only three spines and a geniculate seta.

The setal formula for the 2nd-4th legs (Text-fig. 56, E, F and G) is as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	2, 2, 1	0	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 56, H) closely resembles that of *A. cinctus*. The proximal segment is broad and bears five spines, of which the middle is the longest and the inner two are stout and spine-like; the distal outer angle of the plate is produced in a small pointed process. The distal free segment is but little longer than broad and bears six setæ, of which the innermost and the outer three are short and stout and spine-like, and the two arising from the distal end are unequal and delicate.

DISTRIBUTION.—Nicobar Islands and the Maldivé Archipelago.

It has already been pointed out that the form known as *A. cinctus* exhibits a considerable range of variation, and it is possible that this may be merely another variety; but the difference in the setal formula renders it advisable to regard the present form as a different species, at least until we know the extent to which the setal formula may vary within the limits of a species.



*Amphiascus coralicola* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 57, A-H.)

OCCURRENCE.—Henry Lawrence Island, Andaman Islands, in coral-washings. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.60 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 57, A) are as 54 to 46. The body is comparatively slender and tapers slightly to the posterior end. The posterior borders of all the abdominal segments are fringed with needle-like spinules on the ventral and lateral aspects. The distal outer angle of the furcal ramus bears a short spine. The rami are slightly broader than long, and the 2nd furcal seta is thickened at the base, as in *Amphiascus havelocki* (Thompson and A. Scott).

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 57, c) is composed of eight free segments, but the 7th segment shows evidence of a partial subdivision into two. The proportional lengths of the antennal segments are as follows:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7-8.	9.
22	16	16	12	6	9	8	11 = 100
						4-4	

The 4th segment is produced at its anterior distal angle as far as the distal end of the 5th segment; this process bears the usual sensory filament. The proportional lengths of the terminal portion of the antenna and the preceding two segments are as 34 to 28, thus closely resembling the condition present in *A. nicobaricus*.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 57, D) closely resembles that of *A. cinctus* (Claus). The exopod is, however, slightly shorter, and only extends for about half the length of the proximal segment of the endopod. The 2nd segment is about twice the length of the 1st, and the 3rd segment bears four spines and a single geniculate seta. The endopod consists of three segments, the distal portion being clearly subdivided, and each part is fringed with a row of spinules. The distal segment bears two subequal claw-like spines.

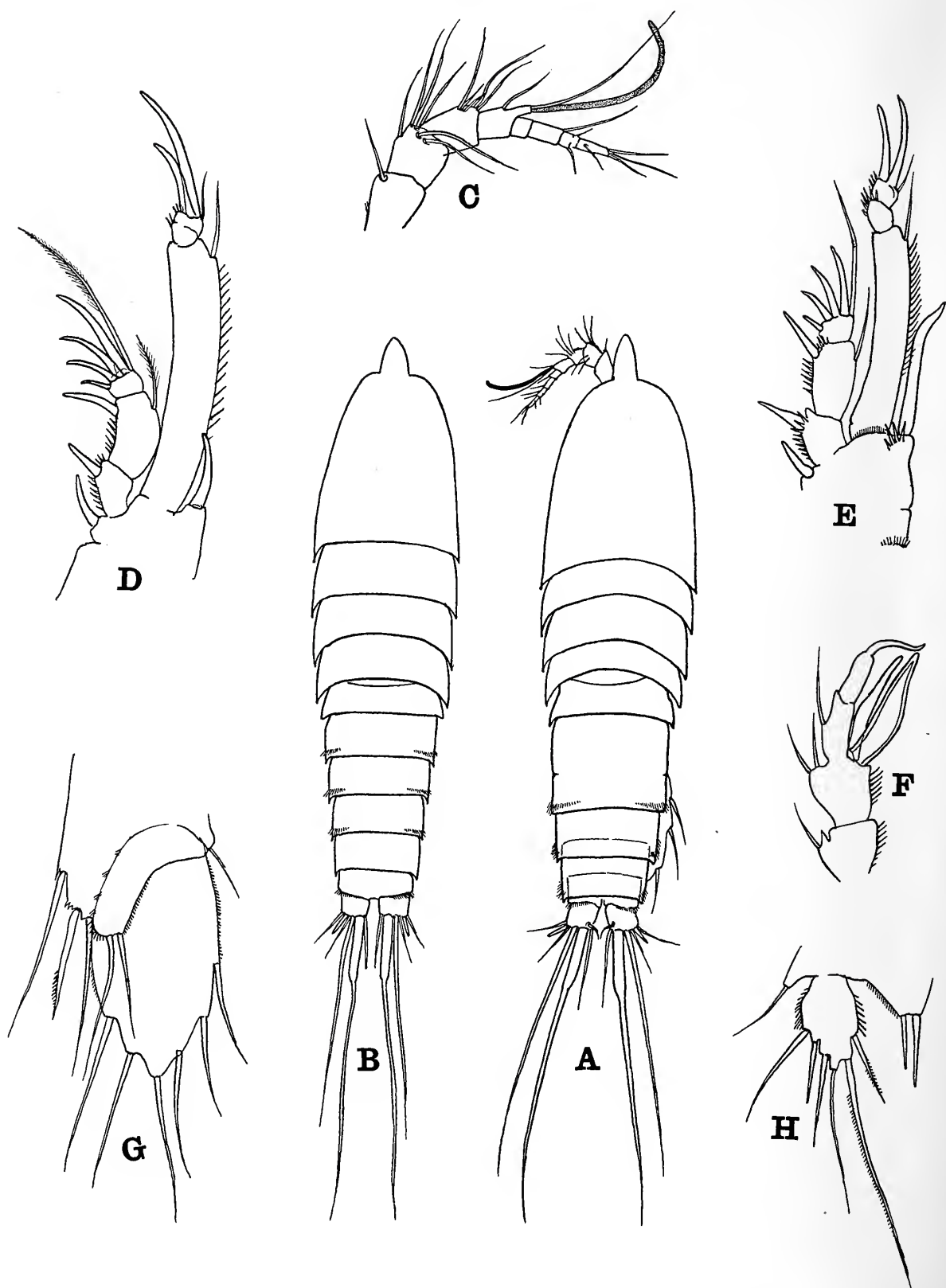
The setal formula for the 2nd-4th legs is as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	2	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

This species thus agrees with *A. hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott) and *A. banyulensis* Monard.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 57, G) closely resembles that of *A. similis* (Claus). The proximal inner segment extends to less than half the length of the distal free segment; it bears five setæ, of which the 2nd, counting from the inner side, is modified into a spine. The distal segment is an elongate oval and bears six setæ, three on the outer margin, one at the extreme apex and two on the inner margin. Both inner and outer margins of the free segment are fringed with short hairs.

♂. Total length, 0.64 mm.



TEXT-FIG. 57.—*Amphiascus coralicola* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Male, dorsal view. C, 1st antenna, female. D, 1st leg, female. E, 1st leg, male. F, Endopod of 2nd leg, male. G, 5th leg, female. H, 5th leg, male.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 57, B) are as 57 to 43. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	12	19	19	19	17	7	7 = 100

The ventral and lateral aspects of segments 1, 2 and 3 are armed with a row of small needle-like spines, and a similar row runs along the line of articulation with each furcal ramus on the 5th segment. The proximal part of the 2nd furcal seta is thickened, as in the female.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 57, E) the spine that arises from the inner distal angle of the 2nd basal segment is considerably enlarged, and reaches to a little beyond the middle of the proximal segment of the endopod, thus resembling the male of *A. cinctus*, as figured by Sars (1903-11, pl. xcii), and *A. lagunaris* Grandori, as figured by Brian (1921a, fig. 53).

In the 2nd leg the endopodite (Fig. 57, F) is modified and is composed of only two free segments, segments 2 and 3 being fused. The proximal segment bears a single inner seta, and immediately distal to its origin the border is produced in a short spine-like projection. The distal segment in its proximal part is as wide as the 1st segment and bears at the distal inner angle two short setæ; two modified setæ, the outer one much the larger and stouter, arise from the re-entrant angle between the proximal and distal parts of the combined segment. The narrower distal part of the segment bears a short seta on its inner border, and from the distal extremity arises a modified seta, in which the basal part is stout and thick and the distal part is more slender and is bent outwards at an angle. This ramus thus closely resembles the corresponding appendage in both *A. cinctus* (vide Sars, 1903-11, pl. xcii) and *A. lagunaris* (vide Brian, 1928a, fig. 54), but differs from both in that the inner marginal seta on the distal part of the 2nd segment is much smaller than in these species.

The 5th leg closely resembles that of *A. cinctus*. The proximal inner segment bears two spines; the distal free segment bears on its outer border two markedly unequal setæ, the 2nd being by far the longest of all the setæ arising from the segment; a delicate long seta arises from the extreme apex of the segment, and the inner border bears three setæ, of which the middle one is the smallest.

DISTRIBUTION.—Andaman Islands and the Maldivé Archipelago.

The partial separation of the 7th segment of the 1st antenna shows a certain degree of affinity with the members of the "*Nasutus*" section; but in other respects this form agrees closely with members of the "*Cinctus*" group. This resemblance is particularly close in the male and especially in the structure of the 1st and 2nd legs, in which three species, *A. cinctus*, *A. lagunaris* and the present species, are almost indistinguishable.

The female of the above species is, however, clearly distinct from either of the other two, as is shown by the structure of the 5th legs, and more nearly resembles *A. ægyptius* Gurney; but it differs from this latter species in the character of the terminal joint of the exopod of the 1st leg, which is considerably broader than long and bears four spines and one geniculate seta, instead of three spines and two geniculate setæ in *A. ægyptius*.

## THE "DEBILIS" GROUP, Monard, 1928b, p. 379.

The members of this group are characterized, according to Monard, by the following :

The 1st antenna consists of eight segments, the 4th being, as a rule, but little different from the 3rd. The exopod of the 2nd antenna possesses three segments, but the median is sometimes indistinct and may be altogether absent. The proximal segment of the endopod of the 1st leg is variable in its dimensions. The median segments of the swimming-legs 2 to 4 all bear a single seta. The setal formula for the 3rd segments of the endopod and exopod of these swimming-legs varies somewhat, but usually is 5·4-6·5-7·4. The distal segment of the 5th leg bears 5 setæ.

As Monard has pointed out, the setal formula for the majority of species in this group is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	0, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

Among the species that are known definitely to possess this formula are—

*Amphiascus affinis* Sars (= *A. vararensis* Scott).

*A. debiloides* Monard.

*A. hispidus* Norman.

*A. intermedius* Scott.

*A. invaginatus* Monard.

*A. littoralis* Scott.

*A. nannoides* Sars.

*A. neglectus* Norman and T. Scott.

*A. subdebilis* Willey.

„ var. *intermixtus* Willey,

and to these should be added *A. robinsoni* (A. Scott) and *A. calcarifer* sp. nov.

In a few species there is a reduction in the number of setæ present on the swimming-legs ; thus we get the following formula—

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	0, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3

in *Amphiascus debilis* Giesbrecht and *A. sterilis* Monard.



A further reduction with the formula

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	0, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	0, 2, 3

is present in *Amphiascus linearis* Sars.

*Amphiascus robinsoni* (A. Scott). (Text-fig. 58, A-G.)

*Dactylopus robinsonii*, A. Scott, 1902, p. 415, pl. iii, figs. 1-5.

*Amphiascus robinsonii*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 524, fig. 143.

*Amphiascus robinsoni*, Willey, 1930, p. 107, fig. 64.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.55 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 58, A) are as 48 to 50. The anterior region is moderately robust. The segments of the posterior region are devoid of spines, with the exception of the 5th or anal segment, which is spinose on its dorsal and lateral aspects. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
15	32	18	18	13	4 = 100

The line of fusion of the 1st and 2nd abdominal segments can be traced on the lateral aspect. The furcal rami are very short, being a little more than twice as broad as long. The 2nd furcal seta is moderately stout, and in the present specimen exhibits a slight "kink" near the base.

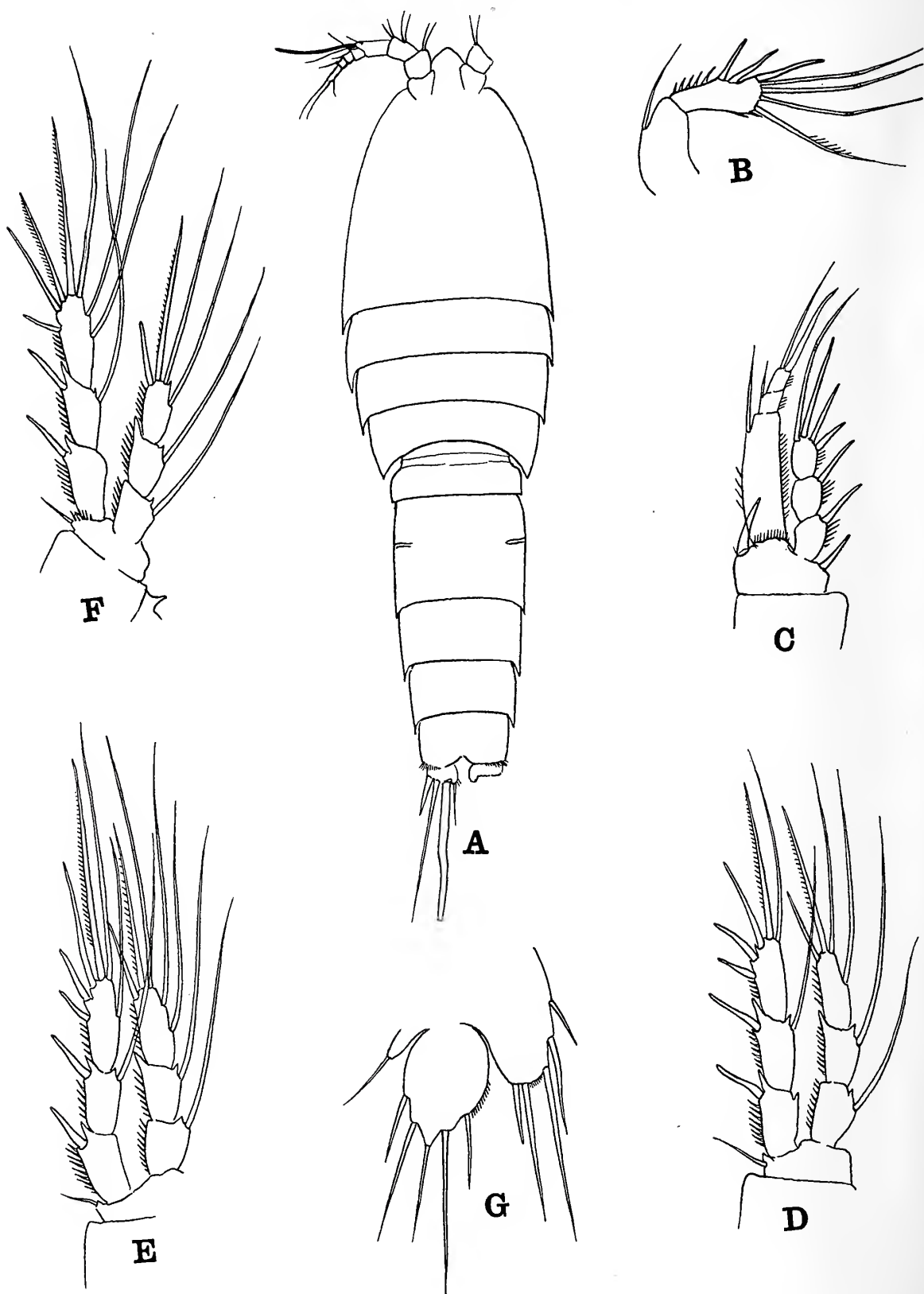
The 1st antenna is composed of eight segments.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 58, B) the distal segment bears three moderately stout spines, three geniculate setæ and one straight seta that is pectinate along a part of its length on the anterior side.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 58, C) the rami are 3-jointed, the exopod being slightly shorter than the proximal segment of the endopod. None of the segments of the exopod bears an inner seta, and the distal segment carries three spines and one seta. The two distal segments of the endopod are short and of about equal length; the 2nd segment bears a small delicate seta, and the 3rd segment carries a seta and a long spine.

The setal formula of the 2nd to 4th legs (Text-fig. 58, D, E and F) is as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	0, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3



TEXT-FIG. 58.—*Amphiascus robinsoni* (A. Scott). A, Female, dorsal view. B, 2nd antenna, endopod. C, 1st leg. D, 2nd leg. E, 3rd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg.

This agrees with the formula given by Willey (1931, p. 107). Gurney (1927*c*, p. 526) gives the number of setæ on the 3rd segment of the endopod of the 4th leg as 2, 1, 2 (which would correspond to my notation of 2, 2, 1), which does not agree with the present examples nor with the examples that were obtained by Willey off Bermuda (*loc. cit.*, 1930), in which the setal formula was as given above.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 58, *c*) the proximal segment reaches to about half-way along the distal segment and bears five setæ; the distal free segment is sub-oval and bears five setæ, two on the inner margin, which is fringed with small hairs, two on the outer margin, and one from the extreme apex at the end of a conical process.

DISTRIBUTION.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Red Sea (A. Scott), the Suez Canal (Gurney) and Bermuda (Willey).

Monard (1928*b*, pp. 366–7) has placed this species in his “*Giesbrechti*” group and states that the 2nd segments of the endopods of the 2nd–4th legs bear 2, 2, 1 setæ, and that in this species, as also in *giesbrechti* and *pallidus*, the terminal segments of the endopods and exopods bear 7·4–8·6–8·5 setæ or spines. A. Scott (1902, p. 416), in his original account of *robinsoni* neither describes nor figures the structure of the swimming-legs, and merely states that they “resemble those of *D. strömii*, but are smaller”. There can, I think, be little or no doubt that the above form is identical with A. Scott’s species, and it is clear that the number of setæ on the swimming-legs is not what Monard thought it to be. The 5th leg bears only five setæ on the free segment, and not six, as stated by Monard. The species must clearly be removed from the “*Giesbrechti*” group and be placed in the “*Debilis*” group, and Gurney (1927*c*, p. 524) has already pointed out that there is a close degree of resemblance between this species and *Amphiascus hispidus*, *A. affinis* and *A. intermedius*, all three of which are members of the “*Debilis*” group of Monard. Indeed, the resemblance of this species to *A. debilis* is extremely close; in both species the proportional lengths of the segments of the 1st antenna are extremely similar, as is evident from the table below, in which I have recalculated the measurements given by A. Scott for *robinsoni* and by Monard for *debilis*:

	Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
<i>robinsoni</i>	.	18	18	15	18	6	6	6	15 = 102
<i>debilis</i>	.	19	18	14	17	6	6	7	12 = 99

The characters of the 1st leg are almost identical; in *robinsoni* the exopod, according to A. Scott, is equal in length to the proximal segment of the endopod, whereas in *debilis*, according to Sars and Monard, it is slightly shorter; but in the present specimens the length of the exopod is distinctly shorter than the proximal segment of the endopod, thus agreeing with *debilis*. The setal formula of legs 2–4 for the two species is identical, if we accept Monard’s account of *debilis*, though according to Sars the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 4th leg bears only one seta on its inner margin instead of two. In both species the free segment of the 5th leg bears only five setæ.

Monard (1928*a*, p. 390) had under observation two forms of *debilis*, (i) a larger form having a length of 0·54 mm., that agrees closely as regards the shape of the free segment of the 5th leg with Sars’ specimens, which, however, measured only 0·46 mm.; and (ii) a smaller form, measuring only 0·45 mm., in which the free segment of the 5th leg was shorter and approached in form the rather pyriform shape of *robinsoni*.

Willey (1935, p. 64) has recorded from Bermuda what he believed to be a new species,

closely allied to *A. debilis*, and to which he gave the name *A. subdebilis*; in this form, which has a total length of 0.47 mm., the setal formula of the swimming-legs is identical with that given above for *robinsoni* and Monard's examples of *debilis*, the 3rd segment of the exopod of the 4th leg having 2, 2, 3 setæ and spines; the general shape of the free segment of the 5th leg also agrees with that found by Monard in his specimens of what he believes to be *debilis*.

It thus seems probable that what Monard took to be examples of *debilis* are actually specimens of *A. subdebilis* Willey. Willey also obtained specimens of what he thought to be a variation of *subdebilis*, to which he gave the name var. *intermixtus*; in this form the setal formula of the swimming-legs agrees with that given above for *robinsoni*, and the shape of the free segment of the 5th leg agrees fairly closely with that of the smaller form of what Monard thought to be *A. debilis*, and is identical with the form in *robinsoni* (cf. Text-fig. 58, G, and Willey, 1935, fig. 48).

It would thus seem probable that the various forms can be identified as follows:

*Amphiascus debilis* Giesbrecht. Syn. *A. debilis* Sars.

*Amphiascus subdebilis* Willey. Syn. *A. debilis*, large form, Monard.

*Amphiascus robinsoni* A. Scott. Syn. *A. debilis*, small form, Monard, and *A. subdebilis* var. *intermixtus* Willey.

*Amphiascus calcarifer* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 59, A-I; Text-fig. 60, A-G.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; several examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—The examples fall into two distinct groups, differing in size.

f. *minor*.

♀. Total length, 0.79 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 59, A) are as 53 to 47. The body is moderately robust. The rostrum is long, reaching well beyond the 2nd segment of the 1st antenna, and is pyriform in shape, being somewhat swollen at its base and tapering to a sharp point, as in *A. typhlops*. The posterior thoracic margin is armed on each side in the dorso-lateral region with a claw-like spine. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	13	36	15	15	17	4 = 100

The abdomen tapers towards the posterior end. The furcal rami are about twice as broad as long and the 2nd furcal seta is swollen at its base.

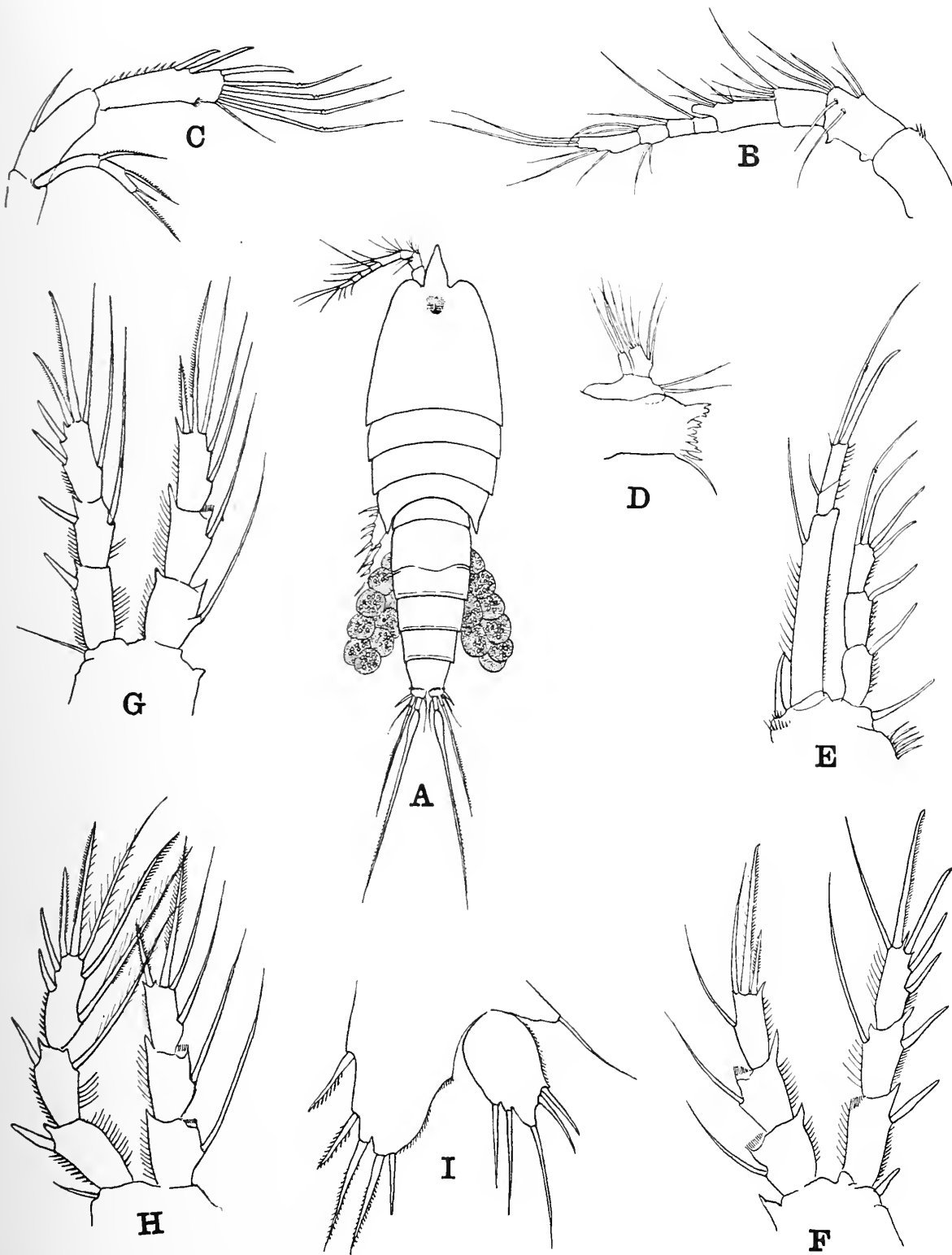
The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 59, B) reaches back to about half the length of the cephalosome; it consists of eight segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	22	20	11	15	6	7	7	12 = 100

On the posterior margin of the 2nd segment are two small conical processes, one near the distal end and the other close to the proximal. The 1st segment bears a row of spinules distally on its anterior margin.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 59, C) is slender and is composed of three segments, the terminal one bearing three spines, four geniculate setæ and a single, straight seta; the



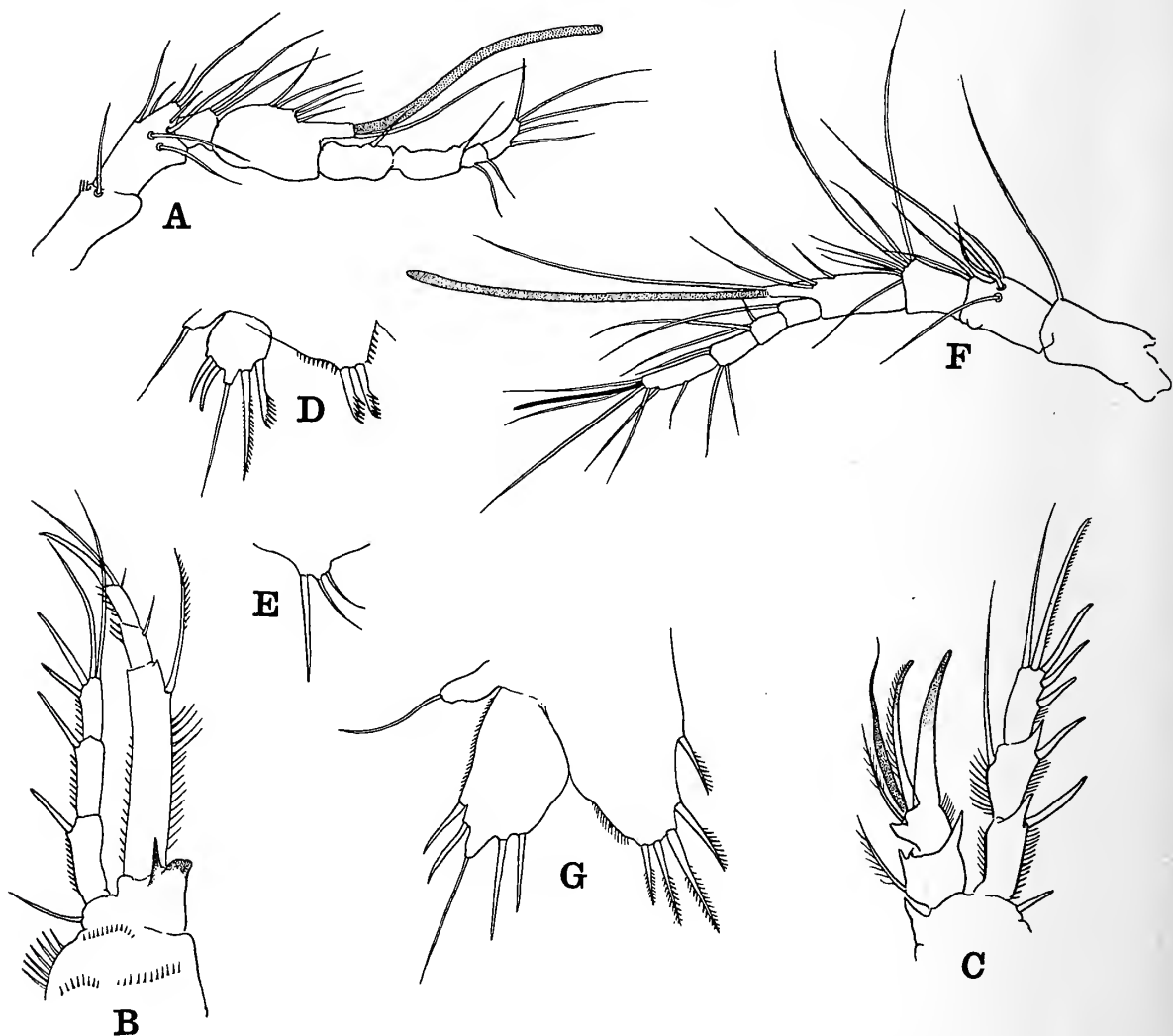


TEXT-FIG. 59.—*Amphiascus calcarifer* sp. nov., f. *minor*, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.

exopod is composed of only two segments, of which the first bears one and the distal three setæ.

The mandible (Text-fig. 59, D) has the usual form and the palp bears two unjointed rami.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 59, E) both rami are three-jointed. The exopod reaches to the level of the seta that arises from the inner margin of the proximal segment of the



TEXT-FIG. 60.—*Amphiascus calcarifer* sp. nov. A, 1st antenna, male, f. *minor*. B, 1st leg, male, f. *minor*. C, 2nd leg, male, f. *minor*. D, 5th leg, male, f. *minor*. E, Genital armature, male, f. *minor*. F, 1st antenna, female, f. *major*. G, 5th leg, female, f. *major*.

endopod; the terminal segment of the exopod bears three spines and one geniculate seta at its distal end. The 2nd and 3rd segments of the endopod are comparatively short and slender; each bears a small seta at its distal inner angle, that on the 3rd segment being extremely small, and from the distal end of the 3rd segment arise a slender spine and a single geniculate seta.

In the 2nd–4th legs (Text-fig. 59, F, G and H) the setal formula is that characteristic of the majority of species in this group, the distal segment of the exopod of the 4th leg bearing two setæ on its inner border.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 59, I) the inner lobe is very large and reaches as far as the distal end of the free segment; it bears five spines, and the outer margin is fringed with small spinules. The distal, free segment is narrowly sub-oval, and the extreme distal end tapers to a point; two subequal setæ arise from the outer margin, one long seta from the conical distal end, and two unequal setæ from the inner margin.

♂. Total length, 0.65 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are very similar to those in the female. The rostrum is long and pointed, and appears to be even longer than in the female. The posterior thoracic margin possesses similar claw-like, spinous projections. In this sex the 2nd furcal seta is not swollen at the base.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 60, A) forms the usual grasping organ.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 60, B) the 2nd basal segment is produced at the inner distal angle in a bluntly rounded process; on the immediate outer side of which and confluent with it is a straight, sharp spine.

The endopod of the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 60, C) is, as usual, modified and consists of only two segments, segments 2 and 3 being fused. The character of this fused segment agrees in its general form extremely closely with the corresponding part in *Amphiascus hispidus* (Norman) and *A. intermedius* (Scott) as figured by Sars (1903-11, pls. cviii and cx) and of *A. affinis* Sars (*cf.* Monard, 1928a, fig. xxxiii, 2), but differs markedly from that of *A. debilis* (Giesbrecht). The inner border of the distal segment is produced near the proximal end in a claw-like process, on the distal side of which arises an unmodified seta; immediately beyond this two modified setæ arise close together, the first flagelliform and the second curved and thickened; finally the distal part of the segment is itself produced in a long, curved, tapering process.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 60, D) the proximal inner segment is very wide and from the distal end arise two sub-equal comb-like spines; the inner border and the distal third of the outer margin are fringed with small spinules. The distal free segment is sub-circular, being as broad as long; from the outer margin arise two equal, slightly curved spines; from the extreme apex, which is produced in a small papilla, arises an unmodified seta; and from the inner margin spring two unequal spines, the inner of which is the smaller and is comb-like.

The margin of the genital segment (Text-fig. 60, E) is armed with a long spine and two delicate setæ.

#### f. *major*.

Associated with the above specimens were three females of a much larger size:

♀. Total length 1.05-1.13 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions in this form are as 58 to 42 or 60 to 40.

The general shape and character of the body were identical with those of the smaller examples.

The proportional lengths of the segments of the 1st antenna (Text-fig. 60, F) are as follows:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
22	20	11	16	6	6	7	12 = 100

There is thus no appreciable difference between the two forms.

In these larger examples the 5th leg (Text-fig. 60,  $\alpha$ ), while having the same general character as the appendage in the smaller forms, differs slightly; the distal segment is somewhat longer in proportion to its breadth, and is flattened on the outer side and more prominently curved on the inner. In both forms the outer margin is fringed with small spinules and there are five setæ, the central one arising from a papilla at the apex of the segment.

Both large and small forms were sexually mature, the females bearing egg-sacs.

There seems no valid reason for the separation of these two forms, and their occurrence indicates either that there is a great range of variation in size or, as I think more probable, that they represent dimorphic forms, a high and a low, of the same species, similar to those that have been found in *Teissierella propinqua* T. Scott (*vide* Sewell, 1935, p. 819, under *Amphiascus scotti*) and *T. knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott) (*vide* Gurney, 1927c, p. 532, under *Robertsonia knoxi*).

In the character of the rostrum this species closely resembles *A. lagenirostris* Sars and *A. spinifer* Farran, and the presence of spines on the dorso-lateral part of the posterior thoracic region adds to the resemblance to the latter, though, according to Farran (1913, p. 13, fig. 3), these projections in *spinifer* are on the 5th thoracic segment, whereas in the present form they are on the 4th. The character of the 5th leg is, however, quite distinct from either of these species.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.

*Amphiascus* sp. (Text-fig. 61, A-H.)

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 45, South Arabian Coast, 40 m. in mud; a single male.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♂. Total length, 0.44 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 61, A) are as 9 to 10. The general bodily form is comparatively slender. The rostrum is long, being equal in length to the first two segments of the 1st antenna, and is bluntly rounded. The abdomen consists of five segments that have the following proportional lengths:

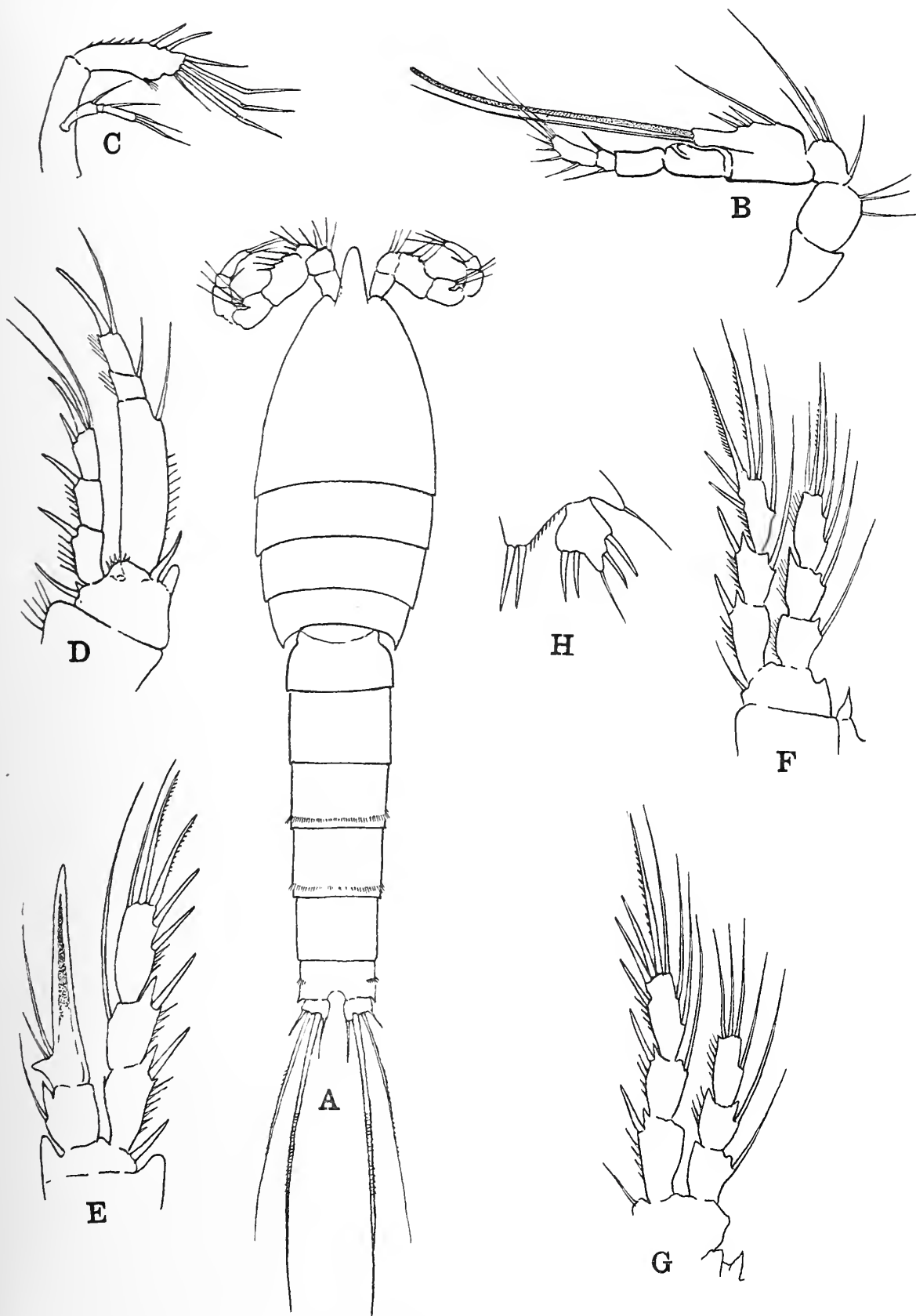
Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
13	19	20	17	17	11	3 = 100

Segments 2 and 3 are furnished with a row of small needle-like spinules close to the posterior margin. The anal segment bears a row of spinules in the lateral aspect at about half the length of the segment. The furcal ramus is very short, the proportion of length to breadth being as 3 to 11. The 2nd furcal seta is as long as the whole abdomen; in the middle third of its length it presents the appearance of being segmented, and is furnished with a row of small spinules along the outer margin. The 3rd seta is also fringed with small spinules.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 61, B) forms the usual grasping organ; the 4th segment is produced distally in a long process that reaches to beyond half the length of segment 5; from this process arises a long seta and a long sensory filament.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 61, C) consists of two segments, the distal being fringed with small spinules along its anterior margin and bearing three somewhat delicate spines, three geniculate setæ and a simple seta distally. The exopod is composed of three segments,





TEXT-FIG. 61.—*Amphiascus*, sp., ♂ A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg. F, 3rd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.

the proximal bearing a single seta, the middle very small and without a seta, and the distal as long as the proximal, and bearing one seta on the anterior margin and two distally.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 61, D) the proximal segment of the endopod is slightly longer than the whole exopod. The exopod is composed of three segments that are subequal and are devoid of any inner setæ; the 3rd segment bears two spines and two delicate setæ. The proximal segment of the endopod is somewhat stout, and the distal segment bears one stout curved claw that is as long as the 2nd and 3rd segments together, and a single seta. The 2nd basal segment is produced at its inner distal angle in a blunt digitiform process, near the base of which arises a stout spine; a spine arises from the outer margin.

The 2nd leg possesses the usual modified endopod and very closely resembles that of *Amphiascus affinis* Sars, as described by Monard (1928a, p. 293, fig. xxxiii, 2, P II end., ♂); the 2nd basal segment bears a stout spine externally, and internally is produced in a blunt conical process. The exopod is composed of three segments, of which the 1st and 2nd are subequal, and are produced in a sharp process at the distal outer angle; exopod 1 is devoid of a seta and exopod 2 bears a single one. The endopod is composed of two joints only, segments 2 and 3 being fused; segment 1 bears a single, delicate inner seta and is produced at the distal inner angle in a sharp point; segment 2 forms a long, pointed and stout process, that reaches well beyond the extreme end of the exopod and in which the chitin is strongly thickened; near the base this segment is produced internally in a sharp, pointed process, on the distal side of which arise two unequal setæ.

The setal formula of the swimming-legs (Text-fig. 61, E, F, and G) appears to be as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	modified.			0	1	0, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 61, H) the basal segment is well produced, and from the apex of the prominence arise two stout spines; the distal segment is broadly triangular in shape and is nearly as broad as long; two spines arise from the outer margin, a delicate seta from the extreme apex and two spines from the inner margin.

This male appears to belong to a female of the "*Debilis*" group of Monard (1928b, p. 379), that includes the following species:

*hyperboreus* T. Scott.

*neglectus* Norman and T. Scott.

*nannoides* Sars.

*sterilis* Monard.

*brevifurca* Cziernansky.

*linearis* Sars.

*invaginatus* Monard.

*dispar* T. Scott.

*limicola* Brady.

*intermedius* T. Scott.

*affinis* Sars (= *vararensis* T. Scott).

*hispidus* Norman.

*proximus* T. Scott.

*debilis* Giesbrecht.

*nanus* Sars.

*littoralis* T. Scott.

In the majority of these species the male is still unknown, only those of *debilis* Giesbrecht, *linearis* Sars, *hispidus* Norman, *intermedius* T. Scott and *affinis* Sars having been described;

of these, *debilis* and *linearis* are closely related, and the males exhibit the same type of modification in the endopod of the 2nd leg; *hispidus* and *intermedius* possess a different type of modification, closely resembling each other; and *affinis* exhibits a third type, to which the present specimen clearly conforms. As, however, none of these species has as yet been recorded from Indian waters, I hesitate to assign this male to any of them: it may possibly prove to be the unknown male of *robinsoni*.

THE "DENTICULATUS" GROUP, Monard, 1928*b*, p. 376.

The species of this group are characterized, according to Monard, by the following:

The 1st antenna is composed of eight segments; there is a spinous process, either internally or externally, on the 2nd segment. The exopod of the 2nd antenna possesses three segments. The exopod is equal to or shorter than the 1st segment of the endopod in the 1st leg. The 2nd segment of the endopod of the 2nd-4th legs bears 2, 1 and 1 setæ respectively. The 3rd segment of the endopod of these legs bears 4, 5 and 4 setæ respectively, while the terminal segments of the exopods bear 7, 7 and 8 setæ.

This latter statement, however, appears to require modification. Monard includes in this group only two species, namely *A. denticulatus* (Thompson) and *A. lagenirostris* Sars, and the setal formula for the 4th legs in these two species differ, as is shown below:

P4.	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
<i>denticulatus</i>	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
<i>lagenirostris</i>	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3

The character of the 5th leg in *denticulatus* is remarkably similar to that of both *A. normani* Sars, *A. blanchardi* (T. and A. Scott) and *A. dentipes* (Thompson and A. Scott), for in all four the distal outer angle of the free segment is produced outwards in a pointed process; but in all these latter species the setal formula of the 4th leg is different, as shown below:

P4.	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
<i>normani</i>	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
<i>blanchardi</i>	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
<i>dentipes</i>	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

Monard, basing his scheme on the presence or absence of a spine on the 2nd segment of the 1st antenna, has separated *denticulatus*, which he makes the "type" of a group, and *lagenirostris* from *dentipes*, *normani* and *blanchardi*, and of these, *dentipes* and *normani* are included in the "Varians" group, while he makes *blanchardi* the "type" of the group of that name.

*Amphiascus inermis* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 62, A-G.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in tow-netting from 20 fathoms; a single specimen.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♂. Total length, 0.61 mm.

The body is long and slim, tapering but little, if at all, towards the posterior end.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 53 to 74. The rostrum (Text-fig. 62, A) is long, and reaches beyond the end of the 2nd segment of the 1st antenna. The furcal rami are very short and the furcal setæ normal. The proportional lengths of the segments of the abdomen are as follows :

Segment Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
24	21	18	17	15	5 = 100

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 62, A) forms the usual grasping organ ; the 3rd segment is much shorter than either the 2nd or 4th. There is no trace of any spinous projection or tubercle on the 2nd segment.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 62, B) is relatively short and closely resembles that of *A. denticulatus* (Thompson) ; the distal segment bears three spines, four geniculate setæ and a single simple seta. On the anterior margin of the distal segment proximal to the 1st spine is a series of five spinules. The exopod is composed of three segments, of which the 2nd is very short, but bears a seta, the proximal segment bears a single seta, and the distal segment bears one seta near the base and two at the distal end.

The 1st leg (Text-fig. 62, C) closely resembles that of *A. denticulatus*. In the 2nd basal segment the inner margin is produced into a curved bifid process, and immediately distal to this arises a stout curved inner spine. The rami are each composed of three segments. The exopod is slightly longer than the 1st segment of the endopod and the distal segment bears three spines and two geniculate setæ ; the proximal segment is devoid of an inner seta and the 2nd segment carries a short delicate one. In the endopod the distal segment is about three times the length of the 2nd, and bears a delicate seta at the inner distal angle, a long seta at the distal end and a long delicate spine at the distal outer angle.

The endopod of the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 62, D) is modified, segments 2 and 3 being fused. From that part of the fused segment that corresponds to segment 2 two markedly unequal setæ arise from the inner margin, the proximal being much the smaller. Two modified setæ arise from the outer border and one modified seta from the extreme apex. A single unmodified seta arises from the inner margin near the distal extremity.

The setal formula for the 3rd and 4th legs (Text-fig. 62, E and F) is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P4	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

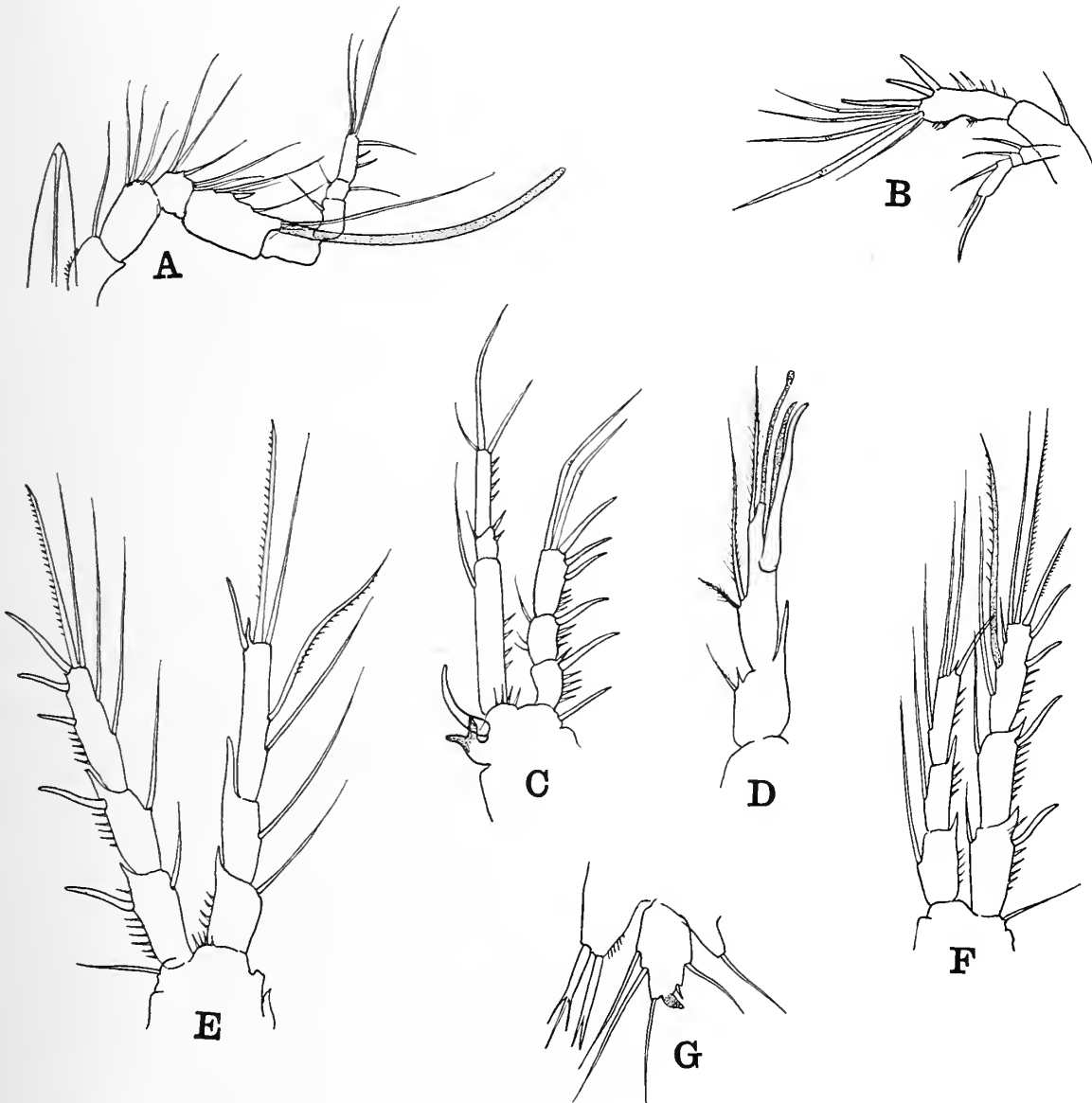
Of the setæ arising from the inner border of the distal segment of the exopod of the 4th leg the 2nd is thickened and serrated and the 3rd is extremely small and vestigial, thus closely resembling the condition found in *A. denticulatus*.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 62, G) also is very similar to that of *A. denticulatus*. The proximal inner segment bears two spines on its distal margin ; of these the inner is tri-radiate and the outer bifid. The distal free segment is sub-oval in shape and extends well beyond the distal end of the basal segment ; from the inner margin arise two delicate subequal setæ ; a single seta arises from the extreme apex, and immediately external



to this the outer angle of the segment is produced in a triangular outwardly-directed process; from the outer margin near the distal end arises a very short seta, and from about the middle of this border a 2nd seta arises.

There can, I think, be little doubt that this form exhibits a close relationship to *A.*



TEXT-FIG. 62.—*Amphiascus inermis* sp. nov. A, Rostrum and 1st antenna. B, 2nd antenna. C, 1st leg. D, Endopod of 2nd leg. E, 3rd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg.

*denticulatus*, but the complete absence of any spinous process on the 2nd antennal segment clearly separates the two.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands.

As mentioned above, this species closely resembles *A. denticulatus*, the most obvious difference being the absence in the present form of a spine on the 2nd segment of the 1st antenna. According to Monard's scheme, this would be sufficient to separate the two forms and to place them in different groups. It seems to me that *denticulatus*, *normani*, *blanchardi* and the present form together form a natural group, in which there has been a

progressive reduction in the number of the setæ on the swimming-legs in both the endopods and exopods.

THE "TYPHLOPS" GROUP, Monard, 1928*b*, p. 378.

Monard includes in this group the following species :

- Amphiascus typhlops* Sars.  
*A. rostratus* Gurney.  
*A. spinulosus* Sars.  
*A. dictydiophorus* Monard.

To these should be added *A. ctenophorus* Monard.

The members of this group are stated by Monard to be characterized as follows :

The 1st antenna is composed of eight segments, of which the 4th is much longer than the 3rd, except in *A. typhlops*.\* The exopod of the 2nd antenna is composed of three segments. The median segments of the exopods of legs 2-4 bear only one seta. The distal segments of the exopods of the 2nd-4th legs bear four, five and four setæ respectively, while the terminal segments of the exopods bear six and seven setæ or spines. The free segment of the 5th leg has six setæ, and the segment is elongate except in *A. rostratus* Gurney.

Unfortunately Monard has overlooked the fact, clearly shown by Sars (1903-11, pl. cxi), that in *A. typhlops* the median segment of the 2nd leg bears two, not one, setæ.

*Amphiascus typhlops* Sars. (Text-fig. 63, A-G.)

*Amphiascus typhlops*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 170, pl. cxi.

? *Stenhelia accraensis*, T. Scott, 1894, p. 95, pl. x, figs. 2-12.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single specimen, female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.67 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 63, A) are as 54 to 46. The rostrum is long and pointed. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
12	34	14	14	12	14 = 100

The genital segment is traversed by a clear thick ridge of chitin across the dorsal aspect. The furcal rami are considerably longer than wide in the proportion of 15 to 11.

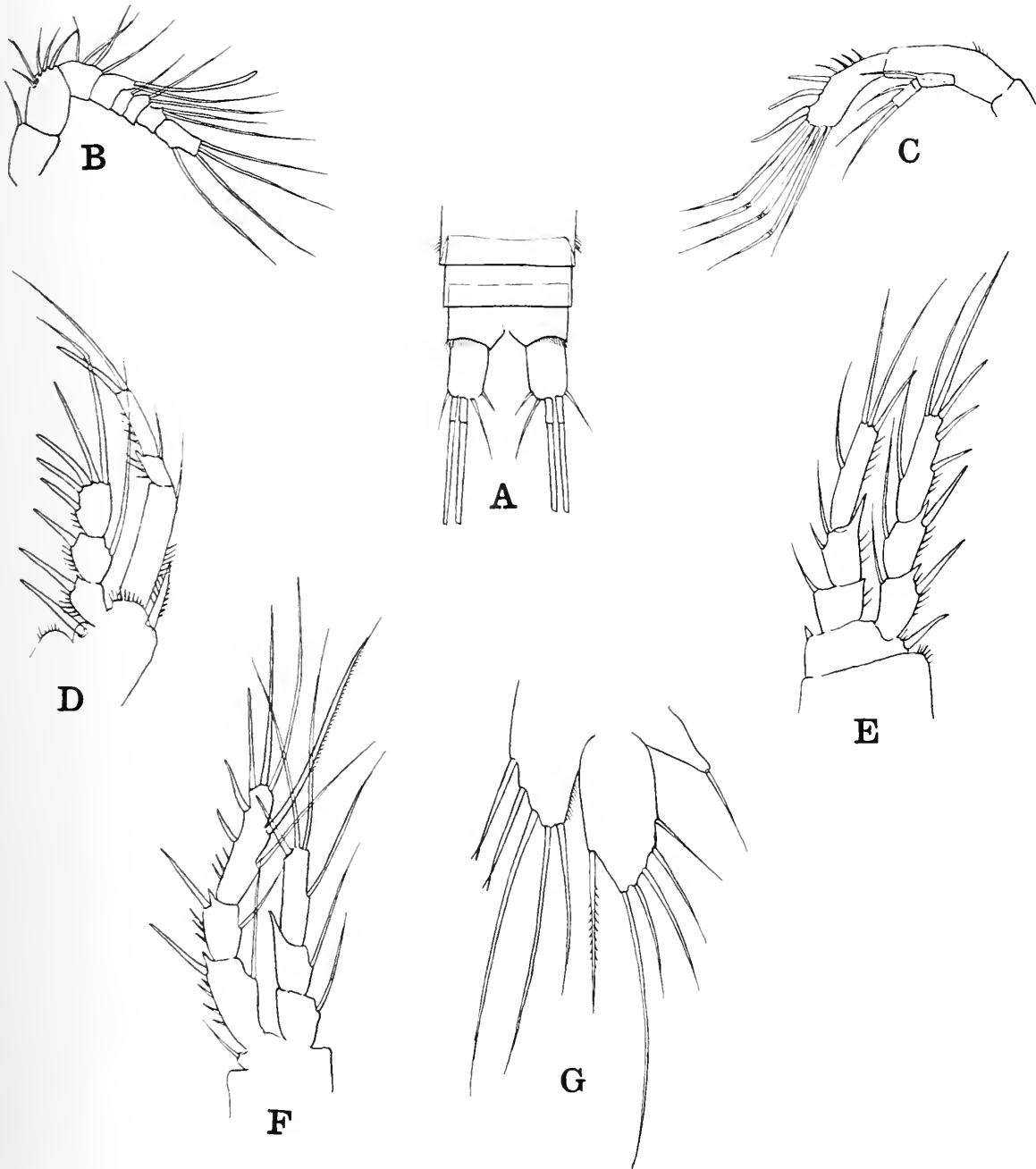
The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 63, B) is comparatively short and is composed of eight segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
26	21	11	11	4	4	7	16 = 100

The 4th segment thus appears to be somewhat shorter than in the specimens Sars examined.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 63, c), mouth-parts and 1st pair of legs (Text-fig. 63, D) agree closely with the description and figures given by Sars (*loc. cit.*).

\* Monard (*loc. cit.*) states that "L'antennule à 8 articles dont le quatrième est plus long que le troisième à l'exception de typhlos (*sic*)". Sars (1903-11, p. 170) states that in this species "the 4th joint is not much longer than the 3rd".



TEXT-FIG. 63.—*Amphiascus typhlops* Sars, ♀. A, Posterior abdominal segments and furca. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg.

Sars has given figures of all three swimming-legs, and from these it would appear that the setal formula for legs 2-4 is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2	1, 2, 1	1	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	0	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3

The present specimen differs from this, since on the 2nd segment of the endopod of the 4th leg a seta is present (*vide* Text fig. 63, F).

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 63, G) agrees closely with the figure given by Sars, but the distal free segment appears to be slightly wider than in the Norwegian form; in the present specimen the two inner setæ on the proximal segment are bifurcate, whereas Sars shows only the innermost but one with this peculiarity.

DISTRIBUTION.—The coast of Norway (Sars), the West and South parts of the Baltic Sea (Klie) and the Arctic Ocean (Sars). The present record extends the distribution to the Indian Ocean, Maldive Archipelago.

There is a distinct resemblance between this species and the form described by T. Scott (*loc. cit.*) from the Gulf of Guinea under the name *Stenhelia accraensis*, especially as regards the 2nd antenna, mouth-parts and the 1st and 5th pairs of legs, the free segment of this last being slightly broader in *typhlops* than in *accraensis*, though the arrangement of setæ is identical, and in both the 2nd seta on the inner margin of the proximal segment is bifid. Scott does not state the number of setæ on the inner margin of the 2nd segment of the endopod of the 2nd leg, but states that the legs resemble those of *Stenhelia ima* (= *Amphiascus imus* (Brady)), in which there are two. The only obvious difference between these two forms appears to be the 1st antenna, which, according to T. Scott, is composed of nine segments in *accraensis*, whereas there are eight in *typhlops*.

*Amphiascus ctenophorus* Monard. (Text-fig. 64, A-I.)

*Amphiascus ctenophorus*, Monard, 1928a, p. 395, fig. xxxiv, 2.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

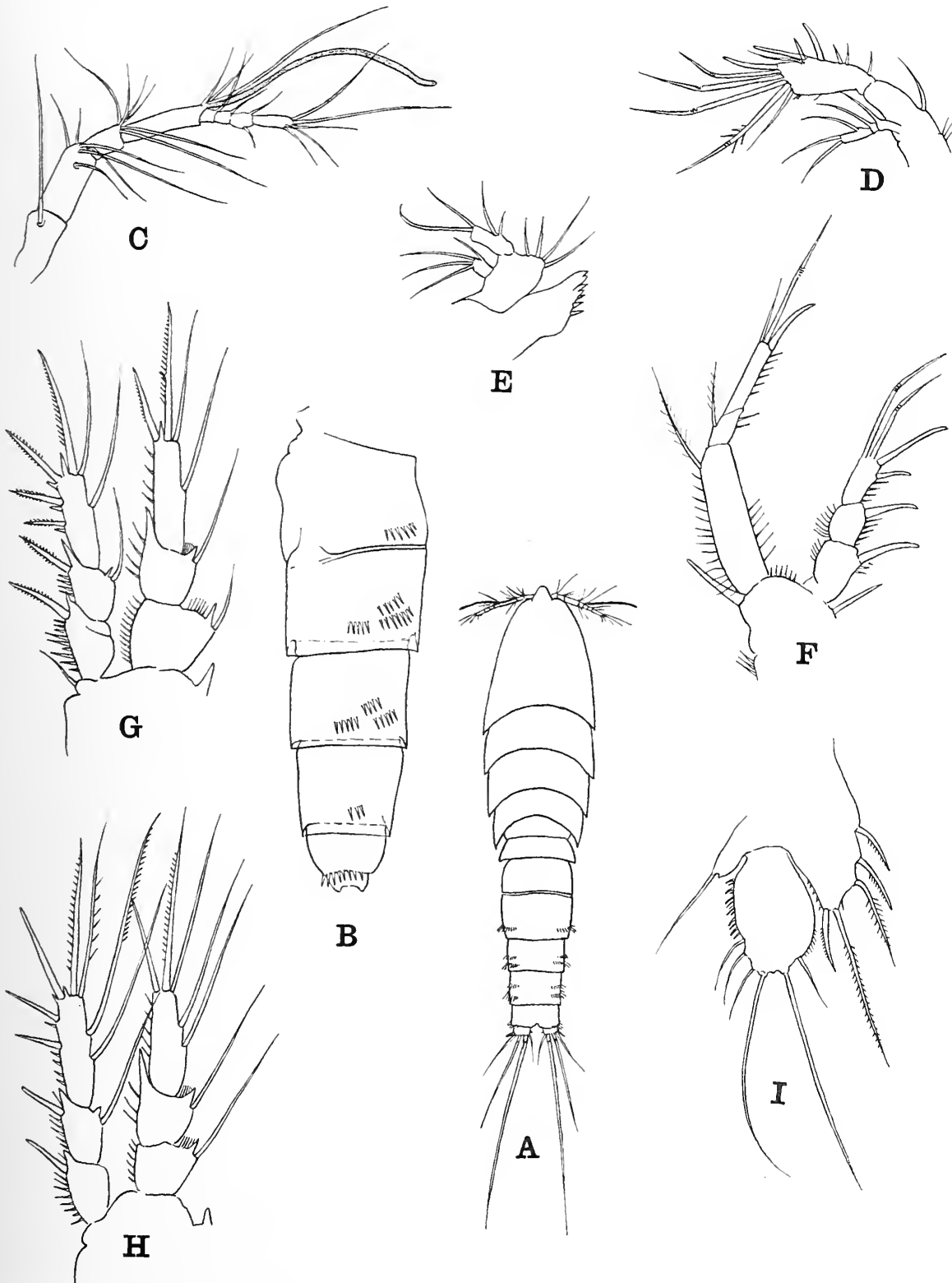
DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.70 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 64, A) are as 49 to 51. The anterior region is of slender build, and the abdomen tapers but little towards the posterior end. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	12	37	19	18	11	3 = 100

The line of fusion of the 1st and 2nd segments of the abdomen is clearly indicated across the dorsal aspect. The various segments of the abdomen (Text-fig. 64, B) are armed with short rows of fine needle-like spines in the lateral region; these are arranged, as Monard





TEXT-FIG. 64.—*Amphiascus ctenophorus* Monard, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Abdomen, lateral view. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandible. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 3rd leg. I, 5th leg.

has shown, as follows : One row on each side in segment 1 ; 2 rows, one dorsolateral and the other ventrolateral, in segments 2 and 3 ; in the present specimens the dorsolateral row is double, whereas Monard figures it as single ; one short, lateral row in segment 4 ; and a row of spinules along the articulation of the furcal ramus in segment 5. The furcal rami are about twice as long as broad.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 64, c) is composed of eight segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
20	21	11	21	4	6	6	11 = 100
(Monard) . 17	22	11	22	5	5	6	12 = 100

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 64, D) the basal segment is slightly curved, and the distal segment is relatively short and bears three spines, four geniculate setæ, of which the posterior one is armed with several fine needle-like spinules, and a single simple seta. The exopod is composed of three segments ; the 1st bears one seta distally, the second is small and is furnished with a seta, and the 3rd bears one seta on its anterior margin proximally and two at the distal end.

The mandibular palp (Text-fig. 64, E) is as described by Monard ; the basal segment is enlarged and bears two unequal rami.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 64, F) both rami are three-jointed. The segments of the exopod are of approximately equal length ; the 1st and 2nd are both devoid of an inner seta, and the 3rd segment bears two spines and two geniculate setæ. The endopod is long ; the 1st and 2nd segments together equal the length of the whole exopod and each bears a single inner seta ; the 3rd segment is more than twice the length of the 2nd, and bears at its distal end one curved spine, one geniculate seta and a delicate, simple seta.

Unfortunately, in the specimen dissected, the 4th pair of legs was missing ; the setal formula of the 2nd and 3rd legs is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

The above formula differs slightly from that given by Monard, who states that the distal segment of the 3rd leg carries six setæ and spines, whereas in the present specimen (Text-fig. 64, H) there are seven.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 64, I) the basal segment reaches to about half-way along the distal segment ; it is armed with five setæ, and the inner margin is fringed with fine hairs. The distal free segment is oval in shape and bears six setæ, of which one short one arises from the inner border, two subequal ones from the distal end and three short ones from the outer margin ; the outer margin is fringed with fine hairs, and the distal third of the inner border is fringed with very small spinules. In Monard's examples the most proximal of the three setæ arising from the outer margin of the free segment is longer than the others.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands and Maldivé Archipelago (present record) and the Mediterranean Sea (Monard).

There is extremely little difference in structure between *Amphiascus rostratus* Gurney and *A. ctenophorus* Monard, as is shown in the following table :

	<i>rostratus</i> Gurney.								<i>ctenophorus</i> Monard.							
Length . . . . .	0.8 mm.								0.65 mm.							
Rostrum . . . . .	Long, equal to first two segments of 1st antenna								Long, equal to first two segments of 1st antenna.							
Abdominal segments . . . . .	With dorso-lateral groups of spinules								With dorso-lateral groups of spinules.							
Length of segments of 1st antenna	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	20	23	11	18	4	7	5	12	17	22	11	22	5	5	6	12
Exopod of 2nd antenna . . . . .	3-jointed								3-jointed.							
1st leg . . . . .	Endopod 1 longer than exopod								Endopod 1 longer than exopod.							
	Exopod 1 to 3 equal								Exopod 1 to 3 equal.							
	Endopod 1 equals endopod 2 and 3 in length								Endopod 1 equals endopod 2 and 3 in length.							
	Exopod 3 bears two spines and two geniculate setæ								Exopod 3 bears two spines and two geniculate setæ.							
2nd-4th legs, setal formula . . . . .	Endopod.				Exopod.				Endopod.				Exopod.			
	P2	1.1.1, 2, 1	0.1.1, 2, 3		P2	1.1.1, 2, 1	0.1.1, 2, 3		P3	1.1.2, 2, 1	0.1.1, 2, 3		P3	1.1.2, 2, 1	0.1.1, 2, 3	
	P3	1.1.2, 2, 1	0.1.1, 2, 3		P4	1.1.1, 2, 1	0.1.2, 2, 3		P4	- 1.1, 2, 1	- - 2, 2, 3		(Complete data not given by Monard ; probably identical.)			
5th leg . . . . .	Basal joint produced nearly to end of distal segment. Basal segment narrow, bears five setæ, proximal one short. Distal segment broadly oval, 4 by 3.								Basal joint produced to about two-thirds of distal segment. Basal segment rounded, bears five setæ, proximal one short. Distal segment oval, 3 by 2.							
Mandibular palp . . . . .	Basal segment swollen, with two unequal lobes								Basal segment swollen, with two unequal lobes.							
Habitat . . . . .	Suez Canal								Mediterranean Sea.							

Almost the only difference appears to lie in the slightly different shape of the 5th leg. In this respect the present specimens agree more nearly with *A. ctenophorus* than with *A. rostratus* ; but it may well be that all these forms are in reality merely local variations of a single species. Unfortunately, Gurney had no males for examination, and until specimens of this sex have been obtained and examined, it is not possible to reach any final conclusion on this point.

*Incertæ sedis.*

*Amphiascus havelocki* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*Dactylophusia havelocki*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 269, pl. ix, figs. 11-18.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings ; a single female.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott) and the Maldive Archipelago (present record).

*Amphiascus dentatus* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*Dactylophusia dentata*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 268, pl. ix, figs. 1-10.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in surface tow-net; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.76 mm.

This is somewhat smaller than Thompson and A. Scott's examples, which measured 1.2 mm. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 62 to 38. Viewed from the dorsal aspect the 3rd and 4th thoracic segments are both produced in sharp-pointed processes in the dorso-lateral region; the 5th thoracic segment is produced laterally in a blunt process on each side. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	18	35	14	11	9	13 = 100

The genital segment bears a strong pointed process on each side of the antero-lateral area. The furcal rami are nearly twice as long as broad; the 2nd furcal seta is nearly one-and-a-half times as long as the posterior region of the body.

The 1st antenna is composed of eight segments.

The 2nd antenna is composed of three segments and the distal bears three spines and three geniculate setæ; the exopod is composed of only two segments, of which the proximal bears one and the distal four setæ, one on the anterior margin and three distally.

The 5th leg differs slightly from the figure given by Thompson and A. Scott (*loc. cit.*, pl. ix, fig. 7) for the distal segment is decidedly narrower in proportion to its length. It bears seven setæ and the proximal segment bears five.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands (present record) and the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott).

Genus *Teissierella* Monard.

*Teissierella*, Monard, 1935, p. 24.

*Robertsonia*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 529.

The "Bulbifer" Group of *Amphiascus*, Monard, 1928b, p. 375.

*Robertsonia*, Lang, 1935, p. 4.

A considerable controversy has arisen regarding the position of the species that may be referred to this genus. Gurney (1927c, p. 529 *et seq.*) suggested that to the genus *Robertsonia* Brady can be referred a number of species that had previously been placed by other authors in the genus *Amphiascus*, and he further proposed to remove this genus from the Family Tachidiidæ, to which it has originally been attached, and include it in the Family Diosaccidæ near to the genus *Amphiascus*, to which it is clearly closely related. In the genus *Robertsonia* he included—

*Robertsonia tenuis* Brady, the type species.

*R. bulbifer* (Sars).

*R. propinqua* (T. Scott) (= *Amphiascus scotti* Sewell).

*R. irrasa* (A. Scott).

*R. knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott) (= *Robertsonia diademata* Monard).



Of the other species that had up to that time been included in the genus, *R. normani* Brady is, he pointed out, an Ectinosomid, and *R. aculeifera* Klie is markedly different in its bodily shape and is probably identical with *Thompsonula hyenæ* Thompson. Since Gurney's paper other species have been added to the genus, namely :

*Robertsonia chesapeakensis* Wilson (1932),

*R. flavidula* Willey (1931),

*R. hamata* Willey (1931),

and to these may be also added *Amphiascus angolensis* Monard (1934).

Lang (1935*b*, p. 4) has clearly pointed out that *Robertsonia tenuis* possesses a genital aperture that in its structure resembles that of *Amphiascus* and not *Tachidius*, and that in the male the 1st antenna is also similar to that of *Amphiascus* : and he agrees with Gurney that the genus *Robertsonia* should be classed with *Amphiascus* in the family Diosaccidæ.

Monard (1935, p. 24) has discussed the relationship of the genera *Robertsonia* and *Amphiascus*, and has described a new species which appears to bridge the already comparatively small difference between them : to accommodate this new species he has erected a third genus, *Teissierella*. This genus is characterized by a large rostrum, articulated at its base ; the body with the same general form as in *Amphiascus* but rather short ; the 1st antenna short with only six segments in the type species (in other species the number ranges from five to seven) and furnished with pectinate spines ; the 2nd antenna with the exopod of three segments and bearing pectinate spines ; the mandibular palp with two lobes, but without the development of the genus *Stenhelia* ; all the limbs tri-articulate. The 1st leg with the endopod elongate and prehensile only to a feeble degree ; in the swimming-legs the endopods shorter than the exopods. The 5th leg with two segments, of the form found in *Amphiascus*. In the male the antennule, the endopodite of the 2nd leg and the 5th leg are modified. Two ovigerous sacs.

To this genus Monard refers his new species *T. celtica*. In a later paper (1937, p. 30) he includes yet another new species, *T. salamboi*, and includes with this the species *T. knoxi* (= *Stenhelia knoxi* Thompson and A. Scott), which Gurney regards as probably identical with *Amphiascus diademata* Monard.

Almost the only definite distinguishing feature between the genera *Robertsonia* and *Teissierella* is the presence of one egg-sac in the former and two in the latter, as in *Amphiascus*. Brady (1880) in neither his account of *Robertsonia tenuis* nor the definition of the genus makes any reference to the number of egg-sacs, but Sars (1903-11, p. 335) states that the female is provided with only a single egg-sac. Lang (1935, p. 4) states, " Ich habe auch Sars' Material der Art erhalten. In diesem Material, welches über hundert Individuen umfasst, fehlen die Eiersäcke gleichfalle " ; thus the presence of two sacs in this species rests solely on Sars' work, but Wilson (1932, p. 29, pl. iv, A) has described a second species, *R. chesapeakensis*, in which also there is only a single egg-sac. It therefore seems to me preferable for the present at any rate and until more information is available to distinguish between these two groups of species, and to include those with one egg-sac in the genus *Robertsonia*, and the other with two egg-sacs in Monard's genus *Teissierella*.

The genus *Robertsonia* will thus include—

*R. tenuis* Brady and

*R. chesapeakensis* Wilson.

In the genus *Teissierella* Monard should be included—

- T. celtica* Monard, the type of the genus.  
*T. salammboi* Monard.  
*T. propinqua* (T. Scott) (= *Amphiascus scotti* Sewell).  
*T. irrasa* (A. Scott).  
*T. knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott) (= *Robertsonia salsa* Gurney).  
*T. hamata* (Willey).  
*T. flavidula* (Willey), and a new species.  
*T. angolensis* (Monard).  
*T. adduensis* sp. nov.

The position of Monard's species *R. diademata* must at present remain doubtful, as Monard does not state the number of egg-sacs; but it is probably a *Teissierella* and comes very near to *T. propinqua* and *T. irrasa*, since there appears to be no seta on the proximal segment of the endopods of the swimming-legs.

Throughout the genus we can trace a gradual reduction in the number of setæ that arise from the various segments of the rami in the swimming-legs. The highest degree of armature is to be found in *T. knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott); in this species the setal formula is—

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	1	3, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2 (or 3), 2, 3

The next stage is to be found in *T. propinqua* (T. Scott) and, so far as our knowledge goes, probably also in *T. irrasa* (A. Scott) and *T. diademata*, Monard, which Gurney believes to be identical with *knoxii*. Here the setal formula is:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	2*, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

As regards *diademata*, Monard states that there is only one seta on the middle joint of all the endopods, but he figures two, the proximal very small, on the middle segment of the endopod of P3 (*vide* Monard, 1928*b*, fig. v, 1).

In the new species, *T. adduensis*, there is a further reduction by one seta on the terminal segment of the exopod of the 3rd leg; the formula thus becomes:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

\* Distal seta very small.

From this condition further reductions have taken place in either the terminal segment of the exopod of the 2nd leg, as in *T. hamata*, giving the formula :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

or in the terminal segment of the endopod of the 3rd leg, as apparently in *T. angolensis* :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P4	—	1	2, 2, 1	—	—	2, 2, 3

In the other species, *T. flavidula*, reduction has affected the setæ on the proximal segments of the endopod of the 2nd and 3rd legs :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P3	0	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	0	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

The position of *Amphiascus bulbifer* Sars must at present remain doubtful ; Sars has not given a full description of the swimming-legs of this form, but he shows that it possesses the following setal formula for the 2nd leg, endopod 0. 2. 1, 2, 1 ; exopod 0. 1. 0, 2, 3, which is entirely different from all other species that can be referred to this genus.

*Teissierella knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott).

*Stenhelia knoxi*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 262, pl. x, figs. 15-18.

*Robertsonia salsa*, Gurney, 1927a, p. 175, figs. 33-40.

*Robertsonia knoxi*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 532, fig. 147.

*Teissierella knoxi*, Monard, 1937, p. 30.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings ; examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.63 mm.

These examples are thus intermediate in size between the two forms obtained by Gurney in the Suez Canal, which measured respectively 0.87-1.0 and 0.45-0.50 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 50 to 50. The rostrum is bluntly rounded, and a small sensory hair springs from each side near the tip. The segments of the abdomen are richly ornamented with rows of small

spinules, thus corresponding to Gurney's type A. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
9	33	24	17	13	4 = 100

The 1st antenna consists, as Thompson and A. Scott pointed out, of six segments ; Gurney, in his account of *R. salsa*, stated that there were five segments, but in his later publication (1927c, p. 533) he admits that there is a partial separation of the last segment in the large form of this species and usually a complete separation in the smaller form. The proportional lengths of the segments are as follows :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
34	14	20	6	9	17 = 100

At first sight these measurements differ markedly from those given by Thompson and A. Scott (1903, p. 262), but it is clear that in this instance these authors have given the measurements of the segments starting from the distal end instead of the proximal, so that by reversing the order and converting their figures to parts per hundred we get the proportional measurements of 28, 13, 23, 5, 10, 20, which agree reasonably closely with those given above. Gurney (1927c, p. 533) has called attention to the presence of a coarsely-feathered seta on the anterior margin of the terminal segment ; in the present specimen there were two such setæ present.

The 2nd antenna closely resembles that of *R. tenuis*.

The mandible, according to Gurney, also closely resembles that of *R. tenuis* ; this is true of the general shape of the appendage, but in the present specimen one of the setæ arising from the distal end of the basal segment of the palp is greatly enlarged and thickened.

The 1st leg agrees closely with the figure given by Thompson and A. Scott.

In the 2nd-4th legs the setal formula differs slightly from that given by Gurney, and is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	1	3, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3

On the distal segment of the exopod of the 4th leg there is a very minute seta on the distal side of the enlarged 2nd seta ; Gurney calls attention to the increased development of the 2nd seta on this segment, but either he failed to note the very small 3rd seta or else this was not present in his specimens.

The 5th leg of the present specimens differs somewhat from the figure given by Gurney (1927b, fig. 37, p. 177), for the proximal segment is shorter and more rounded, and the distal free segment is decidedly shorter and broader, and more nearly approaches the shape of this segment in *R. irrasa* A. Scott.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species has now been recorded from the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldivé Archipelago (present record), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard) and Bermuda (Willey).



*Teissierella propinqua* (T. Scott).

*Dactylopus propinquus*, T. Scott, 1894, p. 99, pl. x, figs. 44-52; pl. xi, figs. 1-3.

*Amphiascus scotti*, Sewell, 1924, p. 819, pl. liv, 1.

*Robertsonia propinqua*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 530.

OCCURRENCE.—Nicobar Islands in weed-washings; one female. Addu Atoll, Maldivic Archipelago, in weed-washings; several females.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. The specimens from Addu Atoll measured 0.87 mm. in total length; they were thus slightly larger than those from the Chilka Lake, that measured 0.79 mm.

These examples agree closely with the f. *major* from the Chilka Lake. A single specimen from the Nicobar Islands measured rather less in total length and conformed to f. *minor*.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands (present record), the Chilka Lake (Sewell), the Maldivic Archipelago (present record), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott) and Bermuda (Willey).

*Teissierella adduensis* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 65, A-J.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldivic Archipelago, in weed washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.64-0.66 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 65, A) are as 55 to 45. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

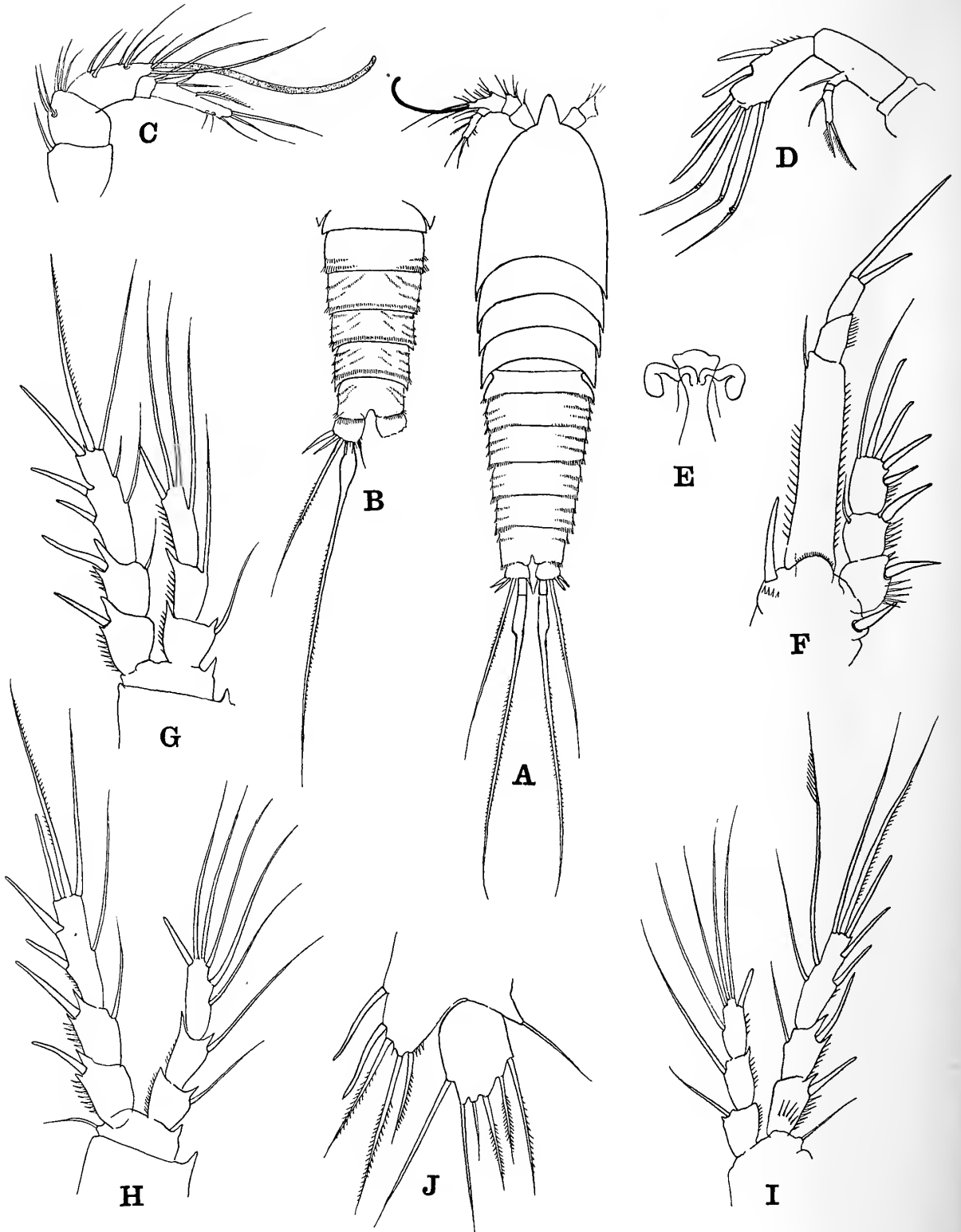
Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	10	32	17	17	14	10 = 100

The genital segment is crossed on the dorsal aspect by a well-marked line of demarcation between segments 1 and 2. All the abdominal segments are richly ornamented with rows of small spinules; there appears to be a certain degree of variation in the arrangement of these rows in different individuals; in some the posterior margins of all the abdominal segments and the lateral aspects of the segments bear three rows of minute spinules, which seem to disappear towards the mid-dorsal region; in other examples the rows of spinules along the posterior margins of the segments are continuous across the mid-dorsal line on the 2nd-4th segments and only the row on the 1st segment is interrupted, and there are subsidiary rows of minute spinules in the dorso-lateral regions that run somewhat forwards before disappearing near the mid-dorsal line. In the 5th segment the lines of articulation of the furcal rami are fringed with minute spinules. The furcal rami are slightly broader than long; each ramus is armed at the outer distal angle with a pair of delicate spines. The 2nd furcal seta is markedly thickened at the base; in some examples this thickening is cylindrical, while in others it is more or less pyriform.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 65, c) is composed of only five segments, that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
	27	16	20	5	32 = 100

The 3rd segment bears a long sensory filament; the 4th segment is very short and the



TEXT-FIG. 65.—*Teissierella adduensis* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Abdomen, dorsal view of another example. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Genital area, female. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 3rd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg.

5th is long. This latter segment bears a characteristic comb-like seta about the middle of the anterior border.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 65, D) the distal segment of the endopod is stout and comparatively short; it bears four spines and three geniculate setæ; the exopod is composed of three segments, the middle one, though clearly defined, is very small and is devoid of a seta.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 65, F) the exopod reaches a little more than half-way along the 1st segment of the endopod; all three segments are approximately equal in length. The endopod is twice the length of the exopod and the two distal segments are subequal.

The setal formula of the 2nd–4th pairs of legs (Text-fig. 65, G, H and I) differs from that of all the other members of the genus. It is as follows:

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P3	1	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

The absence of a seta on the proximal segment of the exopod in all the swimming-legs places this species close to *T. propinqua* (T. Scott) and *T. irrasa* (A. Scott); but the presence of only a single seta on the inner margin of the 3rd segment of the 3rd leg separates it from these two forms, in both of which there are two setæ in this position.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 65, J) the basal segment reaches to about half-way along the distal segment; it bears five setæ, of which the proximal two are smooth, as in *T. knoxi* and *T. propinqua*; the distal segment bears six setæ, of which the inner three are smooth.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.

#### Genus *Stenhelia* Boeck.

*Stenhelia*, Gurney, 1932, p. 38.

This genus is divided into two subgenera in accordance with the number of segments in the endopod of the 1st leg. Those species in which this ramus is composed of three segments are grouped in the subgenus *Stenhelia* s. str., whereas those in which only two segments are present comprise the subgenus *Delavalia*. In the present collections there are three species all belonging to the latter subgenus.

#### Subgenus *Delavalia* Brady.

*Stenhelia* (*Delavalia*) *polluta* Monard. (Text-fig. 66, A–D.)

*Stenhelia* (*Delavalia*) *polluta*, Monard, 1928a, p. 399, fig. xxxv, 2.

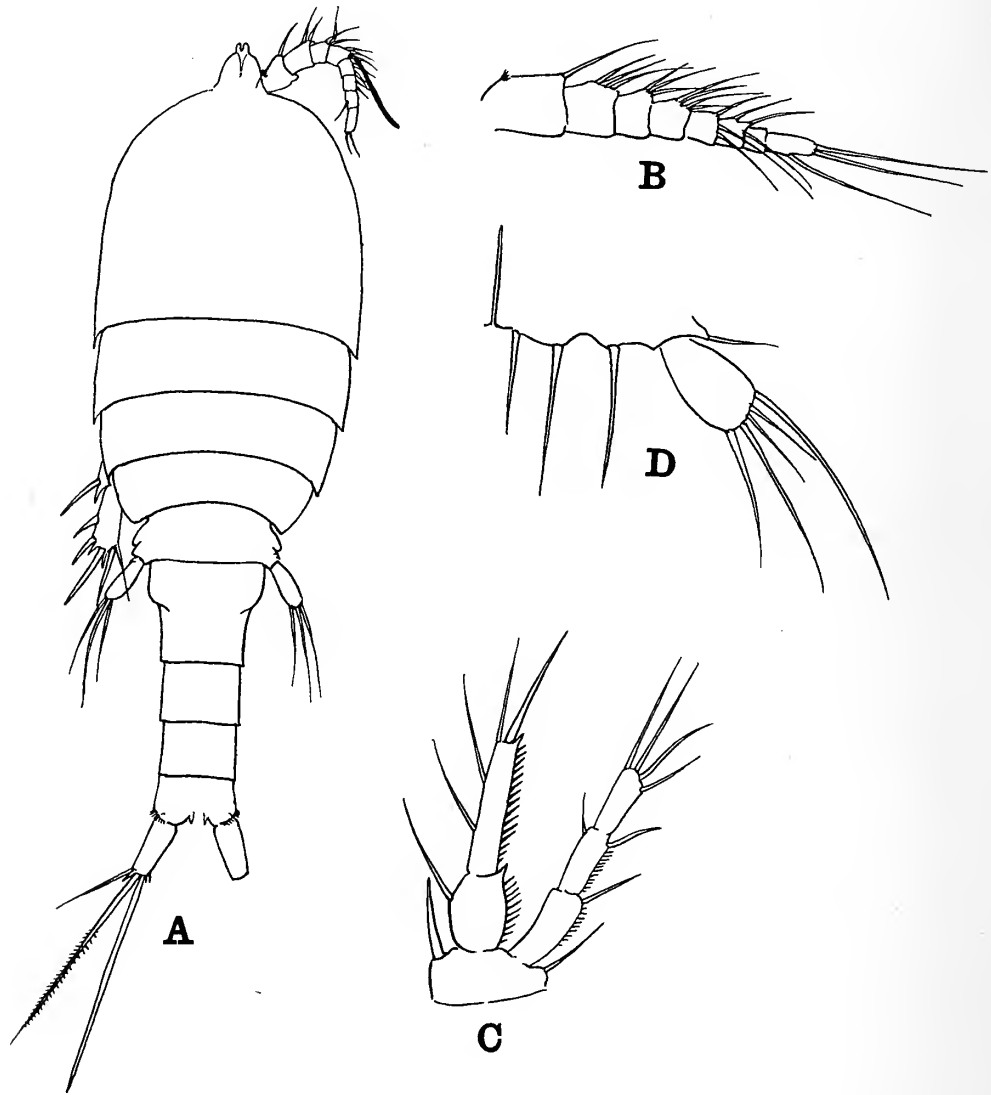
*Stenhelia normani* var. *polluta*, Monard, 1937, p. 45.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.633 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig.

66, A) are as 56 to 44. The anterior region is robust. The rostrum resembles that of *S. normani* T. Scott, and terminates anteriorly in two small rounded lobes. The posterior region of the body is moderately wide in the 5th thoracic and 1st abdominal segments, but in the middle of the length of the genital segment, where the 1st and 2nd abdominal segments are fused, it becomes constricted, and behind this point is of almost uniform



TEXT-FIG. 66.—*Stenhelius (Delavalia) polluta* Monard. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 1st leg. D, 5th leg.

width as far as the furcal rami. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	14	30	14	13	13	16 = 100

The posterior margin of the 5th segment, where the furcal rami are articulated, is armed with a row of fine needle-like spinules. The furcal rami are slightly divergent and



are approximately twice as long as broad. In the present specimen they are slightly longer than in Monard's examples, being decidedly longer than the anal segment, whereas in the Mediterranean specimens they were of the same length.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 66, B) is composed of eight segments that decrease in length up to the 7th; the 8th is considerably longer than the preceding segment.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 66, c) the 2nd basal segment bears a delicate seta externally and a stout spine internally. The exopod is composed of three segments of nearly equal length; the 1st segment bears an outer seta-like spine, but has no inner seta; the 2nd segment bears an outer seta-like spine and an inner seta; and the 3rd segment bears four seta-like spines, the 4th arising from the inner distal angle. The endopod is composed of two segments only, bearing respectively one and four setæ.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 66, D) has the usual form; the proximal segment is very broad, but is only slightly produced; it bears only three setæ. The distal segment is oval in shape and along the distal margin bears five setæ, of which the 2nd and 3rd, counting from the outer side, are small and delicate.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has only been taken in the Mediterranean Sea (Monard) and in the Nicobar Islands (present record).

Monard first described this form as a separate species under the name *polluta*, but he has since come to consider it as a variation of *Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani* (T. Scott). *Stenhelia normani* itself was originally regarded as a variety of *Stenhelia giesbrechti* (T. Scott), but was subsequently given the status of a distinct species. The differences between a number of species of this genus are small, but the fact that on the proximal segment of the 5th foot in *S. polluta* there are only three setæ, whereas on this segment in *S. normani* there are four, seems to me sufficient grounds for regarding them as separate species, at any rate for the present.

*Stenhelia (Delavalia) truncatipes* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 67, A-E.)

OCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.445 mm.

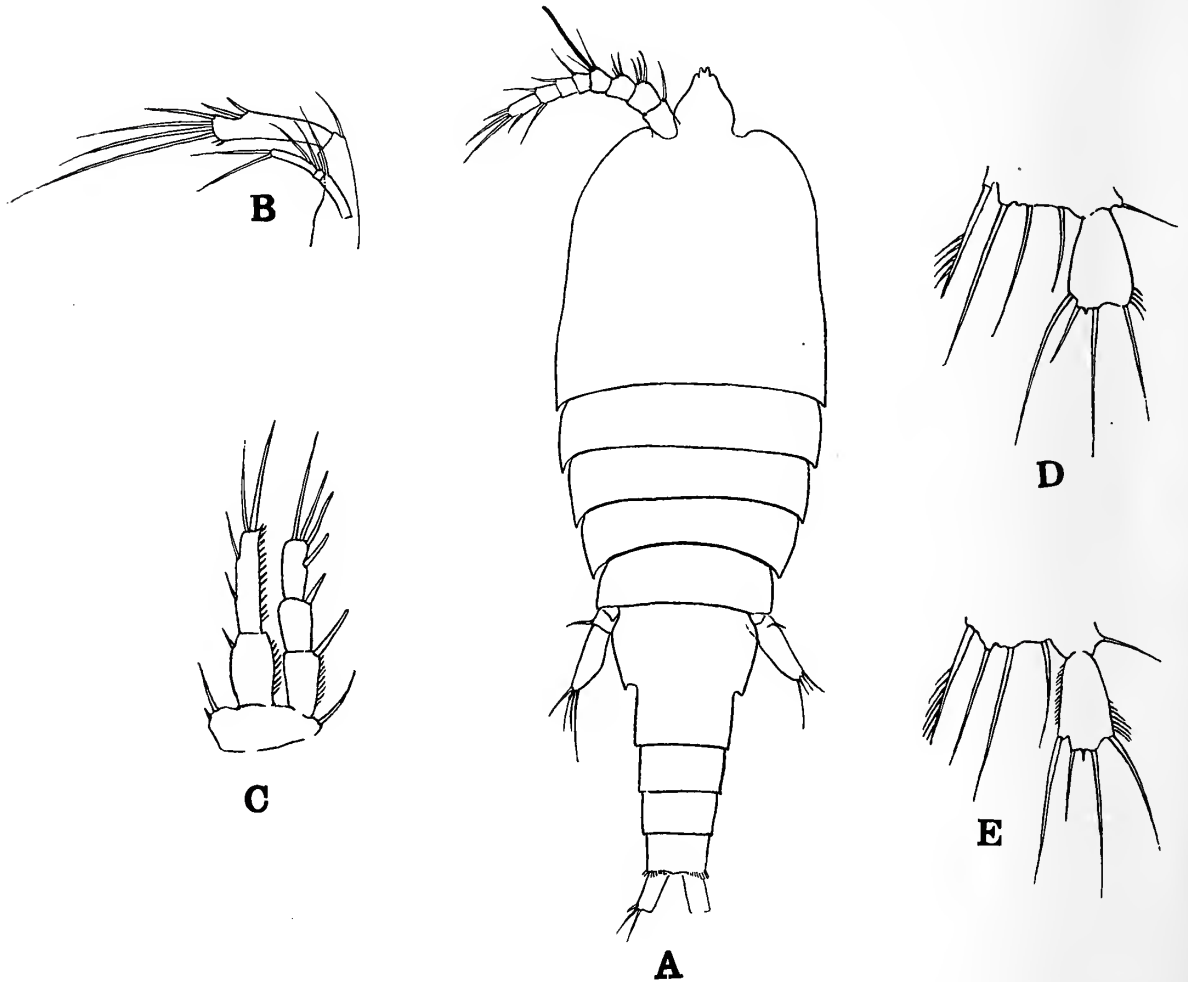
The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 67, A) are as 51 to 49. The anterior region is robust. The rostrum is pyriform in shape and at the anterior end is constricted, forming a pair of lateral rounded prominences, between which a pair of rounded prominences project forward as in *S. normani* T. Scott. The posterior region of the body is wide in front but is sharply constricted in the middle of the genital segment; behind this the abdomen tapers slightly to the posterior end. The posterior margins of the abdominal segments are devoid of spinules except along the line of articulation of the furcal rami with the anal segment, where a line of minute needle-like spinules runs across the dorsal aspect. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
15	29	18	14	11	13 = 100

The furcal rami are twice as long as broad and are slightly divergent.

The 1st antenna is short, reaching back only about half the length of the cephalosome ; it consists of eight segments, but, as Monard (1928a, p. 398) has noted in *S. magnacaudata*, the separation of the distal three segments is incomplete.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 67, B) consists of two, somewhat slender segments, of which the distal bears three delicate spines on its anterior margin, the proximal two arising close together, while a fourth spine arises from the distal anterior angle. The



TEXT-FIG. 67.—*Stenhelius (Delavalia) truncatipes* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 2nd antenna. C, 1st leg. D, 5th leg. E, 5th leg of another specimen.

exopod is slender and is composed of three segments, of which the 2nd is very small but bears a seta ; two setæ spring from the extreme distal end of the terminal segment and one from its anterior margin near its base.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 67, c) the 2nd basal segment bears a delicate seta on its outer margin and a delicate straight spine on the inner distal angle. The two rami are approximately equal in length ; the exopod is composed of three segments, of approximately equal length, and of these the first two each bear a marginal spine but have no inner seta, and the distal segment bears three external spines and a long spine-like seta. The endopod consists of two segments only of nearly equal length ; the proximal segment bears a single

very small seta on its inner border, and the distal carries two small inner setæ and two longer and unequal ones distally.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 67, D and E) the proximal segment is wide and but little produced; it bears four setæ, of which the 1st or outermost arises at some distance from the 2nd, instead of close to it as in *S. giesbrechti* and *S. normani*. The 4th or innermost seta is comb-like. The distal segment is rather longer than broad, and its distal margin is truncated; it varies somewhat in shape, and in one form resembles the corresponding appendage of *S. giesbrechti* fairly closely; a moderately long seta arises at the distal outer angle; from the truncated distal border three setæ arise, of which the outermost is long, the next extremely short and almost completely suppressed in some individuals, and the inner seta is about half the length of the outer; a fifth seta arises from the inner margin near the distal end.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.

*Stenhelia (Delavalia) latisetosa* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 68, A-E.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldivé Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.491 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 68, A) are as 56 to 44. The anterior region of the body is robust. The rostrum is wide at the base, but at about the middle of its length it is sharply constricted, forming on each side a very definite shoulder, and from then to the end it tapers to a blunt point. The posterior region is wide anteriorly, but at the level of fusion of the 1st and 2nd abdominal segments is constricted, and behind this tapers only slightly to the posterior end. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

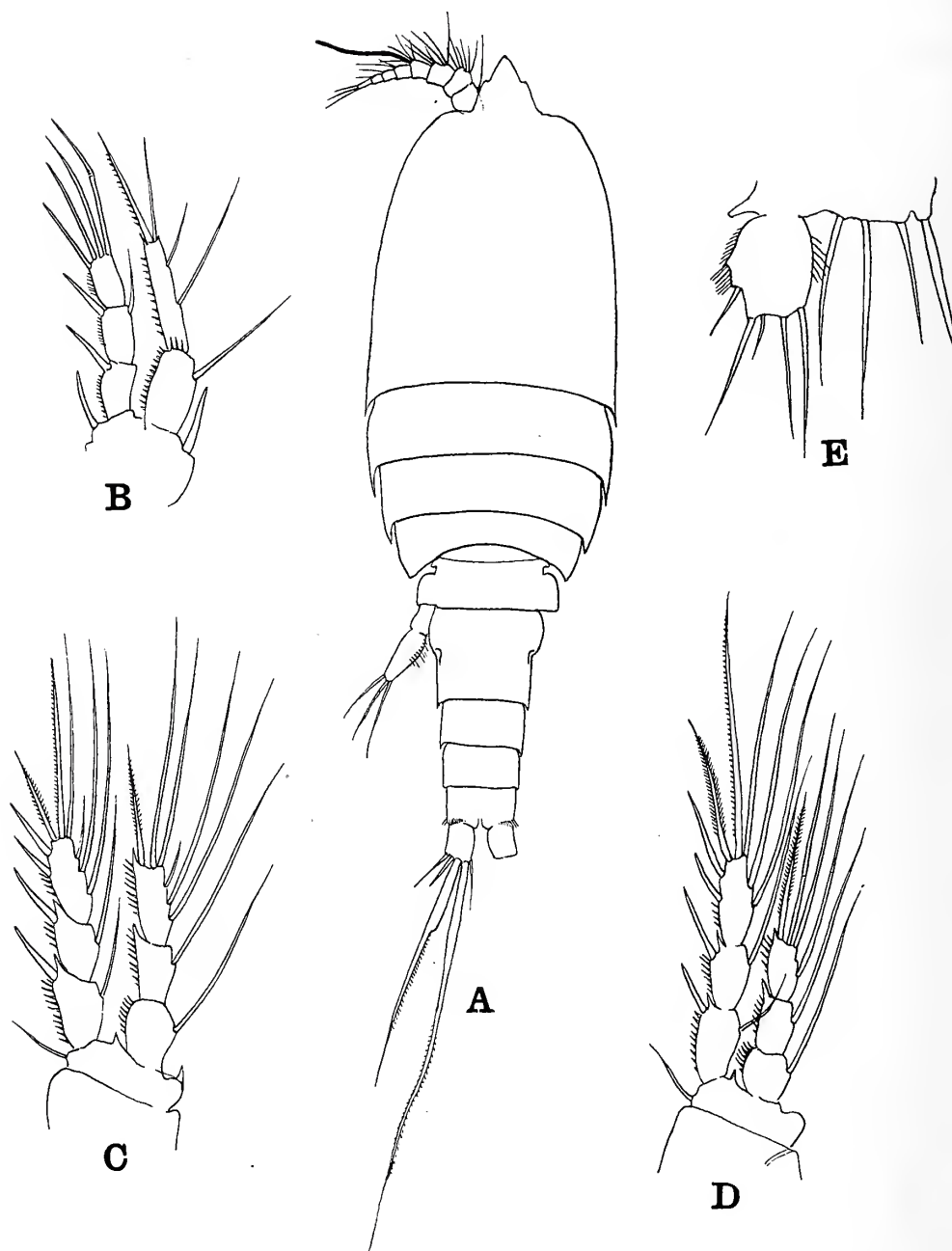
Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	16	34	17	12	11	10 = 100

The abdominal segments are unarmed except for a line of fine needle-like spines that runs across the dorso-lateral aspect of the anal segment close to and parallel with the articulation of the furcal rami. The furcal rami are about one-and-a-third times as long as wide. Each ramus bears five setæ; the innermost is short and slender; the 2nd is equal in length to the anterior region of the body less the rostrum and is thickened at its base, its proximal third is smooth but the distal two-thirds are feathered; the 3rd seta is markedly swollen in the basal third of its length, and the distal two-thirds are feathered on one side only; the 4th and 5th setæ are short and spine-like.

The 1st antenna has the usual characters, and consists of eight segments of more or less equal length.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 68, B) the exopod consists of three approximately equal segments, of which the 1st and 2nd each bear a single marginal spine and the 2nd segment bears a single inner seta; the 3rd bears three spines and a geniculate seta. The endopod consists of two segments only, the distal being somewhat longer than the proximal and reaching to a little beyond the end of the exopod; the proximal segment bears a single seta on the inner margin and the distal bears two unequal setæ, the distal being small, on the inner margin and a seta and a serrated spine at the distal end.

In the swimming-legs (Text-fig. 68, C and D) the 3rd possesses equal rami, but in the



TEXT-FIG. 68.—*Stenhelia (Delavalia) latisetosa* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st leg. C, 3rd leg. D, 4th leg. E, 5th leg.



4th the endopod is very much shorter than the exopod. The setal formula of these two legs is as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	Not seen.					
P3	1	1	3, 2, 1	1	1	3, 2, 3
P4	1	1	2, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 3

The 3rd seta on the inner margin of the distal segment of both the endopod and exopod of the 3rd leg is markedly reduced in size.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 68, E) the proximal segment is wide but is hardly at all produced ; it bears four setæ, of which the inner two arise close together and the innermost is straight and spine-like, as in *S. giesbrechti*. The distal segment is sub-quadrate in shape ; a short seta arises about two-thirds of the way along the outer margin ; three setæ, of which the middle one is short and delicate, arise from the distal margin, and a single seta springs from the distal inner angle. On the outer margin, about half-way along its length and proximal to the point of origin of the outer seta, there is a small notch in the border, and it is possible that a sixth seta arises from this point.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldive Archipelago.

Within the subgenus *Delavalia* it is possible to trace a gradual reduction in the number of setæ that are borne by the terminal segments of the rami of the swimming-legs. In the following table I have arranged the various forms, of which we have sufficient data, in a gradually descending scale :

	Number of setæ on the terminal segments.					
	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	P. 2.	P. 3.	P. 4.	P. 2.	P. 3.	P. 4.
<i>giesbrechti</i>	4	6	5	7	8	8
<i>magnacaudata</i>	4	6	5	7	8	8
<i>reflexa</i>	4	6	5	..	8	8
<i>polluta</i>	4	6	5	7	8	7
<i>latisetosa</i>	..	6	5	..	8	7
<i>minutissimus</i>	4	6	5	6	8	8
<i>pallustris</i>	4	6	4	6	7	6
<i>acutirostris</i>	4	5	4	7	8	8
<i>tethysensis</i>	4	5	4	6	7	7
<i>minuta</i>	4	4	4	6	7	7
<i>normani</i>	4	3	..	7	7	7

A similar reduction can be traced in the number of setæ that arise from the two segments of the 5th foot :

	Number of setæ on the segments of P. 5.	
	Proximal.	Distal.
<i>reflexa</i> . . . . .	5	6 (Sars, Wilson)
<i>magnacaudata</i> . . . . .	5	5
<i>arctica</i> . . . . .	4	6
<i>arenicola</i> . . . . .	4	6
<i>longicaudata</i> . . . . .	4	6
<i>minutissima</i> . . . . .	4	6
<i>palustris</i> . . . . .	4 (or 3)	6 (Sars, Brady)
<i>latisetosa</i> . . . . .	4	5 (? 6)
<i>giesbrechti</i> . . . . .	4	5
<i>inopinata</i> . . . . .	4	5
<i>normani</i> . . . . .	4	5
<i>tethysensis</i> . . . . .	4	5
<i>truncatipes</i> . . . . .	4	5 (middle one very small)
<i>reflexa</i> . . . . .	4	4 (Brady)
<i>polluta</i> . . . . .	3	5
<i>minuta</i> . . . . .	3 (or 2)	5 (Gurney, A. Scott)

It is interesting to note that the reduction in the number of setæ on the limbs appears to start in the most posterior pair, commencing with *reflexa*, in which we get the maximum number of five and six on the two segments, and steadily progressing to *minuta*, in which we find only three (or even two) and five.

The form *acutirostris* was described by Willey (1935, p. 95, figs. 174-179) as a form of *normani* (T. Scott), but as the setal formula is different and there are other differences in the 2nd leg of the male, it seems to me that it should be regarded as a distinct species.

It is also interesting to note that certain differences, in addition to the reduction of the number of setæ, such as the greater reduction of the maxilliped to the extent of the complete loss of the terminal claw, and the reduction of the number of segments in the 1st antenna to 7 or even 6, owing to the imperfect separation of the terminal joints, emphasizes the separation of the species *palustris* from the other species.

#### Family CANTHOCAMPTIDÆ.

##### Genus *Ameira* Boeck, Sars.

This genus, established by Boeck (1865), was redefined by Sars (1903-11). Thompson and A. Scott (1903) recorded the occurrence of *Ameira minor* and *A. tenuipes* on the Ceylon Pearl Banks; A. Scott (1909) described a new species, *A. sibogæ*, from the Malay Archipelago; Gurney (1927c) reported the presence of *Ameira parvula* Claus (= *A. tau* (Giesbrecht)) and *Ameira scotti* Sars from the Suez Canal. In my opinion this last species is synonymous with *A. sibogæ* A. Scott, this name having priority.

*Ameira parvula* (Claus).

*Ameira tau*, Giesbrecht, 1881, p. 117, pl. i, figs. 9-13; Sars, 1903-11, p. 218, pl. cxliii; Monard, 1928a, p. 405, fig. xxxvi, 4; Wilson, 1932, p. 245, fig. 163.

*Ameira parvula*, Brian, 1926, p. 248; Gurney, 1927c, p. 545.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.454 mm.

This is slightly smaller than the measurement given by Sars, namely 0.5 mm., but larger than those taken by Brian in the Mediterranean Sea.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldive Archipelago (present record), Suez Canal (Gurney), Mediterranean Sea (Brian, Monard), the Adriatic (Pesta), Bermuda (Willey), the East coast of America, Wood's Hole (Wilson), the west coast of Ireland (Farran), the Brittany coast, Roscoff (Monard), Kiel Bay (Giesbrecht) and the coast of Norway (Sars).

Genus *Nitocra* Boeck.*Nitocra spinipes* Boeck var. *orientalis* Sewell.

*Nitocra spinipes* var. *orientalis*, Sewell, 1924, p. 827, pl. lvi, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Pamban, Rameswaram Island, S. India, in weed-washings; several examples, including ovigerous females.

DISTRIBUTION.—The typical form has a wide distribution and has been recorded from the Salt Basins of Ain-el Merouah, Syria (Richard), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Adriatic (Pesta), the east coast of America, Wood's Hole (Wilson), the Scottish coast (T. Scott), the coast of England (Gurney), the English Channel, Roscoff (Monard), the North Sea, Cuxhaven (Klie), the Baltic Sea (van Douwe, Jakubisiak, Klie, Kunz), the coast of Norway (Sars) and Nova Zembla (T. Scott). The variety *orientalis* has now been taken in the Chilka Lake and off the south Indian coast (Sewell) and in salt pools by the Bitter Lakes, Egypt (Gurney).

Genus *Leptomesochra* Sars.

*Leptomesochra*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 418.

In his definition of the genus Sars gives as one of the characters "Rostrum obsolete"; among the collections made by washing weed from Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, was a single specimen of a form that agrees in all other characters with the description of this genus, but in this individual there is a well-developed rostrum. It thus appears necessary to amend the definition to "Rostrum present or obsolete".

*Leptomesochra nasuta* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 69, A-H.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.55 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 69, A) are as 44 to 56. The body has the characteristic linear form, being of nearly the

same diameter throughout. At the anterior end is a large pyriform rostrum, that tapers to a bluntly-rounded point. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region of the body are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
7	32	17	17	21	6 = 100

The abdominal segments are devoid of armature. The furcal rami are nearly as long as broad ; the 2nd furcal seta is equal in length to the whole abdomen, and the 3rd seta is about one-third this length.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 69, B) is long and slender, and is composed of nine segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
	20	26	16	13	5	7	3	3	7 = 100

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 69, C) consists of three main segments, but at the extreme end of the third segment there appears to be a small subsidiary joint. This small additional joint carries one spine and a single geniculate seta, and from the distal end of the 3rd segment spring another geniculate seta and a straight seta. Such a structure at the extreme tip of the 2nd antenna is, in my experience, quite unique ; unfortunately, it is impossible to determine whether the condition is normal or is the result of an injury ; I incline to the latter view. The exopod consists of a single segment bearing two setæ distally.

The mandible (Text-fig. 69, D) differs somewhat from that of *Leptomesochra confluens* Sars. The tooth-plate bears several small, rounded teeth, set close together and forming a sloping edge ; the palp is composed of a well-developed basal segment, which bears a single seta distally, and a single-jointed ramus, bearing three setæ.

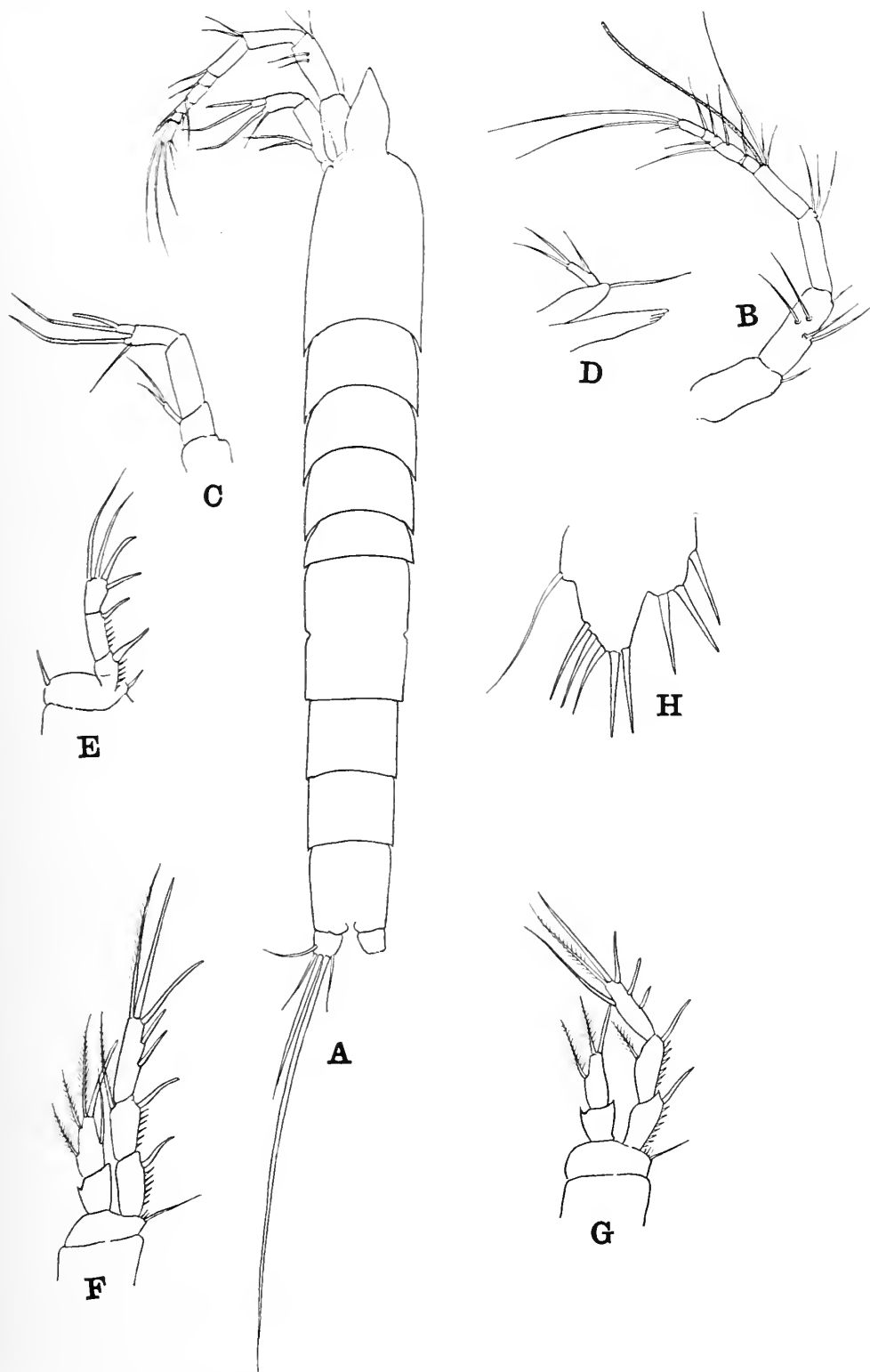
In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 69, E) the endopod was unfortunately missing on both sides. The exopod is composed of three segments ; the 1st and 2nd segments are fringed along their outer borders with delicate spinules, and each bears a marginal spine but no inner seta ; the 3rd segment bears two spines and two setæ.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 69, F) the exopod is composed of three segments and the endopod of two. In the exopod the 1st segment bears a marginal spine but has no inner seta, and the 2nd segment possesses both a marginal spine and a seta ; the outer border of these two segments is fringed with spinules. The 3rd segment bears three marginal spines, an end-spine and a single seta. The endopod reaches to the level of the distal end of the 2nd segment of the exopod ; on the inner border of the proximal segment is a small spine-like projection but no seta, as in *L. confluens* Sars ; the distal segment bears two setæ on the inner border, one seta and one spine at the distal end and a seta on the outer border.

In the 4th leg (Text fig. 69, G), which also closely resembles that of *L. confluens*, the exopod is three-jointed and the endopod has two segments instead of three, but from this distal portion arise a single seta near the middle of the inner margin and one seta and a spine from the distal border.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 69, H), as in *L. confluens*, the distal segment is not separated off ; the limb is thus composed of two lobes, from the outer of which three setæ spring from the outer margin and two spines from the distal end, while from the inner lobe, which is but little produced, arise three subequal spines, instead of four, as in *L. confluens*.





TEXT-FIG. 69.—*Leptomesochra nasuta* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.

In spite of the presence of a well-developed rostrum this example agrees so closely in other respects with *Leptomesochra confluens* Sars that I have no hesitation in referring it to the same genus.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago.

Genus *Phyllopodopsyllus* T. Scott.

*Phyllopodopsyllus furcifer* Sars. (Text-fig. 70, A-I.)

*Phyllopodopsyllus furcifer*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 233, pl. clvi.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 45, South Arabian Coast, dredge, 40 m., in mud; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.80 mm.

The general body-form (Text-fig. 70, A) is moderately slender; the head and 1st thoracic segment are fused, and the combined cephalosome is equal in length to the next four segments. The 1st and 2nd segments of the abdomen are fused, but there is a distinct trace of the line of fusion in the lateral region; the genital aperture bears a finger-like process. The 2nd free segment (segment 3) is produced backwards on the ventral side so as to overlap segment 4 by about half its length. The furcal rami (Text-fig. 70, B) are nearly twice as long as the anal segment and are nearly twice as long as broad; the inner margin is convex and is furnished with a few hairs. The 2nd furcal seta is considerably dilated at its base.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 70, C) is not as long as the cephalosome and is composed of 8 segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	37	12	10	8	6	6	6	15 = 100

The 1st segment is thus more than one-third the length of the whole appendage. The 2nd segment is produced in a strong spine on its posterior aspect.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 70, D) possesses three segments, which are about equal in length; the terminal segment bears three spines, of which the distal is long and slender, three geniculate setæ and one simple seta. The proximal segment bears a row of spinules on its anterior margin. The exopod is composed of a single segment bearing three setæ.

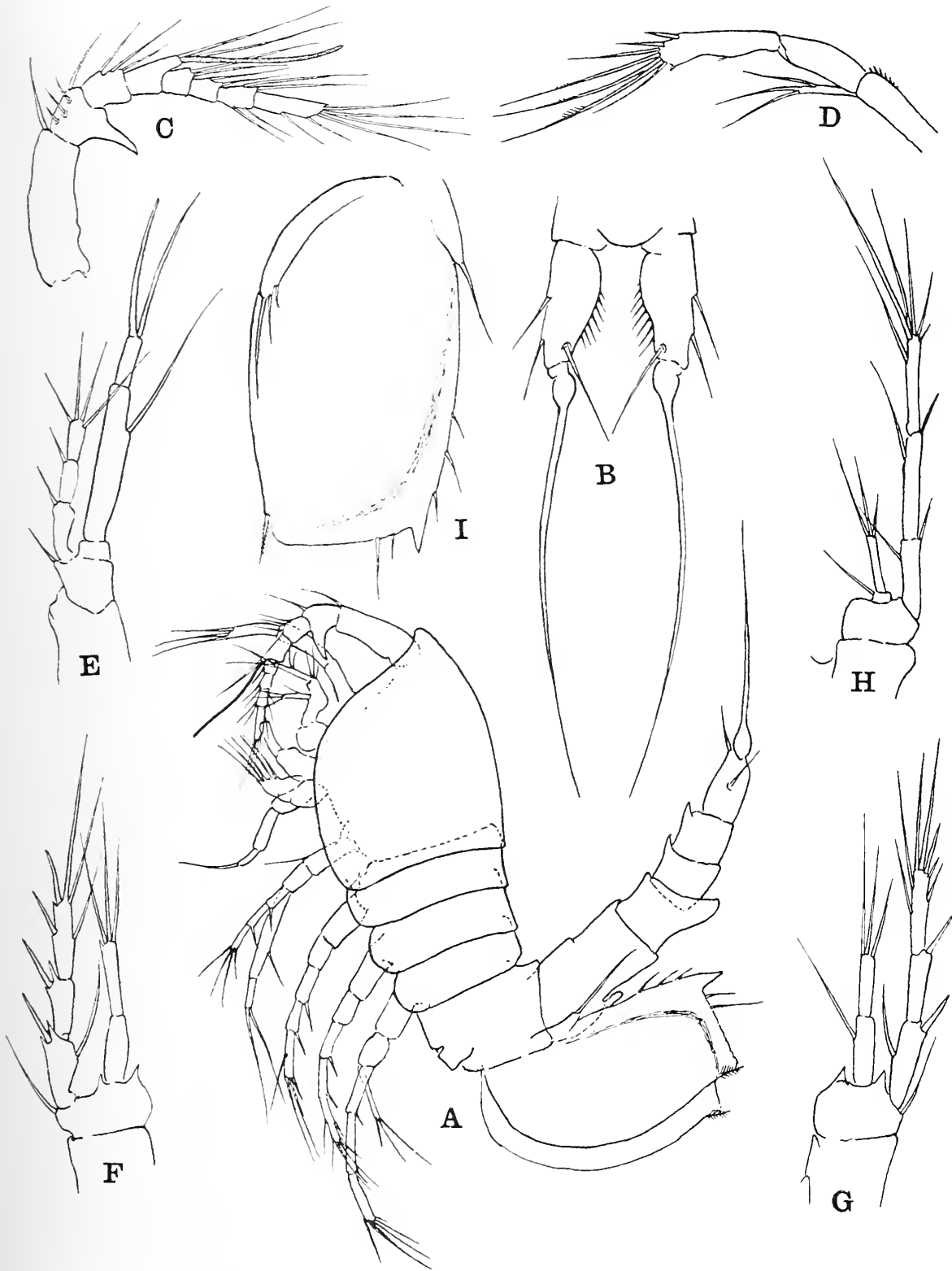
The mandibular palp is biramous; each ramus is composed of a single slender joint.

The maxillæ and maxilliped resemble those of *P. bradyi* T. Scott.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 70, E) the exopod is composed of three segments that are subequal in length, and the whole ramus is shorter than the proximal segment of the endopod. The endopod is composed of two segments only, of which the distal is more than one-third the length of the proximal.

In the 2nd-4th legs (Text-fig. 70, F, G and H) the endopod is composed of only two segments. The setal formula is as follows:

	Endopod.		Exopod.		
	1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	0, 2, 1	1	0	1, 2, 2
P3	1	0, 2, 1	1	0	2, 2, 3
P4	1	0, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 2



TEXT-FIG. 70.—*Phyllopodopsyllus furcifer* Sars, ♀. A, Female, lateral view. B, Furcal rami. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.

In each succeeding leg the endopod becomes progressively shorter; in the 2nd leg it reaches to the middle of exopod 3, in the 3rd to the end of exopod 2 and in the 4th to the end of exopod 1.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 70, 1) the appendage forms a wide flap; Sars figures a small plumose seta as arising from the extreme distal angle of this plate, whereas in the present specimen it arises at a short distance on the proximal side of the angle. I can detect no other difference between the present specimen and the description and figures given by Sars.

DISTRIBUTION.—Up to the present time this species has been recorded only from the Norwegian coast (Sars); its occurrence in the present collection extends its range to the Indian Ocean.

Thompson and A. Scott (1903), in their account of the Copepoda of the Ceylon Pearl Banks, recorded two species which they attributed to the genus *Tetragoniceps*, viz. *T. dubia* and *T. minor*. Of these the latter, however, clearly belongs to the genus *Phyllopodopsyllus* Sars. A. Scott (1909, p. 223) recorded a male *Phyllopodopsyllus*, *P. longicaudatus*, from the Malay Archipelago, and he remarked that this might possibly be the male of *P. minor*, but differed from the female in certain small characters. Both *P. minor* and *P. longicaudatus* have since been taken by Willey off Bermuda, both sexes being represented in each species. It thus seems highly probable that before long *P. longicaudatus* will be found in Indian waters in addition to the species *P. furcifer* Sars and *P. minor* (Thompson and A. Scott).

#### Family LAOPHONTIDÆ.

#### Genus *Laophonte* Philippi.

Although they form a comparatively homogeneous group, the species of this genus, of which according to Monard there were in 1935 some 86 species, exhibit a considerable diversity of structure, especially in the character of the 1st and 2nd antennæ, the exopod of the 1st leg, the setal formula of the 2nd–4th legs and the number of setæ that spring from the two lobes of the 5th leg. So great are these differences that in other genera they would be considered sufficient grounds for the creation of several subgenera, or even for the division of the group into separate genera.

In a number of species the published descriptions are, unfortunately, inadequate, especially as regards the number and arrangement of the setæ on the swimming-legs; but in spite of gaps in our knowledge it is possible to arrange most, if not all, of the known species in groups according to definite anatomical characters, and in the following pages I have attempted to do so. It must, however, be recognized that such an arrangement does not of necessity indicate close relationship between individuals in the same group; but it will, I hope, prove of considerable assistance in the identification of any given form.

The number of segments in the exopod of the 1st leg ranges from 1 to 3, thus furnishing a basis for the separation of three corresponding groups.

*Group I.*—The exopod of the 1st leg consists of three segments.

In this group the number of segments in the 1st antenna ranges from six to eight.

(i) Species with 8 segments in the 1st antenna:

a. With 6 setæ on both the inner and outer segment of the 5th leg:

*Laophonte varians* Brady.



- B. With 6 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte gurneyi* Lang (= *L. meinerti* Gurney (non Brady)).

- (ii) Species with 7 segments in the 1st antenna :

- A. Species with 7 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte parvula* Sars.

- B. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 7 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte longiremis* T. Scott.

- C. Species with 6 setæ on both the outer and inner segments of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte wiltoni* T. Scott.

- D. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

These species can be subdivided according to the setal formula of the exopods of the 2nd to 4th legs :

- (a) Setal formula as follows :

	Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	0	1	2, 2, 3
P4	0	1	2, 2, 3

*Laophonte campbellensis* Lang.

*L. oculata* Gurney.

*L. parvuloides* Monard.

*L. serrata* (Claus) (= *L. propinqua* T. Scott).

- (b) Setal formula as follows :

	Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	0	1	1, 2, 3

*Laophonte littoralis* T. Scott.

*L. proxima* Sars.

*L. strömi* (Baird).

Willey (1929, p. 5, figs. 2, 3 and 5) has very incompletely described a form from St. Andrews, New Brunswick, which he claims to be the local representative of the Norwegian species, *L. strömi* (Baird); to this form he has given the name *L. discophora*, and it may perhaps be included in this group, but until a fuller description has been published its definite place must remain unsettled.

(c) Setal formula as follows :

	Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	0	0	1, 2, 3

*Laophonte abbreviata* Sars.

The setæ on the inner margins of exopods 2 and 3 in all the legs are greatly reduced in size and are obsolescent.

(d) Setal formula as follows :

	Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	0	0	0, 2, 2

*Laophonte minuta* Boeck.

(e) Setal formula as follows :

	Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	1	0, 2, 3
P3	0	1	0, 2, 3
P4	0	1	0, 2, 3

*Laophonte tenuispina* Lang.

Other species, in which the 1st antenna is composed of seven segments and in which there are six setæ on the outer and five on the inner segment of the 5th leg, must also be included in this group; but as the setal formula of the 2nd-4th legs has not been recorded, it is impossible to place them in their respective sub-groups, namely :

*Laophonte gracilipes* Brady.

*L. insignis* T. Scott.

*L. rottenburgi* T. Scott.

- E. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 3 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte applanata* Sars.  
*L. depressa* T. Scott.

- F. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 6 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte australis* T. Scott.  
*L. glacialis* Brady.

- G. Species with 5 setæ on both the outer and inner segments of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte dinocerata* Monard.  
*L. gracilis* T. Scott.  
*L. inornata* A. Scott (according to Norman and T. Scott).  
*L. koreni* Boeck.  
*L. longicaudata* Boeck.  
*L. sima* Gurney.  
*L. taurina* Monard.  
*L. typhlops* Sars.

- H. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte baltica* Klie.  
*L. congenera* Sars.  
*L. curticauda* Boeck.  
*L. faroënsis* T. Scott.  
*L. inornata* A. Scott.  
*L. meinerti* Brady.

- I. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 2 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte quaterspinata* Brian.

- J. Species with 4 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte exigua* Sars.  
*L. sporadiensis* Brian.

- (iii) Species with 6 segments in the 1st antenna :

- A. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte dominicalis* Monard.  
*L. manifera* Wilson.  
*L. pilosa* Car.

Possibly *L. dominicalis* Monard should be placed in Group I, (ii), D, as Monard states that there is an indistinct line of separation across the last segment of the 1st antenna, which, if complete, would give this appendage 7 segments instead of 6.

B. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

- Laophonte barbata* Lang.  
*L. brevifurca* Sars.  
*L. brevirostris* (Claus) (= *L. herdmani* A. Scott).  
*L. capillata* Wilson.  
*L. elongata* var. *triarticulata* (Monard).  
*L. macani* sp. nov.  
*L. recticauda* Willey.  
*L. thoracica* Boeck.  
*L. zimmeri* van Douwe.

? *L. denticornis* T. Scott.

The position of *L. denticornis* is not certain, since T. Scott, 1894) shows the exopod of the 1st leg as possessing three segments, whereas Sars (1903-11) figures it with only two: It is also possible that *L. elongata* var. *triarticulata* Monard and *L. barbata* Lang are synonymous.

c. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 3 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte simulans* T. Scott.

D. Species with 4 setæ on both the outer and inner segments of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte nordgaardi* Sars.

E. Species with 3 setæ on both the outer and inner segments of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte kliei* Monard.

(iv) Species with 4 segments in the 1st antenna :

A. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 2 (?) on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte australasica* Thomson.



*Group II.*—The exopod of the 1st leg is composed of two segments.

In this group the number of segments in the 1st antenna ranges from four to seven.

(i) Species with 7 segments in the 1st antenna :

A. Species with 7 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte phycobatis* Monard.

B. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte curvata* van Douwe.

*L. pygmæa* T. Scott.

*L. trilobata* Willey.

C. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte exigua* T. Scott.

D. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte hyperborea* Sars.

*L. lunata* Willey.

*L. maccera* Sars.

*L. perplexa* T. Scott.

*L. tenera* Sars.

E. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 3 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte longipes* T. Scott.

F. Species with 4 setæ on both the outer and inner segments of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte karmenensis* Sars.

(ii) Species with 6 segments in the 1st antenna :

A. Species with 6 (or 7) setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte brevicornis* T. Scott.

*L. quinquespinosa* Sewell.

*L. sigmoides* Willey.

In examples of *L. quinquespinosa* from the Chilka Lake I detected only six setæ on the

exopod of the 5th leg, but Gurney states that in specimens from the Suez Canal there were seven.

- B. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte bulbifera* Norman.

*L. bulligera* Farran.

- C. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 3 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte hirsuta* Thompson and A. Scott.

- D. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte denticornis* T. Scott.

*L. elongata* Boeck.

*L. inopinata* T. Scott.

*L. nana* Sars.

*L. similis* (Claus).

As mentioned above, in *L. denticornis* T. Scott (1894) gives the exopod of the 1st leg as possessing three segments ; Sars (1903-11), however, shows only two. If T. Scott is correct then this species will fit into Group I, (iii), B.

- E. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 4 setæ and 1 spine on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte lithophila* Monard.

- F. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 3 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte rosei* Monard.

- G. Species with 4 setæ on the outer and 3 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte longistylata* Willey.

- H. Species with 3 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

? *Laophonte mirabilis* Gurney.\*

Gurney states that there are five segments in the 1st antenna, but he shows six in his figure (1927c, fig. 162, G).

\* Gurney (1927, p. 559) states: "Leg I . . . exopod minute, apparently one-jointed, but with very slight indication of the separation of a very minute basal joint".

- i. Species with 3 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte brevispinosa* Sars.  
*L. horrida* Norman.  
*L. hystrix* Brian (= *L. armiger* Gurney).  
*L. steueri* van Douwe.

- j. Species with 3 setæ (spine-like) on both outer and inner segments of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte talipes* Wilson.

- (iii) Species with 5 segments in the 1st antenna :

- a. Species with 5 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte intermedia* T. Scott.

- b. Species with 3 setæ on the outer and 3 or 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte mohammed* Blanchard and Richard.

- c. Species with 3 setæ on the outer and 3 setæ, or 2 setæ and a spinous projection, on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte bengalensis* Sewell.  
*L. chathamensis* Sars.

- (iv) Species with 4 segments in the 1st antenna :

- a. Species with 6 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte adduensis* sp. nov.  
*L. cornuta* Phil. (= *serrata* of Scott and Brady (*non* Claus)).

Wiley (1931, p. 109, figs. 68-73) has described from Bermuda under the name *Laophonte echinata* a form in which the 1st antenna is composed of only four segments and the exopod of the 1st leg possesses two segments ; at first sight it would seem that this species might be included in the above group with *L. cornuta* Phil., but the complete absence of any endopod in the 2nd-4th swimming-legs and the character of the 5th leg, in which the free outer segment is not separated off from the basal inner segment and the inner prominence is represented merely by a small swelling bearing two setæ, suggest that a new genus should be created for it.

*Group III.*—The exopod of the 1st leg is composed of a single segment only.

(i) Species in which the 1st antenna is composed of 6 segments :

A. Species with 3 setæ on the outer and 5 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte mirabilis* Gurney.

B. Species with 3 setæ on the outer and 4 on the inner segment of the 5th leg :

*Laophonte trispinosa* sp. nov.

*Laophonte cornuta* Philippi.

*Laophonte cornuta*, Philippi, 1840, p. 189, pl. iii, fig. 13 ; Sars, 1903-11, p. 235, pls. clvii, clviii ; Monard, 1928a, p. 415, fig. xxxix, 1.

*Laophonte serrata*, Brady, 1880, ii, p. 71, pl. lxxiii, figs. 1-14 ; T. Scott, 1894, p. 96, pl. xii, figs. 24-28.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings ; two females.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.80 mm. There is little or no division between the anterior and posterior regions of the body, the two merging into one another. The proportional lengths of the two regions are as 51 to 49. The rostral prominence is depressed and bluntly pointed. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	13	27	15	15	13	17 = 100

The genital segment (Abd. 1-2) and segment 3 are expanded laterally, and all the thoracic and abdominal segments are ornamented along their posterior margins with a row of small, hemispherical knobs.

The various appendages agree closely with the descriptions and figures given by Sars (1903-11) and Monard (1928a).

DISTRIBUTION.—This species is very widely distributed. It has been recorded from the S.W. Pacific Ocean, New Zealand (Brady), Campbell Island (Lang), the Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the southern Indian Ocean, St. Paul and Kerguelen Islands (Brady), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Philippi, Claus, Monard, Brian), the Cape of Good Hope (Brady), the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott), Madeira (Fischer), the coast of North America, Wood's Hole (Wilson), Bermuda (Willey), the coast of Ireland (Farran), the coasts of the British Isles (Brady), and the coast of Norway (Sars). It is possible that the species described by Thomson from New Zealand under the name of *L. australasica* is also this species, for he admits that it may be *Cleta forcipata* Claus, which is a synonym of *L. cornuta*.

*Laophonte adduensis* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 71, A-J.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings ; two females.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.96 mm.

There is little or no change in the width of the segments of the body (Text-fig. 71,



A and B) as one passes from the anterior to the posterior region ; the proportional lengths of the two regions are as 53 to 47. Anteriorly the cephalosome terminates in a broad rostral process that from the dorsal aspect appears to be bluntly rounded. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
10	28	16	15	12	19 = 100

The 5th thoracic segment and the first two abdominal segments are produced laterally in wing-like processes. The furcal rami are long and tapering and the 2nd furcal seta is much larger than the rest, and appears to continue the line of the furcal rami without any appreciable reduction in size.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 71, c) is composed of only four segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.
25	29	29	17 = 100

There is a rounded knob-like process on the posterior margin of the 1st segment near the distal end. The 3rd segment bears a long sensory filament.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 71, d) the distal segment bears four spines, of which the distal two are markedly enlarged and are claw-like in character. The exopod is greatly reduced and bears four unequal setæ, the two that arise from the distal end being much the larger and the other two being obsolescent.

The mouth-parts (Text-fig. 71, e and f) closely resemble those of *L. cornuta*.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 71, g) the exopod consists of only two segments, and reaches to less than half the length of the 1st segment of the endopod. The latter ramus terminates in a stout claw.

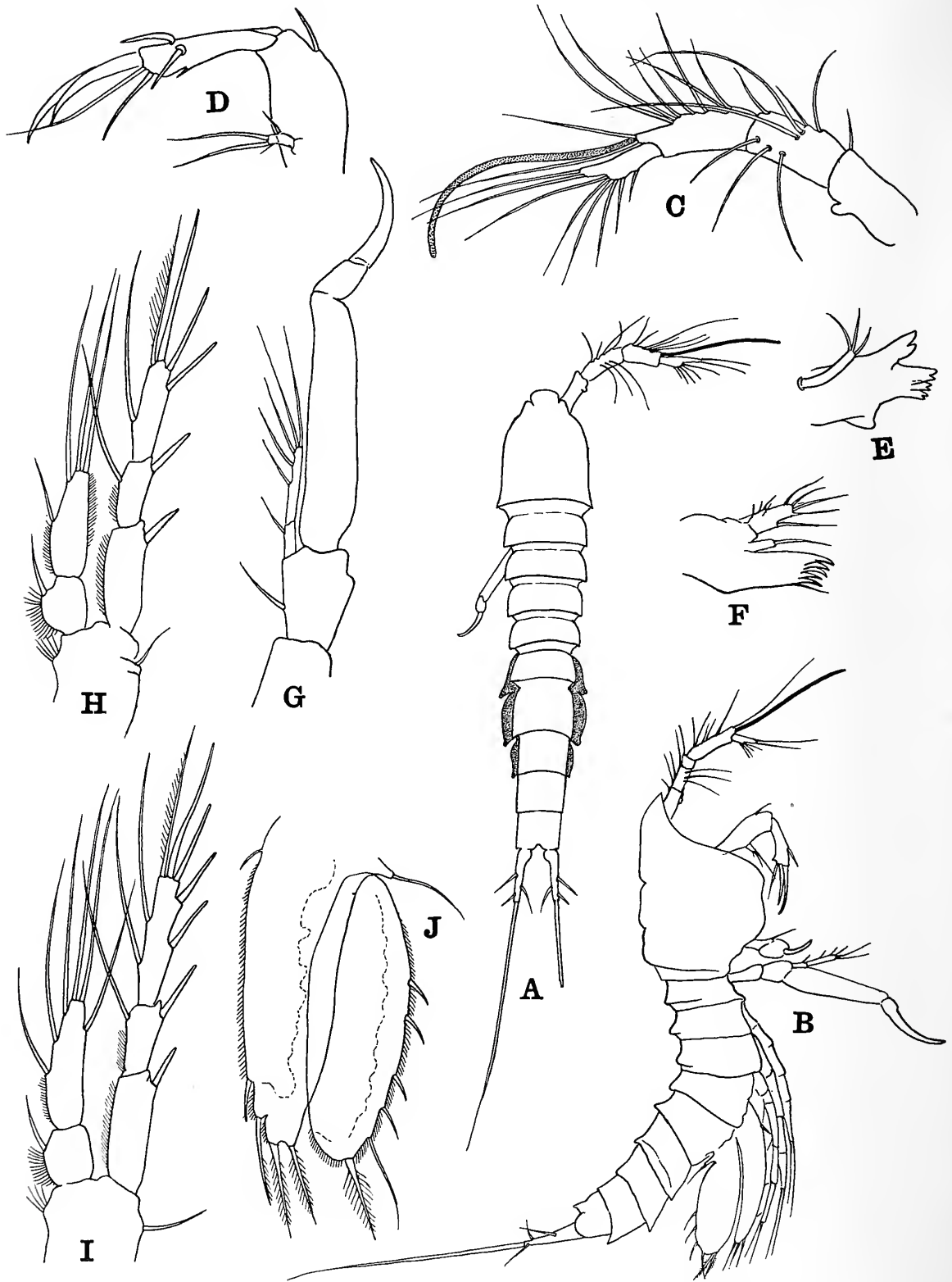
The 2nd-4th legs (Text-fig. 71, h and i) resemble those of *L. cornuta*. The setal formula for these limbs is as follows :

	Endopod.		Exopod.		
	1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2, 2, 0	0	1	1, 2, 2
P3	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P4	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

In *L. cornuta* there are three marginal spines on the terminal segment of the exopod of the 2nd leg.

The 5th legs (Text-fig. 71, j) are large and foliaceous. The proximal inner segment is produced in a plate that reaches as far as the distal extremity of the free segment ; it bears two setæ at the distal end and three on the inner margin ; the whole of the inner margin is fringed with fine hairs. The distal free segment is an elongate oval, being nearly three times as long as wide ; at the distal end arises a single stout seta, and five setæ arise at approximately equal distances along the outer margin ; of these the distal is the longer and the other four are subequal. The distal and outer margins are fringed with short hairs.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Maldivé Archipelago.



TEXT-FIG. 71.—*Laophonte adduensis* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Female, lateral view. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandible. F, 1st maxilla. G, 1st leg. H, 2nd leg. I, 3rd leg. J, 5th leg.

This species is closely related to *L. cornuta* Phil., and (i) the possession of enlarged foliaceous plates in the 5th leg, (ii) the presence of only four segments in the 1st antenna, and (iii) the possession of only two segments in the exopod of the 1st leg, separate off these two species from all the other members of the genus.

*Laophonte strömi* (Baird).

*Canthocamptus stromii*, Baird, 1850, p. 208, pl. xxvii, figs. 3, 3a.

*Laophonte strömi*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 251, pls. clxxi, clxxii; Wilson, 1932, p. 273, fig. 169.

*Laophonte strömi* var. *brevicaudata*, Monard, 1928a, p. 426, fig. xliii, 2.

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; several examples, all females.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.55 mm. This is very much smaller than the dimensions given by Sars for Norwegian examples, 0.88 mm., or by Wilson for examples from the Wood's Hole area, 0.8-0.9 mm. Specimens from the Mediterranean Sea examined by Monard were intermediate, having a length of 0.71-0.9 mm., while the variety, *brevicaudata*, from this region measured only 0.64 mm. There would thus seem to be a progressive decrease in size as one passes from the cold northerly habitat to the warm tropical one.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard), the Adriatic (Pesta, Grandori), the east coast of North America, Wood's Hole (Wilson), the coast of Ireland (Farran), the British coasts (Baird, Brady), the Brittany coast, Roscoff (Monard), S.E. Greenland (Jespersen), the coast of Norway (Sars) and Franz-Josef Land (T. Scott).

*Laophonte brevirostris* (Claus). (Text-fig. 72, A-H.)

*Cleta brevirostris*, Claus, 1863, p. 124.

*Laophonte herdmanni*, A. Scott, 1902, p. 414, pl. i, fig. 15; pl. ii, figs. 3-8; Norman and T. Scott, 1906, p. 159, pl. xi, figs. 5-7; pl. xii, fig. 6; pl. xiii, fig. 7; pl. xiv, fig. 8; pl. xvii, fig. 6.

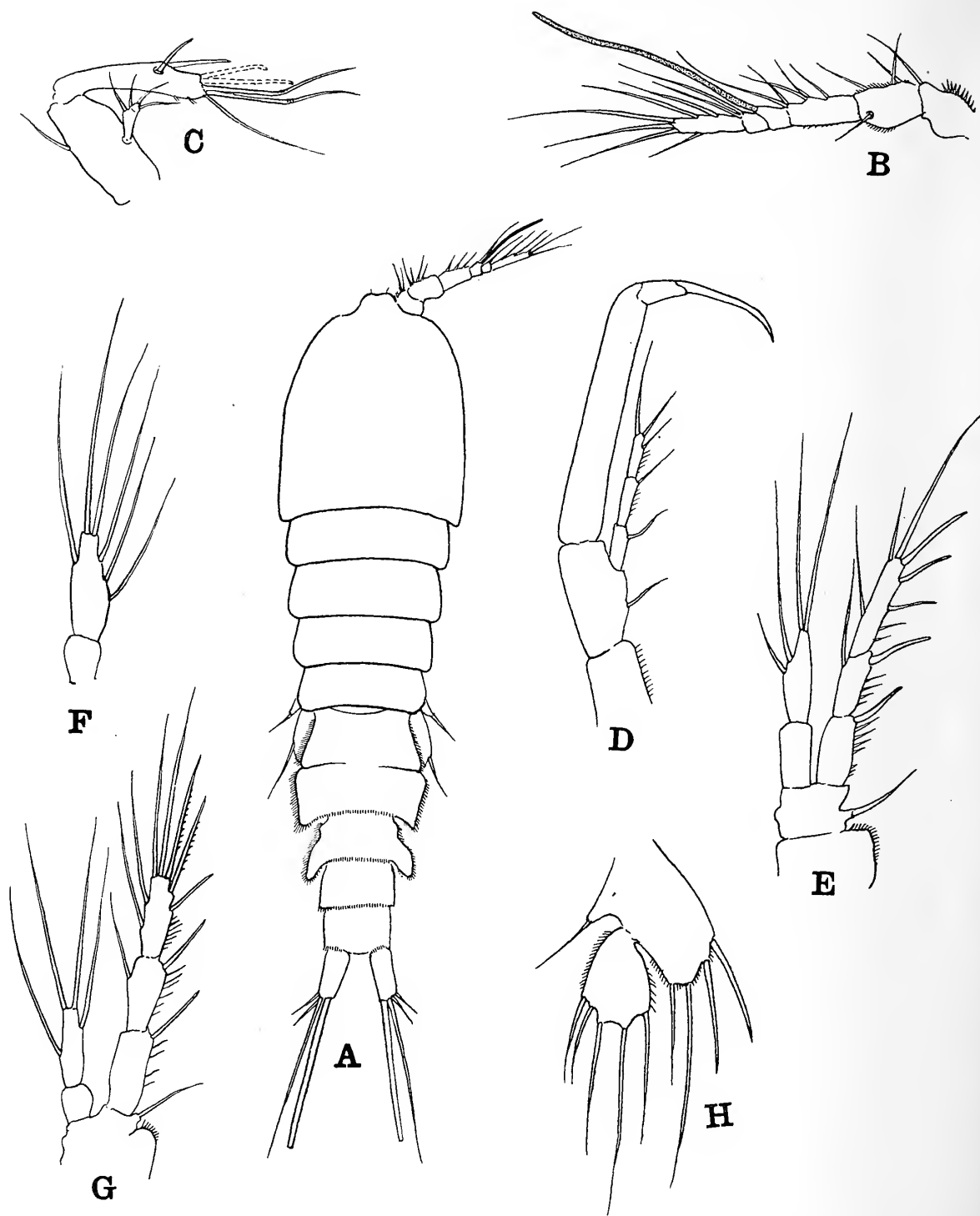
*Laophonte brevirostris*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 256, pl. clxxvi; Gurney, 1927c, p. 553; Monard, 1928a, p. 424, fig. xlii, 3.

OCCURRENCE.—“Investigator” Station 660, Ritchie's Archipelago, Andaman Islands, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.78 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 72, A) are as 49 to 51. The cephalosome is large, and equals in length the three following segments together. The genital segment of the abdomen is expanded laterally, and the line of fusion of segments 1 and 2 is clearly marked; the lateral aspects of the combined segment are fringed with fine spinules. The 3rd (2nd free) segment of the abdomen is also expanded laterally and is produced somewhat at the postero-lateral angles; the lateral aspects are fringed with small spines. The posterior margins of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th segments are fringed with spinules, and a row of similar spinules runs along the articulation of the anal segment with the furcal rami. The furcal rami are about twice as long as broad; this appears to be rather longer than in the examples examined by Sars.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 72, B) is composed of only six segments; the proximal three segments are long, the 4th and 5th quite short and the 6th long. In the present specimens



TEXT-FIG. 72.—*Laophonte brevirostris* (Claus). A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg. F, Endopod, 3rd leg. G, 4th leg. H, 5th leg.



the 2nd segment, instead of being produced on the posterior margin in a small spinous process, was simply rounded, the prominence being covered with minute spinules.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 72, c) the exopod is small and bears four setæ.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 72, d) the exopod is composed of three segments, of approximately equal length, and the ramus reaches nearly half-way along the proximal segment of the endopod. The endopod is well developed and the terminal claw is long and comparatively slender.

The setal formula of the 2nd–4th legs (Text-fig. 72, e, f and g) is as follows :

	Endopod.		Exopod.		
	1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	2, 2, 0	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	0	3, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P4	0	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 72, h) the proximal segment is broad, and reaches to about two-thirds the length of the distal segment ; it bears four setæ, of which the 2nd, counting from the inner side, is considerably longer than the others, which are subequal ; the inner two are spine-like in character. The distal segment is comparatively short and broad ; it bears on the sloping outer distal border three subequal setæ ; a fourth long seta arises from the tip of the segment and one from the inner border. Both margins of the outer segment are fringed with hairs, and of the inner with short spinules.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Andaman Islands (present record), the Red Sea (A. Scott), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Claus), the British Isles (T. Scott, Norman and T. Scott) and the coast of Norway (Sars).

*Laophonte macani* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 73, A–F.)

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 45, South Arabian Coast, depth 40 m. ; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.5 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 73, A) are as follows :

Anterior region including the rostrum . . . . .	47
Posterior region . . . . .	53

The rostrum is prominent and in its general form closely resembles that of *L. brevispinosa* Sars, the antero-lateral corners being emarginate, and from each indentation arises a very small sensory hair. The cephalosome is roughly quadrangular in shape and presents a granular appearance. The 2nd–4th thoracic segments are approximately equal in size, and each is produced in a well-developed ridge that runs transversely across the dorsal aspect. The posterior margin of the cephalosome and the dorsal ridge of the first three free thoracic segments are ornamented with rows of minute granules ; the dorsal ridge of the 5th thoracic segment is armed with a row of fine spinules. In the posterior region the genital segment and the next free segment (Abd. 3) are produced at their postero-lateral angles in rounded prominences that are fringed with needle-like spines. All the abdominal segments are fringed along their posterior margins with a row of fine spinules. The furcal

rami are nearly twice as long as broad, and the inner furcal seta is long and strong, being about equal in length to the last three segments and the furcal rami. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
13	29	16	16	13	13 = 100

The 1st antenna consists of six segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
25	25	21	6	6	17 = 100

The 3rd segment exhibits a difference on the two sides of the body; on the left side this segment appears to be divided into two, a long basal part and a small distal portion, which at first sight appears to be the 4th segment, followed by three other small segments, but as the long sensory seta arises, not from this distal part but from the next segment, it is clear that this is merely an abnormal subdivision of the 3rd segment.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 73, B) has the usual form; it consists of two segments, of which the distal bears two spines and four geniculate setæ. The endopod is small, and consists of a single segment bearing four setæ.

The maxilliped (Text-fig. 73, C) is comparatively slender.

The 1st swimming-leg (Text-fig. 73, D) consists of a three-jointed exopod, in which the 1st and 2nd segments bear only a slender external marginal spine and no inner seta; the terminal segment bears two marginal spines, an end-spine and a single seta at the distal angle. The endopod consists of two segments, the proximal being extremely long, about twice the length of the whole exopod; the distal segment bears a curved, claw-like spine.

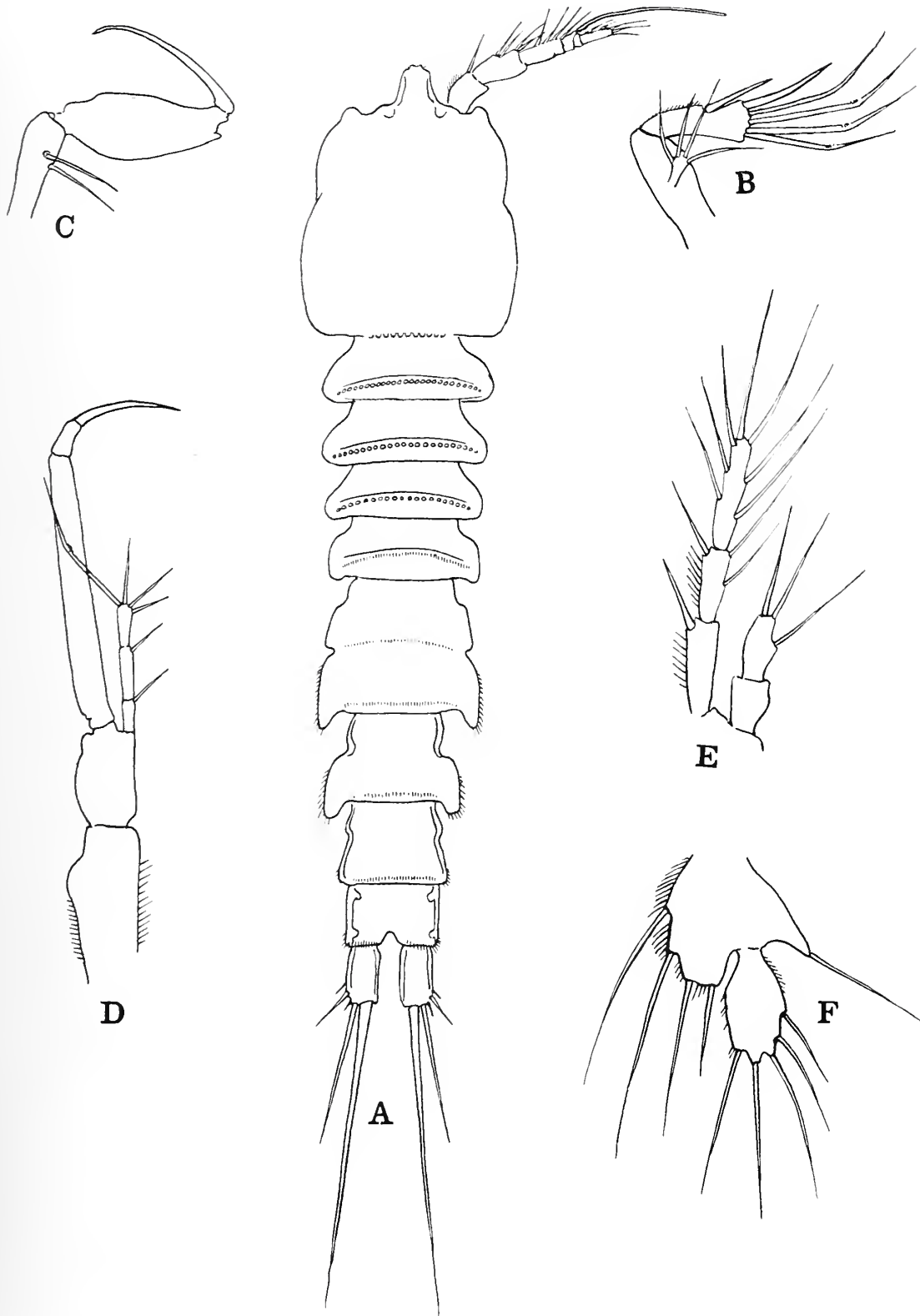
The 2nd and 3rd legs each appear, so far as I could make out without dissecting the specimen, to consist of three-jointed exopod and two-jointed endopod. In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 73, E) the endopod is composed of two segments, of which the distal bears three setæ. The spines of the exopods of the swimming-legs are very long and slender.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 73, F) the proximal segment is expanded and is produced somewhat distally, but this prolongation is comparatively short, and only reaches as far as the junction of the proximal and middle thirds of the free segment. The free segment is oval in shape and bears five setæ. The margins of both segments are fringed with hairs.

The characters of this species place it definitely in the same group as—

- Laophonte barbata* Lang,
  - L. brevisrostris* (Claus) (= *L. herdmani* A. Scott),
  - L. capillata* Wilson,
  - L. elongata* var. *triariculata* Monard,
  - L. recticaudata* Willey,
  - L. thoracica* Boeck,
  - L. zimmeri* van Douwe,
- and perhaps
- L. denticornis* T. Scott.

Of these it appears to come nearest to *barbata* Lang and *elongata* var. *triariculata* Monard, but the exopod of the 5th leg is not nearly so elongate; it is also near to *thoracica* Boeck, but the furcal rami are much shorter and the rostrum has a different shape, while there



TEXT-FIG. 73.—*Laophonte macani* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 2nd antenna. C, Maxilliped. D, 1st leg. E, 4th leg. F, 5th leg.

are three setæ on segment 2 of the endopod of the 4th leg instead of only two, thus resembling *brevirostris* (Claus). It is separated from this last species by the shape of the 5th leg. This latter character also separates it from the other species in the group.

I have much pleasure in dedicating this species to Mr. T. T. Macan, who was one of my colleagues on the expedition, and to whose care in sorting out material, the preservation of this specimen was due.

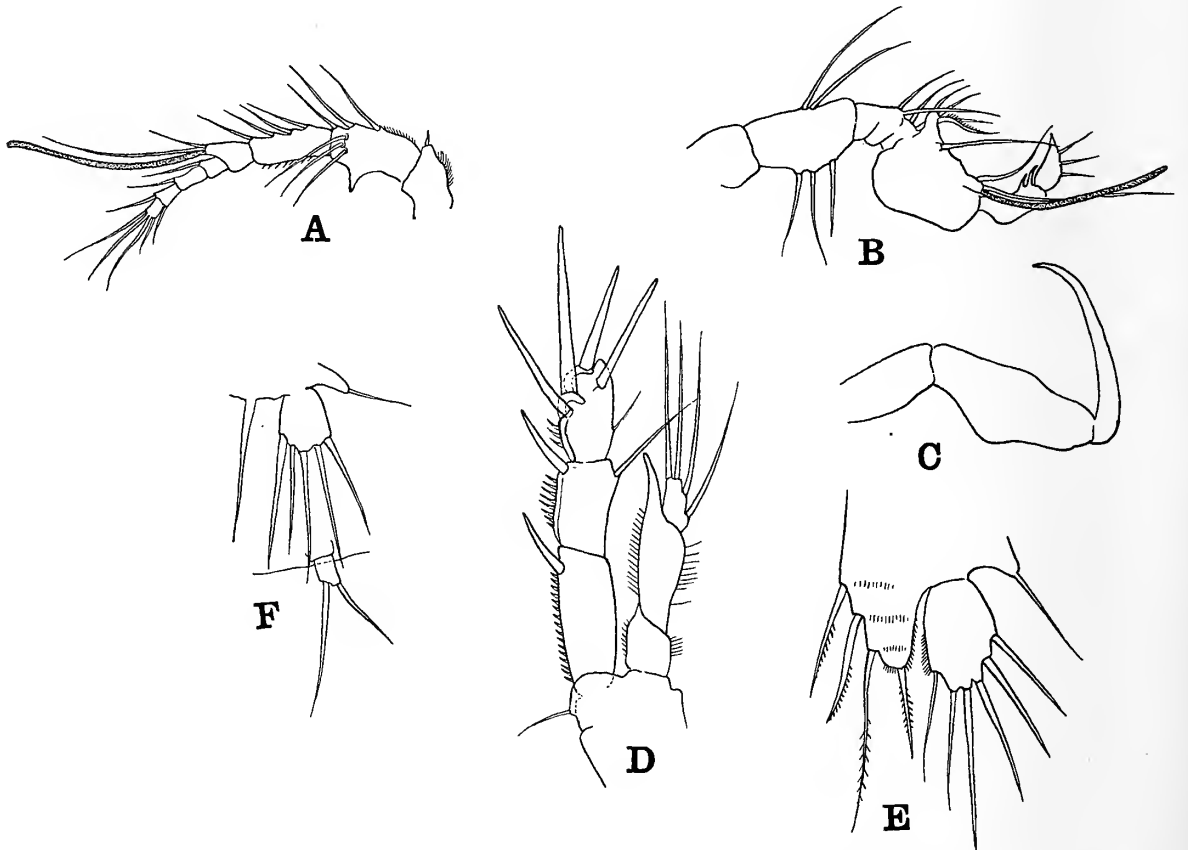
DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Arabian Coast, Indian Ocean.

*Laophonte gurneyi* Lang. (Text-fig. 74, A-F.)

*Laophonte meinerti*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 556, fig. 160, A-E (non Brady).

*Laophonte gurneyi*, Lang, 1934, p. 40.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; one female and one male.



TEXT-FIG. 74.—*Laophonte gurneyi* Lang. A, 1st antenna, female. B, 1st antenna, male. C, Maxilliped, male. D, 3rd leg, male. E, 5th leg, female. F, 5th leg and genital armature, male.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—As Lang (*loc. cit.*) has pointed out, the form described by Gurney from the Suez Canal under the name *Laophonte meinerti* Brady is not in reality an example of that species, differing from it in the female in the number of segments of the 1st antenna (eight instead of seven), and the number of setæ on the distal segment of the 5th foot (six instead of five); and in the male in the very different shape of the distal segment of the 5th foot.

The present examples agree clearly with those described by Gurney.



In the male (Text-fig. 74, B) the 1st antenna differs slightly from the account and figure given by Brady of the appendage in *L. meinerti*; while forming a somewhat similar grasping organ, the 2nd segment did not, so far as I could discover, possess any spinous process, the swollen part of the claw was produced proximally in a rounded process, from which a serrated seta arose, and the long sensory filament had its origin more distally than in Brady's species; finally the distal portion of the claw appeared to consist of two segments only, whereas Brady figures three.

The 3rd swimming-leg (Text-fig. 74, D) is modified, and in its general structure closely resembles Gurney's examples. The 1st segment of the exopod is long and bears no inner marginal seta; the 2nd segment bears an outer spine and an inner seta; the 3rd segment is furnished with four spines on the outer and distal margin, and in the present specimen a single diminutive seta arose from the inner border, Gurney figures two small setae in this situation. In Lang's examples of *L. meinerti* Brady there are four spines on the outer and distal margins, and the inner setae are modified into two well-developed spines.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 74, F) the distal segment is small and is nearly as broad as long; it bears five setae. Lang's examples of *L. meinerti* have the free segment much more elongate.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands (present record) and the Suez Canal (Gurney).

*Laophonte meinerti* Brady. (Text-fig. 75, A-J.)

*Laophonte meinerti*, Brady, 1899, p. 40, pl. xi, figs. 1-10; Lang, 1934, p. 37, figs. 91-101.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.64 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 75, A) are as 53 to 47. The cephalosome is longer than the three following segments together. The rostrum is not very prominent; it ends in a bilobed rounded extremity, on each side of which arises a minute seta. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
14	30	16	12	12	16 = 100

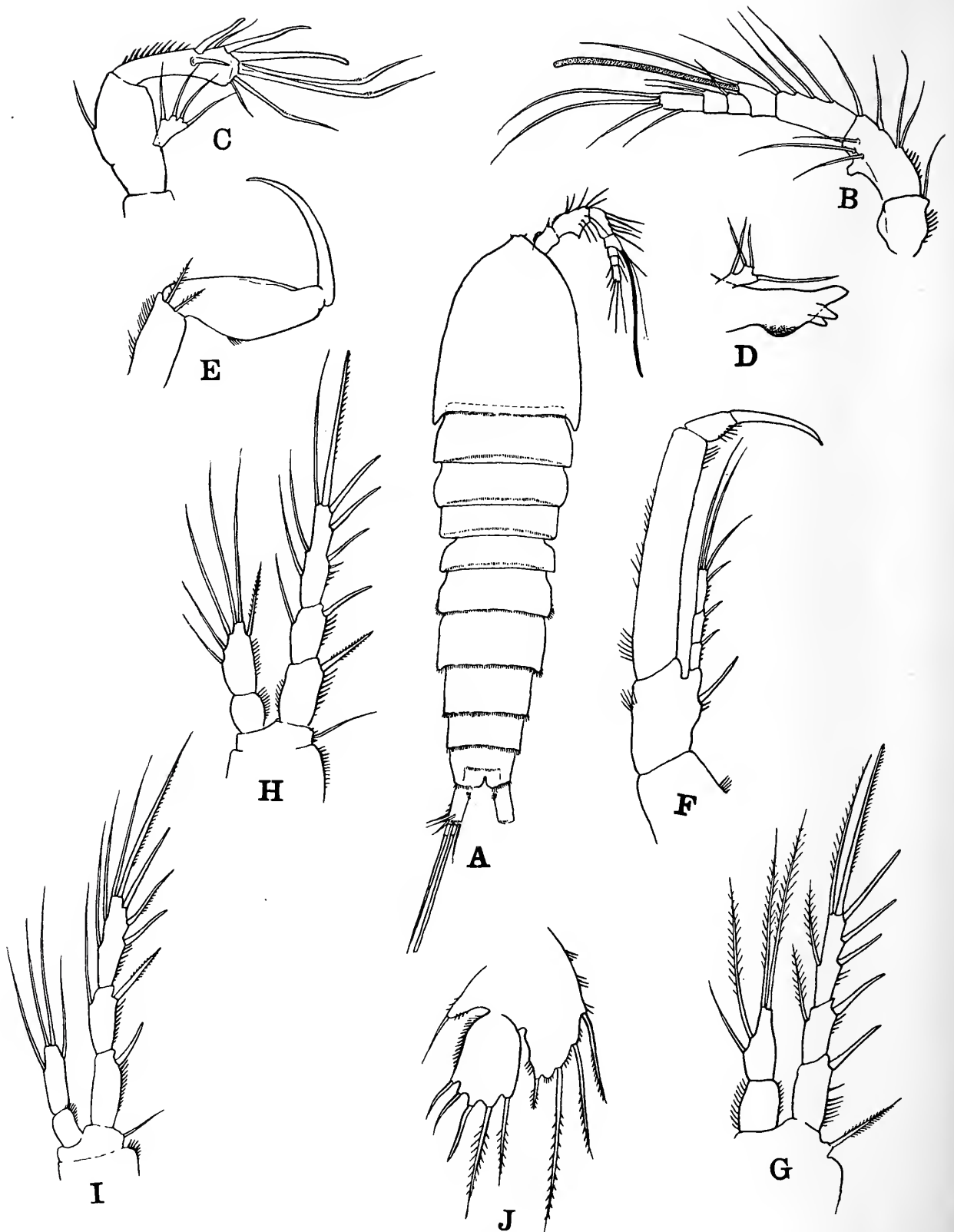
All the segments of the body appear to be fringed with a row of minute spinules along the posterior margin, and on the 5th segment a row of spines runs along the posterior margin of the anal operculum. The furcal rami are rather more than twice as long as broad.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 75, B) consists of seven segments that have the following proportional lengths:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
19	26	22	7	6	8	12 = 100

The proximal segment bears a row of spinules along its anterior margin; the 2nd segment is produced about the junction of the middle and distal thirds of its posterior border in a blunt or pointed, slightly curved process, and the proximal half of the anterior margin is ornamented with a row of small spinules.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 75, C) the exopod consists of a small but rather broad



TEXT-FIG. 75.—*Laophonte meinerti* Brady. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, Maxilliped. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 3rd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg.

segment bearing four setæ. The distal segment of the endopod bears four spines, the proximal one arising from the face of the segment and not from the anterior margin; there are three geniculate setæ and one straight seta on the distal border.

The mandible (Text-fig. 75, D) is produced in three strong teeth on the biting edge; the palp is small and bears four setæ.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 75, F) the exopod is delicate, and reaches to about half the length of the proximal segment of the endopod; it is composed of three segments, the distal being the longest.

The setal formula of the 2nd to 4th legs (Text-fig. 75, G, H and I) is as follows:

	Endopod.		Exopod.		
	1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	2, 2, 0	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	0	3, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P4	0	1, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 75, J), the inner projection of the proximal segment is broad and bears four setæ, of which two arise from the inner margin and two from the broad distal end; the border of the lobe is fringed with small spinules. The distal segment is somewhat longer than broad and bears five setæ, of which the outer three are subequal. In the present specimen this segment is somewhat longer than is figured by Lang (1934, fig. 97), but agrees closely in other respects.

DISTRIBUTION.—The south-west region of the Pacific Ocean, New Zealand (Brady), Campbell Island (Lang); the Nicobar Islands and the Maldivé Archipelago (present records).

*Laophonte bulbifera* Norman.

*Laophonte bulbifera*, Norman, 1911, p. 137, pl. xxviii; Gurney, 1927c, p. 553, fig. 157, A-C; Monard, 1928a, p. 418, fig. xl, 2.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings. Addu Atoll, Maldivé Archipelago, in weed-washings.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.62 mm. This is much smaller than the specimens taken by Norman in the Firth of Clyde or by Monard in the Mediterranean, both of which measured 0.8 mm.; the example examined by Gurney from the Suez Canal measured 0.68 mm.

The characters of the body and appendages agree closely with the descriptions given by Norman and Monard.

The 1st antenna consists of six segments having the following proportional lengths:

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
	18	27	27	7	3	18 = 100
(Monard)	17	29	21	9	3	21 = 100

For convenience of reference I have also given the measurements according to Monard, recalculated as parts per 100.

The setal formula of the 2nd-4th legs is as follows :

	Endopod.		Exopod.		
	1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3
P4	0	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 3

Monard, in his figure of the 5th leg, has omitted the 4th curved seta that arises near the base of the inner margin of the proximal segment ; the present examples agree exactly with the figure given by Gurney.

DISTRIBUTION.—Nicobar Islands and Maldivé Archipelago (present records), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard), the Firth of Clyde (Norman), the west coast of Ireland (Farran), and Bermuda (Willey).

*Laophonte trispinosa* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 76, A-F.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldivé Archipelago, in weed-washings ; a single specimen, female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.80 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 76, A) are as 60 to 40. In its shape and general proportions this species approaches near to *L. mirabilis* Gurney, but the absence of any spiny projections on the surface of the body-segments makes it resemble *L. armiger* Gurney (= *L. hystrix* Brian). The genital segment of the abdomen (Text-fig. 76, B) is expanded laterally, and the margins are fringed with needle-like spinules. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
23	29	13	11	9	15 = 100

The furcal rami are twice as long as broad. The 2nd furcal seta is strongly dilated at the base.

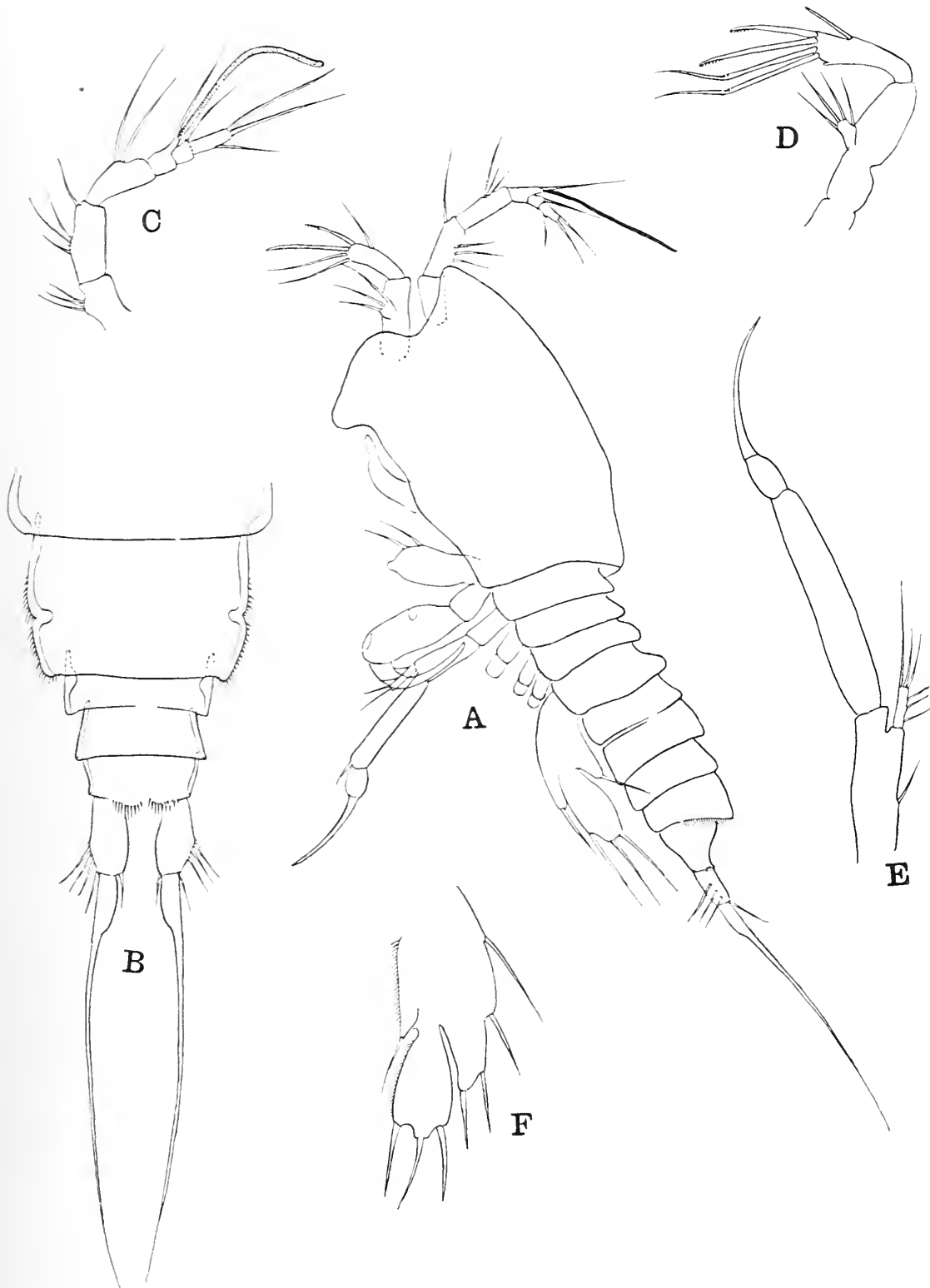
The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 76, C) consists of six segments that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
24	26	26	8	5	11 = 100

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 76, D) consists of three segments, the distal of which bears three spines and two geniculate setæ ; of the spines, the 2nd and 3rd are fringed with a row of small spinules along their distal fourth. The exopod is reduced to a small, single segment, bearing four setæ.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 76, E) the exopod is reduced and, so far as I could make out, is composed of a single segment, that bears one seta on its outer margin near the base, two on the outer margin in the distal half and three distally. The presence of only a single segment in this ramus separates this species from *Laophonte horrida* Norman, *L. brevispinosa* Sars, *L. armiger* Gurney and *L. mirabilis* Gurney.





TEXT-FIG. 76.—*Laophonte trispinosa* sp. nov. A, Female, lateral view. B, Abdomen, dorsal view. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, 1st leg. F, 5th leg.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 76, F) closely resembles that of *Laophonte horrida*, *L. brevispinosa* and *L. armiger*. The proximal segment is produced as far as the junction of the middle and distal thirds of the distal free segment, and it bears four spine-like setæ, three on the inner margin and one distally. The distal segment is pyriform in shape and is about twice as long as broad; it bears three setæ on the distal margin.

DISTRIBUTION.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago.

#### Family CEYLONIELLIDÆ.

Genus *Ceyloniella* Wilson (= *Jurinia* Claus; *Ceylonia* Thompson and A. Scott; *Lourinia* Wilson).

The genus *Jurinia* was created by Claus (1866) to accommodate a new species that he named *Jurinia armata*. Thompson and A. Scott (1903), in ignorance of Claus's paper, described what appears to have been the same species under the name *Ceylonia aculeata*, creating the genus *Ceylonia* for its accommodation. A. Scott (1909) admitted the identity of these two forms, but pointed out that Claus' genus *Jurinia* was invalid as the name was already preoccupied. Wilson (1925) pointed out that Thompson and A. Scott's name, *Ceylonia*, was also preoccupied, and he renamed this genus *Ceyloniella*; in the same paper he pointed out that the name *Jurinia* was preoccupied, and he renamed this genus *Lourinia*, under the impression that *Jurinia* and *Ceylonia* were different, though closely related, genera. The supposed difference between these two genera, according to the Key published by Wilson in 1932, is that in *Ceylonia* the proximal segment of the 2nd antenna is divided into two, and the exopod is attached to the end of the distal portion, whereas in *Jurinia* this segment is not divided. Claus (1866), in his definition of the genus *Jurinia*, states: "Die sehr gedrungene Antenne des zweiten paares trägt einen schmalen und rudimentären, nur mit 2 Borsten versehenen Nebenast"; in his figure (fig. 18) he does not show an actual separation of the basal joint into two segments, but there is a very distinct notch in the margin opposite the point of attachment of the exopod. I am in entire agreement with earlier writers who regard *Jurinia* and *Ceylonia* as synonyms. Gurney (1927) maintains that the name *Ceylonia* is valid; but this is, I think, incorrect. The name of the genus must be *Ceyloniella* Wilson, and in consequence the name of the family should be altered to *Ceyloniellidæ*.

#### *Ceyloniella armata* (Claus).

*Jurinia armata*, Claus, 1866, p. 25, pl. ii, figs. 15-24.

*Ceylonia aculeata*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 265, pl. vii, figs. 11-23.

*Ceylonia armata*, A. Scott, 1909, p. 228.

*Lourinia armata*, Wilson, 1924, p. 15.

*Ceylonia armata*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 567.

*Ceylonia aculeata* var. *adriatica*, Brian, 1928a, p. 23, figs. 100-104.

*Ceylonia armata*, Brian, 1928b, p. 330.

*Ceyloniella armata*, Willey, 1930, p. 111, figs. 76-78.

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; examples of both sexes. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; examples of both sexes.

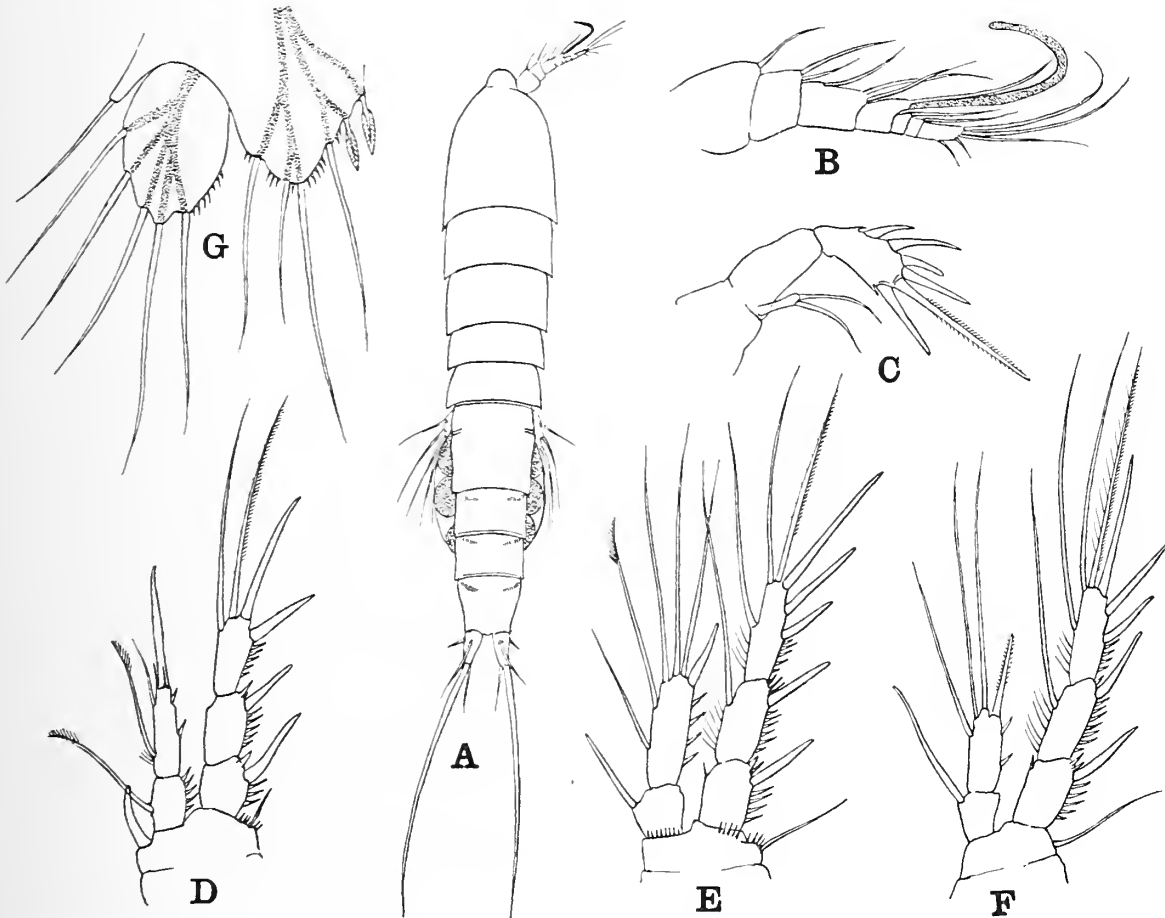
The examples of this species that I have examined clearly fall into two groups, distinguished from each other by size.

f. *major*. (Text fig. 77, A-G, ♀; Text-fig. 78, A-F, ♂.)

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.904–1.013 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 77, A) are somewhat variable, ranging from 48 to 52 to 53 to 47. The body is elongate and slender. The rostrum is deflexed and is rounded. The median eye is bright red in colour. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	13	29	18	14	15	11 = 100



TEXT-FIG. 77.—*Ceyloniella armata* (Claus), f. *major*, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 2nd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg.

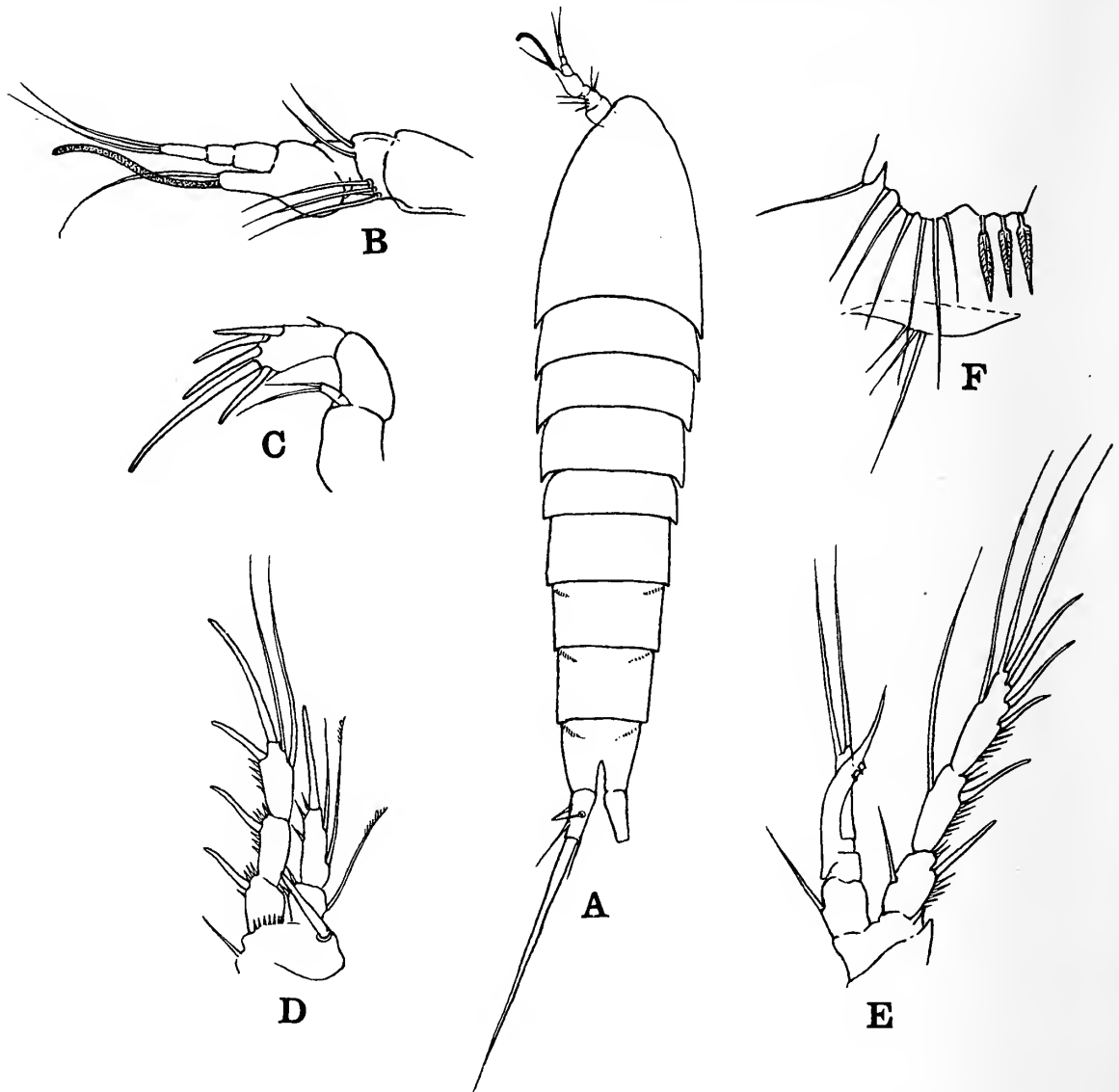
The genital segment shows a well-marked line of fusion of the two segments in the dorso-lateral region. The rest of the abdominal segments are ornamented with a row of fine spinules in the dorso-lateral area. The furcal rami are conical, and merge with the strong 2nd furcal seta in a gradual tapering form.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 77, B) possesses seven segments, that have the following proportional lengths :

Segment	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
	29	13	16	11	5	7	19 = 100
(Thompson and Scott)	22	16	22	12	4	8	15 = 99

For the purpose of reference I have given above the proportional lengths as noted by Thompson and A. Scott, recalculated as parts per 100.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 77, c), mouth-parts and swimming-feet agree closely with the descriptions given by Thompson and A. Scott (1903) and Brian (1928a).



TEXT-FIG. 78.—*Ceyloniella armata* (Claus), f. *major*, ♂. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 3rd leg. F, 5th leg and genital armature.

In the 1st swimming leg (Text-fig. 77, D) the proximal segment of the endopod bears a modified seta that terminates in a comb; in the present examples a similar seta is carried by the distal segment on its inner border, thus agreeing with the description given by Willey of the specimens taken by him in Bermuda, but differing from the original examples from Ceylon (*vide* Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, pl. vii, fig. 18) and those from the Mediterranean Sea (*vide* Brian, 1928a, fig. 101).

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 77, G) differs slightly from previously described forms, for the distal segment is distinctly longer and narrower in shape; it bears five setæ, thus agreeing



with the specimens described by Claus, Gurney, Brian and Willey, and differing from the description of Thompson and A. Scott, who figure six setæ arising from this segment. The proximal segment bears four setæ and two spear-shaped spines.

The sexually mature females were bearing a single egg-sac, in which the number of ova varied from 10 to 12.

♂. Accompanying these females were a few males, that agree closely in their general form with the females but are slightly smaller in size (Text-fig. 78, A).

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 78, B) is modified to form a grasping organ.

The 3rd leg is modified (Text-fig. 78, E). The exopod is normal, but the endopod shows a characteristic change. There appear to be three segments in the endopod, of which the first is normal and bears a single seta; the 2nd segment is produced basally on its inner side into a stout S-shaped tapering process that extends far beyond the distal end of the 3rd segment, and bears on its outer margin about half-way along its length a series of three small curved hooks. The 3rd segment is cylindrical, and carries two setæ at its distal end.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 78, F) the distal segment is not differentiated; it forms a slight prominence bearing six setæ. The proximal or inner segment is also represented by a prominence that bears three spear-shaped spines.

f. *minor*. (Text-fig. 79, A-F.)

At "Investigator" Station 630, west side of Nankauri Island, Nicobar Islands, a few examples of what appears to be a small dimorph of this species were obtained.

♀. Total length, 0.691 mm.

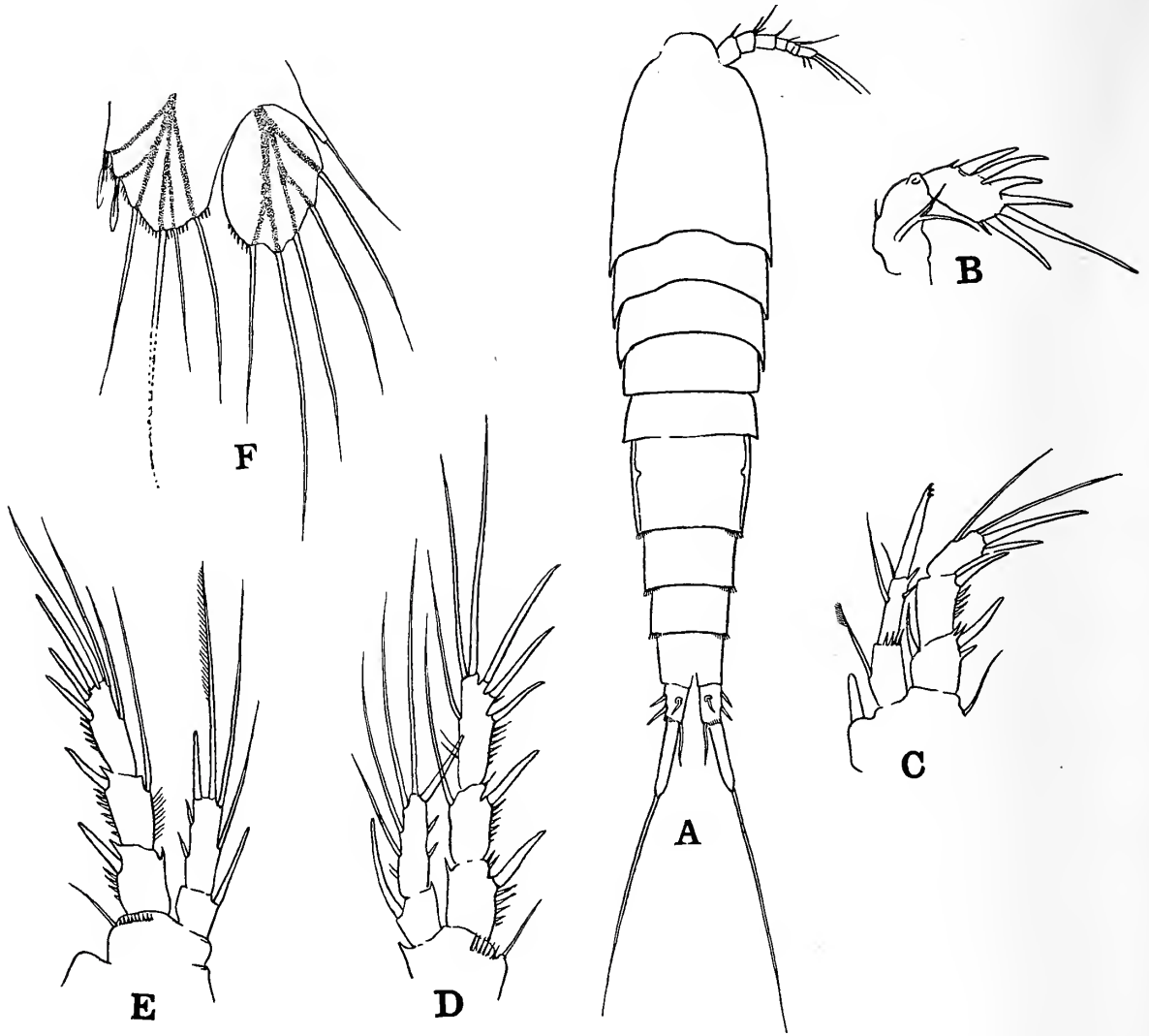
The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 79, A) are as 42 to 58; the posterior region thus appears to be considerably longer than in the typical form. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	10	26	20	17	17	10 = 100

The segments of the abdomen are armed with rows of fine spinules, as in the typical form. In this variety the 2nd furcal seta is very markedly thickened in its basal part and for about one-fourth of its length; it then abruptly narrows and is continued as a normal seta.

In the 1st leg there are some slight differences in structure from f. *major*. The spine at the inner distal angle of the 2nd basal segment appears to be slightly shorter and is straight. Only the inner seta arising from the 1st segment of the endopod is provided with a comb. The terminal spine on the 2nd segment of the endopod is serrate at its extreme tip.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Nicobar Islands (present record), the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Brian, Monard) and Bermuda (Willey).



TEXT-FIG. 79.—*Ceyloniella armata* (Claus), f. *minor*, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 2nd antenna. C, 1st leg. D, 3rd leg. E, 4th leg. F, 5th leg.

*Ceyloniella nicobarica* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 80, A-J.)

OCCURRENCE.—“Investigator” Station 630, west side of Nankauri Island, in weed-washings; several examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 1.145 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 80, A) are as 47 to 53. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
12	26	16	16	16	14 = 100

As in *Ceyloniella armata*, the posterior margins of the 2nd-4th abdominal segment are armed with a row of minute spinules, and so also are the margins of the articulations of the furcal rami on the 5th segment. In this form the 2nd furcal seta has a most

characteristic shape, being paddle-shaped, or "spathulate"; the proximal half is broad and flat.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 80, B) consists of seven segments, but the distal segment shows distinct traces of a division into two; the proportional lengths are as follows:

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
23	13	23	8	6	7	20 = 100

The chitin is thickened along the posterior aspect of segments 3 to 6 inclusive, and the proximal half of the 7th.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 80, c) consists of three segments, of which the 2nd and 3rd are of approximately equal length; the exopod is short and bears two setae; it is attached to the base of the 2nd segment.

The mandible (Text-fig. 80, D) is armed on its biting edge with stout rounded teeth, and the palp, which appears to be composed of a single ramus, bears two plumose setae distally and three smooth setae on its outer margin.

The swimming-legs closely resemble those of *Ceyloniella armata*. In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 80, E) one seta on the inner margin of both the proximal and distal segments of the endopod is modified and terminates in a comb; the spine on the distal inner margin of the 2nd basal segment reaches well beyond the end of the 1st segment of the endopod, whereas in *Ceyloniella armata* it reaches only about two-thirds the length of the 1st segment of the endopod or a little more.

In the 2nd leg (Text-fig. 80, F) the seta arising from the inner margin of the proximal segment of the endopod is spine-like as in *C. armata*; but in the present form the proximal seta on the inner margin of the distal segment is also spine-like, whereas in *C. armata* it is plumose. In both species the setal formula is identical, namely—

	Endopod.		Exopod.		
	1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
P2	1	3, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P3	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3
P4	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	1, 2, 3

but whereas in *C. armata* the two setae arising from the distal end of the 2nd segment of the endopod of the 2nd leg are subequal and well developed, in *C. nicobarica* the inner of these two seta is rudimentary.

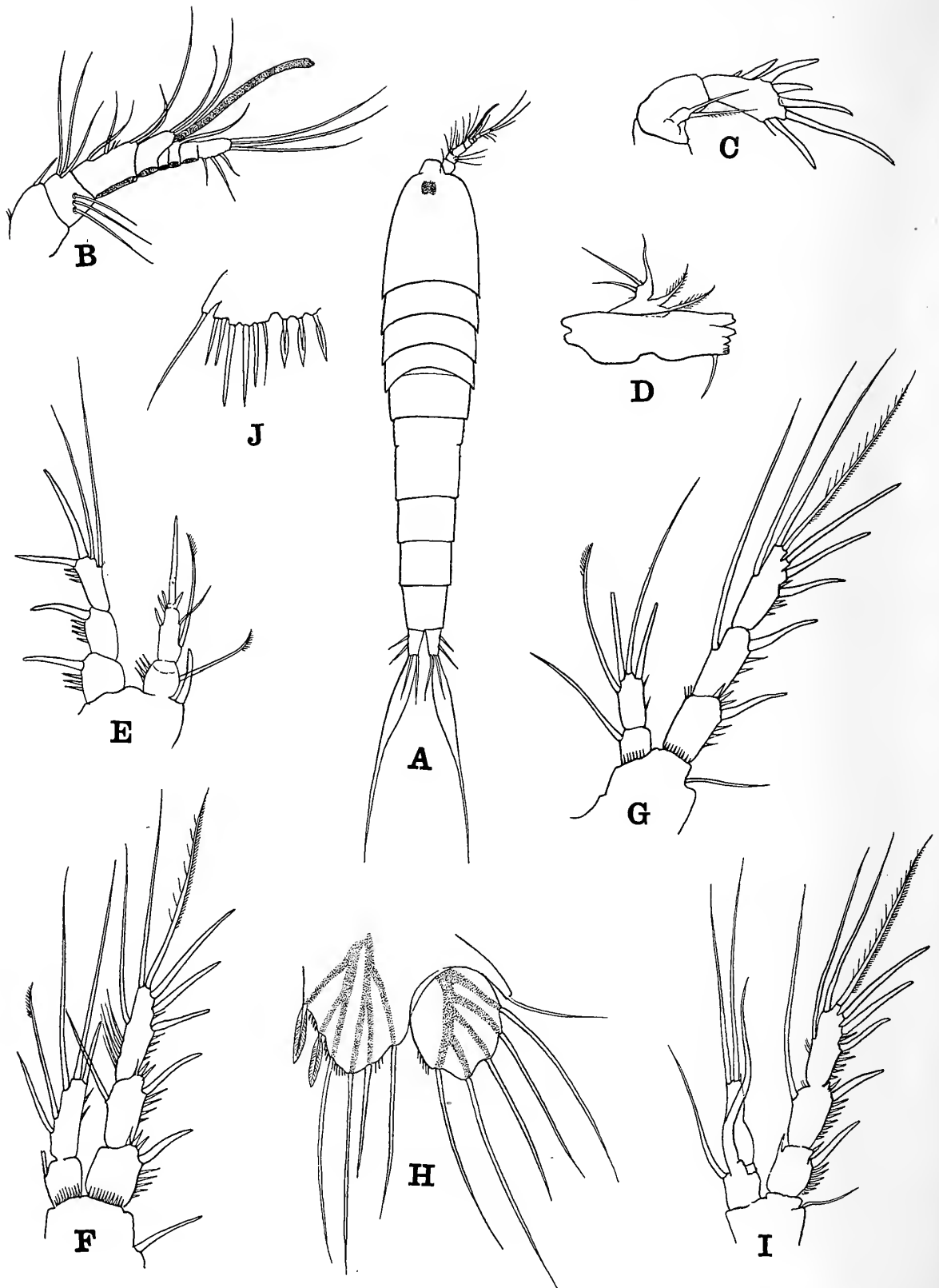
In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 80, G) the endopod is considerably shorter than in *C. armata*, and reaches only just beyond the level of the joint between the 1st and 2nd segments of the exopod.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 80, H) the general structure is as in *C. armata*; the distal segment bears five setae, but the segment itself is broader in proportion to its length.

Ovigerous examples carried a single egg-sac with 16–18 ova.

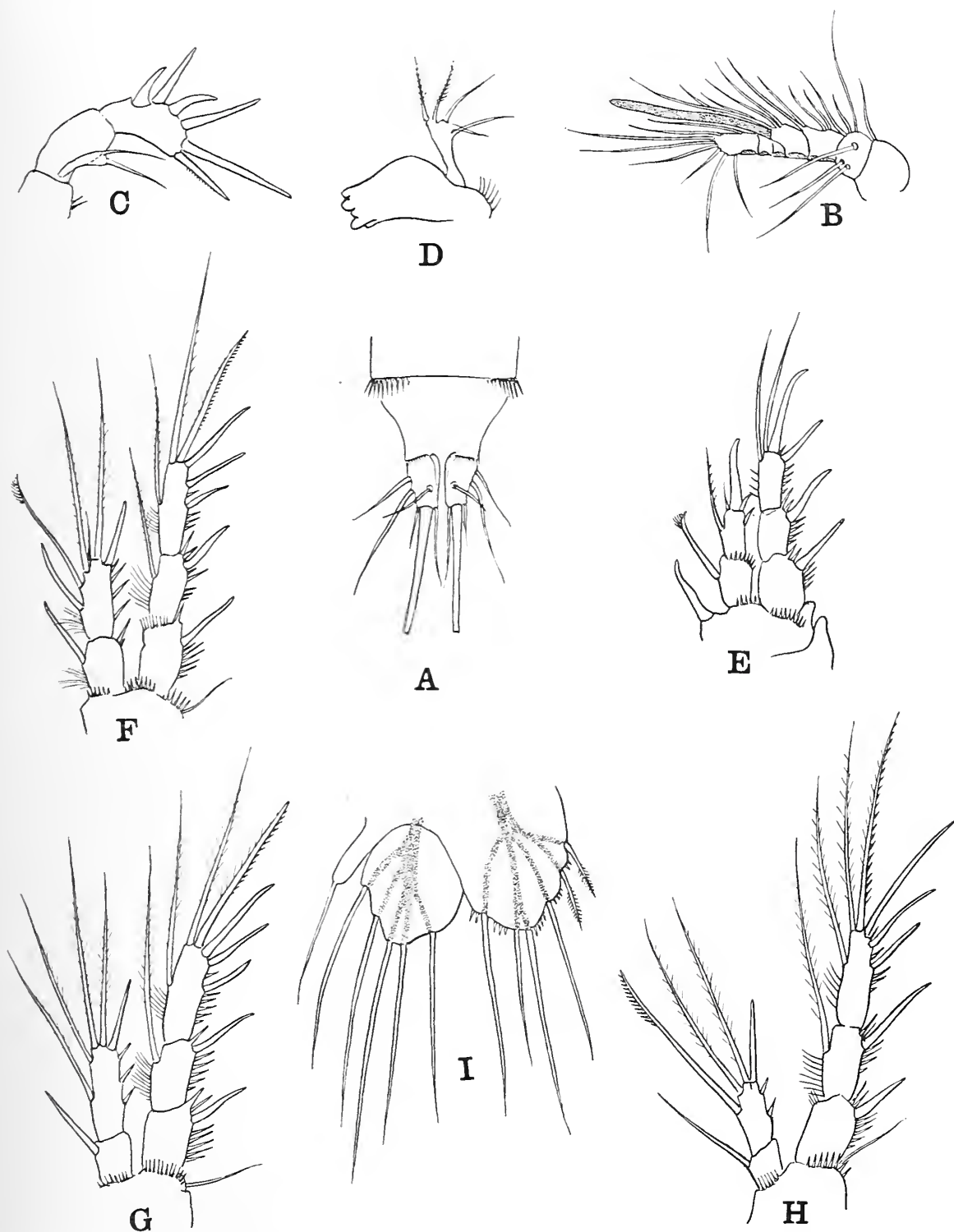
♂. Associated with these females was a male, that also exhibited certain small differences from the male of *C. armata*.

In the 3rd leg (Text-fig. 80, I) the 2nd segment of the endopod is very short, and the elongate S-shaped process appears to spring from the basal segment.



TEXT-FIG. 80.—*Ceyloniella nicobarica* sp. nov. A, Female, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna, female. C, 2nd antenna, female. D, Mandible, female. E, 1st leg, female. F, 3rd leg, female. G, 4th leg, female. H, 5th leg, female. I, 3rd leg, male. J, 5th leg, male.





TEXT-FIG. 81.—*Ceyloniella nicobarica* sp. nov., var., ♀. A, Anal segment and furcal rami. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, Mandible. E, 1st leg. F, 2nd leg. G, 3rd leg. H, 4th leg. I, 5th leg.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 80, J) five of the six setæ arising from the outer lobe, instead of being delicate and flexible, appear to be stiff and spine-like.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands ; in an exposed area.

*Ceyloniella nicobarica* sp. nov., var. (Text-fig. 81, A-I.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands ; several females. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed washings ; a few females.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—Total length, 1.014 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions are very similar to those of the type form, being 46 to 54. The 3rd segment of the abdomen appears to be somewhat longer, and the anal segment slightly shorter than in the typical form, the proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region being as follows :

Segment	Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	13	26	21	15	15	10 = 100

The rostrum is short and pyriform, with the anterior end rounded and deflexed. The posterior margins of the abdominal segments are armed in the lateral region with a row of spinules, running parallel to the margin ; a row of small spinules runs along the articulation of the furcal rami. The anal segment appears to be more sharply tapered than in the typical form, and the 2nd furcal seta is simple and is not expanded.

The 1st and 2nd antennæ and the mouth-parts appear to be similar to those of the typical form.

In the 1st leg the 2nd segment of the endopod bears only a single plumose seta on its inner margin, whereas in the typical form there are two setæ, the proximal being comb-like at the tip. In this respect this variety presents the same difference from the typical form as the smaller form *minor* does to the f. *major* of *C. armata* (Claus) (cf. Text-figs. 77, D, and 79, C of *C. armata* and Text-figs. 80, E, and 81, E of *C. nicobarica*).

In the 2nd leg the inner seta on the 1st segment of the endopod and the proximal inner seta of the 2nd segment are both spine-like ; the inner of the two setæ arising from the distal margin of the segment is obsolescent.

The 3rd and 4th legs resemble those of the typical form.

The 5th leg exhibits the same general characters, but the distal free segment is somewhat more elongated than in the typical form, and is intermediate between this form and that of *C. armata*.

As in the typical form, the ovigerous females were carrying a single egg-sac containing from 16-18 ova.

DISTRIBUTION.—At present known only from the Nicobar Islands and the Maldive Archipelago ; in both regions in calm water.

Family CLETODIDÆ.

Genus *Laophontella* Thompson and A. Scott.

*Laophontella*, Thompson and A. Scott, 1903, p. 266 ; Monard, 1927, p. 168.

This genus was created by Thompson and A. Scott (*loc. cit.*) to accommodate a species, *Laophontella typica*, that was taken in Pearl Oyster washings on the Ceylon Pearl Banks. A second species, that in my opinion should be referred to this genus, was described by Willey (1935, p. 84, figs. 127-148) under the name *Phyllopodopsyllus armatus* from Bermuda.

*Laophontella armata* (Willey), var. *indica* nov. (Text-fig. 82, A-M, ♀; Text-fig. 83, A-G, ♂.)

OCCURRENCE.—Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings; two females. Camorta Island, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; a single male.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.74–0.78 mm.

The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 82, A) are as 53 to 47. The cephalosome is large, and at the anterior end is bent sharply downwards and is produced in a stout spinous process; when viewed from the dorsal side the anterior end appears to be truncated. The postero-lateral angles of the cephalosome are produced on each side in a stout spinous process. The four following segments are of approximately equal length, and are similarly produced into backwardly directed processes in the postero-lateral region. There is no marked difference in width between the segments of the anterior and posterior regions of the body, the whole gradually tapering towards the posterior end. The abdominal segments (Text-fig. 82, B) are also produced in spinous processes laterally. The segments of the posterior region have the following proportional lengths:

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
16	30	13	12	13	16 = 100

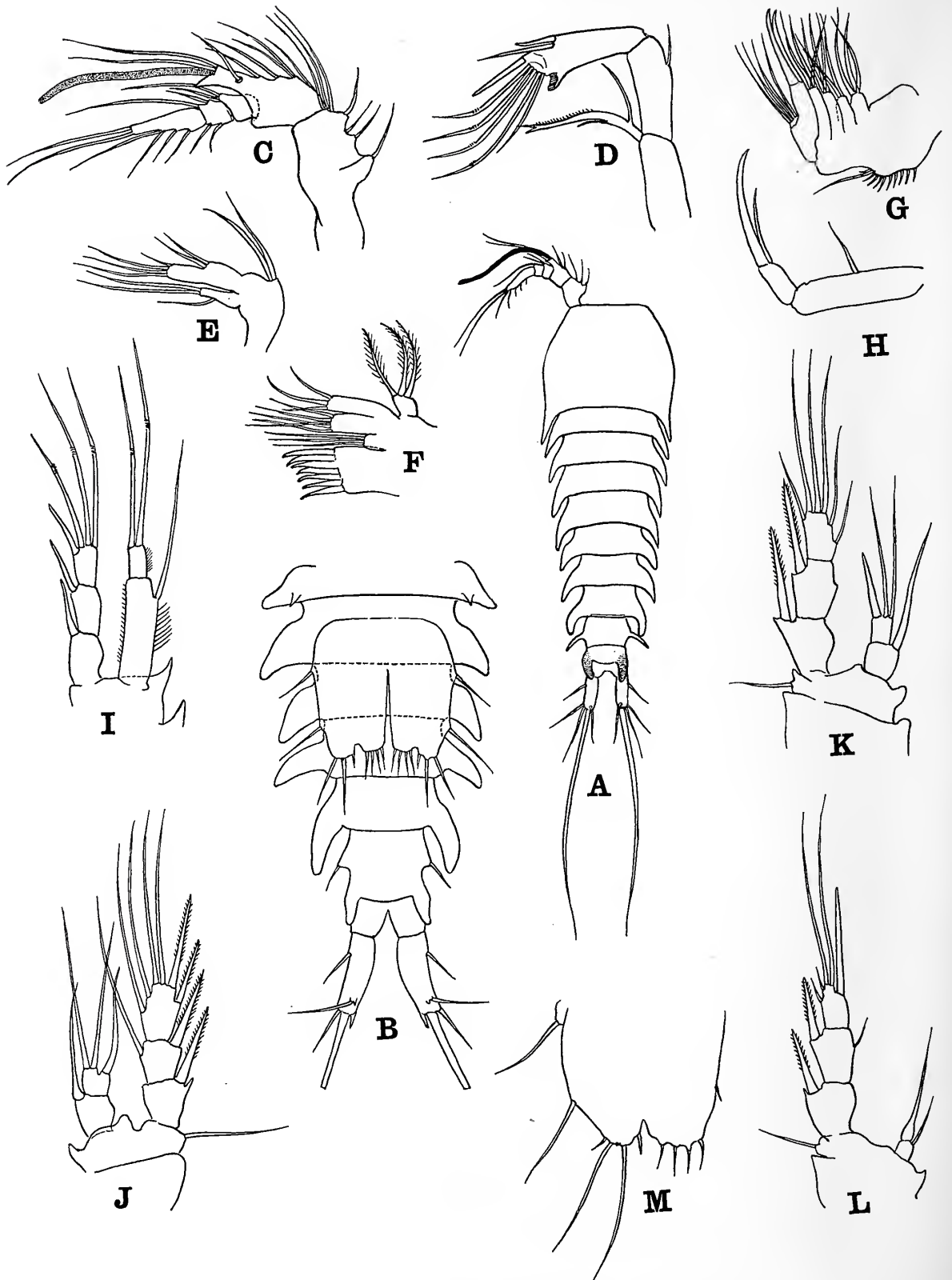
The line of demarcation between the 1st and 2nd abdominal segments is well marked across the dorsal aspect. The furcal rami are slightly divergent and bear the usual number of setæ, the 2nd being by far the longest and strongest.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 82, c) consists of five segments; the proximal stout portion is composed of two segments and the more slender distal part of three. The 1st segment is comparatively narrow in its proximal half and then expands distally; a short projection bearing a seta is situated about half-way along the anterior margin. The 2nd segment, which bears numerous setæ, is produced at its distal end in an overhanging spine-like process, from which the sensory filament arises. Of the three distal segments, comprising the slender part of the antennule, the last is by far the longest. Willey, in his account of this appendage (*loc. cit.*, p. 84, fig. 132), remarks: "The precise details of the antennule, in all planes, are not easy to express with the necessary brevity; seen from below it is five-jointed, the proximal joints coalesced into a single segment produced at the end into a two-horned process bearing the sensory filament." A comparison of Willey's fig. 132 and Text-fig. 82, c, clearly indicates the similarity between his example and mine, in spite of the apparently different segmentation.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 82, D) the main ramus consists of three segments, of which the last is produced distally on its posterior margin in a curved claw-like process, and bears at its distal end three spines, four geniculate setæ and a straight seta. The exopod arises between the 1st and 2nd segments, as in *Phyllopodopsyllus*, and consists of a single segment that is long and tapering; it is fringed along the anterior margin with a row of minute spinules. It bears a seta on the anterior margin near the base and a very small one on the posterior margin at about one-third of its length; distally it terminates in two very small setæ.

The mandible, maxillæ and maxilliped (Text-fig. 82, E-H) appear to resemble those of *Phyllopodopsyllus*.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 82, I) the rami are moderately stout and are non-prehensile;



TEXT-FIG. 82.—*Laophontella armata* (Willey), var. *indica* nov., ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Abdomen, dorsal view. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mandibular palp. F, 1st maxilla. G, 2nd maxilla. H, Maxilliped. I, 1st leg. J, 2nd leg. K, 3rd leg. L, 4th leg. M, 5th leg.



the exopod is composed of three segments and the endopod of two, and, as in *Laophontella typica*, they are of equal length. The 1st and 2nd segments of the exopod each bear a marginal spine, but have no seta on the inner border; the 3rd segment bears a marginal spine and three geniculate setæ. The proximal segment of the endopod is about four times the length of the distal, and bears a single inner seta at about three-fourths of its length; the distal segment bears two geniculate setæ.

The 2nd and 3rd legs (Text-fig. 82, J, K) have comparatively broad rami; the exopod consists of three segments and the endopod of two only. The rami are of remarkably unequal length, the endopod being very short. In both legs the 1st segment of the exopod bears no inner seta and the outer marginal spine is strong and serrated; the 2nd segment bears a strong serrated marginal spine and an inner seta. The distal segment is markedly different in the two legs; in the 2nd leg this segment bears two stout serrated spines on the outer margin and four setæ, two distally and two on the inner aspect; in the 3rd leg the marginal spines are replaced by delicate setæ, one of which arises at the distal outer angle, three setæ spring from the distal end and two from the inner margin. In both legs the proximal segment of the endopod bears a single stout spine-like seta, and the distal segment bears two setæ at the distal end and one stout spine-like seta on the outer margin near the distal angle.

In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 83, L) the proximal segment of the exopod bears a stout serrated marginal spine, but is devoid of any seta on the inner border; the 2nd segment bears both a serrate spine and an inner seta; on the 3rd segment the marginal spines are replaced by two small, delicate setæ, two normal setæ arise from the distal end and a strong spine springs from the distal inner angle. The endopod consists of a short single segment, bearing a delicate seta on its inner border, and a well-developed seta with a bulbous base arises distally, this bulbous swelling may perhaps represent the reduced 2nd segment of the ramus.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 82, M) the whole appendage forms a large foliaceous plate, without any division into two segments, but its formation by the fusion of two segments is clearly indicated by a notch in the posterior border. The inner part of the plate, representing the proximal segment, bears four equal setæ at the distal end and a fifth, much smaller seta on the inner margin. The outer part of the plate, representing the distal segment, bears a small seta on the inner margin near the apex, two well-developed setæ distally, a very small seta just external to these two, and another well-developed seta at some distance on the outer border. A sixth seta near the basal part of the outer border represents the outer process of the basal segment.

♂. Total length, 0.76 mm.

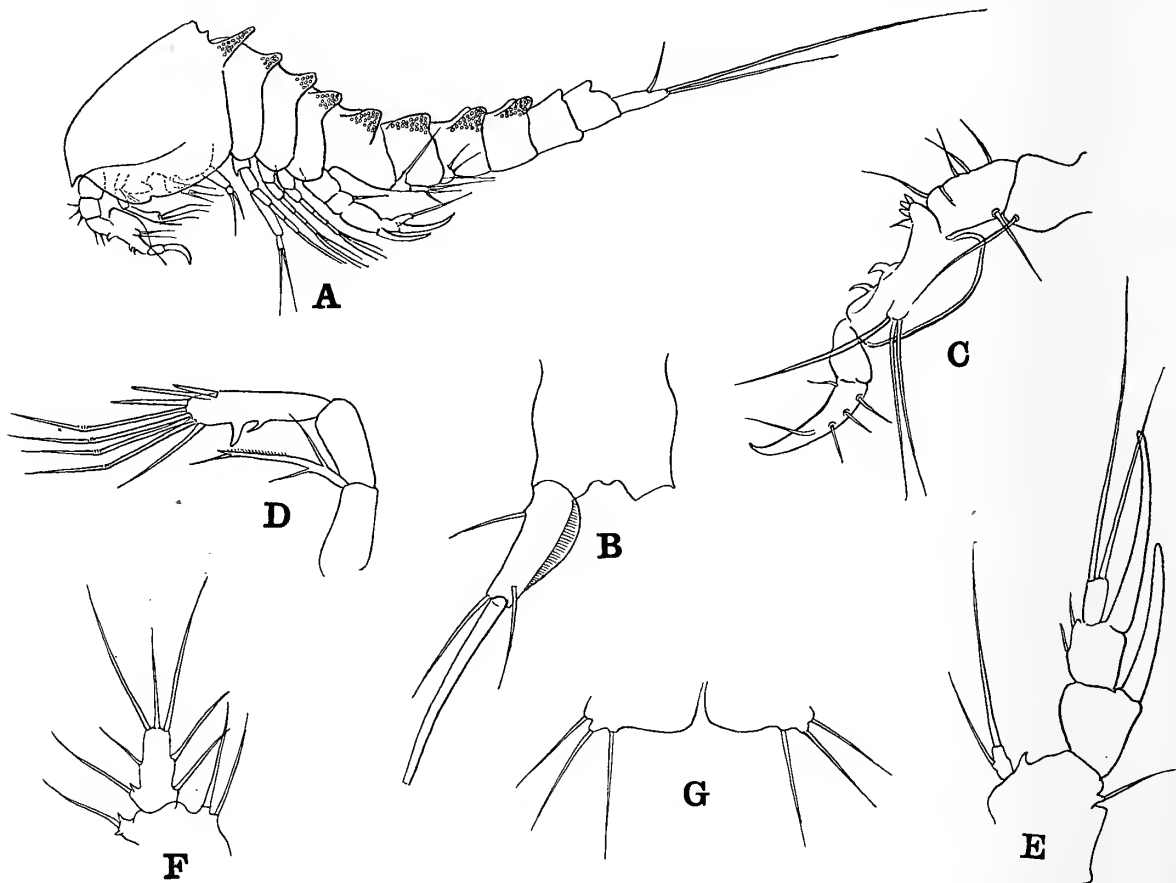
In its general appearance and bodily characters (Text-fig. 83, A) the male closely resembles the female. The furcal rami (Text-fig. 83, B) are divergent and a lamellar expansion runs down the inner aspect, as in the genus *Phyllopodopsyllus*.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 83, C) is modified to form a powerful grasping organ; the hand is dilated, and at the proximal end of the anterior margin is produced in a blunt process that bears a series of small pointed prominences; two claw-like processes arise from the distal half of this margin. The part beyond the hinge-joint consists of two segments, the distal one being large and claw-like.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 83, D) closely resembles that of the female, but on the posterior margin of the terminal segment there are two claw-like processes instead of one.

The 4th leg (Text-fig. 83, E) is remarkably strong and forms a powerful clasping organ. The 1st segment of the exopod is armed with a powerful marginal spine, that reaches well beyond the extreme tip of the ramus; the 2nd segment bears a similar spine externally and two small delicate setæ on the inner margin; the distal segment bears two setæ distally. The endopod, as in the female, is much reduced, and consists of only a single segment, bearing two setæ.

The 5th leg (Text-fig. 83, F) is comparatively normal in structure. It consists of separate segments. The proximal segment is but slightly produced and bears two sub-



TEXT-FIG. 83.—*Laophontella armata* (Willey), var. *indica* nov., ♂. A, Male, lateral view. B, Anal segment and furcal ramus. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, 4th leg. F, 5th leg. G, Genital segment.

equal setæ; the distal segment is about two-and-a-half times as long as broad and bears seven setæ, which are so arranged as to give the appearance as if the joint was composed of three fused segments; two setæ, of which the more distal is small and delicate, arise from the outer margin, and opposite to these two subequal setæ spring from the inner border; three setæ, of which the middle is small, arise from the distal border. In his account of the typical form Willey notes that this segment differed on the two sides, having six setæ on one side and only five on the other.

The genital aperture is guarded by a wide flap, that at its distal, outer angle bears three setæ.

I have no hesitation in referring these examples to Willey's species. Willey has

referred his form to the genus *Phyllopodopsyllus*, though he notes the resemblance to Thompson and Scott's genus *Laophontella*. While the species does not exactly conform to either genus, as at present defined, it seems to me that it has most affinity with *Laophontella*. It resembles this latter genus in the reduction of the number of segments in the 1st antenna to five instead of eight; furthermore, the 1st leg is clearly not prehensile and the two rami are of equal length. The setal formula for the swimming-legs is entirely different, as is shown below:

		Endopod.		Exopod.		
		1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
<i>Laophontella</i>	P2	1	0, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 2
	P3	1	0, 2, 1	0	1	2, 2, 2
	P4	1	0, 1, 0	0	1	1, 2, 2
<i>Phyllopodopsyllus</i>	P2	0	0, 2, 1	1	0	1, 2, 2
	P3	1	0, 2, 1	1	0	2, 2, 2
	P4	1	0, 2, 1	1	1	2, 2, 2

The 4th leg, though stronger than the preceding three, is not markedly longer, as in *Phyllopodopsyllus*, and although the 5th leg in the female forms a single plate, that somewhat resembles that of *Phyllopodopsyllus*, this resemblance is superficial rather than real, since in the present examples there is a clear trace of both segments being present, whereas in *Phyllopodopsyllus* the plate shows no trace of division.

DISTRIBUTION.—The typical form is at present known only from Bermuda (Willey), and the variety *indica* from the Nicobar and Maldivic Archipelagos.

Genus *Orthopsyllus* Brady, Sars. (*Lilljeborgia* Claus nom. preocc.)

*Orthopsyllus*, Sars, 1903-11, p. 288.

Up to the present time only three species have been attributed to this genus, namely *Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus), *O. propinquus* Monard and *O. wallini* Lang. Thompson and A. Scott (1903, p. 267), under the name *Cletodes linearis* (Claus), have recorded the occurrence of the first of these species in the Gulf of Suez and the Gulf of Manaar; an example of what appears to be a different species was taken by the "Investigator", only the male being obtained.

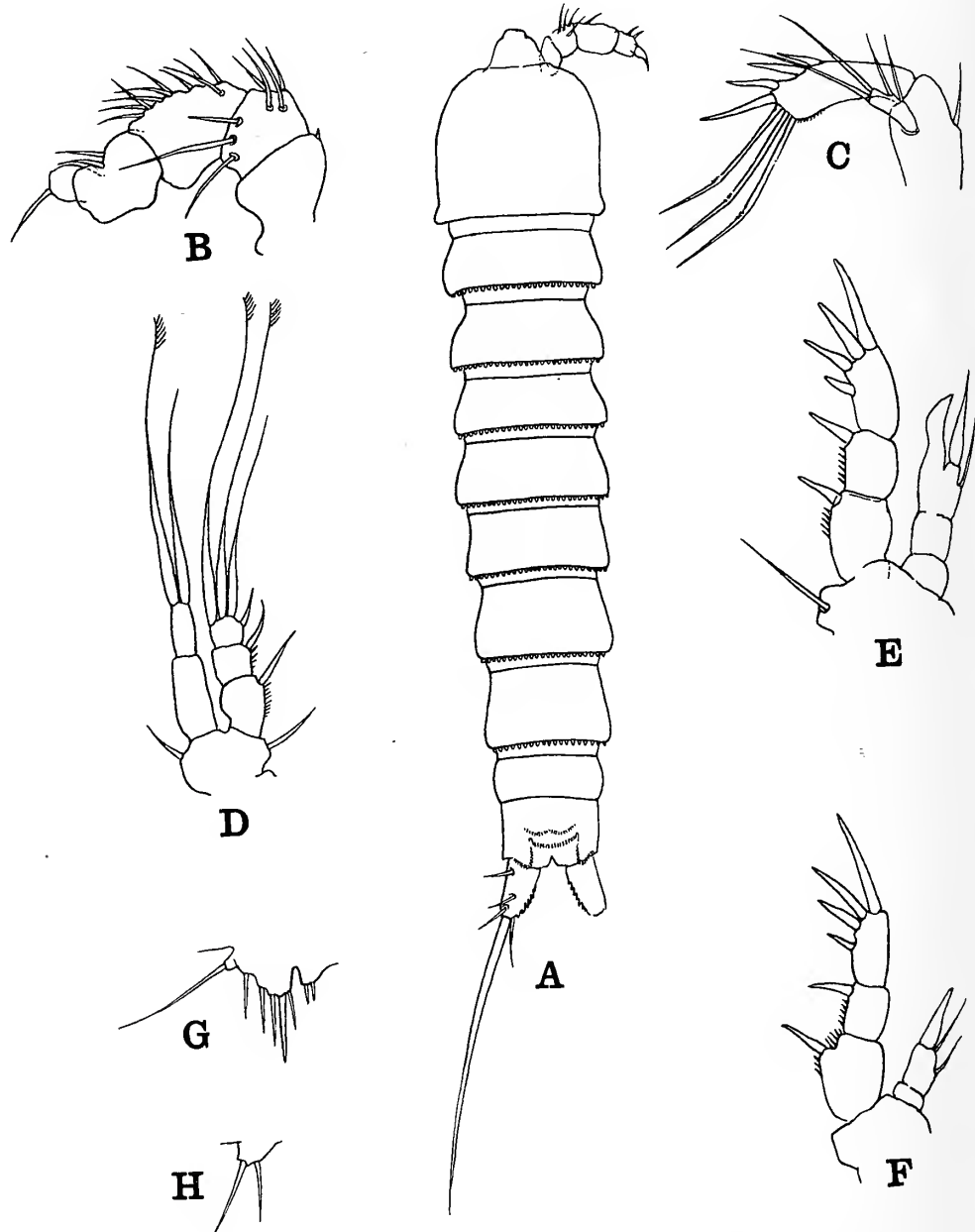
*Orthopsyllus* sp. (Text-fig. 84, A-H.)

OCCURRENCE.—"Investigator" Station 630, Nankauri Island, west side, Nicobar Islands, in weed washings; a single male, immature.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♂. Total length, 0.89 mm.

The body (Text-fig. 84, A) is linear in form and tapers but little towards the posterior end. The cephalosome is about as long as broad, and is equal in length to the two following segments only, instead of three as in *O. linearis* (Claus). The rostrum is broad and bluntly rounded. All the free thoracic segments and the first three abdominal segments are bordered along the posterior margin with a row of denticles. The 4th and 5th abdominal segments appear to be incompletely separated; a row of fine spinules runs along the line of

articulation of the furcal rami and then, passing forwards, turns across the anal operculum, while a second bow-shaped row of still smaller spinules runs across the dorsal aspect of the 5th segment about the middle of its length. The inner margin of each furcal ramus is serrated, and the 2nd furcal seta is long and stout; all the other setæ arising from the furca



TEXT-FIG. 84.—*Orthopsyllus* sp., ♂. A, Male, dorsal view. B, 1st antenna. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 3rd leg. F, 4th leg. G, 5th leg. H, Genital armature.

are small and delicate. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body are as 48 to 52, and the proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment Th. 5.	Abd. 1	2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
15	17	17	17	7	14	13 = 100



The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 84, B) is modified to form a grasping-organ, but the lines of demarcation of the terminal segments were by no means clear.

The 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 84, C) closely resembles that of *Orthopsyllus linearis*; the terminal segment bears four spines and three geniculate setæ, and the exopod is composed of a single segment bearing four setæ.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 84, D) the exopod consists of three segments, and the endopod of two only. The exopod reaches to the middle of the 2nd segment of the endopod, whereas in *O. linearis* it barely reaches to the distal end of the proximal segment. The distal segment of the exopod bears a delicate seta-like marginal spine and three setæ arise from the distal border; all three setæ are expanded at their bases and the inner two are ciliate at the tips. The distal segment of the endopod bears two setæ at the distal end, and of these both are dilated at the base and the inner is ciliate at the tip.

In the 3rd leg (Text-fig. 84, E) the endopod is modified. The exopod consists of three segments, of which the 1st and 3rd are approximately equal in length and the 2nd somewhat shorter; the first two segments each bear a stout marginal spine, and the 3rd bears four stout spines, that increase in size distally; there are no inner setæ on either segment. The endopod is three-jointed, and the first two are without any seta; the 3rd bears a delicate seta on its inner margin and a stouter, "spathulate" seta distally, the distal inner portion of the segment is produced in a large sickle-shaped process.

In the 4th leg (Text-fig. 84, F) the exopod resembles that of the 3rd leg; the endopod, however, consists of two segments only, of which the proximal is quite small; the distal segment bears a delicate seta on the inner margin and a small seta and a stout spinous process at the distal end, as in *O. linearis*.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 84, G) the two segments are not differentiated, thus resembling the condition found in the female of *O. linearis*. The small inner projection of the plate, corresponding to the proximal segment, bears two small spines, and the larger outer projection, corresponding to the distal segment, bears five spines, of which the 4th, counting from the outer side, is much larger than the others, which are subequal.

The imperfect separation of the segments of the 1st antenna and the absence of differentiation of the 5th foot seems to suggest that the specimen is not quite mature; this would also account for the imperfect differentiation of the endopod of the 3rd leg. It is thus impossible to determine whether the specimen is an immature stage of a known form or of a new species; the presence of five spines on the outer part of the 5th leg would appear to place the specimen in a closer relationship to *O. linearis* and *O. propinquus* than to *O. wallini*.

*Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus).

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 45, South Arabian Coast, depth 40 m., in mud; 1 female, 2 males.

DISTRIBUTION.—This species, as T. Scott (1912, p. 522) has pointed out, has a very wide distribution. It has now been recorded from the S. Orkneys and the Antarctic Seas as far south as 60° 43' 42" S. (T. Scott), the Ceylon Pearl Banks and the Suez Canal (Thompson and A. Scott), the S. Arabian Coast (present record), the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott), the Mediterranean Sea (Claus, Brian), the coasts of the British Isles (Brady, Norman and T. Scott), the Irish coast (Farran), the coasts of Norway (Sars) and Nova Zembla (T. and A. Scott).

Genus *Enhydrosoma* Boeck.*Enhydrosoma nicobarica* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 85, A-J.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings; a single female.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.63 mm.

The proportional lengths of the cephalothorax and abdomen are as 53 to 47. The rostrum (Text-fig. 85, B) is prominent and depressed, but towards its apex it becomes upcurved, as in *Cletodes curvirostris* Scott. The cephalosome (Text-fig. 85, A) is massive and sub-quadrangular in shape. Viewed from the dorsal aspect each segment of the body, with the exception of the last, appears to be produced backwards in the lateral region in a pointed process. There is no marked demarcation between the anterior and posterior regions. The cephalosome, all the thoracic segments and the first two segments of the abdomen are adorned with a series of small, rounded tubercles on the posterior margin. The 3rd abdominal segment is devoid of this ornamentation and the 4th and 5th abdominal segments are still fused together, indicating that the specimen was not quite fully developed. The proportional lengths of the segments of the abdomen are as follows:

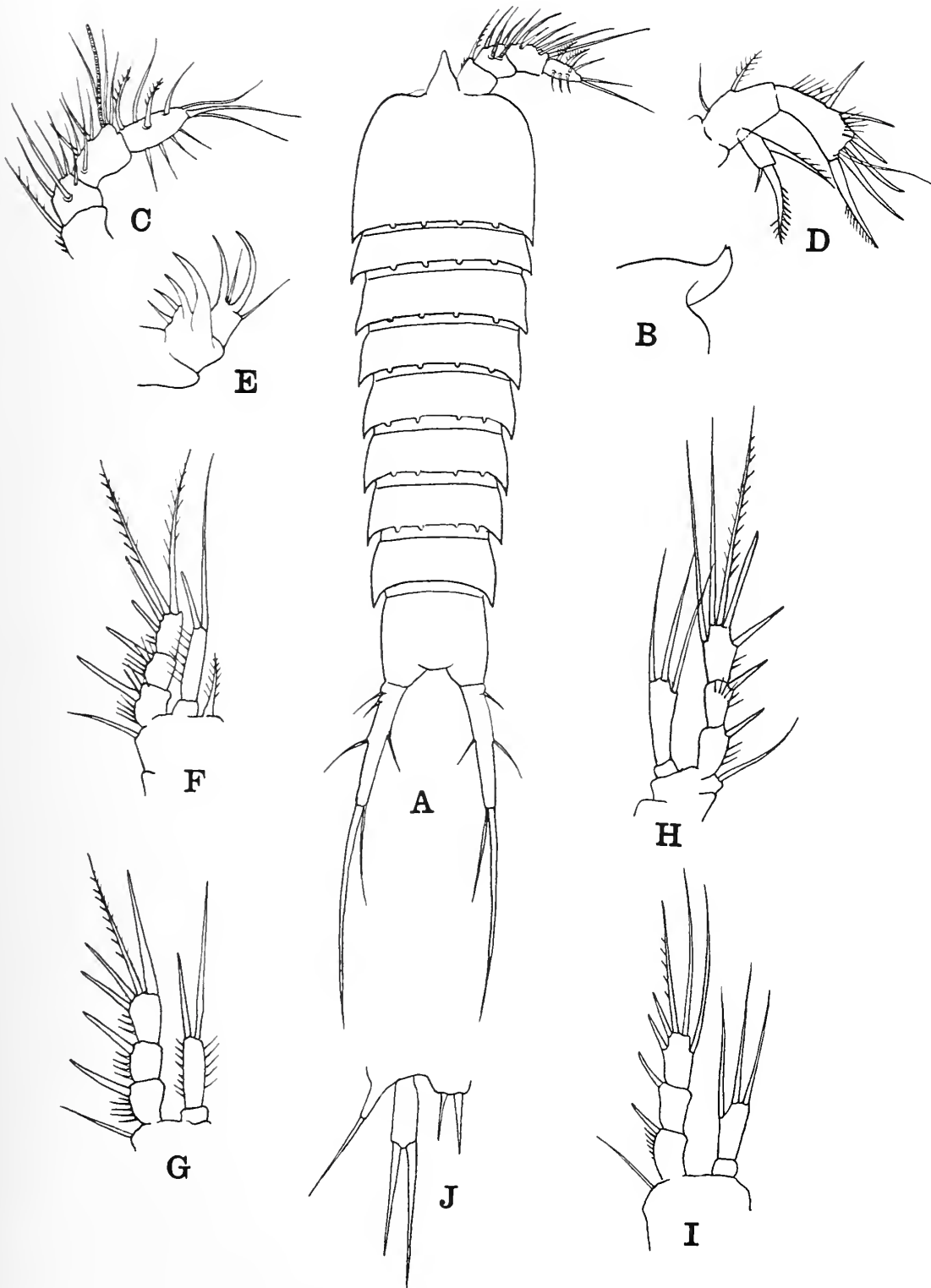
Segment Abd. 1.	2.	3.	4-5.	Furca.
17	15	12	26	30 = 100

The furcal rami are very long and narrow and are slightly incurved, as in *Enhydrosoma longifurcatum* Sars and *E. migoti* Monard; two small unequal setæ arise from the outer side near the base and a third, somewhat larger, from about the middle of the ramus; a single seta arises from the inner margin, slightly proximally to the outer seta, and two markedly unequal setæ spring from the distal extremity.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 85, C) consists of only four segments, segments 3 and 4 being fused, as in *E. migoti*; the 2nd segment is the shortest and the other three are of approximately equal length. The 1st segment bears a row of small spinules along its anterior margin and a single pectinate seta springs from the distal end. The 3rd segment carries a single sensory filament and the 4th segment bears two pectinate setæ, one near the base and the other about half-way along its length.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 85, D) the main ramus consists of three segments; the terminal segments bears a series of six spines, the one arising from the distal posterior margin being the largest and serrated along its border. The exopod is composed of a single segment, that bears a seta on its anterior margin about half-way along its length and two, markedly unequal, setæ at the distal end.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 85, F) the exopod consists of three subequal segments, that are all fringed along their outer borders with needle-like spinules. The 1st and 2nd segments each bear a single marginal spine; the 3rd segment bears two marginal spines, and two setæ arise from the distal end. The endopod is slightly shorter than the exopod and is composed of two markedly unequal segments; the proximal is quite small and is devoid of a seta, and the distal is cylindrical and bears a long seta and a spine at the distal end. A stout pectinate seta arises from the 2nd basal segment internal to the endopod.



TEXT-FIG. 85.—*Enhydrosoma nicobarica* sp. nov. A, Male, dorsal view. B, Rostrum, lateral view. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, 2nd maxilla. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 3rd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg.

In the 2nd–4th legs (Text-fig. 85, G, H and I) the endopod is composed of only two segments and the exopod of three. The setal formula of these legs is as follows :

	Endopod.		Exopod.		
	1.	2.	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	2	0	0	1, 1, 2
P3	0	3	0	0	2, 1, 2
P4	0	3	0	0	2, 1, 2

In the 2nd leg the inner seta that arises from the distal end of the 3rd segment of the exopod is modified into a stout spine, and the inner seta arising from the distal end of the 2nd segment of the endopod is also modified and forms a spear-like spine.

In the 5th leg (Text-fig. 85, J) the two segments are fully demarcated ; the proximal segment is produced in a small sub-rectangular prominence, from which arise two unequal spines ; externally it is produced in a cylindrical process that bears a single seta. The distal segment is about twice as long as broad and bears two subequal spine-like setæ.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Nicobar Islands.

#### Family METIDÆ.

Genus *Metis* Philippi. (*Ilyopsyllus* Brady and Robertson.)

*Metis*, Sars, 1903–11, p. 344 ; Gurney, 1927c, p. 567.

*Metis jusseaumei* (Richard) was recorded by A. Scott (1902) under the name *Ilyopsyllus affinis* T. Scott from the Gulf of Suez, and by Thompson and A. Scott from the same area. It was later taken, according to A. Scott (1909), in the Malay Archipelago. Gurney (1927c) has recorded this species and a second one, to which he gave the name *Metis pallida*, from the Suez Canal.

#### *Metis jusseaumei* (Richard).

*Ilyopsyllus jusseaumei*, Richard, 1892, p. 69.

*Ilyopsyllus affinis*, T. Scott, 1894, p. 101, pl. xi, figs. 4–17.

*Ilyopsyllus sarsi*, Sharpe, 1910, p. 423, fig. 18, a–i.

*Metis jusseaumei*, Gurney, 1927c, p. 571, figs. 167, A–E.

*Metis sarsi*, Monard, 1928a, p. 441, fig. xlvi, 3.

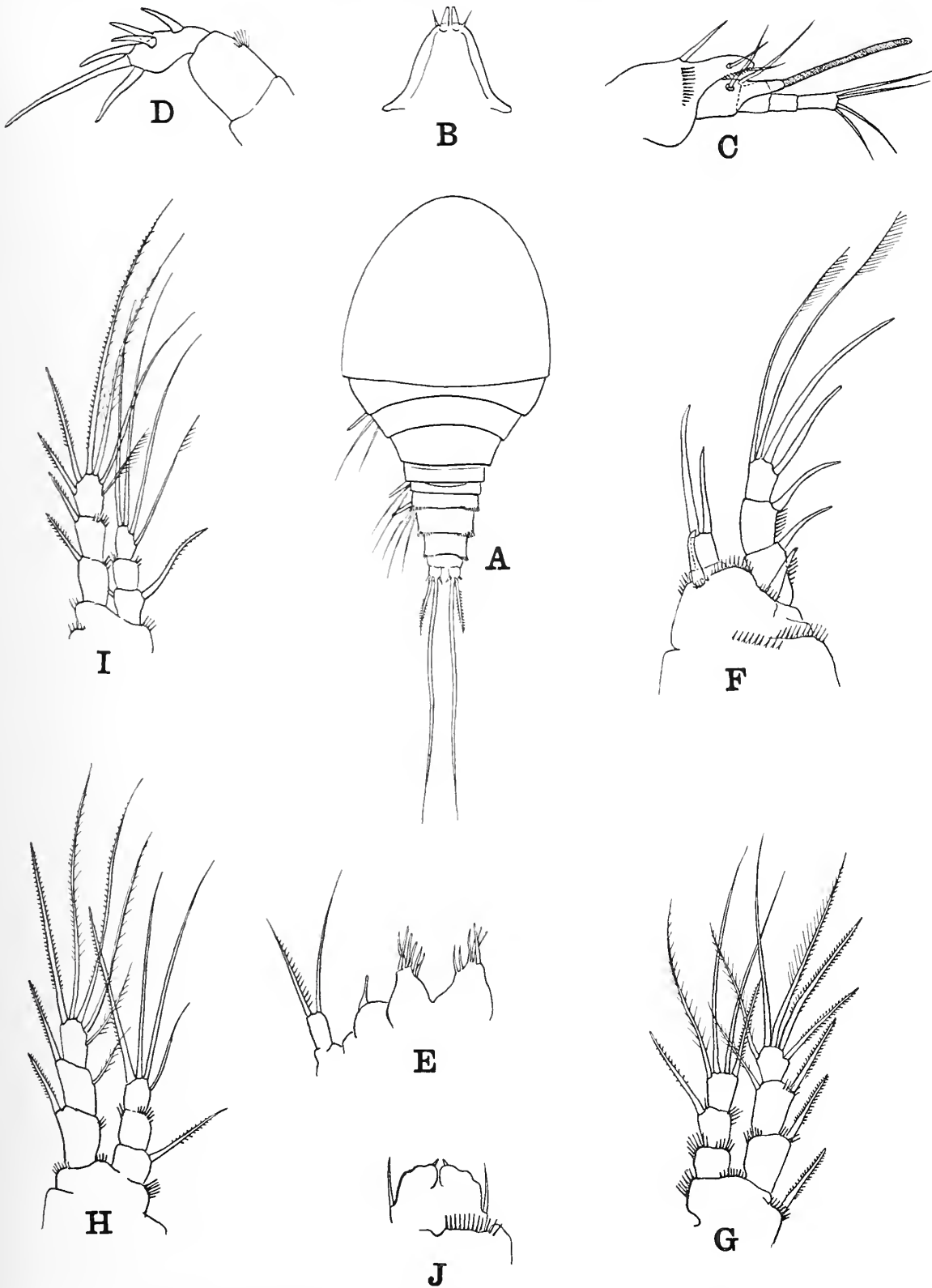
*Metis jusseaumei*, Wilson, 1932, p. 308, fig. 186, a–i.

#### f. *minor*. (Text-fig. 86, A–J, ♀.)

OCCURRENCE.—Nankauri Harbour, Nicobar Islands, in weed-washings. Addu Atoll, Maldive Archipelago, in weed-washings. Several examples of both sexes.

DESCRIPTIVE NOTES.—♀. Total length, 0.45 mm. This compares very closely with the dimensions given by previous observers ; thus T. Scott gives the size of his examples from the Gulf of Guinea as 0.5 mm. Sharpe gives the length of examples from the Wood's Hole region as 0.5 mm., and Wilson's specimens from Bermuda ranged from 0.35 to 0.5 mm. Specimens from the Mediterranean Sea ranged from 0.5 to 0.54 mm., according to Monard. The proportional lengths of the anterior and posterior regions of the body (Text-fig. 86, A) are as 67 to 33. The body is pyriform in shape, the anterior region being robust and





TEXT-FIG. 86.—*Metis jusseaumei* (Richard), f. *minor*, ♀. A, Female, dorsal view. B, Rostrum. C, 1st antenna. D, 2nd antenna. E, Mouth-parts. F, 1st leg. G, 2nd leg. H, 3rd leg. I, 4th leg. J, 5th leg.

stout, while the posterior region tapers rapidly to the furcal rami. The proportional lengths of the segments of the posterior region are as follows :

Segment	Abd. 1-2.	3.	4.	5.	Furca.
	30	21	21	13	15 = 100

The postero-lateral margins of abdominal segments 2, 3 and 4 are fringed with needle-like spinules. The furcal rami bear at their distal ends two stout setæ, of which the inner is about four times the length of the outer. The outer seta is serrated on both margins. In both this species and *M. ignæa* Philippi the inner seta appears to be liable to variation; as Gurney (1927c, p. 571) has pointed out, both Brady and Scott have described this seta in *M. ignæa* as being broad and flattened in the female, but this was not the case in the specimens examined by him. A. Scott (1902, p. 417), regarding the examples of *M. jusseaumei* obtained in the Gulf of Suez, remarks, "The caudal setæ in the females are not spatulate". In the examples examined by me from Nankauri Harbour the inner setæ were of about the same thickness at their bases as the outer setæ, thus resembling Gurney's examples of this species from the Suez Canal; but in specimens from the east side of Camorta Island, also in the Nicobars, the inner seta was greatly thickened, and its diameter at the base was about two-and-a-half times as thick as that of the outer seta.

The proportional lengths of the segments of the 1st antenna (Text-fig. 86, c) are as follows :

Segment 1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
40	10	13	17	20 = 100

According to Gurney (1927c, p. 571) the setal formula of the swimming-legs 2 to 4 (Text-fig. 86, G, H and I) are as follows :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	0	1, 2, 1	0	1	1, 1, 3
P3	1	0	2, 1, 1	0	1	2, 1, 3
P4	1	0	2, 1, 1	0	1	2, 1, 3

In his figure of the 4th leg, however, he shows no seta on the 2nd segment of the exopod; this agrees with my examples, in which the setal formula is

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	1, 1, 3
P3	1	0	2, 1, 1	0	1	2, 1, 2
P4	1	0	2, 1, 1	0	0	2, 1, 3

T. Scott (1894, pl. xi, fig. 14) shows the formula of the 3rd leg in his examples to be—

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P3	1	1	2, 2, 1	0	1	2, 1, 3

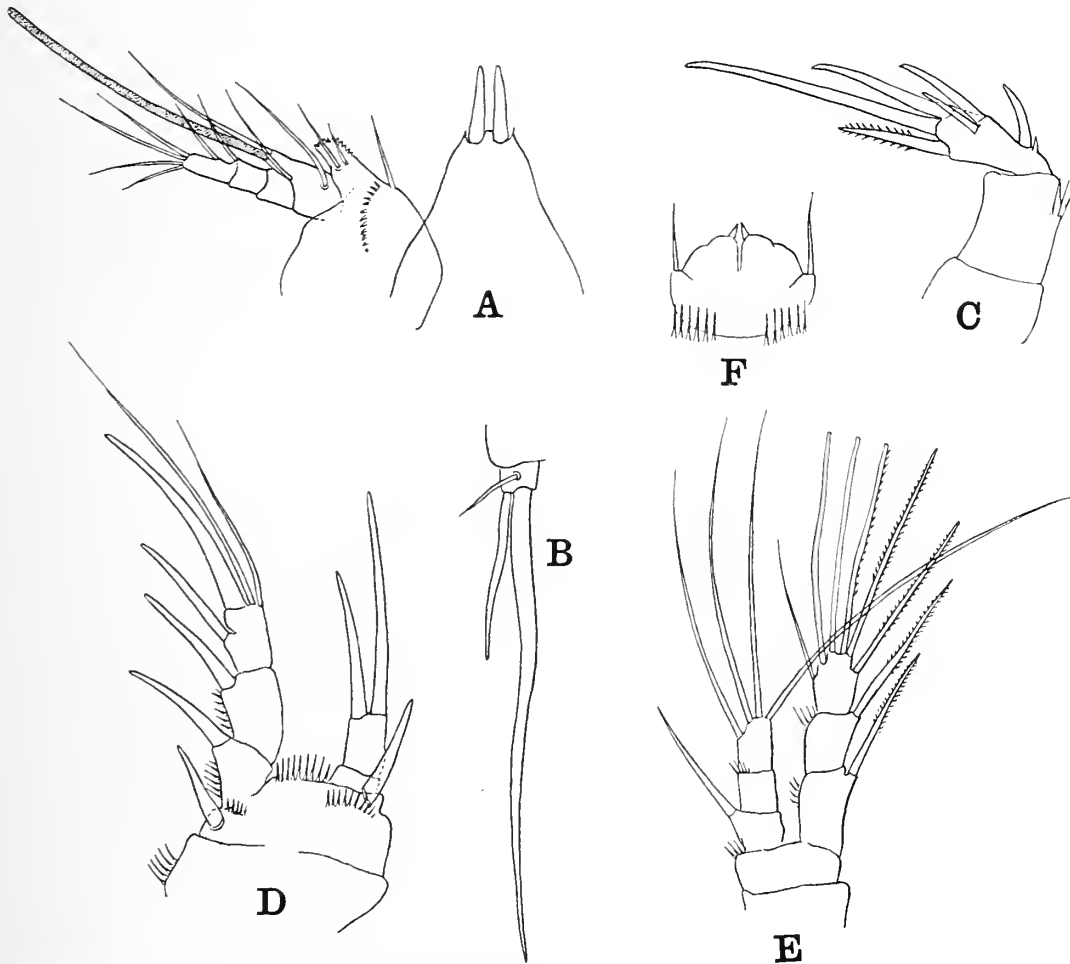
It would thus appear that the number of setæ on the limbs is liable to some degree of variation.

The 5th legs (Text-fig. 86, J) agree very closely with the figure given by Gurney.

In life the colour of these examples was a deep brown.

f. *major*. (Text-fig. 87, A-F, ♀; Text-fig. 88, A-F, ♂.)

In certain examples that were taken in weed-washings on the east side of Camorta



TEXT-FIG. 87.—*Metis jussearumei* (Richard), f. *major*, ♀. A, Rostrum and 1st antenna. B, Furcal ramus. C, 2nd antenna. D, 1st leg. E, 4th leg. F, 5th leg.

Island, Nicobar Islands, the size was very considerably greater and measured no less than 0.82 mm.

There were certain other small differences of structure. The spines at the extreme tip of the rostrum (Text-fig. 87, A) were considerably longer than in the smaller examples. In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 87, C) the spines on the terminal segment, especially that on the extreme distal end, were considerably longer, and the most posterior spine was serrated along both its margins.

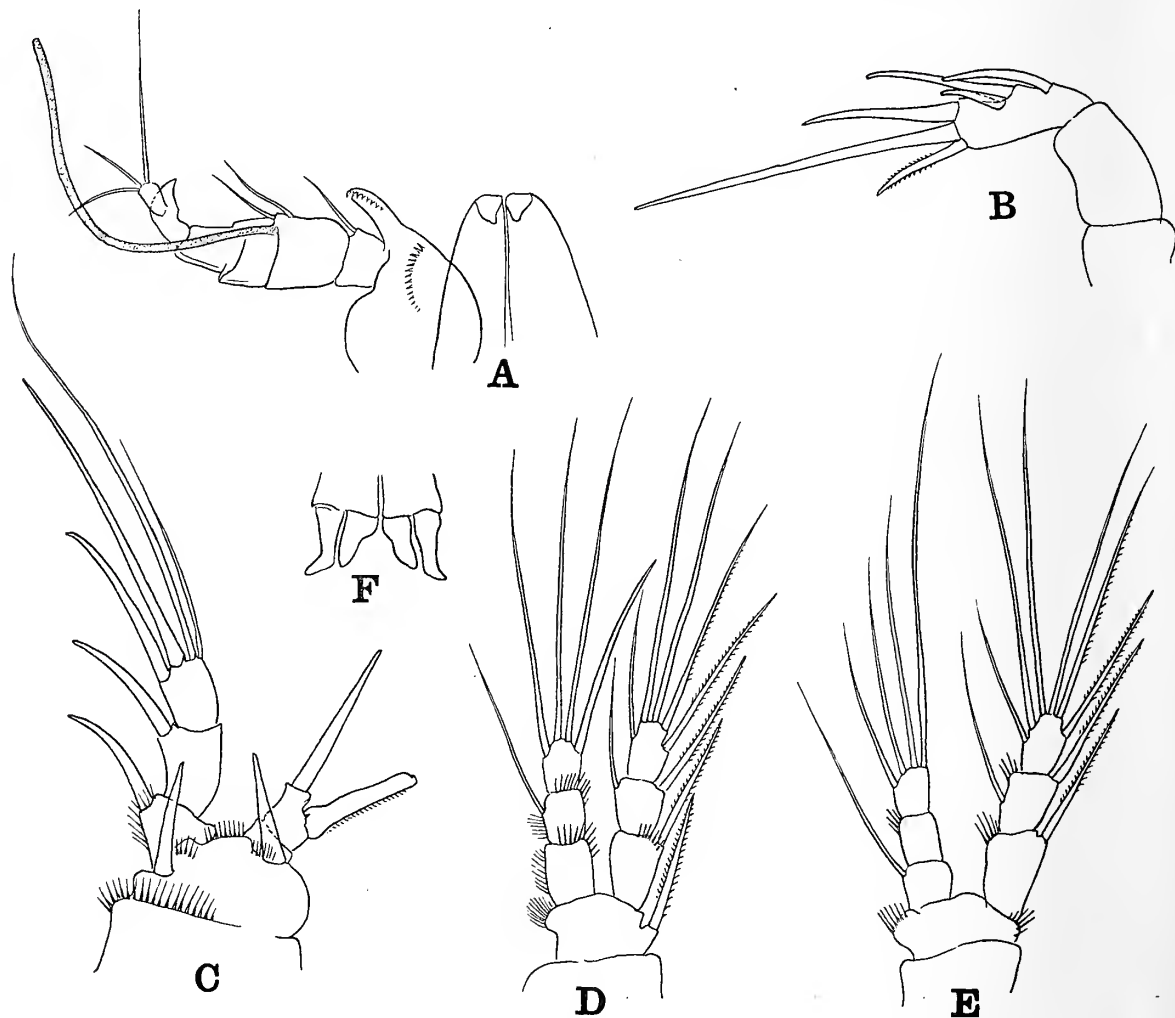
The external marginal spines on the exopods of the swimming-legs, and especially on

the 4th leg, are longer and, as already mentioned, the inner furcal seta is considerably thickened (Text-fig. 87, B).

♂. Total length, 0.68 mm. This male clearly corresponds to the large female; Gurney (1927c, p. 572) gives the size of the male as 0.44 mm., and Wilson's examples measured from 0.3–0.4 mm.

The rostrum (Text-fig. 88, A) in these examples is recurved, and presents the appearance of a pair of pyriform lobes on the ventral aspect.

The 1st antenna (Text-fig. 88, A) consists of seven segments; T. Scott (1894, p. 101)



TEXT-FIG. 88.—*Metis jusseaumei* (Richard), f. *major*, ♂. A, 1st antenna and rostrum. B, 2nd antenna. C, 1st leg. D, 2nd leg. E, 4th leg. F, 5th leg.

states that in his specimens there were eight, but he shows the large 1st segment as being divided; of this division there was no trace in the present examples.

In the 2nd antenna (Text-fig. 88, B) the spines on the terminal segment are long, and the last one is serrated, as in the large females.

In the 1st leg (Text-fig. 88, C) the endopod differs somewhat from that of the female; the 2nd segment bears two spines, but of these the inner, which arises from the inner margin and not from the distal border, is very stout and is serrated along its inner border.



The setal formula of the swimming-legs is :

	Endopod.			Exopod.		
	1.	2.	3.	1.	2.	3.
P2	0	1	1, 2, 1	0	1	1, 1, 3
P3				Not seen.		
P4	1	0	2, 1, 1	0	1	2, 1, 3

The 5th pair of legs (Text-fig. 88, F) agrees closely with the descriptions of previous authors.

DISTRIBUTION.—The Malay Archipelago (A. Scott), the Nicobar Islands (present records), the Ceylon Pearl Banks (Thompson and A. Scott), the Maldive Archipelago (present record), the Gulf of Suez (A. Scott, Thompson and A. Scott), the Suez Canal (Gurney), the Mediterranean Sea (Monard), the Gulf of Guinea (T. Scott), the east coast of North America, Wood's Hole region (Sharpe, Wilson).

#### THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE HARPACTICID COPEPODA.

As Brady (1883, p. 30) has pointed out, "in the Harpacticidæ . . . we find antennæ usually so short that they can be of very little use as swimming organs—this function probably devolving almost entirely on the feet. And as a result of this structure the members of the family haunt chiefly either the muddy sand of the sea-bed, or littoral situations where there is abundance of weed, on the fronds of which they rest and find their food, swimming only fitfully and by short jerks". Certain genera, however, have taken to a pelagic existence, notably *Euterpina*, *Microsetella*, *Macrosetella*, *Miracia*, *Clytemnestra*, *Ægisthus* and *Halithalestris*. Such planktonic forms can easily be distributed throughout the oceans by means of surface currents, the limits of their distribution depending solely on their ability to resist changes of temperature and salinity; but the possible means of dispersal of other genera and species, that have adopted a littoral or weed-haunting existence, are not so obvious. T. Scott (1912, p. 521) remarks: "The occurrence at places so far distant as the Falklands and South Orkneys of demersal forms identical with, or closely allied to, those of Britain and Norway has a bearing on the question of distribution different from that concerning organisms living freely in the open sea. Such free-swimming species are subject to dispersal over wide areas by tidal and other currents, and numerous examples of such dispersal are indicated or described by various authors; but the wide distribution of an Harpacticid, such, for example, as *Orthopsyllus linearis* Claus, may not be so easily explained. This Copepod is one of a group which have an elongated and moderately slender body, provided with short appendages that are scarcely, if at all, fitted for swimming, but are rather adapted for living among branching Zoophytes or on the roots and stems of seaweeds. The transporting action of currents can have much less effective influence on the distribution of such species than on species living a free life in the open sea." Gurney (1931, p. 17) has concluded that "in the case of the Harpacticids active migration has probably been very effective in dispersal". We are still ignorant of the habits of many of these small, littoral-haunting forms, but many of them are known to be far more at home crawling among the sand-grains of the sea bottom than swimming in open waters, as for instance *Metis jusseaumei* (Richard), which "swims with a short,

jerky motion, and usually sticks to the algæ and débris, but is rarely captured in open water" (Wilson, 1932, p. 310), and yet this species has a range extending from the Malay Archipelago to the east coast of North America. In such forms it seems obvious that active migration, such as Gurney postulates, could only be carried out along the margins of the continents, and that we must look for some other means of dispersal across the wide spaces of the ocean basins.

Monard (1928a, p. 268; 1937, p. 9) has pointed out that many of the Harpacticids are ubiquitous and can exist in a variety of habitats, and that it is precisely those species that inhabit such a variety of habitats that are the most widely distributed. A study of the group reveals that the species most frequently captured are usually those that are to be found living on algæ, and especially on algæ growing in exposed situations; and, among others found in such a habitat, he cites:

<i>Longipedia minor</i> , T. Scott.	<i>D. brevicornis</i> Claus.
<i>L. weberi</i> , A. Scott.	<i>Parawestwoodia nobilis</i> (Baird).
<i>Ectinosoma melaniceps</i> Boeck.	<i>Pseudothalestris minuta</i> (Claus).
<i>E. normani</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>Diosaccus tenuicornis</i> Claus.
<i>Euterpina acutifrons</i> (Dana).	<i>Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani</i> Scott.
<i>Harpacticus gracilis</i> Claus.	<i>Amphiascus cinctus</i> Claus.
<i>H. littoralis</i> Sars.	<i>A. phyllopus</i> Sars.
<i>Alteutha interrupta</i> Goodsir.	<i>Mesochra pygmaea</i> Claus.
<i>Parategastes sphaericus</i> Claus.	<i>Ameira parvula</i> (Claus).
<i>Tisbe furcata</i> (Baird).	<i>A. sibogæ</i> A. Scott (= <i>scotti</i> Sars).
<i>Phyllothalestris mysis</i> Claus.	<i>Laophonte bulbifera</i> Norman.
<i>Dactylopusia thisboides</i> Claus.	<i>L. cornuta</i> Philippi.

Chilton (1910, p. 131) has called attention to the possibility of larger Crustacea, such as crabs and amphipods, as well as barnacles, being transported by ships, and he adds: "Naturally, the Crustacea that are suitable for dispersal by means of ships can also be dispersed by floating logs; in that case, however, they would follow the tracks of the prevailing currents." It seems possible that a means of dispersal of these weed-haunting forms may be found in the drifting masses of seaweed, and especially of such floating weed as *Sargassum*, that are swept along by the great surface currents; such floating masses of weed might harbour numerous Harpacticids, and though the weed would in course of time undergo death and decomposition, some of the Harpacticids and their free-swimming nauplii would in all probability be able to find other similar floating masses, and any such object as a floating log would rapidly become covered with weed and would form a more or less permanent home. Unfortunately, there are in the literature very few references to the examination of such habitats for the presence of Harpacticid Copepoda; T. Scott (1912) has, however, recorded the presence in floating weed-masses of the following:

*Harpacticus fucicolus* T. Scott,  
*Amphiascus fucicolus* T. Scott,  
*Scutellidium fucicolum* (T. Scott) (= *Psamathe fucicola* T. Scott),

and in addition three other species were taken in the tow-net at the surface, namely:

*Scutellidium longicaudum* Philippi in 13° 38' N. ; 25° 09' W.  
*Parathalestris clausi* Norman in 4° 15' S. ; 33° 38' W.  
*Diosaccus tenuicornis* Claus, in 23° 08' S. ; 39° 40' W.

I have little doubt that an intensive study of the fauna of such floating weed-masses would reveal the presence of other species. A. Scott (1902) has recorded the occurrence of several species of Harpacticids in collections made by attaching a fine-silk tow-net to a tap supplied with sea-water from the ship's pump. These individuals must therefore have been part of the plankton living a few feet below the surface. The species thus obtained were :

<i>Longipedia coronata</i> Claus.	<i>Pseudothalestris minuta</i> (Claus).
<i>Microsetella norvegica</i> (Boeck).	<i>Amphiascus erythræus</i> (A. Scott).
<i>Euterpina acutifrons</i> (Dana).	<i>A. robinsoni</i> (A. Scott).
<i>Macrosetella gracilis</i> (Dana).	<i>Teissierella irrasa</i> (A. Scott).
<i>Miracia efferata</i> Dana.	<i>Stenhelia (Delavalia) minuta</i> A. Scott.
<i>Clytemnestra scutellata</i> Dana.	<i>S. (D.) normani</i> T. Scott.
<i>Harpacticus chelifera</i> Müller.	<i>Laophonte herdmani</i> (A. Scott)
<i>Alteutha interrupta</i> Goodsir.	(= <i>brevirostris</i> Claus).
<i>Tisbe furcata</i> (Baird).	<i>L. inornata</i> A. Scott.
<i>Dactylopusia thisboides</i> (Claus).	<i>L. pygmaea</i> T. Scott.
<i>D. vulgaris</i> Sars.	<i>Cletodes limicola</i> Brady.

In the collections made by the "Siboga" in the Malay Archipelago, the following species were taken in the tow-net either at or near the surface :

<i>Harpacticus clausi</i> A. Scott.	<i>Tydemanelle typica</i> A. Scott.
<i>H. cristatus</i> A. Scott.	<i>Pseudothalestris sarsi</i> A. Scott.
<i>H. glaber</i> Brady.	<i>Ameira siboga</i> A. Scott.
<i>Peltidium intermedium</i> A. Scott.	<i>Phyllopodopsyllus longicaudatus</i> A. Scott.
<i>Parapeltidium johnstoni</i> A. Scott.	<i>Cletodes latipes</i> A. Scott.
<i>Phyllothalestris mysis</i> (Claus).	<i>Metis jusseaumei</i> (Richard).
<i>Rhynchothalestris ruficineta</i> (Norman).	

In the present collections the following were also taken in the tow-net :

<i>Porcellidium fimbriatum</i> Claus.	<i>Tisbintra nankaurica</i> sp. nov.
<i>Tisbe ensifera</i> (Fischer), var. <i>indica</i> Sewell.	<i>Diosaccus truncatus</i> Gurney.
<i>T. gracilis</i> T. Scott.	<i>Amphiascus inermis</i> sp. nov.

Admittedly, in most, if not all, of these latter instances the tow-netting was taken in comparatively close proximity to the coast, and the specimens may have been swept away from their usual habitat and carried up to the surface by currents and vortices, but once having been caught up in these surface currents their destination will depend on their ability to survive under these abnormal conditions, and any floating object, especially if covered with weed, would probably serve as a temporary home, their final destination being dependent on the direction of flow of such a current.

In the following pages I have attempted to correlate the distribution of the Indian Harpacticids with the known trends of the surface currents, and it seems to me that we thus get a rational explanation of the wide dispersal of certain of these weed-haunting forms.

I have, for the purpose of this survey assumed that the Harpacticid fauna of the coasts of India and the neighbouring islands, such as the Laccadives and Maldives on the west and the Andamans and Nicobars on the east, is identical with that of the Red Sea and the

Suez Canal; as is only to be expected, certain species have been recorded from both these regions that have not as yet been taken on the Indian coasts and, *vice versa*, several Indian forms are still unknown from either the Red Sea or the Suez Canal, but of a total of 25 species recorded from the Red Sea, no less than 60 per cent. are also known from Indian waters, and of 68 species obtained in the Suez Canal, 55 per cent. occur on the coasts of India and Ceylon. There can thus be no doubt that there is a close degree of similarity between the faunas of these regions.

The species recorded up to the present time from the northern part of the Indian Ocean and its offshoots are as follows:

Family LONGIPEDIIDÆ.

Genus *Longipedia* Claus.

*Longipedia brevispinosa* Gurney.

*L. coronata* Claus.

*L. minor* T. Scott.

*L. rosea* Sars.

*L. scotti* Sars.

*L. weberi* A. Scott.

Genus *Sunaristes* Hesse.

*Sunaristes paguri* Hesse.

Genus *Canuella* T. Scott.

Subgenus *Canuella* (s. str.).

*Canuella (Canuella) furcigera* Sars.

*C. (C.) inopinata* Thompson and A. Scott.

*C. (C.) longipes* Thompson and A. Scott.

*C. (C.) perplexa* T. Scott.

*C. (C.) scotti* nom. nov. (*C. curticauda* A. Scott, non Thompson and A. Scott).

Subgenus *Ellucana* nov.

*Canuella (Ellucana) curticauda* Thompson and A. Scott.

*C. (E.) longicauda* sp. nov.

Genus *Canuellina* Gurney.

*Canuellina insignis* Gurney.

Family ECTINOSOMIDÆ.

Genus *Ectinosoma* Boeck.

*Ectinosoma melaniceps* Boeck.

*E. normani* T. and A. Scott.

*E. propinquum* T. and A. Scott.

Genus *Microsetella* Brady and Robertson.

*Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).

*M. rosea* (Dana).

Genus *Pseudobradya* Sars.

*Pseudobradya similis* T. and A. Scott.

Family TACHIDIIDÆ.

Genus *Tachidius* Lilljeborg.

*Tachidius littoralis* Poppe.

*Tachidius* sp. (? *discipes* Giesbrecht).



Genus *Euterpina* Norman.  
*Euterpina acutifrons* (Dana).

Family MACROSETELLIDÆ.

Genus *Macrosetella* A. Scott.  
*Macrosetella oculata* (Sars).  
*M. gracilis* (Dana).

Genus *Miracia* Dana.  
*Miracia efferata* Dana.  
*M. minor* T. Scott.

Family CLYTEMNESTRIDÆ.

Genus *Clytemnestra* Dana.  
*Clytemnestra rostrata* (Brady).  
*C. scutellata* Dana.

Family PONTOSTRATIOTIDÆ.

Genus *Egisthus* Giesbrecht.  
*Egisthus aculeatus* Giesbrecht.  
*E. mucronatus* Giesbrecht.

Family HARPACTICIDÆ.

Genus *Harpacticus* M. Edwards.  
*Harpacticus chelifera* Müller.  
*H. clausi* A. Scott.  
*H. fucicola* T. Scott.  
*H. gracilis* Claus.  
 „ var. *orientalis* Sewell.  
*H. littoralis* Sars.

Genus *Harpacticella* Sars.  
*Harpacticella lacustris* Sewell.

Family PELTIDIIDÆ.

Genus *Peltidium* Philippi.  
*Peltidium angulatum* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. elegans* Wolfenden.  
*P. exiguum* A. Scott.  
*P. intermedium* A. Scott.  
*P. minutum* A. Scott.  
*P. maldivianum* sp. nov.  
*P. ovale* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. perplexum* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. serratum* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. speciosum* Thompson and A. Scott.

Genus *Alteutha* Baird.  
*Alteutha interrupta* Goodsir (= *A. bopyroides* A. Scott).

Genus *Alteuthella* A. Scott.  
*Alteuthella spinicauda* A. Scott.

## Family TEGASTIDÆ.

Genus *Tegastes* Norman.*Tegastes minutus* sp. nov.*T. nigrans* T. and A. Scott.Genus *Parategastes* Sars.*Parategastes chalmersi* Thompson and A. Scott.*P. sphaericus* (Claus)." var. *similis* Sewell.Genus *Syngastes* Monard.*Syngastes donnani* Thompson and A. Scott.*S. imthurni* Thompson and A. Scott.*S. indicus* sp. nov.*S. twynami* Thompson and A. Scott.

## Family PORCELLIDIIDÆ.

Genus *Porcellidium* Claus.*Porcellidium acuticaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.*P. brevicaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.*P. fimbriatum* Claus.*P. ravanæ* Thompson and A. Scott.*P. tuberculatum* Wolfenden.

## Family IDYÆIDÆ.

Genus *Tisbe* Lilljeborg.*Tisbe ensifera* (Fischer), var. *indica* Sewell.*T. furcata* (Baird).*T. gracilis* T. Scott.*T. longicornis* (T. Scott).*T. longisetosa* Gurney.*T. tenera* (Sars).Genus *Tisbella* Gurney.*Tisbella timsæ* Gurney.Genus *Tisbintra* nov.*Tisbintra nicobarica* sp. nov.Genus *Paraidya* nov.*Paraidya major* sp. nov.*P. minor* sp. nov.Genus *Scutellidium* Claus.*Scutellidium longicaudum* (Philippi).*S. machairopoides* (Monard).*S. plumosum* Brady.

## Family THALESTRIDÆ.

Genus *Phyllothalestris* Sars.*Phyllothalestris mysis* Claus.*P. orientalis* sp. nov.*P. sarsi* sp. nov.

Genus *Rhynchothalestris* Sars.

- Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman).  
*R. similis* A. Scott.

Genus *Parastenhelia* Thompson and A. Scott.

- Parastenhelia hornelli* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*P. littoralis* (Claus).  
 „ f. *penicillata* Willey.  
 „ f. *scotti* nov.  
*P. similis* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*Parastenhelia* sp., Gurney.

Genus *Xouthous* Thomson (= *Megarthrum* Norman and T. Scott).

- Xouthous æmula* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*X. laticaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*X. maldivice* sp. nov.  
*X. purpurocinctum* (Norman and T. Scott).

Genus *Eudactylopus* A. Scott.

- Eudactylopus anomala* sp. nov.  
*E. fasciata* sp. nov.  
*E. latipes* (T. Scott).  
*E. opima* (Brian).  
*E. striata* sp. nov.  
*Eudactylopus* sp.

Genus *Dactylopusia* Norman.

- Dactylopusia brevicornis* (Claus).  
*D. falcifera* Willey, f. *pallida* Willey.  
 „ „ f. *violacea* nov.  
*D. oculata* Gurney.  
*D. platysoma* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*D. thisboides* (Claus).  
*D. tropica* sp. nov.  
*D. vulgaris* Sars.

Genus *Jalysus* Brian.

- Jalysus investigatoris* sp. nov.  
*J. proximus* sp. nov.  
*J. rufus* Brian.

Genus *Paravestwoodia* Sharpe.

- Paravestwoodia nobilis* (Baird).  
*P. purpurea* Gurney.

Genus *Pseudothalestris* T. Scott.

- Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady (? = *Westwoodia dubia* Brian).  
*P. minuta* (Claus) (= *P. major* T. and A. Scott).  
*P. nana* T. Scott.

## Family DIOSACCIDÆ.

Genus *Diosaccus* Boeck.

- Diosaccus hamiltoni* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*D. monardi* sp. nov.  
*D. tenuicornis* (Claus).  
*D. truncatus* Gurney.

Genus *Amphiascus* Sars.

- Amphiascus ægyptius* Gurney.  
*A. angustipes* Gurney (= *Minutus* Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. brevicornis* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. calcarifer* sp. nov.  
*A. cinctus* (Claus).  
*A. ctenophorus* Monard.  
*A. dentatus* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. dentipes* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. erythræus* A. Scott (= *tenax* Brian).  
*A. gracillicaudata* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. havelocki* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. hirtus* Gurney.  
*A. inermis* sp. nov.  
*A. longicornis* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. maldivensis* Wolfenden (? = *hirtus* (Thompson and A. Scott)).  
*A. perplexus* (Thompson and A. Scott) (= *sinuatus* Sars).  
*A. phyllopus* (Sars).  
*A. rebus* sp. nov.  
*A. robinsoni* (A. Scott).  
*A. robustus* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. rostratus* Gurney.  
*A. similis* (Claus).  
*A. typhlops* Sars.  
*A. valens* Gurney.

Genus *Teissierella* Brady.

- Teissierella adduensis* sp. nov.  
*T. irrasa* A. Scott.  
*T. knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*T. propinqua* (T. Scott).

Genus *Stenhelia* Boeck.Subgenus *Delavalia* Brady.

- Stenhelia (Delavalia) latisetosa* sp. nov.  
*S. (D.) longifurca* Sewell.  
*S. (D.) minuta* A. Scott.  
*S. (D.) normani* T. Scott (= *S. inopinata* A. Scott).  
*S. (D.) polluta* Monard.  
*S. (D.) truncatipes* sp. nov.



## Family AMEIRIDÆ.

Genus *Ameira* Boeck.

- Ameira sibogæ* A. Scott (= *A. scotti* Sars).  
*A. minor* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*A. parvula* (Claus) (= *A. tau* Giesbrecht)  
*A. tenuipes* Thompson and A. Scott.

Genus *Ameiropsis* Sars.

- Ameiropsis robinsoni* Gurney.

Genus *Nitocra* Boeck.

- Nitocra affinis* Gurney.  
*N. lacustris* (Schmank.).  
*N. sewelli* Gurney.  
*N. spinipes* Boeck.  
 „ var. *orientalis* Sewell.

## Family CANTHOCAMPTIDÆ.

Genus *Atthyella* Brady.

- Atthyella marina* Gurney.

Genus *Tetragoniceps* Brady.

- Tetragoniceps dubia* Thompson and A. Scott

Genus *Leptomesochra* Sars.

- Leptomesochra nasuta* sp. nov.

Genus *Mesochra* Boeck.

- Mesochra meridionalis* Sars.  
*M. nana* Brady.  
*M. pygmæa* (Claus).  
*M. rostrata* Gurney.  
*M. timsæ* Gurney.  
*Mesochra* sp.

Genus *Pseudomesochra* Gurney.

- Pseudomesochra parvula* Gurney.

Genus *Phyllopodopsyllus* T. Scott.

- Phyllopodopsyllus furcifer* Sars.  
*P. minor* (Thompson and A. Scott).

## Family LAOPHONTIDÆ.

Genus *Laophonte* Philippi.

- Laophonte adduensis* sp. nov.  
*L. armiger* Gurney (= *L. hystrix* Brian).  
*L. bengalensis* Sewell.  
*L. brevirostris* (Claus).  
*L. bulbifera* Norman.  
*L. chathamensis* Sars.  
*L. cornuta* Philippi.  
*L. gurneyi* Lang.  
*L. hirsuta* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*L. inornata* A. Scott.

- L. macani* sp. nov.  
*L. meinerti* Brady.  
*L. mirabilis* Gurney  
*L. oculata* Gurney.  
*L. pygmæa* T. Scott.  
*L. quinquespinosa* Sewell.  
*L. serrata* Claus.  
*L. sima* Gurney.  
*L. strömi* (Baird).  
*L. trispinosa* sp. nov.

Genus *Laophontodes* T. Scott.

*Laophontodes hamata* (Thompson) = (*L. bicornis* A. Scott).

Genus *Cleta* Claus.

*Cleta secunda* Sewell.

#### Family CLETODIDÆ.

Genus *Cletodes* Brady.

*Cletodes limicola* Brady.

Genus *Cletocamptus* Schmank.

*Cletocamptus confluens* (Schmeil).

*C. retrogressus* Schmank.

Genus *Laophontella* Thompson and A. Scott.

*Laophontella armatus* (Willey), var. *indica* nov.

*L. typica* Thompson and A. Scott.

Genus *Orthopsyllus* Brady.

*Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus).

*Orthopsyllus* sp.

Genus *Limnocletodes* Borutzky.

*Limnocletodes secundus* Sewell.

Genus *Enhydrosoma* Boeck.

*Enhydrosoma nicobarica* sp. nov.

#### Family CYLINDROPSYLLIDÆ.

Genus *Horsiella* Gurney.

*Horsiella brevicornis* (van Douwe).

#### Family CEYLONIIDÆ.

Genus *Ceyloniella* Wilson.

*Ceyloniella armata* (Claus).

„ var.

*C. nicobarica* sp. nov.

„ var.

#### Family METIDÆ.

Genus *Metis* Philippi.

*Metis jusseaumei* (Richard).

*M. pallida* Gurney.

We thus have no less than 202 species from Indian waters, and it is very interesting to

try and trace the origin and distribution of this fauna. Thanks to the work of several expeditions\* we now have records of 66 species of Harpacticid Copepods from the edge of the Antarctic continent; some of these were taken in the Indian section, and others have been recorded from the Atlantic or Pacific sections, but it is highly probable that all such southern species are circumpolar in their distribution, and for the purposes of this paper I shall assume that this is the case. Of the known Antarctic species, only 6 occur in Indian waters, namely:

- Ectinosoma melaniceps* Boeck.
- Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).
- Macrosetella gracilis* (Dana).
- Harpacticus chelifera* Müller.
- Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus).
- Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus).

Of these six species, two, *Microsetella norvegica* and *Macrosetella gracilis*, are pelagic in their habitat and are of world-wide distribution, the other four are weed-haunting littoral forms. We thus have only four weed-haunting Harpacticids, or 6 per cent. of the Antarctic fauna, that have been able to reach Antarctic waters from the tropical and sub-tropical waters of one or other of the great oceans, and we do not know of a single species that has been able to traverse the opposite route and invade the tropical waters of the Indian Ocean, though three or four appear to have been able to penetrate as far northward as the Island of Kerguelen or the neighbouring islands of Herd and St. Paul, namely:

- Harpacticus pulvinatus* Brady (= *H. pirei* T. Scott),
- Idomene australis* Brady,
- Amphiascus glacialis* Brady, and perhaps
- Tisbe tenuimana* Giesbrecht,

but this last appears to be doubtful, for the form described by Brady from Kerguelen and the Cape of Good Hope under this name seems to me to be different from that originally described from the Antarctic by Giesbrecht and much more nearly resembles *Tisbe tenera* (Sars), in which case it is probably an immigrant from the tropical region. On the other hand, a few species of weed-haunting littoral forms, as opposed to pelagic forms, have succeeded in reaching Kerguelen or the neighbouring islands of St. Paul or Herd, from the tropical waters, namely:

- Harpacticus gracilis* Claus,
- Thalestris harpacticoides* Claus,
- Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady,
- Amphiascus minutus* Claus,
- Laophonte cornuta* Philippi,
- Zaus spinatus* Goodsir,

and it is probable that to these two others should be added, namely, *Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman), described by Brady (1910, p. 532, fig. xxiii) under the name *R. vanhoeffeni*, and *Tisbe tenera* Sars, attributed by Brady to *T. tenuimana* Giesbrecht, making 8 in all. I have been able to collate records of 35 species from this area, and thus the Indian element in the fauna amounts to 23 per cent.

\* Brady, 1883 and 1910. Farran, 1929. Giesbrecht, 1902. Quidor, 1920. T. Scott, 1912.

Very similar conditions appear to exist in the South-west Pacific Ocean. Lang (1934) has recorded the presence of 23 species of littoral Harpacticids from the coast of Campbell Island in lat. 52° 30' S., and of these, only three are truly antarctic species, namely :

*Harpacticus pulvinatus* Brady,  
*Tigriopus angulatus* Lang (= *Harpacticus brevicornis* Giesbrecht),  
*Parawestwoodia assimilis* Sars, var. *antarctica* T. Scott,

while one Antarctic genus, *Perissocope* Brady, is represented by a second species, *P. litoralis* Lang.

The geographical distribution of the pelagic Calanoid Copepoda in this southern region has been discussed by Giesbrecht (1902) and Wolfenden (1908 and 1911). Wolfenden has shown that immediately to the north of the island of New Amsterdam the character of the fauna changes, so that there clearly is some boundary in this region across which the Antarctic fauna cannot pass and similarly the sub-tropical Indian fauna cannot penetrate. "North of Kerguelen, *i. e.*, 50° S. lat., no Antarctic species appear to extend, while the typically sub-tropical species of the Indian Ocean extend as far south as latitude 30° S., where their southern extension appears to be arrested."

Similarly, as regards the Atlantic section of the Southern Ocean, Wolfenden remarks : "While the same collections indicate that the Antarctic species extend northwards into the Atlantic Ocean in gradually diminishing numbers, only as far as lat. 40° S., north of which they do not occur, a few typically Atlantic deep-water species find their way into the Antarctic Sea."

It thus seems clear that there is some natural feature that is preventing the northern extension of the truly Antarctic species of both Calanoid and Harpacticid Copepoda northward as far as Kerguelen or Campbell Islands, and it seems probable that this is the Sub-polar Convergence line, where the Polar Stream and the West-wind Drift meet ; reference to Schott (1935, pl. xxix) shows that this Convergence Line runs from about lat. 52° S. in the longitude of South Africa and, as it passes eastward, trends further southward, so that in the neighbourhood of Kerguelen it lies in lat. 50° S., immediately to the south of this island, and in the longitude of Campbell Island at about lat. 55° S. Similarly, the barrier to the southward extension of the tropical and sub-tropical forms is to be sought in the Sub-tropical Convergence Line, along which the sub-tropical waters meet the waters of the West-wind Drift.

Our knowledge of the Harpacticid fauna of the western and south-western region of the tropical and sub-tropical zone of the Pacific Ocean, in which I include the area of the Malay Archipelago, is still far from complete ; but I have been able to collate references\* to the occurrence in that region of 74 species, of which 45 have been taken in Indian waters, namely :

*Longipedia coronata* Claus.  
*L. scotti* Sars.  
*L. weberi* A. Scott.  
*Sunaristes paguri* Hesse.  
*Canuella scotti* mihi (= *C. curticauda* A. Scott).  
*Ectinosoma melaniceps* Boeck.

\* Brady, G. S., 1883 and 1899. Cleve, P. T., 1901. Lang, K., 1934. Sars, G. O., 1905. Scott, A., 1909. Thomson, G. M., 1882.



- Euterpina acutifrons* (Dana).  
*Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).  
*M. rosea* (Dana).  
*Miracia efferata* Dana.  
*Macrosetella gracilis* (Dana).  
*Clytemnestra scutellata* Dana.  
*C. rostrata* (Brady).  
*Harpacticus chelifer* Müller.  
*H. clausi* A. Scott.  
*Peltidium exigium* A. Scott.  
*P. intermedium* A. Scott.  
*P. minutum* A. Scott.  
*Porcellidium brevicaudatum* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*Tisbe furcata* (Baird).  
*Scutellidium plumosum* Brady.  
*S. longicaudum* Philippi (= *S. thisboides*, *Psamathe longicauda*).  
*Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman).  
     ,,           *similis* A. Scott.  
*Parastenhebia littoralis* Sars (= *P. forficula*, var. *littoralis*).  
*Xouthous laticaudata* (Thompson and A. Scott) (= *Idomene laticaudatum*).  
*Eudactylopus latipes* (T. Scott).  
*Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus).  
*Amphiascus cinctus* (Claus).  
*A. havelocki* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. hirsutus* (Thompson and A. Scott).  
*A. hirtus* Gurney.  
*Ameira siboga* A. Scott (= *A. scotti* Sars, nom. nov. for *tenuicornis*).  
*Mesochra meridionalis* Sars.  
*Laophonte chathamensis* Sars.  
*L. cornuta* Philippi (= *L. australasica* Thomson).  
*L. hirsuta* Thompson and A. Scott.  
*L. meinerti* Brady.  
*L. serrata* Claus.  
*Laophontodes hamatus* (Thomson).  
*Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus).  
*Ceyloniella armata* (Claus).  
*Metis jusseaumei* (Richard) (= *Ilyopsyllus affinis* T. Scott).  
*Egisthus aculeatus* Giesbrecht.  
*E. mucronatus* Giesbrecht.

The truly pelagic species, belonging to the genera *Euterpina*, *Macrosetella*, *Clytemnestra*, *Egisthus* and *Miracia*, are all common to both regions; and of the 64 weed-haunting littoral species, no less than 36, or 56 per cent., are now known to occur in both the Indian and Pacific areas. In the Malay Archipelago itself the proportion is considerably higher, for out of a total of 44 species of Harpacticids obtained by the "Siboga" Expedition, no less than 30, or 68 per cent., have been taken in Indian waters. There is clearly a very

close connection between the two regions, as is only to be expected from the very numerous channels between the various islands of the Malay Archipelago that connect the two regions directly, and the Straits of Malacca that connect the Pacific region with the Bay of Bengal through the Andaman Sea ; furthermore, in these channels the surface currents are reversed, in consequence of the alternation of the North-east and South-west monsoons, every six months.

Of the above species that have been found in both Pacific and Indian waters, a certain number have, up to the present time, not been recorded from further west, namely :

- Canuella scotti* mihi.
- Harpacticus clausi* A. Scott.
- Peltidium exiguum* A. Scott.
- P. intermedium* A. Scott.
- P. minutum* A. Scott.
- Porcellidium brevicaudatum* (Thompson and A. Scott).
- Scutellidium plumosum* Brady.
- Mesochra meridionalis* Sars.
- Laophonte chathamensis* Sars.
- L. meinerti* Brady.

But the great majority have now been recorded from one or several regions still further westward, such as the Atlantic Ocean, the Mediterranean Sea, or even further still such as the North Sea and the coast of Norway.

In contrast to this, no less than 158 species, now known to occur in Indian waters, have not as yet been recorded from the Malay Archipelago or the Pacific Ocean ; further collecting in these regions will doubtless reveal the presence of some of these species, but it seems probable that there has been an evolution of many new forms in Indian waters. In other groups of the animal kingdom the Malay Archipelago and the south-western part of the Pacific have been recognized as the ancestral home of many new species and genera, and that a similar process of evolution is going on in the Harpacticids of the Indian Ocean, and especially in the tropical and subtropical areas, seems to be indicated by the discovery in these waters of a number of species and of several genera and subgenera that are, as yet, unknown outside the limits of the region. Of genera, five are known only from Indian waters, namely :

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| <i>Canuellina</i> Gurney.  | <i>Pseudomesochra</i> Gurney. |
| <i>Tisbintra</i> gen. nov. | <i>Syngastes</i> Monard.      |
| <i>Paraidya</i> gen. nov.  |                               |

Two other genera, namely, *Tisbella* Gurney and *Jalysus* Brian, are known from Indian waters and only one other area ; and the genus *Eudactylopus* A. Scott also appears to have had its home in Indian waters, where it is represented by no less than five species, of which one, *Eudactylopus latipes* (T. Scott), has managed to reach both the Malay Archipelago and the Gulf of Guinea, and another, *Eudactylopus opima* (Brian), has reached the Mediterranean Sea, where a further species, *E. spectabilis* Brian, has evolved. As regards individual species, no less than 72 out of the total number of 202, or 35 per cent., are known only from Indian waters ; some, and possibly many, will in the future be found in other regions, but the evidence certainly suggests that a number of species have originated in these waters and up to the present time have been unable to extend their distribution westward.

As opposed to this, no less than 81 species, or 40 per cent., are now known from regions lying to the west. The only possible routes by which such species can have been dispersed are either by (i) active migration, as suggested by Gurney, along the coastal regions of South Africa and round the Cape of Good Hope into the southern Atlantic Ocean, or through the Suez Canal into the Mediterranean Sea since this canal was cut : or (ii) passive transference either directly by means of ocean currents or indirectly by floating logs or other objects, such as masses of floating weed, in which case the direction of dispersal can only have been along the direction of flow of the currents, or on ship's bottoms along past or present trade routes.

We are at present almost completely ignorant of the Harpacticid fauna of the region of the Cape of Good Hope, and the nearest region of the Atlantic Ocean in which any systematic investigations have been carried out is the Gulf of Guinea.\*

From this area T. Scott has recorded the following species :

- \**Longipedia minor* T. Scott.
- Ectinosoma crystalli* T. Scott.
- \**Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck) (= *Microsetella atlantica* Brady and Robertson).
- Bradya brevicornis* T. Scott.
- \**Euterpina acutifrons* (Dana) (= *Euterpe gracilis* Claus, var. *armata* T. Scott).
- Tegastes andrewi* (T. Scott).
- \**Clytemnestra rostrata* (Brady).
- \**Egisthus mucronatus* Giesbrecht (= *A. longirostris* T. Scott.)
- \**Macrosetella gracilis* (Dana).
- \**Harpacticus chelifera* Müller, ? var.
- \**Miracia efferata* Dana.
- \**M. minor* T. Scott.
- \**Eudactylopus latipes* (T. Scott) (= *Dactylopus latipes* T. Scott).
- \**Parastenhelia littoralis* (Claus) (= *Thalestris forficula*, T. Scott, non Claus).
- Machairopus idyoides* Brady.
- Stenhelia accraensis* T. Scott (? = *Amphiascus typhlops* Sars).
- Laophonte brevicornis* T. Scott.
- \**L. cornuta* Philippi (as *L. serrata* (Claus)).
- L. longipes* T. Scott.
- \**L. pygmæa* T. Scott.
- \**Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus) (= *Cletodes linearis* Claus).
- \**Metis jusseaumei* (Richard) (= *Ilyopsyllus affinis* T. Scott).
- \**Teissierella propinqua* (T. Scott) (= *Dactylopus propinquus* T. Scott).

All those marked with an \* have been taken in Indian waters. Thus, out of 23 species, no less than 16, or 70 per cent., are common to the two regions. In addition to these species *Machairopus idyoides* Brady has been taken at Kerguelen. There can thus be little doubt of the very close affinity of the Harpacticid fauna of the Gulf of Guinea and that of the tropical and sub-tropical parts of the Indian Ocean. To the south of the Cape of Good Hope there is a complicated mixing of the surface currents, as has been pointed out by Meisenheimer and Gerhardt Schott; it seems to be certain that some of the water of the Agulhas Current does pass westward round the Cape of Good Hope, and in consequence

\* T. Scott, 1894.

planktonic animals and larvæ may be swept round to the west side and, if able to withstand the change of temperature occasioned by the meeting of the Benguela Current, will ultimately be carried into the warm waters of the South Atlantic Equatorial Current; Stubblings (1936, p. 53) has reviewed this possibility in a previous report, and there is no necessity for me to recapitulate the matter here. It must also be recognized that active migration of the Harpacticid fauna around the coasts of South Africa may also be an important factor in the spread of the Indian fauna westwards into the South Atlantic.

The only other possible route for the westward migration of the Indian fauna is through the Suez Canal into the Mediterranean Sea; at the same time we must recognize that littoral species may have migrated from the west coast of Africa through the Straits of Gibraltar into the western basin of the Mediterranean Sea, and entry into this region will be assisted by the inflowing surface current (*vide* Schott, 1926, p. 175), though their dispersal from the Gulf of Guinea to the entrance of the Mediterranean will be opposed by the direction of flow of the Canary Current and the Guinea Current, that set from north to south along this stretch of the African coast.

Our knowledge of the Harpacticid fauna of the western area of the Mediterranean Sea\* is now extensive, owing to the researches of Giesbrecht, Claus, Monard and others.

In this region the following 51 Indian species have now been recorded :

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| * <i>Longipedia coronata</i> Claus.             | * <i>D. thisboides</i> (Claus).                  |
| <i>L. minor</i> T. Scott.                       | * <i>Paravestwoodia nobilis</i> (Baird).         |
| * <i>L. weberi</i> A. Scott.                    | * <i>Pseudothalestris minuta</i> (Claus).        |
| <i>Canuella furcigera</i> Sars.                 | * <i>Diosaccus tenuicornis</i> (Claus).          |
| * <i>C. perplexa</i> T. Scott.                  | <i>Amphiascus ægyptius</i> Gurney.               |
| * <i>Ectinosoma melaniceps</i> Boeck.           | * <i>A. cinctus</i> (Claus).                     |
| * <i>E. normani</i> T. and A. Scott.            | <i>A. ctenophorus</i> Monard.                    |
| * <i>Euterpina acutifrons</i> (Dana).           | * <i>A. erythræus</i> A. Scott.                  |
| * <i>Microsetella rosea</i> (Dana).             | <i>A. hirsutus</i> (Thompson and A. Scott).      |
| * <i>Macrosetella gracilis</i> (Dana).          | * <i>A. phyllopus</i> (Sars).                    |
| * <i>Clytemnestra rostrata</i> (Brady).         | * <i>A. similis</i> (Claus).                     |
| * <i>Harpacticus chelifera</i> Müller.          | * <i>Teissierella knoxi</i> (Thompson and A.     |
| * <i>H. gracilis</i> Claus.                     | Scott).  |
| * <i>H. littoralis</i> Sars.                    | * <i>Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani</i> T. Scott. |
| * <i>Alteutha interrupta</i> Goodsir.           | <i>S. (D.) polluta</i> Monard.                   |
| * <i>Parategastes sphæricus</i> (Claus).        | * <i>Ameira parvula</i> (Claus).                 |
| * <i>Porcellidium fimbriatum</i> Claus.         | <i>A. sibogæ</i> A. Scott.                       |
| * <i>Tisbe furcata</i> (Baird).                 | * <i>Mesochra pygmæa</i> (Claus).                |
| <i>T. gracilis</i> T. Scott.                    | * <i>Laophonte brevirostris</i> (Claus).         |
| * <i>T. longicornis</i> (T. Scott).             | <i>L. bulbifera</i> Norman.                      |
| * <i>Scutellidium longicaudum</i> (Philippi).   | * <i>L. cornuta</i> Philippi.                    |
| <i>S. machairopoides</i> (Monard).              | * <i>L. strömi</i> (Baird).                      |
| * <i>Phyllothalestris mysis</i> Claus.          | <i>Laophontodes hamata</i> (Thomson).            |
| * <i>Rhynchothalestris rufocincta</i> (Norman). | <i>Cletodes limicola</i> Brady.                  |
| * <i>Parastenhelia littoralis</i> (Claus).      | * <i>Ceyloniella armata</i> (Claus).             |
| <i>Dactylopusia brevicornis</i> (Claus).        | <i>Metis jusseaumei</i> (Richard).               |

\* Claus, 1866. Giesbrecht, 1892. Lang, 1935. Monard, 1926, 1928a, 1937.



The total number of Harpacticids hitherto recorded from this region, so far as I have been able to ascertain, is 169, so that the percentage of Indian forms is 30 per cent. The fauna of the eastern part of the Mediterranean, including the Adriatic, is not so well known, and the total number of species recorded up to the present from this area is 112.\* As one would expect, many of the Indian forms found in this eastern region are the same as those in the western area: these are indicated by an asterisk in the preceding list, and in addition, the following Indian species have been recorded:

- Longipedia rosea* Sars.
- Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).
- Clytemnestra scutellata* Dana.
- Tisbe ensifera* (Fischer).
- Eudactylopus opima* (Brian).
- Jalysus rufus* Brian.
- Nitocra spinipes* Boeck.
- Laophonte armiger* Gurney.
- Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus), and perhaps also—
- Pseudothalestris imbricata* (Brady) (? = *Westwoodia dubia* Brian).

We thus have records of no less than 45 (or 46) Indian species out of a total of 112, or 40 per cent.

Brian (1928*b*, p. 295) has pointed out that 10 or 11 species found by him in the Dodecanese are cosmopolitan, and in his view these have migrated into the Mediterranean Sea from the Atlantic Ocean, and have made their way from this area through the Suez Canal into the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean. He cites the following—

- Tisbe furcata* (Baird).
- Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman),
- Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus),
- Amphiascus cinctus* (Claus),
- Laophonte cornuta* Philippi,

as species that have made their way from the Ægean Sea into the Red Sea, and

- Longipedia coronata* Claus,
- Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck),
- Porcellidium fimbriatum* Claus,
- Phyllothalestris mysis* Claus,
- Ceyloniella armata* (Claus),

as species that have migrated even further afield to the Indian Ocean.

That numerous species may have entered the Mediterranean Sea from the Atlantic Ocean there can be little doubt, and some may have passed through the Suez canal from north to south either by active migration or else by being carried on ships' bottoms; but it seems more probable that many species have traversed the canal in the opposite direction and have passed from the Red Sea into the Mediterranean. As Munro Fox (1929, p. 846) has pointed out, by far the greater number of marine organisms living in the Suez Canal have entered from the Red Sea, and "the effect of the currents on the fauna must

\* Brian, 1928, 1928*a*. Jakubisiak, 1933. Pesta, 1920.

be to transport all planktonic organisms from south to north during the ten months of October to July, and in the opposite direction in August and September". That migration from the Red Sea through the Suez Canal into the Mediterranean Sea has occurred in recent times appears to be clearly indicated in the case of *Eudactylopus opima* (Brian) and *Jalysus rufus* Brian, as I have pointed out (*vide* p. 367), and it seems highly probable that certain other species have followed the same route, such as *Laophonte armiger* Gurney (= *L. hystrix* Brian), *Ceyloniella armata* (Claus) and *Pseudothalestris imbricata* Brady, while yet others have reached the western basin, though up to now they have not been reported from the eastern end, namely :

- Stenhelia polluta* Monard.  
*Scutellidium machairopoides* (Monard).  
*Amphiascus aegyptius* Gurney.  
*A. ctenophorus* Monard.  
*Teissierella knoxi* (Thompson and A. Scott).

Up to now we have been considering those regions, dispersal to which may possibly have been effected by active migration around the continental margins ; but such a method cannot have been utilized for the spread of species across the Atlantic Ocean. Willey (1930, 1931 and 1935) has investigated the Harpacticid fauna of Bermuda, and has recorded the presence in those waters of 61 species of weed-haunting forms, among which the following are now known to occur in Indian waters :

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| <i>Tisbe ensifera</i> Fischer.                     | <i>T. propinqua</i> (T. Scott).                                  |
| <i>T. gracilis</i> (T. Scott).                     | <i>Stenhelia</i> ( <i>Delavalia</i> ) <i>normani</i> (T. Scott). |
| <i>Tisbella timsæ</i> Gurney.                      | <i>Pseudomesochra parvula</i> Gurney.                            |
| <i>Parastenhelia littoralis</i> Sars.              | <i>Ameira parvula</i> (Claus).                                   |
| <i>Rhynchothalestris rufocincta</i> (Norman).      | <i>A. sibogæ</i> A. Scott.                                       |
| <i>Dactylopusia brevicornis</i> (Claus).           | <i>Nitocra affinis</i> Gurney.                                   |
| <i>D. falcifera</i> Willey.                        | <i>N. lacustris</i> (Schmank.).                                  |
| <i>D. thisboides</i> (Claus).                      | <i>Laophonte armiger</i> Gurney.                                 |
| <i>Parawestwoodia purpurea</i> Gurney.             | <i>L. brevirostris</i> (Claus).                                  |
| <i>Amphiascus cinctus</i> (Claus).                 | <i>L. bulbifera</i> Norman.                                      |
| <i>A. erythræus</i> (A. Scott).                    | <i>L. cornuta</i> Philippi.                                      |
| <i>A. hirsutus</i> (Thompson and A. Scott).        | <i>Laophontella armata</i> (Willey).                             |
| <i>A. phyllopus</i> Sars.                          | <i>Phyllopodopsyllus minor</i> (Thompson and A. Scott).          |
| <i>A. robinsoni</i> (A. Scott).                    | <i>Ceyloniella armata</i> (Claus).                               |
| <i>A. rostratus</i> Gurney.                        |  |
| <i>Teissierella knoxi</i> (Thompson and A. Scott). |  |

Thus, no less than 30 species, representing 50 per cent. of the total, are common to both India and Bermuda. That there is a close connection between the fauna of the Arabian Sea and of the western part of the North Atlantic Ocean has long been recognized, especially as regards the fauna of the deeper waters, and in order to account for the presence of species in these two areas and nowhere else it has usually been suggested that they represent the last traces of the fauna that originally inhabited the Tethys Sea in Tertiary times, and that when the uplift of the Alpine-Himalayan mountain system obliterated

the eastern part of this sea and thus separated the North American and Indian regions, a number of species still managed to survive in the two, now widely separated, areas. Were this the true explanation one would expect to find that a large proportion, if not all, of these littoral-haunting Harpacticids, common to the two areas, would also occur in the Mediterranean Sea: but a comparison of the lists of species common to India and the Mediterranean Sea with that of the Bermudan species reveals that no less than 13 Indian species are present in Bermuda but have not as yet been recorded from the Mediterranean Sea, namely:

<i>Tisbe ensifera</i> Fischer.	<i>Teissierella propinqua</i> (T. Scott).
<i>Tisbella timsæ</i> Gurney.	<i>Nitocera affinis</i> Gurney.
<i>Parawestwoodia purpurea</i> Gurney.	<i>N. lacustris</i> (Schmank.).
<i>Dactylopusia falcifera</i> Willey.	<i>Pseudomesochra parvula</i> Gurney.
<i>Amphiascus erythraeus</i> (A. Scott).	<i>Laophontella armata</i> (Willey).
<i>A. robinsoni</i> (A. Scott).	<i>Phyllopodopsyllus minor</i> (Thompson and A. Scott).
<i>A. rostratus</i> Gurney.	

It would thus appear that some other route of dispersal must have been involved, and the one that seems most probable is the flow of the South Atlantic Equatorial Current: we have seen that there is a close connection between the Indian fauna and that of the coast of West Africa, and this current and its continuation in the Gulf Stream and the North Atlantic Drift might well account for the occurrence of many Indian forms in Bermuda.

The fauna of the North American coast of Massachusetts has been investigated to some considerable extent\* and we now have records of the occurrence in this region of 87 species, among which the following are known to occur in Indian waters:

*Planktonic species:*

*Macrosetella gracilis* (Dana).  
*M. oculata* Sars.  
*Ectinosoma normani* T. and A. Scott.  
*Microsetella norvegica* (Dana).  
*M. rosea* (Dana).  
*Miracia efferata* Dana.  
*Clytemnestra rostrata* (Brady).  
*Ægisthus mucronatus* Giesbrecht.

*Littoral species:*

*Longipedia coronata* Claus.  
*Canuella furcigera* Sars.  
*Harpacticus chelifera* Müller.  
*H. gracilis* Claus.  
*H. littoralis* Sars.  
*Parategastes sphaericus* (Claus).  
*Tisbe furcata* (Baird).

*Littoral species (cont.):*

*T. longicornis* T. and A. Scott.  
*Parastenhelia littoralis* (Sars).  
*Dactylopusia brevicornis* (Claus).  
*D. tisboides* (Claus).  
*Parawestwoodia nobilis* (Baird).  
*Pseudothalestris minuta* (Claus).  
*Diosaccus tenuicornis* (Claus).  
*Amphiascus cinctus* (Claus).  
*A. perplexus* (Thompson and A.  
 Scott) (= *A. sinuatus* Sars).  
*Nitocera spinipes* Boeck.  
*Ameira parvula* (Claus).  
*Laophonte cornuta* Philippi.  
*L. strömi* (Baird).  
*Tachidius littoralis* Poppe.  
*Metis jussearumei* (Richard).

We thus have in this area out of a total of 87 species no less than 30 that are

\* Sharpe, 1910. Wilson, 1932a, 1932b.



known from Indian waters, a percentage of 34 per cent.; but of these 30 species, 8 belong to genera that are pelagic in habitat and so are distributed more or less universally. Of the true littoral weed-haunting forms we have 22 species out of 76, or 29 per cent., but little more than half the percentage found in Bermuda. It thus seems clear that there is a strong connection between the Indian and the Northern West Atlantic regions, and this is clearly borne out by the fact that of the 23 species known from the intermediate region of the Gulf of Guinea, 11, or 48 per cent., occur in the north-west Atlantic. At the same time there is clearly some factor that has caused a distinct falling off in the number of Indian species between Bermuda and the Massachusetts coast; the explanation of this change is, I think, to be found in the cold water of the Labrador current that passes southwards along this section of the American coast between the land and the warm waters of the Gulf Stream, and serves as a barrier to the invasion of many of the warm-water forms, only the more resistant species being able to survive the passage across this stream and continue to exist in the colder conditions.

Turning now to the eastern side of the North Atlantic Ocean, Gurney (1927c, p. 453) has remarked, "the very large proportion of European species from these distant (Indian and Malayan) seas is a very striking fact". If, as I believe, these littoral weed-haunting forms can be and are transported by the great oceanic currents, we should expect to find representatives of the Indian fauna present, though in gradually diminishing numbers, on the British coasts, the coasts of the English channel and the Norwegian coasts, and even further northward.

For the coasts of the British Isles\* I have been able to collate references to 284 species; doubtless some of these are synonyms, but I think we may accept this figure as approximately correct. Among these species the following Indian forms have been recorded:

<i>Longipedia coronata</i> Claus.	<i>Porcellidium fimbriatum</i> Claus.
<i>L. minor</i> T. Scott.	<i>Scutellidium longicaudum</i> Philippi.
<i>L. scotti</i> Sars.	<i>Tisbe furcata</i> (Baird).
<i>Sunaristes paguri</i> Hesse.	<i>T. gracilis</i> T. Scott.
<i>Canuella perplexa</i> T. Scott.	<i>T. longicornis</i> (T. Scott).
<i>Ectinosoma melaniceps</i> Boeck.	<i>T. tenera</i> (Sars).
<i>E. normani</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>Phyllothalestris mysis</i> Claus.
<i>E. propinquum</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>Rhynchothalestris rufocincta</i> (Norman).
<i>Pseudobradia similis</i> (T. and A. Scott).	<i>Parastenhelia littoralis</i> (Claus).
<i>Euterpina acutifrons</i> (Dana).	<i>Dactylopusia brevicornis</i> (Claus).
<i>Microsetella norvegica</i> (Boeck).	<i>D. tisboides</i> (Claus).
<i>M. rosea</i> (Dana).	<i>D. vulgaris</i> Sars.
<i>Clytemnestra rostrata</i> (Brady).	<i>Parawestwoodia nobilis</i> (Baird).
<i>Harpacticus chelifera</i> Müller.	<i>Pseudothalestris minuta</i> (Claus).
<i>H. gracilis</i> Claus.	<i>Diosaccus tenuicornis</i> (Claus).
<i>H. littoralis</i> Sars.	<i>Amphiascus cinctus</i> (Claus).
<i>Alteutha interrupta</i> (Goodsir).	<i>A. phyllopus</i> Sars.
<i>Parategastes sphaericus</i> (Claus).	<i>A. similis</i> (Claus).

\* Brady, 1880, 1905. Farran, 1913. Nicholls, 1935, 1939. Norman and T. Scott, 1906. Norman, 1911. Pearson, 1905. Plymouth Marine Fauna, 1931. Scott, T., 1893, 1894, 1905b. Scott, T. and A., 1893, 1894, 1895a, 1895b, 1896. Thompson, I. C., 1893. Thompson, I. C., and Scott, A., 1900.



*Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani* T. Scott.  
*Xouthous purpurocinctum* (Norman and  
 T. Scott).  
*Ameira parvula* (Claus).  
*Nitocra spinipes* Boeck.  
*Mesochra pygmæa* (Claus).  
*Laophonte brevirostris* (Claus).  
*L. bulbifera* Norman.  
*L. cornuta* Philippi.

*L. inornata* A. Scott.  
*L. serrata* Claus.  
*L. strömi* (Baird).  
*Laophontodes hamatus* (Thomson).  
*Cletodes limicola* Brady.  
*Tachidius littoralis* Poppe.  
 ? *T. discipes* Giesbrecht.  
*Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus).  
*Horsicella brevicornis* (van Douwe).

We thus have no less than 53 Indian species out of a total of some 284, or 19 per cent.

The percentage of Indian forms in different parts of the British Isles differs very considerably. Out of a total of 107 species recorded in the Clare Island Survey no less than 37, or 35 per cent., are Indian. The 'Plymouth Marine Fauna' records the presence in that region of 120 species, of which again 37 are Indian, the percentage thus being 31; while out of 139 species recorded from the coasts of Devon and Cornwall, 32, or 23 per cent., are Indian. In contrast to these figures the number of species that has been recorded from the Firth of Forth is 93, and of these only 17, or 18 per cent., are known to occur in Indian waters.

From the neighbouring region of the coast of Brittany\* some 158 species of Harpacticids are now known, and among these, 44 are Indian, or 28 per cent. In comparing the lists of Indian species in these two last regions, I find that the following have not as yet been recorded from the Brittany coast:

*Longipedia scotti* Sars.  
*Pseudobradia similis* Sars.  
*Ectinosoma propinquum* T. and A. Scott.  
*Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).  
*M. rosea* (Dana).  
*Clytemnestra rostrata* (Brady).  
*Phyllothalestris mysis* Claus.

*Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani* T. Scott.  
*Xouthous purpurocinctum* (Norman  
 and T. Scott).  
*Laophonte bulbifera* Norman.  
*Cletodes limicola* Brady.  
*Orthopsyllus linearis* (Claus).  
*Horsicella brevicornis* (van Douwe).

But I have little doubt that in the future such forms as belong to the genera *Microsetella* and *Clytemnestra*, which are pelagic in habitat, will eventually be obtained, although their presence in this area must, to some extent, depend on the influx of Atlantic water into the English Channel, and the work of Russell and others has shown that this has been of small extent during recent years. On the other hand, certain species have been recorded from the Brittany coast that have not, as yet, been taken round the British Isles, namely:

\**Longipedia weberi* A. Scott.

\**Canuella furcigera* Sars.

*Amphiascus perplexus* Thompson and  
 A. Scott.

\**Amphiascus erythræus* A. Scott.

\**Ameira sibogæ* A. Scott.

\**Scutellidium machairopoides* (Monard).

It is extremely interesting to note that of the above six species no less than five, indicated by an asterisk, have been recorded from the Mediterranean Sea, and it thus seems possible that these species may have migrated from the Mediterranean Sea to the Brittany coast along the continental margin.

\* Canu, 1892. Jakubisiak, 1933. Monard, 1935.

To the east of the British Isles in the North Sea and on the north-west coast of Germany investigations have resulted in the collection of 69 species,\* among which the following occur in Indian waters :

<i>Longipedia coronata</i> Claus.	<i>Alteutha interrupta</i> Goodsir.
<i>L. minor</i> T. Scott.	<i>Tisbe furcata</i> (Baird).
<i>Canuella perplexa</i> T. Scott.	<i>T. gracilis</i> T. Scott.
<i>Ectinosoma melaniceps</i> Boeck.	<i>Parawestwoodia nobilis</i> (Baird).
<i>E. normani</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>Ameira parvula</i> (Claus).
<i>Tachidius littoralis</i> Poppe.	<i>Nitocra spinipes</i> Boeck.
<i>Euterpina acutifrons</i> (Dana).	<i>Mesochra pygmaea</i> (Claus).
<i>Harpacticus chelifera</i> Müller.	<i>Laophonte serrata</i> Claus.
<i>H. gracilis</i> Claus.	<i>Parategastes sphaericus</i> (Claus).
<i>H. littoralis</i> Sars.	

The percentage of Indian forms is thus 28 per cent.

Further to the west, in the Sub-Arctic region, namely off the south-east coast of Greenland,† out of a total of 27 species the following occur in Indian waters :

<i>Canuella furcigera</i> Sars.	<i>T. gracilis</i> (T. Scott).
<i>Microsetella norvegica</i> (Boeck).	<i>Rhynchothalestris rufocincta</i> (Norman).
<i>Harpacticus chelifera</i> (Müller).	<i>Dactylopusia vulgaris</i> Sars.
<i>H. gracilis</i> Claus.	<i>Laophonte strömi</i> (Baird).
<i>Tisbe furcata</i> (Baird).	

The percentage of Indian forms in this region is thus as high as 33, or approximately the same as on the west coast of Ireland.

Thanks to the work of G. O. Sars (1903-11, 1921) we now possess an extensive knowledge of the Harpacticid fauna of the Norwegian coasts, and he has recorded the occurrence in that area of some 350 species. Among these the following 53 are now known to be present in Indian waters :

<i>Longipedia coronata</i> Claus.	<i>Harpacticus chelifera</i> Müller.
<i>L. minor</i> T. Scott.	? <i>H. gracilis</i> Claus.
<i>L. rosea</i> Sars.	<i>H. littoralis</i> Sars.
<i>L. scotti</i> Sars.	<i>Clytemnestra scutellata</i> Dana.
<i>Sunaristes paguri</i> Hesse.	<i>Alteutha interrupta</i> (Goodsir).
<i>Canuella furcigera</i> Sars.	<i>Parategastes sphaericus</i> (Claus).
<i>C. perplexa</i> Scott.	<i>Porcellidium fimbriatum</i> Claus.
<i>Ectinosoma melaniceps</i> Boeck.	<i>Tisbe ensifera</i> (Fischer).
<i>E. normani</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>T. furcata</i> (Baird).
<i>E. propinquum</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>T. gracilis</i> (T. Scott).
<i>Pseudobradia similis</i> Sars.	<i>T. longicornis</i> (T. Scott).
<i>Microsetella norvegica</i> (Boeck).	<i>T. tenera</i> (Sars).
<i>Euterpina acutifrons</i> (Dana).	<i>Scutellidium longicaudum</i> Philippi.
<i>Tachidius discipes</i> Giesbrecht (= <i>brevicornis</i> Sars).	<i>Phyllothalestris mysis</i> (Claus).
	<i>Rhynchothalestris rufocincta</i> (Norman).

\* Claus, 1863. Klie, 1913, 1927. Timm, 1894.

† Jespersen, P., 1939.

<i>Parastenhelia littoralis</i> (Claus).	<i>Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani</i> T. Scott.
<i>Dactylopusia brevicornis</i> (Claus).	<i>Ameira parvula</i> (Claus).
<i>D. thisboides</i> (Claus).	<i>A. sibogæ</i> A. Scott.
<i>D. vulgaris</i> Sars.	<i>Nitocra spinipes</i> Boeck.
<i>Paravestwoodia nobilis</i> (Baird).	<i>Phyllopodopsyllus furcifer</i> Sars.
<i>Pseudothalestris minuta</i> (Claus).	<i>Laophonte brevirostris</i> (Claus).
<i>Diosaccus tenuicornis</i> (Claus).	<i>L. cornuta</i> Philippi.
<i>Amphiascus cinctus</i> (Claus).	<i>L. serrata</i> Claus.
<i>A. perplexus</i> Thompson and A. Scott.	<i>L. strömi</i> (Baird).
<i>A. phyllopus</i> (Sars).	<i>Laophontodes hamatus</i> (Thomson).
<i>A. similis</i> (Claus).	<i>Orthopsyllus linearis</i> (Claus).
<i>A. typhlops</i> Sars.	<i>Cletodes limicola</i> Brady.

The proportion of Indian forms in the Norwegian fauna is thus 15 per cent.

As we pass further towards the north to the region of Spitzbergen, Nova Zembla and Franz-Josef Land we still find a number of Indian species present, 20 in all, namely :

<i>Ectinosoma melaniceps</i> Boeck.	<i>T. gracilis</i> T. Scott.
<i>E. normani</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>Scutellidium longicaudum</i> (Philippi).
<i>E. propinquum</i> T. and A. Scott.	<i>Dactylopusia brevicornis</i> (Claus).
<i>Microsetella norvegica</i> (Boeck).	<i>D. thisboides</i> (Claus).
<i>Macrosetella gracilis</i> (Dana).	<i>Paravestwoodia nobilis</i> (Baird).
<i>Harpacticus chelifera</i> Müller.	<i>Amphiascus typhlops</i> Sars.
<i>Parategastes sphaericus</i> (Claus).	<i>Ameira parvula</i> (Claus).
<i>Porcellidium fimbriatum</i> Claus.	<i>Mesochra pygmaea</i> (Claus).
<i>Tisbe ensifera</i> (Fischer).	<i>Laophonte serrata</i> Claus.
<i>T. furcata</i> (Baird).	<i>Orthopsyllus linearis</i> (Claus).

The total number of species hitherto recorded from this Arctic region\* that I have been able to collate is 105, so that the percentage of Indian species appears to be 19.

At first sight it thus appears as if there were proportionately more Indian forms in the Arctic region than in the Norwegian area, but a comparison of the actual lists of Indian species taken in both regions clearly shows that a large number of Indian species that have managed to reach Norway have not, apparently, succeeded in penetrating further to the north.

<i>Longipedia coronata</i> Claus,	<i>H. littoralis</i> Sars,
<i>L. minor</i> T. Scott,	<i>Clytemnestra scutellata</i> Dana,
<i>L. rosea</i> Sars,	<i>Tachidius discipes</i> Giesbrecht,
<i>L. scotti</i> Sars,	<i>Alteutha interrupta</i> Goodsir,
<i>Sunaristes paguri</i> Hesse,	<i>Tisbe longicornis</i> (T. Scott),
<i>Canuella furcigera</i> Sars,	<i>T. tenera</i> Sars,
<i>C. perplexa</i> T. Scott,	<i>Phyllothalestris mysis</i> Claus,
<i>Ectinosoma propinquum</i> T. and A. Scott,	<i>Rhynchothalestris rufocincta</i> (Norman),
<i>Pseudobradya similis</i> Sars,	<i>Parastenhelia littoralis</i> (Claus),
<i>Euterpina acutifrons</i> (Dana),	<i>Pseudothalestris minuta</i> (Claus),
<i>Harpacticus gracilis</i> Claus,	<i>Diosaccus tenuicornis</i> (Claus),

\* Sars, 1909. Scott, T., 1899. Scott, T. and A., 1901. Smirnow, S. S., 1932.



*Amphiascus perplexus* (Thompson and  
A. Scott),  
*A. phyllopus* (Sars),  
*A. similis* (Claus),  
*Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani* T. Scott,  
*Nitocra spinipes* Boeck,  
*Ameira sibogæ* A. Scott,

*Phyllopodopsyllus furcifer* Sars,  
*Laophonte brevisrostris* (Claus),  
*L. cornuta* Philippi,  
*L. strömi* (Baird).  
*Laophontodes hamatus* (Thomson),  
*Cletodes limicola* Brady,

have all disappeared from the faunal lists of this northern area and appear, according to the present state of our knowledge, to be unable to survive under Arctic conditions.

Finally, a comparison of the Harpacticid faunas of the Arctic and Antarctic regions reveals that out of a total of 20 species that occur in both Arctic and Indian waters, only 5, namely—

*Ectinosoma melaniceps* Boeck,  
*Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck),  
*Macrosetella gracilis* (Dana),

*Harpacticus chelifer* Müller,  
*Dactylopusia thisboides* (Claus),

are common to both Arctic and Antarctic regions. It thus seems abundantly clear that the barrier to the invasion of the Antarctic by tropical species is not to be found in differences of temperature or salinity in the two regions but, as has already been mentioned, is in all probability due to the existence in the southern region of the various Lines of Convergence, and especially of the Polar or Antarctic Convergence.

Monard (1928a, p. 270), when discussing the distribution of these Harpacticid Copepods, remarks: "Enfin un certain nombre d'espèces peuvent être considérées comme cosmopolites; elles ont été trouvées dans des régions extrêmement éloignées, telles que les îles arctiques et les îles antarctiques, avec force stations intermédiaires. Or, il est remarquable de constater que ces espèces sont précisément celles qui sont présentes dans la plupart des habitats de Banyuls, les ubiquistes. Les formes fouisseuses, habitant la vase ou le gravier, ont des domaines plus restreints que celles qui fréquentent les algues. Les cosmopolites sont donc en même temps ubiquistes; nous disons même qu'ils sont cosmopolites parce qu'ils sont ubiquistes."

A study of the preceding lists clearly indicates that certain species of Harpacticids have an almost world-wide distribution, occurring throughout all the great oceans and extending from the southern sub-tropical region to the Arctic ocean; such species are

*Longipedia coronata* Claus.  
*L. scotti* Sars.  
\**L. minor* T. Scott.  
*Sunaristes paguri* Hesse.  
*Canuella perplexa* T. Scott.  
*C. furcigera* Sars.  
\**Ectinosoma melaniceps* Boeck.  
\**E. normani* T. and A. Scott.  
*Microsetella norvegica* (Boeck).  
\**Euterpina acutifrons* (Dana).  
*Harpacticus cheliger* Müller.  
\**H. gracilis* Claus.

\**H. littoralis* Sars.  
\**Porcellidium fimbriatum* Claus.  
\**Parategastes sphaericus* (Claus).  
\**Tisbe furcata* (Baird).  
*T. gracilis* T. Scott.  
*T. ensifera* (Fischer).  
\**Alteutha interrupta* (Goodsir).  
*Scutellidium longicauda* (Philippi).  
\**Phyllothalestris mysis* Claus.  
*Rhynchothalestris rufocincta* (Norman).  
*Parastenhelia littoralis* (Claus).  
\**Dactylopusia brevicornis* (Claus).



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| * <i>D. thisboides</i> (Claus).                  | * <i>A. sibogæ</i> A. Scott.          |
| * <i>Parawestwoodia nobilis</i> (Baird).         | <i>Nitocra spinipes</i> Boeck.        |
| * <i>Pseudothalestris minuta</i> (Claus).        | * <i>Mesochra pygmaea</i> (Claus).    |
| * <i>Diosaccus tenuicornis</i> (Claus).          | * <i>Laophonte cornuta</i> Philippi.  |
| * <i>Amphiascus cinctus</i> (Claus).             | <i>L. serrata</i> Claus.              |
| <i>A. perplexus</i> (Thompson and A. Scott).     | <i>L. strömi</i> (Baird).             |
| * <i>A. phyllopus</i> (Sars).                    | <i>Laophontodes hamata</i> (Thomson). |
| * <i>Stenhelia (Delavalia) normani</i> T. Scott. | <i>Orthopsyllus linearis</i> (Claus). |
| * <i>Ameira parvula</i> (Claus).                 |                                       |

A comparison of the above list with the lists of species that are known to have their habitat among the littoral algæ at Banyuls or in the neighbourhood of Algiers (*vide* Monard, 1928a, p. 267; 1937, p. 10) shows that out of a total of 41, no less than 23, or 56 per cent., indicated by an asterisk, are common to both lists.

As Munro Fox (1926, p. 39) has pointed out, "the flora forms an important part of the animal environment and must therefore be a necessary factor in permitting or preventing migrations", and it seems probable that the dispersal of the algæ and the algal-haunting Harpacticids has proceeded simultaneously and by the same routes.

It is now well known that there is a close similarity between the algal flora of the Indo-Pacific region and the West Indies. To account for this Murray (1893) suggested that they must have been mingled periodically round the Cape of Good Hope during epochs when the climate of the Cape was considerably warmer than it is at the present day. Svedelius (1906), however, suggested that the original connection between these two regions lay to the east instead of the west, and he remarks: "I therefore consider it much more probable that the explanation of the resemblances pointed out by Murray between the Algæ of the West Indies and those of the Indian Pacific Oceans must be looked for rather in the historical development of the connection of land between North and South America, which shows that the whole Caribbean Sea was once a bay of the Pacific, than in the assumption that it depends on a connection *via* the Cape in a time when the external conditions for tropical Algæ were more favourable than to-day."

If this were the true explanation of the similarity between the algal flora of the West Indies and the south-west Pacific region, we should expect to find that the weed-haunting Harpacticids showed an equally close degree of resemblance; a comparison of the faunal lists of these two regions shows, however, that of the 61 species recorded from Bermuda, and 74 species from the south-west Pacific, only 8 are common to the two regions, namely:

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| <i>Rhynchothalestris rufocincta</i> (Norman). | <i>Phyllopodopsyllus longicaudatus</i> A. Scott. |
| <i>Amphiascus cinctus</i> (Claus).            |  |
| <i>A. hirsutus</i> (Thompson and A. Scott).   | <i>Laophonte cornuta</i> Philippi.               |
| <i>Ameira sibogæ</i> A. Scott.                | <i>Ceyloniella armata</i> (Claus).               |
| <i>Parastenhelia littoralis</i> (Claus).      |  |

Similarly, between the south-west Pacific and the Wood's Hole regions there is but slight agreement, for of the 74 species from the south-west Pacific and 87 species from the Wood's Hole area only 14 are common to both, namely:

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| <i>Longipedia coronata</i> Claus,      | <i>M. rosea</i> (Dana),              |
| <i>Microsetella norvegica</i> (Boeck), | <i>Macrosetella gracilis</i> (Dana), |

<i>Clytemnestra rostrata</i> (Brady),	<i>Parastenhelia littoralis</i> (Sars),
<i>Ægisthus mucronatus</i> Giesbrecht,	<i>Dactylopusia thisboides</i> (Claus),
<i>Harpacticis chelifera</i> (Müller),	<i>Amphiascus cinctus</i> (Claus),
<i>Parategastes sphaericus</i> (Claus),	<i>Laophonte cornuta</i> Philippi,
<i>Tisbe furcata</i> (Baird),	<i>Metis jusseaumei</i> (Richard),

and of these, no less than 5 are cosmopolitan pelagic forms, only the remaining 9 being littoral weed-haunting species.

Børgesen (1934, p. 65), from his studies of the Algæ, reached yet another conclusion, for he remarks: "Regarding the remarkable presence of the north-European species in the Arabian Sea they must be supposed, if really present there, to have come there from the north-west when open connections with the Indian Ocean still existed, in quite the same way as Svedelius, as mentioned above, is of opinion that several forms in the Mediterranean have come there from the south-east."

Later authors have agreed with Svedelius in attributing the presence of certain Indo-Pacific species of Algæ in the Mediterranean Sea to a dispersal from the south-east, and this is quite in accordance with my views on the presence in this region of certain Indo-Pacific species of Harpacticids, and with the results obtained by the Cambridge Expedition to the Suez Canal; in his account of this expedition Munro Fox has pointed out that out of 36 species of Algæ taken by the Expedition, "24 of the species collected are either found within the Canal or have passed through it from the Red Sea to Port Said. Only 2 Mediterranean species have penetrated into the Canal, whereas 13 species have wandered in from the Red Sea"; similarly, out of a total of three species of marine Phanerogams found in the Canal, one is cosmopolitan in its distribution and the other two have entered from the Red Sea, while a fourth species has passed through the Canal to the island of Rhodes in the Mediterranean. Børgesen (1935) has shown that the number of species of Algæ common to the west coast of India and the West Indies is 57, or 50 per cent., while the number common to the west coast of India and the Mediterranean Sea is 38, or 33 per cent. One cannot but be struck by the close agreement between these figures and those given above for the percentage of Indian forms of Harpacticids in the same areas, namely, 52 per cent. in Bermuda and 35 per cent. (the mean of 40 per cent. in the eastern part and 30 per cent. in the western) in the Mediterranean Sea.

Finally, Børgesen (*loc. cit.*, p. 61 *et seq.*) calls attention to the fact that a certain number of Indian Algæ are known to occur in the Arctic area, at least five species—

<i>Cystoclonium purpureum</i> (Huds.) Batt.,
<i>Ceramium rubrum</i> (Huds.) Ag., var. <i>virgata</i> Ag.,
<i>Polysiphonia elongata</i> (Huds.) Harv.,
<i>Ahnfeltia plicata</i> (Huds.) Fr.,
<i>Corallina officinalis</i> Linn.,
<i>Membranoptera murrayi</i> Boergs (= <i>M. alata</i> ),

being common to the two areas, and in certain species intermediate areas of distribution, such as the coast of Brazil, the West Indies and the west coast of Europe suggests a connecting link to which these species may have been carried by ocean currents.

We thus have a choice of three possible routes of dispersal. Of these, two routes have been non-existent since the Tertiary Epoch, whereas the third route, *via* the Cape of

Good Hope and along the main surface currents, is in existence to-day. Apart from the great difficulty of supposing that as many as 50 per cent. of the species of littoral algæ or weed-haunting Harpacticids of Bermuda have been isolated since Tertiary times from the Indian region, and yet have retained their characters so completely that at the present day the forms living in these two widely separated areas are morphologically indistinguishable, I cannot but think that one is not justified in relying on geographical features that have ceased to exist since the Tertiary period in order to explain the present distribution, until it has been definitely proved that this distribution is discontinuous, and that there are in existence to-day no factors that will offer an equally possible explanation.

The percentage of Indian Harpacticids that are now known to occur in the littoral fauna of the several regions dealt with in this report may be tabulated as follows :

In the Gulf of Guinea the percentage of Indian species is	.	70
„ Malay Archipelago	„	68
„ Red Sea	„	60
„ S.W. Pacific area	„	55
„ Suez Canal	„	55
„ Bermuda	„	50
„ E. Mediterranean Sea	„	40
„ W. coast of Ireland	„	35
„ S.E. Greenland	„	33
„ Plymouth	„	31
„ W. Mediterranean Sea	„	30
„ Massachusetts coast	„	29
„ Brittany coast	„	28
„ Heligoland region	„	28
„ Devon and Cornwall	„	23
„ Sub-Antarctic region	„	23
„ Arctic region	„	19
„ British Isles (as a whole)	„	19
„ Firth of Forth	„	18
„ Norwegian coast	„	15
„ Antarctic coastal region	„	6

I have already called attention to the fact that the percentage of Indian species in the Norwegian Fauna appears to be less than in the Arctic region ; the same is also true of the percentage of species in the British Fauna as a whole, which is only 19, as compared with the 28 per cent. on the Brittany coast and the Heligoland region, and 33 per cent. on the south-west coast of Greenland. It must, however, be remembered that the Harpacticid fauna of the British Isles and Norway are far better known, and among the species recorded from both these areas are numerous species that are not inhabitants of the Algæ but live in the mud or sand, as for example, species of the genera *Paramesochra* T. Scott, *Leptopsyllus* T. Scott, *Romanea* Klie, *Leptastacus* T. Scott, and others of the Family Canthocamptidæ. The inclusion of these forms in the total number of species in any fauna will markedly lower the percentage of weed-haunting forms.

In the accompanying chart I have given the general trends of the surface currents,



and have given the percentage of Indian forms in the Harpacticid fauna of the different regions.

It is very interesting to compare these figures with those given by Cleve (1905) for the Calanoid and Cyclopoid Copepoda of the Agulhas Current ; he states that—

In the East Pacific the percentage of Agulhas Current forms is	.	80
„ Indian Ocean	„	64
„ Temperate Atlantic	„	55
„ Mediterranean	„	50
„ Tropical Atlantic	„	19
„ Arctic	„	8

The above figure for the Indian Ocean, namely 64, is, however, much too low, and subsequent researches have shown that 78 per cent. of the forms taken in the Agulhas Current occur in Indian waters. Cleve might also have added that off the west coast of S. Africa the percentage of Agulhas forms is 76. There is thus a considerable degree of similarity between the two series. The dispersal of the Calanoid and Cyclopoid Copepoda is almost certainly caused by the movements of the water-masses in the great ocean currents, and it seems reasonable to conclude that this is the case with the Harpacticids also.

It seems clear that the further away one progresses from the original source of the fauna, the greater is the falling off in the number of species common to both areas. This is particularly well seen as one passes from the Indian Ocean through the Red Sea to the Mediterranean Sea, the numbers falling steadily from 60 to 30 ; but it is also clear that a similar reduction is going on in the various regions of the North Atlantic. As one passes from the Gulf of Guinea to Bermuda there is a marked fall from 70 per cent. to 50 per cent. ; then as we again cross the Atlantic Ocean the percentage drops to 35 on the west coast of Ireland, and as we trace the westwardly-directed branch of the North Atlantic Drift past Iceland to Greenland the number still further falls to 33, and as a result of the meeting of this branch with the Labrador current the figure falls to 29 on the Massachusetts coast. Tracing the branch that passes to the north-east round the coast of Scotland, we see that the figure drops to 18 in the Firth of Forth and then to 15 on the Norwegian coast. It is well known that only a small offshoot of the North Atlantic Drift enters the English Channel, and hence the number is less in this area than on the west coast of Ireland, namely, 28 on the Brittany coast and in the region of Heligoland and the north German coast and 23 on the coast of Devon and Cornwall, this difference between the north and south sides of the English Channel being perhaps due to the active migration of a few species from the Mediterranean region round the European coast-line.

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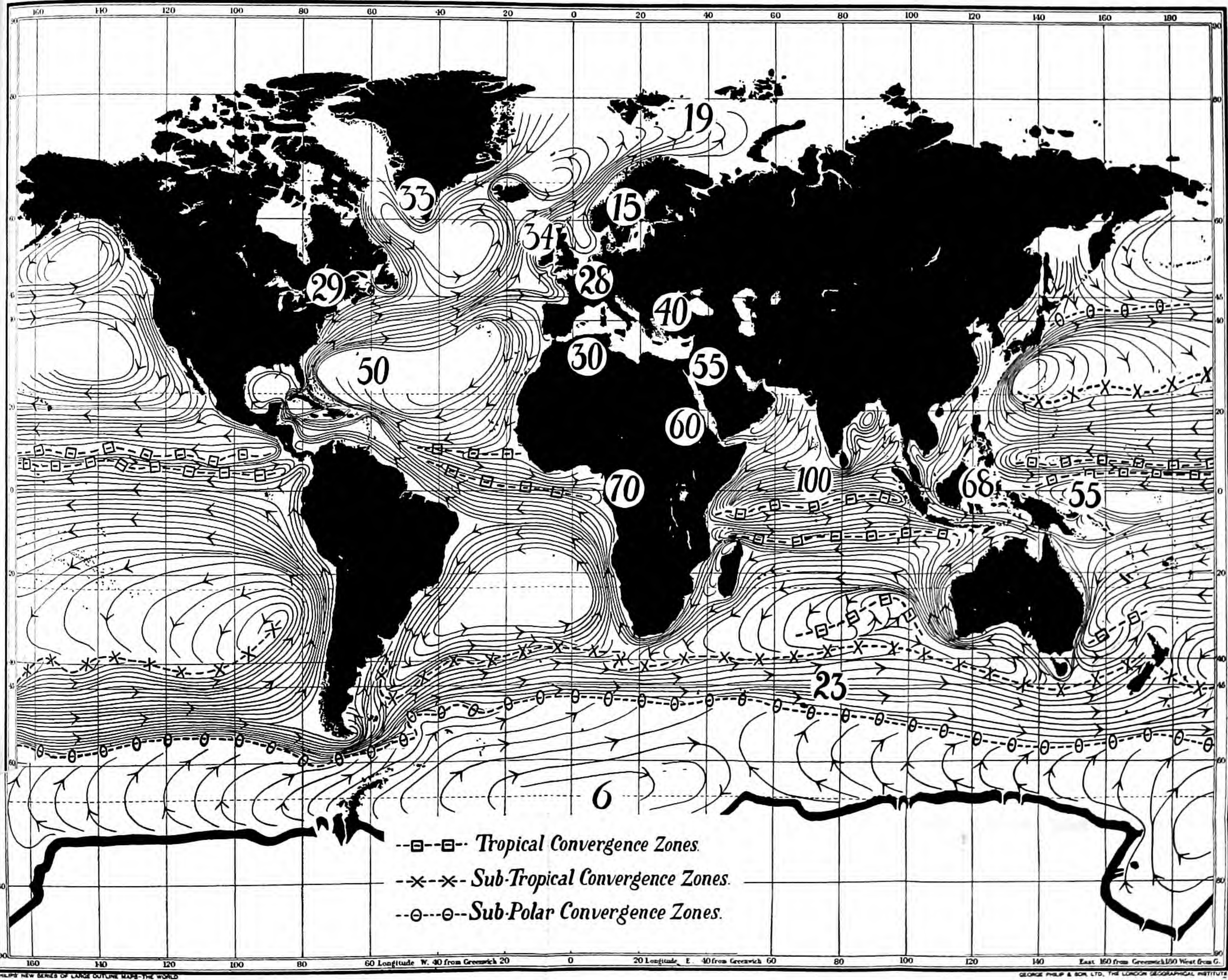


Chart showing the percentage of Indian species in the Harpacticoid fauna of different regions and the general trend of surface currents.













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## INTRODUCTION.

THE present report embraces a number of Cirripedia and Cirripede larvæ that have come to light since the publication of the report on the Cirripedia of the John Murray Expedition (Stubbings, 1936). The following species are recorded :

- Pagurolepas conchicola* g. et sp. nov.
- Trilasmis* (*Pæcilasma*) *kempferi* (Darwin).
- T.* (*Temnaspis*) *excavatum* (Hoek).
- Trilasmis* sp.
- Verruca* (*Rostrato verruca*) *intexta* (Pilsbry).
- Balanus* (*Balanus*) *trigonus* Darwin.
- B.* (*Chirona*) *albus* Hoek.
- Nauplius* I nov.
- Nauplius* II nov.
- Cypris* I nov.

Suborder LEPADOMORPHA Pilsbry 1916.

Genus PAGUROLEPAS nov.

DIAGNOSIS.—Capitulum smooth, rigid and slightly asymmetrical : valves five, not covering the whole of the capitulum : cirri greatly reduced with three to four segments only : setæ on appendages long and flexible : first maxilla with very small, weak cutting edge.

I introduce this new genus to receive two specimens of a Lepadomorph barnacle found living inside shells inhabited by hermit crabs. The form of the capitulum and of the appendages is so different from the normal type that it is impossible to assign the specimens to any known genus.

*Pagurolepas conchicola* sp. nov. (Text-figs. 1-3.)

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 122, Zanzibar Area, 732 metres; 2 specimens living in shells inhabited by the Pagurid *Parapagurus andersoni* var. *brevimanus* Henderson.

DIAGNOSIS.—Capitulum smooth, rigid, slightly asymmetrical: peduncle annulated: valves five, reduced: terga triangular with strongly concave lower margin and lower angles rounded off: scutum narrow; umbo on occludent margin near basal angle: tergal margin notched for scutal angle of tergum: carina small, leaf-like, poorly calcified, at base of capitulum: cirri small, weak, four-segmented; setæ long and slender, almost as long as rami: no filamentary appendages: caudal appendages unsegmented, equal in length to cirrus VI.

DESCRIPTION.—The capitulum and peduncle are of a pale yellow colour, smooth and hairless. The dimensions of one specimen are as follows:

Length of peduncle . . . . .	8.0 mm. approx.
,,    capitulum . . . . .	6.0    ,,
Breadth of capitulum . . . . .	3.0    ,,
Thickness of capitulum . . . . .	2.5    ,,

The peduncle is annulated. The barnacle is attached to the columella of the Gastropod shell. The peduncle lies at right-angles to the axis of the columella and consequently takes on a strong curve corresponding to the coil of the shell. On reaching the expanded part of the shell the peduncle is bent so as to bring the capitulum parallel to the shell axis.

The capitulum is plump, nearly as thick as broad. There is no sharply defined carinal border, the carinal surface curving smoothly into the sides of the capitulum. In both specimens the capitulum is slightly asymmetrical, the left side, that nearest to the columella, being slightly narrower than the right. The capitulum is thin but rigid, and rather translucent, a large part of it being uncovered by the valves, five of which are present.

The scutum lies along the occludent margin. It is 3.5 to 4.0 times as long as broad. The umbo is situated on the occludent margin a little above the occludent basal angle; the occludent, inner (carinal) and basal margins of the valve are straight, and the tergal margin is notched to receive the scutal angle of the tergum.

The terga are restricted to the extreme end of the capitulum. Each is approximately triangular, with the angles rounded or squared off. The precise shape of these lower angles seems to be variable: in the two specimens the degree of rounding off varies from a slight rounding of the point, through a broader blunt point to a condition in which a short straight scutal or carinal margin is produced (Text-fig. 1 B). The lower margin of the valve is strongly concave. The umbo lies at the upper angle.

The carina is a small, lanceolate valve lying on the broad carinal surface at the peduncular end of the capitulum. It is rather less than half the length of the capitulum.

The palpus is a small conical lobe lying close to the first maxilla. It bears setæ along both margins (Text-fig. 2 A).

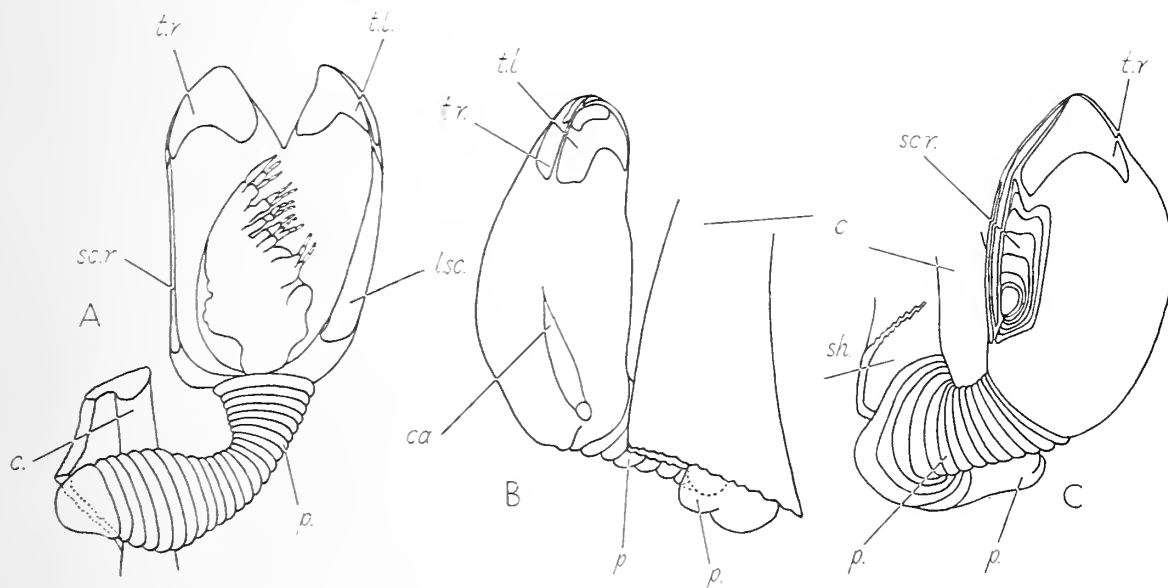
The mandible (Text-fig. 2 c) is well-developed and has four teeth. The lowest tooth bears two minute teeth on the lower border. The lower lobe is very small and does not project as far as the fourth tooth. It bears one very small tooth and a few small hairs on its anterior edge. There are several very small hairs along the ventral edge of the appendage, and a row along the dorsal border.



The first maxilla (Text-fig. 2 A) differs very considerably from the usual strong, spinose, biting type. The appendage is lobular and bears hairs on the upper and lower borders. The biting edge is exceedingly minute and projects only slightly from the general contour of the appendage. There is one small upper spine on the biting edge, and below it a very small notch containing a minute spinule. Four more minute spinules occur on the lower part of the biting edge.

The second maxilla (Text-fig. 2 B) is broadly conical and similar in shape to the first maxilla. It bears fine hairs along the length of the inner margin and on the outer part of the outer margin. Mingled with these fine hairs are a few longer and stouter ones. These, however, are not rigid spines, but only enlarged flexible hairs.

The cirri are very poorly developed. The pedicel is two-segmented, though the division



TEXT-FIG. 1.—*Pagurolepas conchicola* g. et sp. nov. A, Opened along occludent margin to show the contained animal. B, Carinal view. C, View from right side. *ca.*, carina. *c.*, columella of Gasteropod shell. *lsc.*, left scutum. *p.*, peduncle. *sc.r.*, right scutum. *sh.*, gasteropod shell. *tl.*, left tergum. *tr.*, right tergum. All  $\times 8$  approx.

into segments is not always well-marked, *e. g.* in cirri I and VI. All the cirri are somewhat flattened and have nearly straight rami. The rami consist of four segments only. The terminal segment is very minute and bears from two to four curved spines or hooks (Text-fig. 3 c). Cirri II–VI bear dense clusters of setæ on both sides of each ramus. The setæ on the last two segments are very long, being almost as long as the rami. Only a few of the setæ are shown in Text-fig. 3 A–E).

Cirrus I is situated a little apart from the others. The pedicel is greatly flattened and expanded (Text-fig. 3 A) so that the appendage forms a leaf-like plate, from which two short rami arise at the sides of the mouth appendages. The posterior ramus is shorter and more slender than the anterior.

Cirri II–IV have a well-developed pedicel (Text-fig. 3 B). This is not expanded as in Cirrus I, and the second segment is well marked off from the first.

In Cirrus V the pedicel is smaller than in the preceding two cirri.

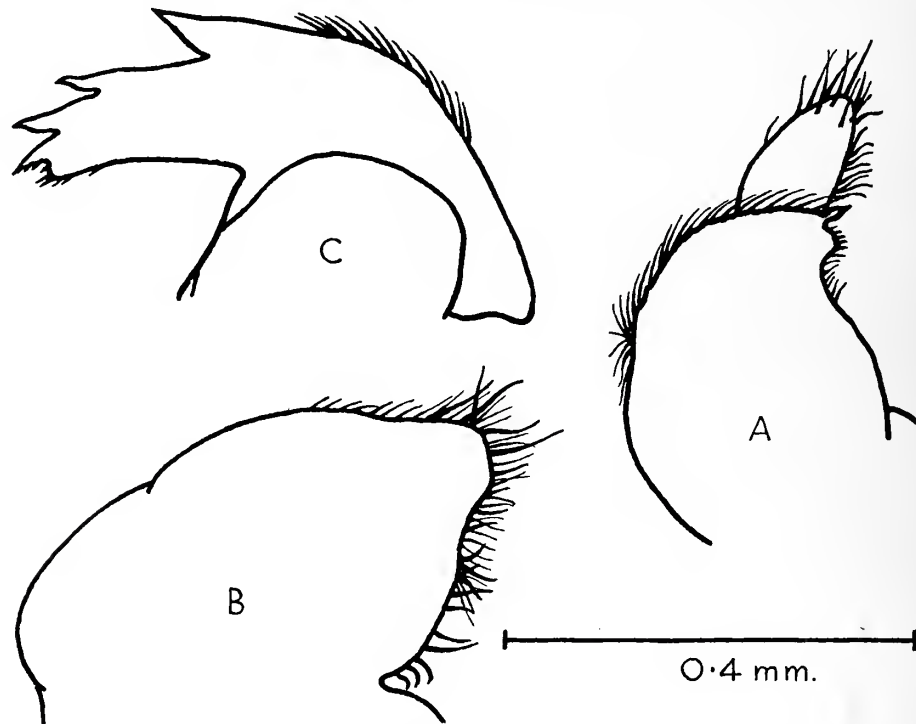
Cirrus VI has a still smaller pedicel. The posterior ramus appears to be three-segmented (Text-fig. 3 D).

There are no filamentary appendages.

The caudal appendages (Text-fig. 3 E) are well-developed. They are one-segmented, leaf-like structures approximately the same length as cirrus VI. They carry a thick tuft of long setæ terminally and a dense row of shorter ones along the anterior margin.

The penis is between two and three times the length of the caudal appendages and is not annulated. It bears a terminal tuft of long hairs and a few others scattered along its ventral surface.

No eggs are present in the mantle cavity of the specimen dissected.

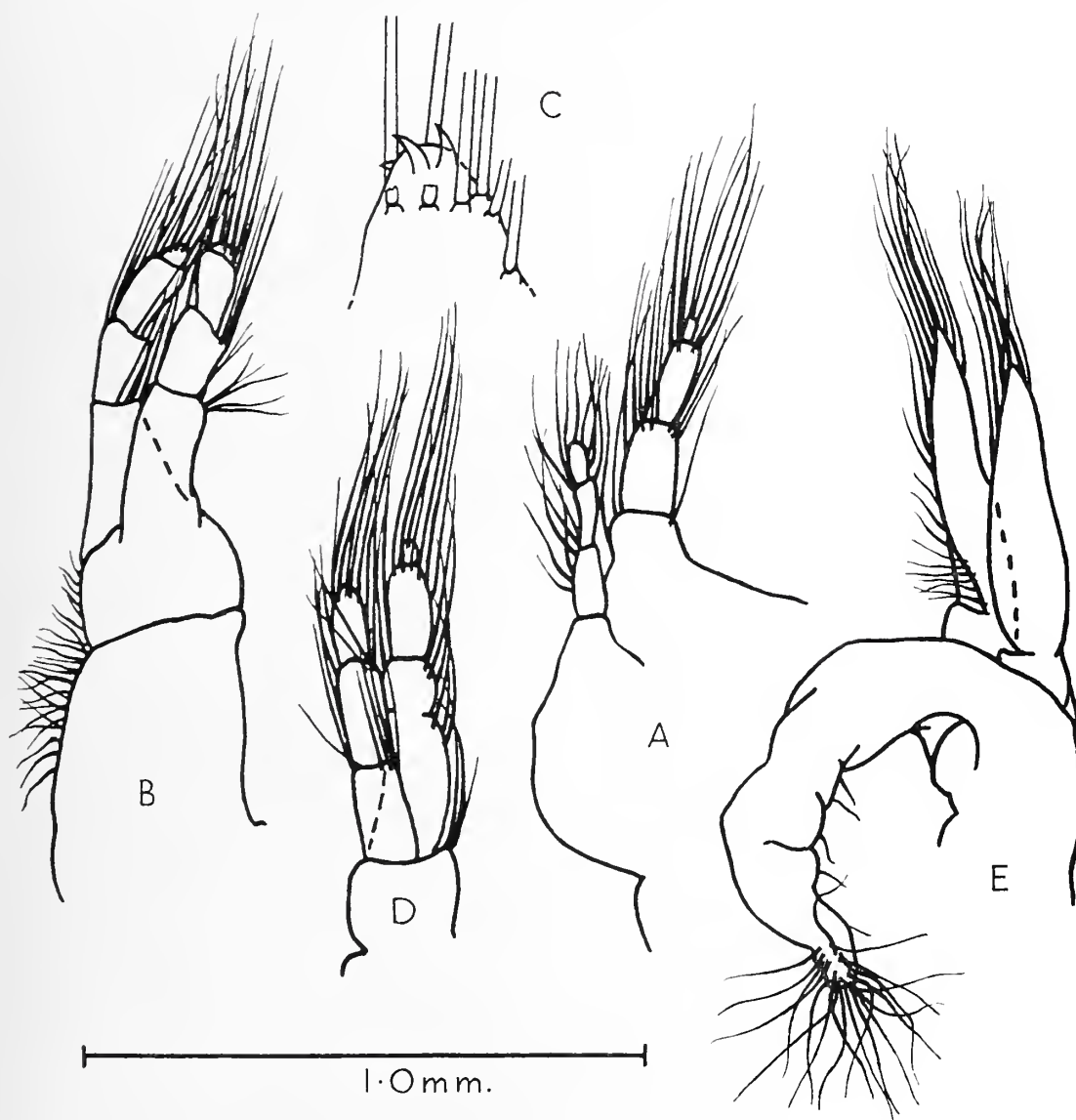


TEXT-FIG. 2. Mouth-parts of *Pagurolepas conchicola* g. et sp. nov. A, Maxilla I and palpus. B, Maxilla II. C, Mandible.

REMARKS.—It is noteworthy that the setæ on the appendages are all very weak, stout spines being conspicuous by their absence. Very small spines are present on the first maxilla, which is strongly spinose in most Cirripedia. The only other spine-like structures are the small hooks on the terminal segments of the cirri (Text-fig. 3 c).

The habitat of these barnacles is interesting. They occurred high up in the spire of the Gasteropod shells, far enough back to be above the tail of the Pagurid. Whether they entered by holes in the shell or by the shell mouth it is not possible to say as the shells were destroyed in removing the Pagurids, and whether they were complete or damaged when collected was not recorded. It is possible that the larvæ entered by the shell mouth, being carried in through the branchial chamber of the Pagurid by the current of water, which is continued inwards by the pleopods to aerate the shell cavity (Jackson, 1913, p. 64). This author records (*l. c.*, p. 65) the occurrence in shells inhabited by hermit-crabs of *Anomia ephippium*, which could only have been carried in by some such current.

The food supply of the barnacles is somewhat puzzling. Comparatively few planktonic organisms must find their way into the shell cavity, and the cirri are not adapted as a "cast-net" as in most free-living species. It is possible that they feed on the fine faecal material excreted into the shell cavity by the Pagurid. Jackson (*l. c.*, p. 65) suggests that



TEXT-FIG. 3.—Cirri and caudal appendages of *Pagurolepas conchicola* g. et sp. nov. A, Cirrus I. B, Cirrus III. C, Tip of segment 4 of outer ramus of Cirrus IV to show the hooked spines, viewed from the outer side. D, Cirrus VI. E, Caudal appendages and penis. All to scale shown, except c, which is greatly enlarged.

the Amphipods found in the apex of shells inhabited by *Eupagurus bernhardus* do this. The long hairs on the cirri may form a sufficiently fine strainer for this material, whereas the normal type of setation is probably too coarse.

It is a little difficult to place *Pagurolepas* in one of the existing families. It bears some resemblance to each of the families Oxynaspidæ (Nilsson-Cantell, 1921), Lepadidæ

(Nilsson-Cantell, 1921) and Trilasmaticidæ (Annandale, 1909; Nilsson-Cantell, 1934). It appears to resemble the species of the last family most nearly.

With the Oxynaspidæ it agrees in the number of mandibular teeth, in the absence of filamentary appendages, and in the reduction of the valves, though this has gone further than in *Oxynaspis*. It does not agree, however, in several equally important characters. Thus there are no chitinous spines on either capitulum or peduncle. The scutal umbo is practically at the base of the occludent margin, not in the middle of it, as in *Oxynaspis* spp., and the carinal umbo is basal. The base of the carina is not forked. The first maxilla has scarcely any notch and is not of the type found in *Oxynaspis*. The form of the second maxilla is likewise different. The caudal appendages, though unsegmented, are well-developed compared with those of *Oxynaspis*. *Pagurolepas* cannot, therefore, be placed in this family. In its biology it differs markedly from the species of *Oxynaspis*, most of which are epizoic, usually on Antipatharia.

*Pagurolepas* differs from the genera of Lepadidæ, *Lepas*, *Conchoderma* and *Alepas*, in the following characters: the presence of four instead of five mandibular teeth and the almost complete absence of pectination on them; the shape of the first maxilla; the entire absence of filamentary appendages, which are well-developed in Lepadidæ; and the presence of leaf-like in place of claw-like caudal appendages.

The Trilasmaticidæ are thus left. *Pagurolepas* agrees with this family in the presence of five reduced valves, though there is no sign of a tendency for them to split up as in *Trilasmis* or *Octolasmis*; the strong but not much thickened capitular membrane, without a muscular layer (this character also occurs among Lepadidæ); the absence of filamentary appendages, and of pectinations on the mandibular teeth. It differs somewhat from the members of this family in having unsegmented caudal appendages and in the shape of the first maxilla. The second maxilla agrees with the generalized type for the family.

It is thus to the Trilasmaticidæ that the new genus must be referred. As defined by Annandale (1909, as Pœcilasmatinæ) and Nilsson-Cantell (1921, 1934) this family contains three genera, *Trilasmis* (= *Pœcilasma*), *Megalasma* and *Octolasmis*. *Pagurolepas* is distinguished from the species of *Megalasma* and the forms of *Trilasmis* with complete valves, e. g. *Trilasmis* (*Pœcilasma*) *obliquus*, by the reduced valves. From other species of *Trilasmis* it is distinguished by the lack of division of the scutum into separate occludent and carinal plates, and by the absence of spurs at the base of the carina.

In the reduction of the valves *Pagurolepas* agrees with *Octolasmis*, though in the latter reduction takes a rather different course. The tergum is very similar to that found in species such as *O. darwini* and *O. lowei* (see Hiro, 1937, p. 425, text-fig. 16). In most species of *Octolasmis* the carina has a long furca, but in *O. angulata* (Aurivillius, 1894) the valve is reduced, and the furca may be represented by small processes only at the umbonal end. This form of carina approaches very near to that of *Pagurolepas*. The scutum, however, differs markedly from that found in *Octolasmis*. In the latter genus the scutum is usually triradiate or L-shaped. In *O. angulata*, however, a strap-shaped valve is produced by the reduction of the horizontal limb. In this condition the scutum approaches that of *Pagurolepas*, but the valve in the latter is more robust and does not appear to have been formed by reduction from a triradiate or L-shaped scutum.

*Pagurolepas* thus differs considerably from all the known genera of Trilasmaticidæ in the form of the scutum and carina, in the plump roundness of the capitulum, and particularly in the appendages. The mandible, while of the type found in the Trilasmaticidæ



and allied families, is distinctly different from that of other species. The first maxilla is even more distinctive. The reduced, rather rudimentary cirri occur nowhere else in the family: they are reminiscent of those found in the Lepadid species *Microlepas diadema* Hoek (1907), though not quite so rudimentary, and in *Gymnolepas pellucida* Aurivillius (1894) (= *Alepas pellucida* (Aurivillius), Pilsbry 1907). Somewhat reduced cirri are found in various members of the Heteralepadidæ, e. g. *Heteralepas* (*Paralepas*) *reticulata* Annandale (1914). It is possible that *Pagurolepas* may represent a stage between the species of Trilasmatidæ with reduced plates and normal cirri and the Heteralepadidæ, in which the plates are absent or very poorly developed and the cirri are often short. The reduction of the cirri in *Pagurolepas*, however, has gone much farther than in most Heteralepadidæ.

#### Genus TRILASMIS.

##### *Trilasmis* (*Pæcilasma*) *kämpferi* (Darwin).

*Pæcilasma kämpferi*, Darwin, 1851, p. 102, pl. ii, fig. 1.

*Pæcilasma* (*Pæcilasma*) *kämpferi*, Nilsson-Cantell, 1921, p. 254, text-fig. 46.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 157, Maldive Area, 229 metres: 45 specimens attached to a specimen of Homolid crab.

REMARKS.—These specimens are all adult except for one small one, in which the primordial plates are visible with only a narrow secondary growth band.

The record is additional to that given in the previous report (Stubbings, 1936, p. 5).

##### *Trilasmis* (*Temnaspis*) *excavatum* (Hoek).

*Pæcilasma* (*Temnaspis*) *excavatum*, Hoek, 1907, p. 10, pl. i, figs. 5-10.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 157, Maldive Area, 229 metres; 1 small immature specimen, attached to the same Homolid crab as the above species.

REMARKS.—This record is additional to that given in the previous report (Stubbings, 1936, p. 6).

##### *Trilasmis* sp.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 122, Zanzibar Area, 732 metres; 3 specimens.

REMARKS.—These specimens of a recently metamorphosed cirriped were found attached near the peduncles of the specimens of *Pagurolepas conchicola* described above. Five plates are present showing only one growth band. This is very broad on the scutum, which covers most of the capitulum. The terga are small. There is no sign of fission of the scutum so these specimens probably belong to the subgenus *Pæcilasma*. They are too small for further identification.

#### Suborder VERRUCOMORPHA Pilsbry 1916.

##### Genus VERRUCA.

##### *Verruca* (*Rostratoverruca*) *intexta* Pilsbry.

*Verruca intexta*, Pilsbry, 1912, p. 292.

*Verruca* (*Rostratoverruca*) *intexta*, Broch, 1922, p. 298.

*Verruca intexta*, Nilsson-Cantell, 1927, p. 774, text-fig. 14; 1929, p. 468, text-fig. 3.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 106, Zanzibar Area, 183–194 metres; 1 specimen on a shell of *Turris congener* (Smith).\*

REMARKS.—The single specimen of *Verruca* obtained at this station seems to belong to this species. The basal edges of the walls are not inflected as in *V. nexa* Darwin, which also belongs to this section of *Verruca*. The movable scutum has three ridges articulating with the rostrum. The outer of these latter, that next the fixed scutum, is broad and shows slight traces of division into two ridges. The rostral ridges articulating with the two scuta are poorly developed, three articulating with the movable scutum, and five with the fixed scutum. The specimen resembles most nearly that figured by Nilsson-Cantell (1929, p. 469, text-fig. 3a).

#### Suborder BALANOMORPHA Pilsbry 1916.

##### Genus BALANUS.

##### *Balanus (Chirona) albus* Hoek.

*Balanus albus*, Hoek, 1913, p. 185, pl. xvi, figs. 12, 13, pl. xvii, figs. 1–6.

*Balanus (Chirona) albus*, Stubbings, 1936, p. 41, text-fig. 18.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 106, Zanzibar Area, 183–194 metres; 1 specimen attached to the Gasteropod *Turris congener* (Smith), together with *Verruca intexta*.

REMARKS.—This record is additional to those in my earlier report quoted above.

##### *Balanus (Balanus) trigonus* Darwin.

*Balanus trigonus*, Darwin, 1854, p. 223, pl. iii, figs. 7a–f.

*Balanus trigonus*, Stubbings, 1936, p. 41.

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 53, South Arabian Coast, 13·5 metres; (i) 4 specimens attached to an orange-brown Tunicate; (ii) 2 clusters of 19 and 9 dry specimens, some of which retain the opercular valves.

REMARKS.—The species was recorded in my previous report from Sta. M.B.II (c), also on the South Arabian Coast.

#### CIRRIPEDE LARVÆ.

##### *Nauplius I.*

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 58, South Arabian Coast, surface; 7 specimens.

DESCRIPTION.—These nauplii appear to be in the last or metanauplius stage as paired eyes are present, and the developing cirri can be seen through the wall of the abdominal process. They are dark brown in colour.

The carapace is strongly convex, slightly longer than broad, and without dorsal spines. A pair of short posterior spines, about one-seventh the length of the carapace, is present. The lateral horns are slightly longer than this. The lateral horn glands are large and ovoid. The caudal spine is long, slightly less than half the length of the carapace, and armed with several rows of very small spinules. The abdominal process is armed with

\* I am indebted to Mr. R. Winckworth for this specimen and that of *Balanus albus*, also for the identification of the Gasteropod to which they were attached.

two parallel rows of small spines on either side of the mid-ventral line. The first five pairs are of equal size. The sixth pair are twice the size of those anterior to them. Behind the sixth pair lie a pair of much larger spines, and lateral to these a single spine on either side pointing backwards and dorsalwards. All the paired spines on the abdominal process are backwardly curved. The abdominal process reaches nearly to the tip of the caudal spine. It then forks into two large spines, rather more than half as long as the narrow part of the abdominal process. There appear to be no spinules on the abdominal process and spines.

The nauplius eye is still distinguishable as a bilobed structure in the middle line anterior to the labrum. On either side lie the larger, pigmented, cypris eyes, behind which and slightly nearer the middle line arise the long filamentous processes. The latter reach slightly beyond the proximal end of the third segment of the first antenna.

The labrum is longer than broad. The median portion of the tip is rounded and bears a fringe of setæ. The lateral angles of the tip are rounded and bear small tufts of setæ.

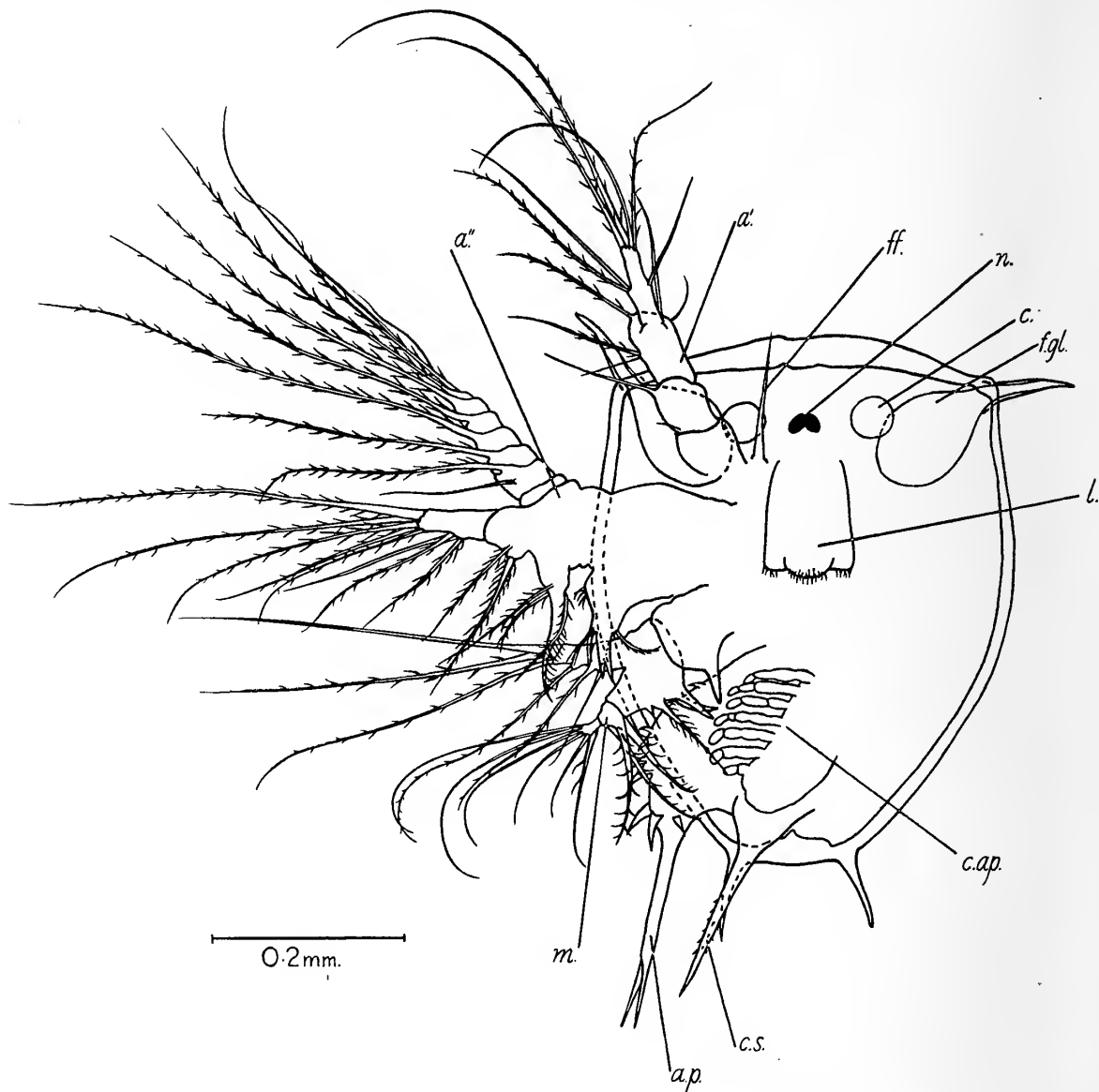
The first antenna is four-segmented. Segments 1 and 2 are roughly as broad as long. Segment 3 is twice as long as broad. Segment 4 is very much narrower, and nearly four times as long as broad. Segment 1 bears one very small setule on the posterior border. Segment 2 bears a single fairly long seta on the same side. Segment 3 has a pair of setæ, one very much longer than the other, on the anterior border: on the posterior border it bears one seta distally and a pair in the middle of its length. This last pair also are of unequal length. Segment 4 bears one seta at the middle of the anterior edge and a rather larger pair at the same level on the posterior edge. Terminally there are four setæ of unequal length.

The second antenna has a seven-segmented exopodite and a two-segmented endopodite. There are no setæ on the anterior border of the exopodite. This ramus has a single naked terminal seta and nine on the posterior border. All except the proximal of these are plumose. The proximal seta is only about half the length of the others. The endopodite, likewise, bears no setæ on the anterior border. There are five large setæ on the tip and three on the side of the second segment. The lower segment bears a pair of setæ. On the basal part of the appendage is a group of four setæ, one of which is very stout. All these setæ are plumose. The gnathobase of the second antenna has a bifid spinose tip and bears two tufts of setæ on its distal border. There is a single plumose seta on the proximal border.

The mandible consists of two large basal segments and small exopodite and endopodite of three and two segments respectively. There are no setæ on the anterior edge of either ramus. The exopodite bears a single terminal seta without setules. Four large plumose setæ and one small naked seta lie along the posterior border. The endopodite bears a terminal tuft of four naked setæ and close to them, on the posterior margin, a shorter pair, one of which bears a few setules. The first joint of the endopodite bears three stout setæ with strong setules. The first basal joint bears the straight spine-like gnathobase. The second basal segment bears two spine-like processes and a pair of slender plumose setæ.

REMARKS.—This nauplius resembles very closely that described by Hansen (1899, p. 22) as *Nauplius*  $\beta$ , two specimens of which were obtained by the "Plankton-Expedition" from St. George's Harbour, Bermuda. The specific identity of *Nauplius*  $\beta$  has not been determined. The appendages of this nauplius are not figured by Hansen, so that it is

only possible to compare the form and spination of the carapace and abdominal process with the corresponding structures in the present specimens. The spination of the abdominal process is the same in both species. The carapace of the present specimens is considerably broader. Without knowing the structure of the appendages it is not possible to identify the two with certainty, and I shall not consider Hansen's species further.



TEXT-FIG. 4.—Nauplius I. *a'*, antenna I. *a''*, antenna II. *a.p.*, abdominal process. *c.*, cypris eye. *c.ap.*, appendages of cypris. *c.s.*, caudal spine. *f.f.*, frontal filaments. *f.gl.*, glands of fronto-lateral horns. *l.*, labrum. *m.*, mandible. *n.*, nauplius eye.

Nauplius I likewise shows considerable affinity with the seventh and eighth naupliar stages of *Balanus crenatus* Bruguière, as figured by Herz (1933, p. 437). The chief differences from this species are the setation of the labrum and of the appendages. *B. crenatus* has numerous setæ on the median portion of the labrum and more on the lateral parts. As described above, setæ occur in both positions on Nauplius I, but are fewer in number than shown by Herz for *B. crenatus*.



Small differences occur in the setation of all the appendages. The first antenna is very similar to that of *B. crenatus*, but a small setule is present on the first segment and another on Segment 3, which are not shown by Herz. The rest of this appendage agrees with Herz's figure. According to this author the setæ on the first antenna of the eighth stage nauplius, that in which the cypris eyes appear, are reduced in length and without setules. Some of the setæ present in the seventh stage are lost in the eighth. In the present specimens, which are apparently in the last naupliar stage as they possess cypris eyes, setæ are present on all segments, the terminal ones are long and all the long ones are plumose.

The second antenna bears only ten setæ on the exopodite, as against twelve in *B. crenatus*. The endopodite bears fourteen setæ and a gnathobase. Herz's figure (eighth stage) shows only twelve setæ and a gnathobase on this part of the appendage. In *B. crenatus* the gnathobase is not bifid, terminating in two strong spines, but simply bears a tuft of stout setæ.

The mandible has the same number of setæ on the exopodite in both species. There are, however, thirteen setæ on the endopodite as compared with twelve in *B. crenatus*. The gnathobase is a spine in both species. The two setæ immediately distal to the gnathobase are without setules in Nauplius I. From Herz's figure of the eighth stage nauplius of *B. crenatus*, they seem to bear setules.

These differences of detail seem to be sufficient to exclude the nauplii under discussion from *Balanus crenatus*. This species has not so far been recorded from the Indian Ocean, though it is known from the Western Pacific as well as from the Atlantic. It is probable that Nauplius I belongs to a species of *Balanus* nearly related to, but not specifically identical with, *B. crenatus*. It appears, likewise, to be near to Hansen's Nauplius  $\beta$ .

The setation formulæ for the new nauplius and for *B. crenatus* are given below in the manner proposed by Bassindale (1936, p. 67). The formulæ for the appendages of *B. crenatus* are taken from Bassindale (1936, p. 71, table iv), who derived them from the figures given by Herz (1933, p. 437, pl. ii). The figures for *B. crenatus* are for the eighth naupliar stage unless otherwise stated.

Appendage.	<i>B. crenatus</i> .	Nauplius I.
Antenna I: . . .	1.1.4.2.1.2.1 (7th stage) . but 1.5.1 (8th stage)	2.1.4.2.1.2.1.1
Antenna II:		
exopodite . . .	0.4.8 . . .	0.1.9
endopodite . . .	0.4.3.2.3.G. . .	0.5.3.2.4.G.
Mandible		
exopodite . . .	0.1.5 . . .	0.1.5
endopodite . . .	0.4.2.3.3.G. . .	0.4.2.3.2.2.G.

*Nauplius* II (Text-fig. 5).

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 172, Central Arabian Sea, 400–0 metres; 2 metanauplii.

DESCRIPTION.—The carapace is shield-shaped with numerous peripheral spines, of which three lateral pairs and a posterior pair are rather larger than the rest. Anteriorly there are two pairs of prominent spines between the fronto-lateral horns. The dorsal

side, except for a narrow peripheral region, is covered with very small denticles (Text-fig. 5 B). There is a long dorsal spine, broken in both specimens, but at least twice the length of the carapace. The spine is covered with spinules. The dimensions of the carapace are :

Length (excluding spines)	. . . . .	1120 $\mu$
Greatest breadth	. . . . .	855 $\mu$

There is the usual large number of peripheral glands on the carapace, opening on the spines. The fronto-lateral horns are directed slightly forwards in one specimen and at right-angles to the antero-posterior axis in the other. They terminate in two rami almost as long as the basal part of the horn. The rami bear terminal tufts of setæ, some of which appear to be plumose.

The nauplius eye has disappeared in both specimens. Paired cypris eyes are just distinguishable in one specimen (Text-fig. 5 A). In the other—that in which the fronto-lateral horns are laterally directed—they are larger, wider apart and darkly pigmented.

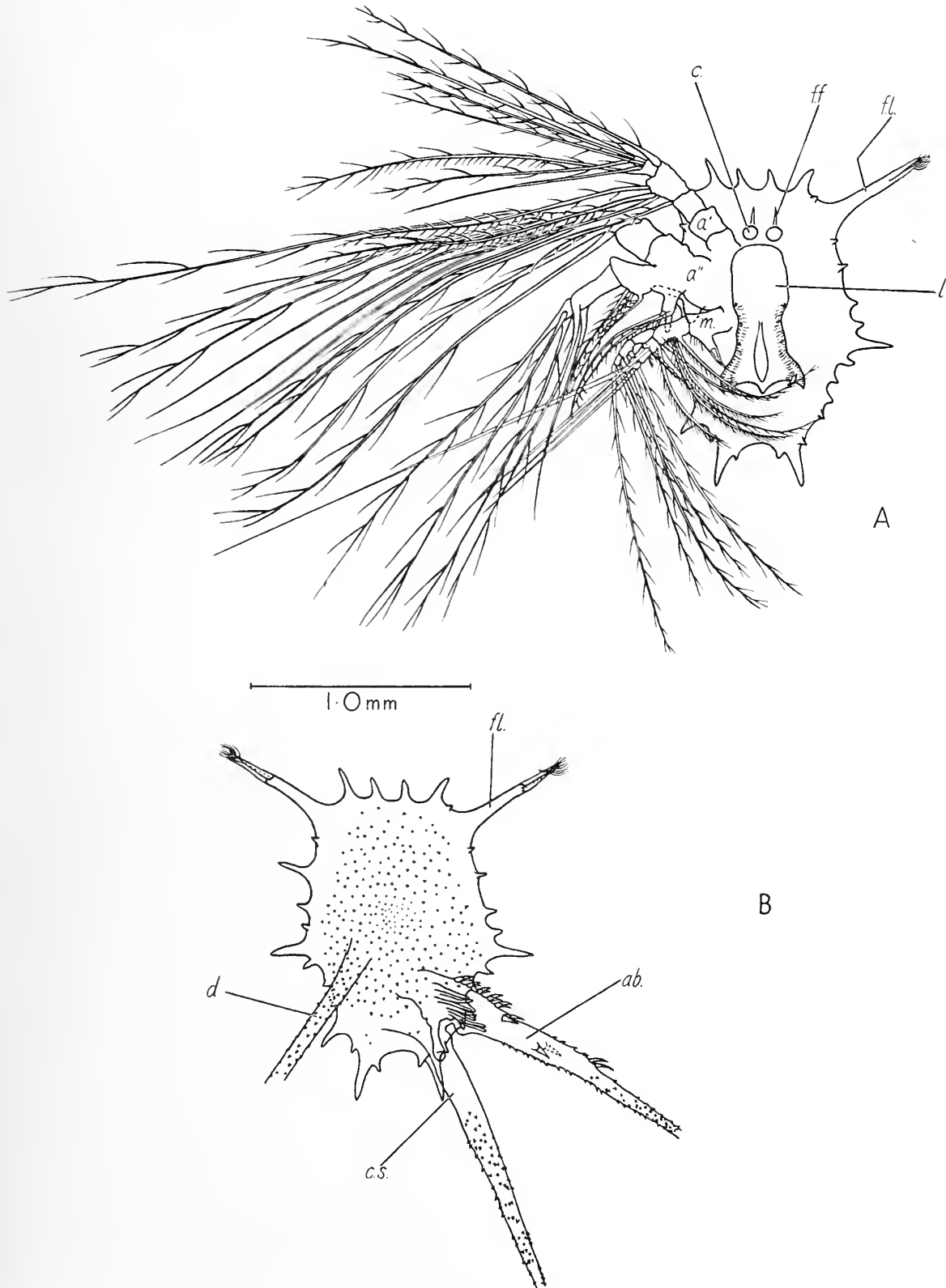
The frontal filaments are short and do not reach to the anterior border of the carapace.

The labrum is very similar to that of *Nauplius hastatus* and *N. eques* (Chun, 1895, pl. v). At the tip it bears paired anterior and lateral teeth and a median posterior tooth. Three pairs of small teeth lie on the sides of the labrum in its narrowest part. The distal two-thirds of the labrum bears several rows of short setæ on either side. These setæ are directed inwards towards the middle line of the labrum.

The caudal spine and abdominal process are broken in both specimens. The caudal spine appears to have been at least three times the length of the carapace. The abdominal process was probably four to four and one-half times the length of the carapace. The remaining portion is rather more than three times the carapace length. Both processes are armed with numerous small spines. In addition the abdominal process bears six pairs of large spines ventrally at its base. A little further along a pair of large lateral spines occur and a little distance further a ventral pair of large spines. The rudiments of the cypris appendages are visible in the region of the six pairs of spines.

The three pairs of appendages bear very long setæ. The first antenna is six-segmented. The first and second segments bear no setæ. Segment 3 bears a single short seta with no setules on its posterior border. Segment 4 bears a long plumose seta on its anterior border and three on its posterior: two of these latter are plumose, but the third is shorter and without setules. Segment 5 bears two unequal setæ on the posterior side. The longer of the two only has setules. There is a third, plumose seta on the ventral side of the segment. Segment 6 bears three plumose setæ, of which one is slightly longer than the others.

The second antenna consists of a two-segmented basal part bearing an exopodite and endopodite. Each segment of the basal part bears a process on the inner side. That on the basal segment is a simple lobe without setæ or spines, while that on the second basal segment is broader at the end and bears numerous fine setæ (not shown in Text-fig. 5 A) and three stout setæ, one of which is much shorter than the others. These three setæ are all plumose. The endopodite is three-segmented. The first segment is slightly longer than broad and bears three short plumose setæ. The second segment is about two-and-a-half times as long as broad and bears two unequal setæ, the longer of which alone is feathered. The setules on this segment are far apart and much longer than those



TEXT-FIG. 5.—Nauplius II. A, Ventral view, showing labrum and appendages. B, Dorsal view of carapace showing dorsal and caudal spines and the abdominal process. *a'*, first antenna. *a''*, second antenna. *ab.*, abdominal process. *c.*, cypris eye. *c.s.*, caudal spine. *d.*, dorsal spine. *f.f.*, frontal filament. *fl.*, fronto-lateral horn. *l.*, labrum. *m.*, mandible.

on the previous segment. The third segment bears a terminal and a lateral pair of setæ, all with long setules.

The exopodite of the second antenna is 7-segmented. None of the segments bear setæ on the anterior border. The first segment bears no setæ. The second has two long setæ on the posterior border. Segments 3 to 6 each bear one seta. The setæ on segments 2 to 4 are plumose like those on the endopodite. Segment 7 bears one seta on the posterior border and three terminally, of which the most anterior is the largest. The three terminal setæ bear long setules. The setæ on segments 5 and 6 and the posterior one on segment 7 bear no setules. The long setæ of the exopodite are from one-and-one-half times to twice the length of the antenna. The longest setæ on the endopodite are rather shorter.

The mandible has a two-jointed basis and three segments in each of the rami. The first basal segment bears a conical biting process on the posterior border. On the distal border of this process is a patch of small setæ. This process contains a toothed plate, apparently the mandible of the adult barnacle. The second segment bears three long, recurved, plumose setæ on its posterior border.

The mandibular exopodite bears two setæ on segments 1 and 2 and three on the terminal segment. The setæ on segment 1 are curved towards the base of the limb like those on the second basal segment. The endopodite bears three setæ on the first segment, two on the posterior border and one on the side. Of the posterior pair one is very short and straight, and the other is about three times as long and curved towards the base of the appendage. Both bear setules. The third seta is simple and directed outwards along the limb-axis. Segment 2 bears one seta similar in form and position to that on the side of segment 1. The terminal segment bears two unequal, simple setæ, the longer of which is terminal and is very long and stout.

The setation formula, in the form proposed by Bassindale, is thus :

Antenna I	. . . . .	1.1.3.2.3.1
Antenna II:		
exopodite	. . . . .	0.1.2.2.3
endopodite	. . . . .	0.3.5.2
Mandible:		
exopodite	. . . . .	0.1.2.2.2
endopodite	. . . . .	0.1.1.1.3

REMARKS.—Nauplius II shows affinities with a number of the larger nauplii described by various authors as follows :

“*Archizoea gigas*” Dohrn.

Nauplius of *Lepas fascicularis* Willemoës-Suhm.

*Nauplius eques* }  
*N. hastatus* } Chun.  
*N. loricatus* }

*N. caudatus* }  
*N. denticulatus* } Gruvel, 1910.  
*N. echinatus* }

*N. longicaudatus* Gruvel, 1920.



The present species and the nine listed above all have a number of characters in common, the most prominent of which are: the peripheral spination of the carapace; the long spinose caudal spine and abdominal process; the small denticles on the dorsal side of the carapace; and the six pairs of strong spines on the base of the abdominal process. The relative lengths of the caudal spine and abdominal process vary from species to species, as does also the length of each in terms of the length of the carapace.

The size of all these nauplii is considerable. They vary in length from 0.9 mm. to 1.5 mm., while the caudal spine and abdominal process may be from three to six times this length. The new specimens are thus of about average size for this type of nauplius.

The degree of development of the dorsal spine is variable. In *N. hastatus* Chun it is absent. In *N. loricatus* Chun and "*Archizoea gigas*" Dohrn it is short, less than the length of the carapace. The present specimens agree with the remaining six, viz.,

<i>Lepas fascicularis</i> nauplius,	<i>Nauplius denticulatus</i> ,
<i>Nauplius eques</i> ,	<i>N. echinatus</i> ,
<i>N. caudatus</i> ,	<i>N. longicaudatus</i> ,

in having a long dorsal spine. Of these six species, *N. denticulatus* and *N. longicaudatus* are distinguished by the presence of a row of small denticles on the anterior margin of the carapace. These are not present in any of the other species listed above. *N. longicaudatus*, moreover, has the dorsal spinules extending almost to the tips of the peripheral spines. *Lepas fascicularis* nauplius and *N. caudatus* have each a distinctive outline. The peripheral spines of *L. fascicularis* are small. In *N. caudatus* the large posterior spines are denticulate. The general shape and spination of the carapace of Nauplius II is closest to that seen in *N. eques* and *N. echinatus*.

*N. eques* can be distinguished on the structure of the mandible, which bears six large curved spines on its posterior border, whereas the mandible of Nauplius II has only one nearly straight spine in this position. *N. echinatus* differs considerably from Nauplius II in the shape of the labrum. The form of the labrum in Nauplius II is nearest to that found in *N. hastatus* and *N. eques*.

The form of the ends of the fronto-lateral horns is distinctive. In Nauplius II these end in two rami with terminal tufts of setae (Text-fig. 5 A). Of the nine species of nauplius listed above similar horns occur only in "*Archizoea gigas*" and *N. loricatus*, which have already been separated from the rest on the shortness of the dorsal spine. In *N. loricatus*, moreover, there is a third slender ramus on the fronto-lateral horn which Gruvel terms the "epipodite". This is not present in the new nauplius.

The present specimens thus possess characters in common with several species of nauplii, but differ from them all in one or more characters. I have thus thought it desirable to separate the specimens from any of the described species as a new form which I propose to designate as Nauplius II, as to give it a specific name will in all probability only add to the synonymy of a well-established species when the adult of this nauplius is determined.

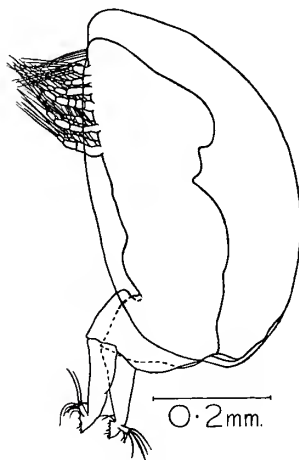
Nauplius II can be distinguished by the following combination of characters: the long dorsal spine, the two setose rami on the fronto-lateral horns, the shape of the labrum, and the presence of a single spine on the protopodite of the mandible.

Nauplius II appears to be most nearly allied to *N. eques* Chun, a single example of which was obtained off Madeira (Chun, 1895, p. 81).

*Cypris* I (Text-fig. 6).

OCCURRENCE.—Sta. 58, South Arabian Coast, surface; 1 specimen.

DESCRIPTION.—The larva is dark brown in colour, like Nauplius I. Little of the internal organization, except the outline of the adult body, can be made out. The cirri project slightly from the bivalve shell and the attaching antennæ are directed forwards. The latter have a disc-like attaching surface and a small terminal segment bearing a few short setæ. There appears to be no sensory process.



TEXT-FIG. 6.—*Cypris* I, probably of the same species as Nauplius I.

REMARKS.—It is possible that this cypris belongs to the same Balanid species as Nauplius I described above (p. 390). The larva is of the same size as this nauplius and similarly coloured. Furthermore, all the specimens of Nauplius I were in the last naupliar stage and show cypris eyes, and no other nauplii were obtained in this plankton haul.

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## INTRODUCTION.

THE collection of Sipunculids and Echiurids brought back by the Expedition was comparatively small, but interesting. Unfortunately the condition of a number of the specimens was very poor and in the case of one station the whole collection had to be left unidentified.

Eight species were recognized and of these two are new to science, namely :

### Sipunculids—

1. *Sipunculus billitonensis* Sluiter.
2. *S. robustus* Kef.
3. *Siphonostoma cumanensis* Kef.
4. *Physcosoma nigrescens* Kef.
5. *P. meteorî* (Hérubel).
6. *P. sewelli* sp. nov.
7. *P. rüppelii* (Grube).
8. *Phascolion murrayi* sp. nov.

### Echiurids—

9. Gen. et sp. ?

The collections came from five separate areas of the Red Sea and Indian Ocean, namely, (a) Red Sea and Gulf of Aden ; (b) south-eastern coast of Arabia ; (c) Gulf of Oman ; (d) Zanzibar and neighbourhood ; (e) Maldive Islands. The two new species came from deep water, and are closely related to other deep water species already described. It is unfortunate that the full identification of the specimens from the deep water station, No. 124, was not possible, since they probably represented some undescribed Echiurid.

The known range of *Sipunculus robustus* has been very considerably extended, and it is suggested that the previous records of *Sipunculus priapuloides* from the Red Sea and the Loyalty Islands, which have always seemed somewhat out of place, should be referred to *S. robustus*. It has not been possible to examine the two specimens on which the records were based, since they appear to have been lost.

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#### SIPUNCULOIDEA.

##### 1. *Sipunculus billitonensis* Sluiter.

- Sipunculus billitonensis* Sluiter, 1886, p. 487.  
*Sipunculus billitonensis* Sluiter, 1891, p. 123.  
*Sipunculus billitonensis* Sluiter, 1902, p. 4.  
*Sipunculus billitonensis* Shipley, 1899, p. 157.  
*Sipunculus billitonensis* Shipley, 1903, p. 135.  
*Sipunculus billitonensis* Lanchester, 1905*b*, p. 30.

##### LOCALITY :

Maldive Islands, St. 147, 4° 53' 12" N., 72° 54' 30" E., 2.iv.34, 27 m. grab, sft. cm. m.

Two small partially contracted specimens, 70 mm. and 58 mm. respectively, were taken. They were light yellow-brown in colour and the anus was not very prominent, as is often the case. In this latter respect they differed from those described by Shipley (1899, p. 157, and fig. 7) from the Loyalty Islands, but agreed with the specimens reported on by him (Shipley, 1903, p. 135) from the Laccadive Islands. They agreed well with Sluiter's description and call for no comment.

The species is recorded from the Maldive Islands for the first time, but is already known from the neighbouring Laccadive Islands (Shipley, 1903). Elsewhere it has been recorded from the Loyalty Islands (Shipley, 1899), the Dutch East Indies (Sluiter, 1902), and from Pemba Island, near Zanzibar (Lanchester, 1905).

##### 2. *Sipunculus robustus* Kef.

- Sipunculus robustus* Keferstein, 1865, p. 421.  
*Sipunculus robustus* Kef., Baird, 1868, p. 80.  
*Sipunculus robustus* Kef., Selenka, 1889, p. 221.  
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*Sipunculus robustus* Kef., Lanchester, 1905*a*, p. 27.  
*Sipunculus robustus* Kef., Ten Broeke, 1925, p. 82.  
*Sipunculus robustus* Kef., Sato, 1935, p. 301.

## LOCALITIES :

## Maldive Islands :

St. 142,  $5^{\circ} 23' 12''$  N.,  $73^{\circ} 37' 06''$  E., 30.iii.34, 37 m. grab, cm. m.

St. 147,  $4^{\circ} 53' 12''$  N.,  $72^{\circ} 54' 30''$  E., 2.iv.34, 27 m. grab, sft. cm. m.

St. 160,  $4^{\circ} 52' 30''$  N.,  $72^{\circ} 51' 36''$  E., 7.iv.34, 37 m. grab, cm. m.

St. 161,  $5^{\circ} 04' 48''$  N.,  $72^{\circ} 50' 30''$  E., 8.iv. 34, 46 m. grab, c. s.

St. 163,  $8^{\circ} 15' 18''$  N.,  $73^{\circ} 01' 36''$  E., 11.iv.34, 274 m. grab, gn. s.

## Gulf of Oman :

St. 70,  $25^{\circ} 34' 12''$  N.,  $57^{\circ} 23' 36''$  E., 25.xi.34, 199 m., sft. gn. m.

The eight specimens from St. 70 differed very distinctly from the rest. They were, unfortunately, somewhat macerated with the cuticle very largely separated from the rest of the body. They were blue-grey in colour, highly iridescent and, to a slight degree, translucent. The outstanding character was that of a zone of finger-like processes in the middle region of the body (Pl. I, fig. 1). These processes were of the same colour as the body and had the same iridescent translucent appearance. A similar appearance has already been seen in the animals which Keferstein described under the name of *S. tessellatus*, but which Baird (1868 p. 78) considered should be regarded as a variety of *S. nudus*. In *S. tessellatus*, however, these processes were situated on the lower half of the introvert. In other respects these animals agreed with *S. robustus*, and it seems best to consider them as only a variety of that species.

One animal was dissected. The longitudinal muscles were divided into 27 bands. The four retractors arose at the same level and only a short way behind the anus. The ventral retractors arose from the third and fourth longitudinal muscle-bands and the dorsal retractors from the ninth and tenth. The largest specimen, which was fully expanded, measured about 125 mm. overall. The remainder, mostly contracted, were between 60 and 100 mm. overall.

The specimens from the Maldive Islands were, on the whole, much smaller and in good preservation. Three specimens were taken at St. 160. Two were comparatively large, while the third was small. The latter showed interesting features and further reference will be made to it later. The two large specimens were contracted and measured 69 and 60 mm. respectively. In the largest animal there were 28 longitudinal muscle-bands anteriorly and 26 posteriorly. The ventral retractors arose from the third, fourth and fifth muscle-bands and the dorsal from the ninth to eleventh muscle-bands. The posterior extremity of the body was strongly ribbed, but the ribbing did not extend quite to the posterior end, which had a somewhat bulbous appearance. The smaller specimen was also strongly ribbed. The posterior end was also strongly ribbed, was somewhat bulbous in appearance and had a distinct collar (Pl. I, fig. 2). The ribbing was strongly shown on the collar, but posteriorly to it the body was practically smooth, shining and iridescent, with only one or two of the ribs extending over it.

The specimen from St. 142 was partially contracted and about 32 mm. in length. Anteriorly there were 27 longitudinal muscle-bands and posteriorly 26. The appearance of the posterior end was the same as in the previously described animal, namely, the longitudinal muscle-bands did not continue right to the posterior end.

The specimen from St. 147 was partially contracted and was about 24 mm. in length. In it the ribbing continued right to the end of the body. The animal from St. 163 was

much macerated, expanded and 24 mm. in length. The posterior end was iridescent, bulbous and similar in appearance to the small specimen from St. 162 about to be described.

This specimen (Pl. II, fig. 3) was very interesting. In colour it was red-brown and heavily ribbed in the middle portion of the body. The posterior end was bulbous and transparent, and the ribbing was continued indistinctly over it. There were 24 longitudinal muscle-bands.

The reason for this detailed description of the appearance of the posterior end of the body is that there seems to have been a certain amount of confusion regarding these small forms. In *S. robustus* the number of longitudinal muscle-bands varies from 24 to 31. In the small animals taken by the Murray Expedition there were only 24 bands and the posterior end was bulbous and often smooth. These characters also agree with those of *Sipunculus priapuloides* described by Koren and Danielssen (1877, p. 126) from the Norwegian coast. This latter species has been considered as a synonym of *Sipunculus norvegicus* Kor. et Dan. by Théel (1906, p. 56). I have compared these small specimens with specimens of *S. norvegicus* in my possession and the appearance of the posterior end is quite different in the two sets of animals. I have therefore considered these small *Sipunculus* from the John Murray Expedition as young *S. robustus*, and following the same line of argument consider that the records of *S. priapuloides* from Lifu in the Loyalty Islands given by Shipley (1899, p. 158) and from the Red Sea by Robinson (1927, p. 359) should probably be referred to *S. robustus*. As already stated, it has not been possible to examine the specimens on which the two records in question were made, as the specimens appear to have been lost.

*S. robustus* has a wide distribution in tropical seas. It has been taken at numerous places in the Pacific and East Indies; also from the West Indies (Ten Broeke, 1925, p. 82).

### 3. *Siphonostoma cumanensis* Kef.

#### LOCALITY :

Gulf of Oman, St. 72, 25° 38' 18" N., 56° 26' 36" E., 26.xi.33, 73 m., Agassiz trawl, c. s. sh.

One specimen, about 30 mm. in length, was taken. It was in a very macerated condition and all internal features had been destroyed. From external characters it would appear to have belonged to this species, but it is not possible to refer it to any of the known varieties.

### 4. *Physcosoma nigrescens* Kef.

#### LOCALITIES :

Red Sea, St. M.B.b, 13° 39' 30" N., 42° 43' 00" E., 17.ix.33, 29 m., s. sh. cr.

Red Sea, St. M.B.d, 13° 39' 30" N., 42° 43' 00" E., 17.ix.33, 26 m., s. sh. cr.

South-eastern coast of Arabia, St. 45, 18° 03' 30" N., 57° 02' 30" E., 29.x.33, 38 m., Lith.

The specimens taken were all small. At St. b the largest, which was fully expanded, measured only 18 mm. in length. The others were much smaller. The small animals were all yellowish-white in colour, but the larger one, already mentioned, had a few of the usual red-brown papillae scattered over the body.

This species is widely distributed in tropical and subtropical waters of the Atlantic and Pacific.



5. *Physcosoma meteori* (Hérubel).*Phymosoma meteori* Hérubel, 1904, p. 477.

## LOCALITY :

South-eastern coast of Arabia, St. 45, 18° 03' 30" N., 57° 02' 30" E., 29.x.33,  
38 m., Lith.

This species reaches a length of 6-7 cm., but the four specimens taken by the Expedition were all small, the largest being only 12 mm. in length. They agreed with Hérubel's description and call for no comment. Notes of the habitat made at the time of collecting indicate that the animals were living in the tissues of sponges, but in one case the specimen was found in the residue at the foot of a jar containing calcareous sponges. The present record considerably increases the known range of the species, the previous records of Hérubel being all from the Red Sea, namely : Gulf of Tadjourah, Meteor Reef, dredging in 18-20 m. ; Pingouin Reef, dredging in sand at the base of the reef in 18-20 m. ; Bay of Djibouti, in tubes of *Hircinia* ; Messageries Reef, north-west of the plateau of Héron in the furrows of sand at the bases of sponges ; Ambouli.

6. *Physcosoma sewelli* sp. nov.

## LOCALITIES :

Entrance to the Gulf of Oman, St. 59, 22° 22' 48" N., 60° 6' 24" E., 6.xi.33,  
1948 m., sft. gn. m.

Off the Maldivé Islands, St. 162, 8° 08' 30" N., 72° 58' E., 10.vi. 34, 2051 m.,  
gy. m.

One specimen was taken at each station and in both cases there had been a certain amount of internal maceration, so that, in certain respects, the description is somewhat incomplete.

*Holotype.*

Specimen contracted, preserved in a slightly twisted position and measuring approximately 70 mm. in length. The colour of the body was dark grey-brown and the introvert black. The shape was more or less cylindrical and about 8 mm. in diameter, except for a globular swelling at the base of the introvert. The body was strongly ridged circularly, and on parts, more especially on the introvert, the cuticle gave it a corky appearance which obscured the papillae. Papillae were scattered thickly over the surface of the body. These were more or less circular in shape and varied in size from about .06 mm. to .25 mm. in diameter. Over most of the body they seemed almost flat or only very slightly raised, but at the posterior end they were more or less hemispherical. No hooks were present on the introvert.

The posterior half of the digestive tract was macerated so that no count of turns of the gut could be made. There was a strong spindle muscle which was attached to the body-wall in front of the anus and which extended as far back as the gut was preserved. It was probably attached posteriorly. Two reddish nephridia were present, which were free for their whole length.

The grouping of the longitudinal muscles into bands was not at all clearly shown and

could be distinguished for only a short distance in the anterior portion of the body. Circular rows of masses of red cells with a wavy outline occurred in the anterior portion of the body. There were only two very stout retractor muscles, which were attached about the middle of the body. They were about 4 mm. in breadth, and were joined to form a single stout column after about half their length. The holotype was taken at St. 59 and is deposited in the British Museum.

The animal from St. 162 was much smaller. It was contracted and measured only 30 mm. overall. The body was broadest at the posterior end and tapered to the introvert. The colour was grey-brown and, as in the holotype, the cuticle formed a corky layer which completely obscured the papillae. The longitudinal muscles were clearly grouped into bands only in the anterior middle quarter of the body, but anastomosed to such a degree that it was impossible to make a count of them. Indeed, this portion of the body-wall had the appearance of a sheet of muscle with numerous slits in it. Posteriorly and anteriorly of this area the longitudinal muscles formed a continuous sheet.

The two strong retractors arose from the posterior end of the middle third of the body. They had broad roots and ran together after a distance of only about a single mm. In this specimen, also, the lower half of the gut was macerated, so that neither the number of coils nor the possible posterior attachment of the spindle muscle could be made out. The wavy masses of red cells seen in the holotype were not visible in this animal. As in the holotype there were no hooks on the introvert.

In spite of the slight differences in the two specimens and although taken so far apart from each other there is no doubt that they belong to the same species. Further, they both came from similar depths and from the same type of sea bottom.

The members of the genus *Physcosoma* are, as a rule, inhabitants of shallow water, but one species, *P. abyssorum* (Southern, 1913, p. 12), has been described from deep water off the coast of Ireland in 802–932 m. Later it was taken off Sierra Leone (Fischer, 1917, p. 15) in 4990 m. To it the new species shows greater affinities than to other members of the genus. Like *P. abyssorum* it has only two retractors, is transversely wrinkled, has papillae scattered over the body and has the longitudinal muscles clearly grouped into definite bands in only a limited area of the body. It differs chiefly from *P. abyssorum* in having no hooks on the introvert and in the papillae. In *P. sewelli* these are numerous and not of distinctly different dimensions on the anterior and posterior portions of the body, while in *P. abyssorum* they are large, less numerous and largest posteriorly. In this latter species, also, the retractors are free for most of their length.

The genus is usually associated with coral, and Southern's specimen was taken in association with the coral *Lophohelia prolifera*. This association with coral may also occur in the case of this new species, since at St. 59 the corals *Deltocyathus murrayi* (Gardiner and Waugh, 1938, p. 197) and *Bathyactis? symmetrica* (Gardiner, 1939, p. 231) were recorded. There was no record of corals from St. 162.

#### 7. *Physcosoma rüppelii* (Grube).

*Phascolosoma Rüppelii* Grube, 1868, p. 643.

*Physcosoma rüppelii* Grube, Selenka, 1883–84, p. 82.

*Physcosoma rüppelii* Grube, Shipley, 1903, p. 135.

## LOCALITIES :

Red Sea, St. M.B.I.(b), 13° 39' 30" N., 57° 02' 30" E., 17.ix.33, 29 m., s. sh. cr.

Red Sea, St. M.B.I.(c), 13° 39' 30" N., 57° 02' 30" E., 17.ix.33, 26 m., cr. r.

South-east coast of Arabia, St. 45, 18° 03' 30" N., 57° 02' 30" E., 29.x.33, 38 m.,  
Lithothamnion and Hydrocorallines.

Four specimens were secured at St. b and one at each of the other two. All agreed well with the original description. The hook is very small; that figured measured only .032 mm. in height and .028 mm. in breadth. It is very coarse in appearance (Pl. II, fig. 4). In the notes on the collection the animals from St. 45 were described as having been found at the bottom of a jar containing dense, much-branched *Alcyonaceae* covered with other animals.

The species is already recorded from the Red Sea (Grube) and from the Maldive Islands (Shiple).y).

8. *Phascolion murrayi* sp. nov.

## LOCALITY :

Gulf of Aden, St. 33, 13° 41' N., 48° 17' E., 15.x.33, 1295 m., Agassiz trawl, gr. m.

*Holotype.*

The single specimen secured was yellow-grey in colour and had been preserved contracted and in a twisted position. The length was between 25 and 30 mm. The whole body and introvert were thickly covered with papillae, which were small on the introvert and on the anterior portion of the body, but large posteriorly.

On the introvert the cuticle was thrown into slight dark ridges, and scattered amongst these were small flat dark papillae of irregular shape about .04 mm. in diameter. On the anterior portion of the body the papillae were closely crowded, oval in shape and of the same colour as the skin. These varied greatly in shape, the largest measuring about .2 mm. by .1 mm. The posterior portion of the body was covered with attaching papillae, except for a small area at the extreme tip. These papillae (Pl. II, fig. 5) had the appearance of short stout truncated rods, obliquely truncated at the top and bearing a chitinous rim, which was not toothed but of uniform thickness all round. In most, this rim was shaped like a horse-shoe but in others it formed a complete ring. These papillae varied greatly in size. The larger ones were about .32 mm. by .24 mm.

There were no hooks on the introvert.

There was only a single retractor which was attached to the posterior end of the body. Owing to the specimen being torn it was not possible to count the number of coils in the gut.

Holotype deposited in the British Museum.

## ECHIUROIDEA.

9. *Genus et Species?*

## LOCALITY :

Off Zanzibar, St. 124, 5° 39' N., 39° 39' 24" E., 23.i.34, 914 m., gy. gr. m. s.

Fifteen specimens, ranging in length from 85 mm. to 160 mm., were taken. They were in most cases quite flat, as if they had been put through rollers, being mostly only

about 1 or 2 mm. in thickness. One or two were slightly thicker and contained a little mud.

Externally they were almost smooth, but in one or two cases it was possible to make out the remains of a few transverse rows of large papillae at the posterior end, such as are found in *Echiurus*. In most of the specimens all internal structure had almost completely disappeared and no characters could be made out. In one animal, two golden setae were found in the small amount of mud and indistinguishable matter inside. These setae were similar to the ventral paired setae found in *Echiurus* and *Thalassema*, and occurred in the same position, as if they had been pushed into the body. They were sickle-shaped and curved in a slightly skew position.

It is possible that these specimens may represent some undescribed species and it is unfortunate that the material did not allow of a fuller description.

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DESCRIPTION OF PLATE I.

FIG. 1.—*Sipunculus robustus* Kef. Stn. 70.  $\times 1\frac{1}{2}$  nat. size.

FIG. 2.—*Sipunculus robustus* Kef. Stn. 160. Posterior portion of body.  $\times 3$  nat. size.

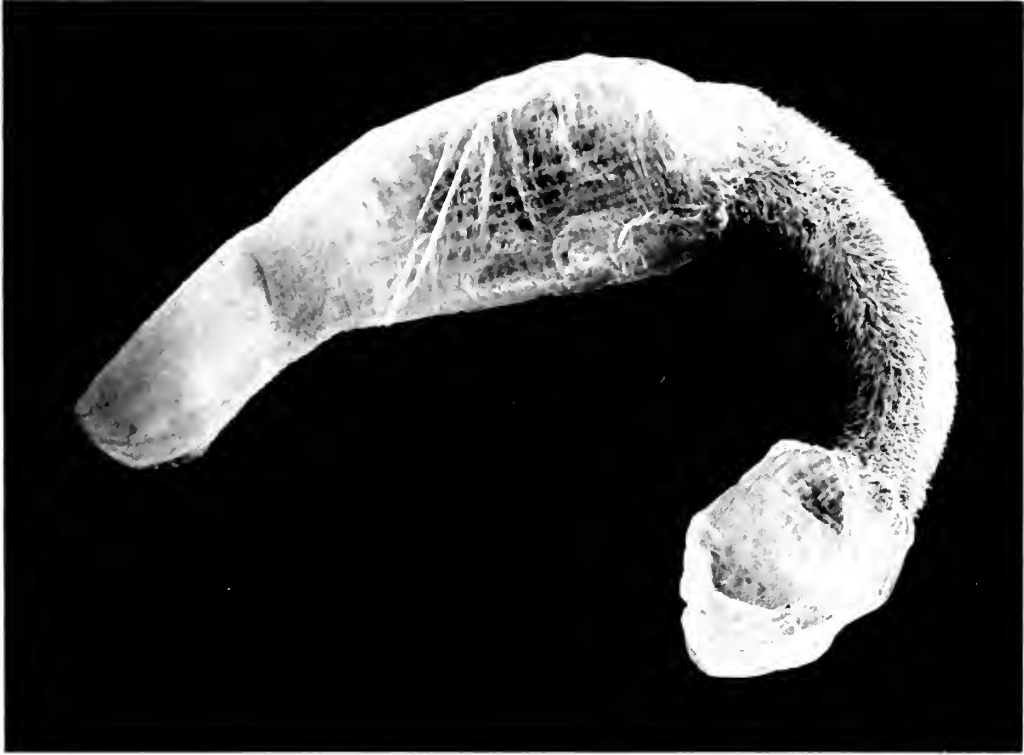


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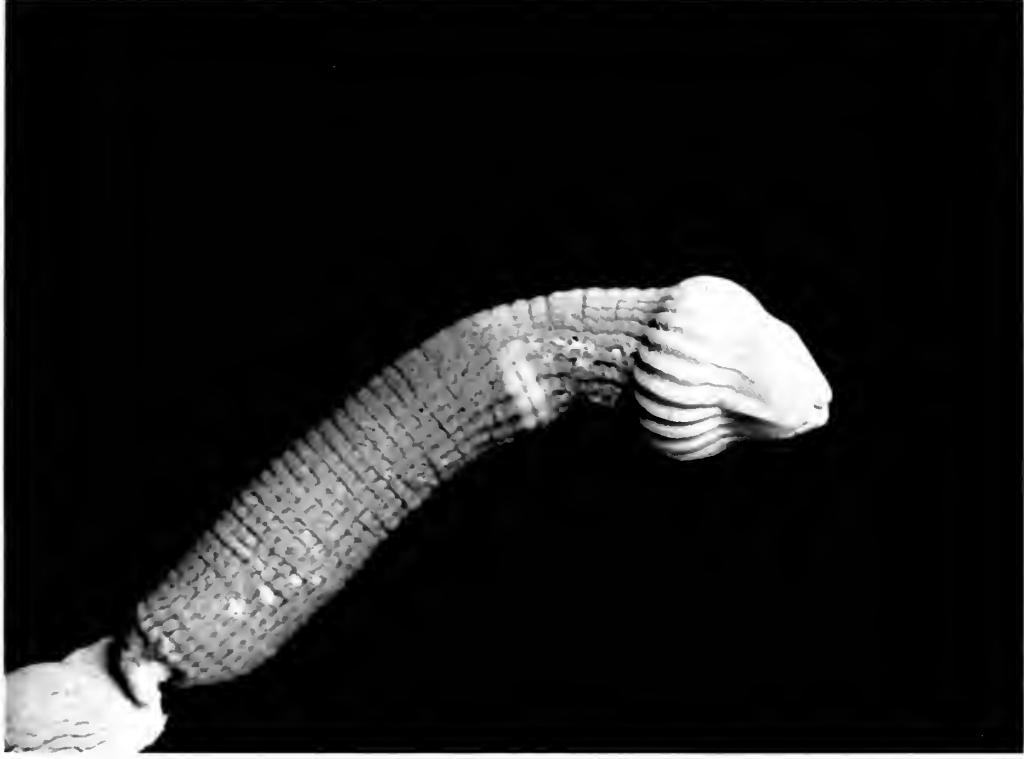
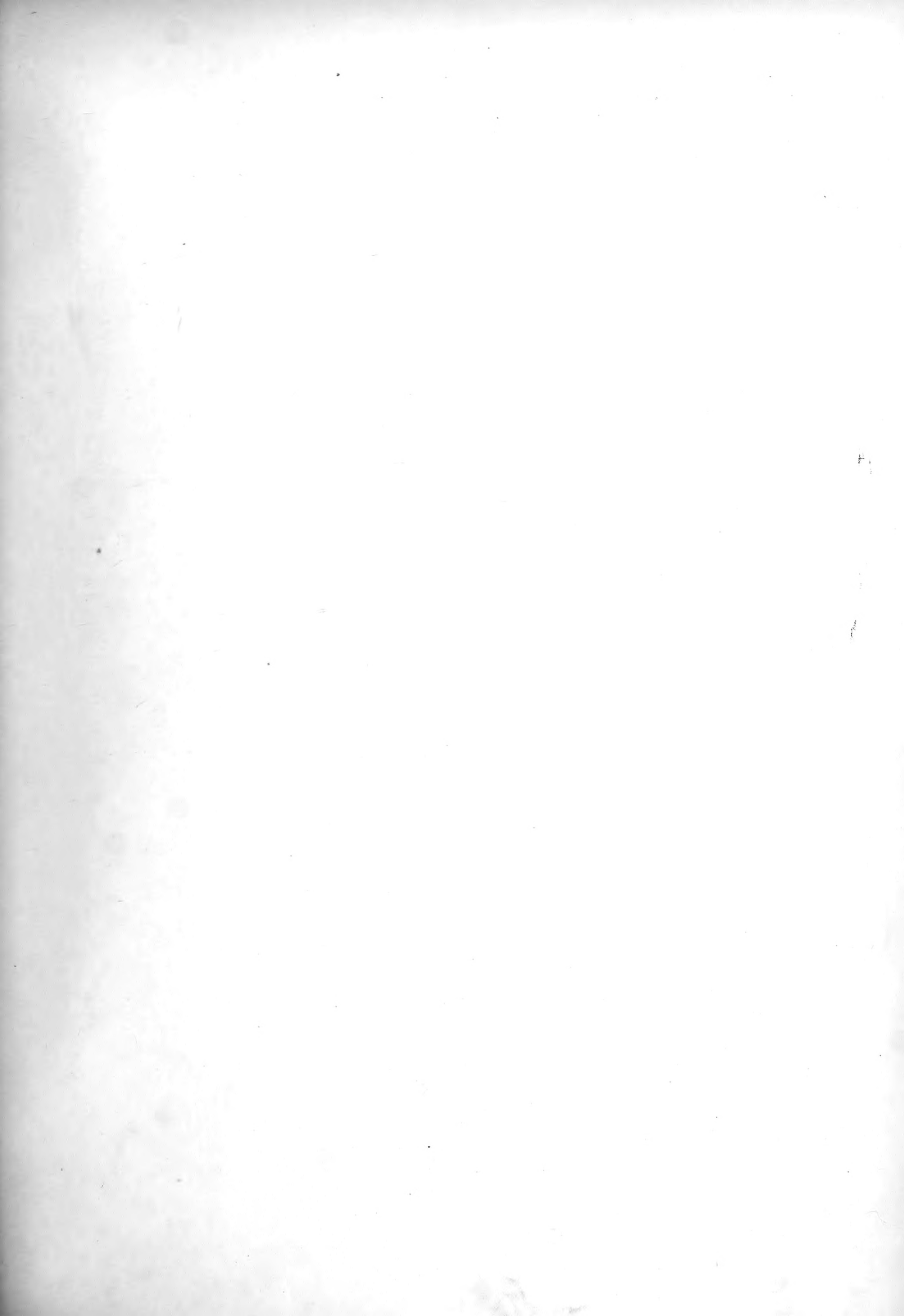


FIG. 2.







DESCRIPTION OF PLATE II.

FIG. 3.—*Sipunculus robustus* Kef. Stn. 160. × 3 nat. size.

FIG. 4.—*Physcosoma rüppelii* (Grube). Stn. M.B.c. Drawing of hook from introvert. × 1000.

FIG. 5.—*Phascolion murrayi* sp. nov. Stn. 33. Papillae at posterior end of body. × 15.



FIG. 3.

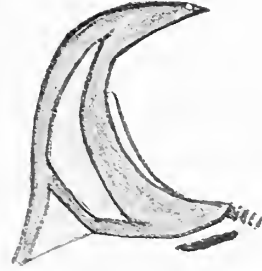


FIG. 4.



FIG. 5.











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## INTRODUCTION.

THIS rather small collection consists of about 200 specimens ; of these I have referred 8 to two well-known species of Coenobita. The rest are Paguridae belonging to 13 genera and 24 species, one of which is described as new to science. Three specimens have been referred to the " Genus " *Glaucothoe* and seem to throw a little further light on the relationships of these animals.

Because the object of the Expedition was to investigate the fauna of the deep water, this collection is not truly representative of the Indian seas. This accounts for the fact that only two species of Coenobita were collected, and for the poor representation of several of the typically shallow-water genera of the Paguridae.

The stations at which Pagurids were taken are confined to the Gulf of Oman, the South Arabian coast, the Gulf of Aden, the East African coast, the Zanzibar Region, and the Maldiva area. That is, capture of Pagurids was confined to the coastal regions and to the two Gulfs. A similar state of affairs has been found by others who have reported on the bottom living forms from this expedition. It is tempting to take this as evidence that these forms do not occur in the main basins, but it is very doubtful whether this conclusion is justified, as the Expedition station list shows that there were only three fairly successful bottom collections made in these main ocean basins.

Of the species found, only five are represented by any number of specimens, and these five species include between them nearly three-quarters of the total number of specimens in the collection. The rest of the species are represented by only one or two examples often found at one station only. At Station 72, in the Gulf of Oman, almost a quarter of the total collection was obtained, and this included nearly a third of the total number of species, three of which were not found again by the Expedition. This merely serves to emphasize what has appeared from other deep sea expeditions, namely, that the species of the deep sea fauna are not, by any means, evenly distributed, even in the localities in which they are known to occur. This seems to be particularly true of the Paguridae. In view of this fact, the widespread tendency to use " negative " evidence in tracing the

distribution of deep sea forms, except where the number of samples is extremely large, is open to serious suspicion.

Alcock (1905) has considered the questions of the geographical distribution and affinities of the Pagurids of the Indian region at considerable length. In view of the smallness of the present collection and its unrepresentative nature, little can be added to Alcock's work. As that author has shown, the littoral and shallow water forms, while they have a large number of rather local and, presumably, recently evolved forms, are clearly related to those of the rest of the Indo-Pacific region. We can divide the deep water forms into those living at mid-depths, which have considerable affinity with the Pagurids of the North Atlantic; and the one truly abyssal form, *Parapagurus pilosimanus*, which is found at great depths round the edges of every ocean basin in the world.

It is of interest that the peculiar form, *Paguroopsis typica*, hitherto known from the Philippine Islands, the Gulf of Martaban and Cape Comorin, was found in the Zanzibar region, thus extending its known distribution another 2000 miles round the world. An interesting feature is that, although this species has such a wide geographical range, its recorded depth range, only 32 meters, is extremely narrow. Perhaps the general features of these faunistic relationships can be explained by the water movements.\* Thus the surface waters of the Indian Ocean are strongly influenced by the monsoons. At the time when there is a rapid movement of this surface water across the Bay of Bengal into the North-west part of the Indian Ocean there is a flow across this ocean to the African coast, then clock-wise past the Gulf of Oman and on down the west coast of India. If we examine the species found in shallow water along this course, we see a gradual reduction in the number of species which are identical with the fauna of the rest of the Indo-Pacific, and an increase in the number of species which are not found in the rest of the Indo-Pacific but have closely related forms there. The Bay of Bengal seems to show a similar change as we pass round it in an anti-cyclonic direction.

The hydrographic evidence seems to suggest that the waters of this area at mid-depths are, at least in part, derived from the corresponding layers in the Atlantic Ocean, and that the mid-waters of the Indian Ocean, in turn, supply those of the Pacific. Perhaps this may, in part, explain the unmistakable Atlantic facies of the north-west Indian Ocean Pagurid fauna of mid-depths. Perhaps the universal distribution of *Parapagurus pilosimanus* can be attributed to the world-wide and fairly direct supply of this bottom water in all the oceans of the world. Such a suggestion should not be taken too seriously. As the rate of movement of these deep layers must be exceedingly slow, and as we know practically nothing of the life history of these deep sea forms, we do not know to what extent their motile larval stages are passed in this deep layer rather than in the surface ones where the distribution resulting from water movements would be very different. If and when the "Glaucothoe problem" is solved it may throw some light on this aspect of distribution.

I wish to thank Col. R. B. Seymour Sewell and the Committee of the John Murray Expedition for the opportunity of examining this collection.

\* Since this paper was written, Sewell (1940) has discussed the possible dependence of the distribution of marine organisms on water movement with particular reference to the Indian Ocean.

## LIST OF SPECIES COLLECTED.

## PAGURIDEA.

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## PAGURINÆ.

- Paguropsis typicus* Henderson. Station 106.  
*Paguristes balinophilus* Alcock. Station 72.  
*P. pusillus* Henderson. Stations 72 and 45.  
*P. hians* Henderson. Station 45.  
*P. incomitatus* Alcock. Stations 164 and 194.  
*Calcinus elegans* (Milne-Edwards). Station 27.  
*Diogenes rectimanus* Miers. Station 27.  
*D. bicristimanus* Alcock. Station M.B. 11A.  
*Troglopagurus joussearumei* Bouvier. Station 72.  
*Pagurus euopsis* Dana. Station 27.  
*P. asper* DeHaan. Stations 27 and 146.  
*P. hessii* Miers. Stations 72, and "B," Red Sea.  
*Aniculus tenebrarum* Alcock. Station 177.  
*A. strigatus* (Herbst). Station 45.

## EUPAGURINÆ.

- Parapagurus pilosimanus* S. I. Smith. Stations 26, 118, 119, 120, 162, 171, 184 and 185.  
*P. minutus* Henderson. Station 143.  
*P. andersoni* Henderson. Stations 119, 122 and 143.  
*Sympagurus bicristatus* S. I. Smith. Stations 34, 105, 109, 143, 145, 164, 184 and 195.  
*S. burkenroadi* sp. nov. Station 115.  
*Glaucothoe hendersoni* Bouvier. Stations 119 and 143.  
*Nematopagurus muricatus* (Henderson). Station 157.  
? *Eupagurus macardlei* Alcock. Station 72.  
*Eupagurus carpofoaminatus* Alcock. Stations 45, 53 and 72.  
*Pylopaguropsis magnimanus* (Henderson). Stations 24, 72 and 194.

## COENOBITIDÆ.

- Cænobita clypeatus* Latreille. Shore collection, Maldives.  
*C. perlatus* Milne-Edwards. Shore collection, Red Sea and S. Arabian coast.

## PAGURIDEA.

## PAGURIDÆ Dana.

Sub-family PAGURINÆ Ortmann.

Genus *Paguropsis* Henderson.*Paguropsis typica* Henderson.*Paguropsis typicus* Henderson, 1888, p. 99, pl. x, fig. 4.*Paguropsis typica* Alcock, 1905, p. 28.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 106. Zanzibar region. 212 metres. Agassiz trawl. 2 specimens (19 and 14 mm. long).\*

RANGE.—Philippine Islands, Gulf of Martaban, Cape Comorin and Zanzibar region (new loc.). 183 to 212 metres.

NOTES.—The present specimens are scarcely one-third the size of those recorded by Alcock, but only slightly smaller than Henderson's type material. The hand in these specimens is rather more spiny than that figured by Henderson, but otherwise they agree well with that author's description.

REMARKS.—It is interesting to contrast the extremely narrow depth range of this species with its very wide geographical distribution. All four records that I have been able to trace are from green mud.

Genus *Paguristes* Dana.*Paguristes balinophilus* Alcock.*Paguristes balinophilus* Alcock, 1905, p. 33, pl. iii, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 72. Gulf of Oman. 2 specimens (38 and 30 mm.).

RANGE.—Andamans, Gulf of Oman (new loc.), and off Bombay. 70 to 110 metres.

NOTES.—As Alcock has remarked, this species is hardly separable from the Atlantic and Mediterranean species, *P. oculatus* Fabr.

*Paguristes pusillus* Henderson.*Paguristes pusillus* Henderson, 1896, pt. 2, p. 526.

## OCCURRENCE :

Station 45. South Arabian coast. 38 metres. 5 specimens (30–18 mm.).

Station 72. Gulf of Oman. 73 metres. 1 specimen (21 mm.).

RANGE.—North-east coast of Ceylon, South Arabian coast (new loc.) and Gulf of Oman (new loc.). 38 to 80 metres.

NOTES.—The single specimen from Station 72 differs from the original description in having the hands rather longer, but there is no other difference.

REMARKS.—Of the five specimens taken at Station 45, three are ovigerous.

\* Throughout this paper the lengths of animals are measured from the anterior median border (rostrum) of the carapace to the distal end of the telson with the animal stretched straight. These measurements should not be regarded as more than an indication of the size.



*Paguristes hians* Henderson.*Paguristes hians* Henderson, 1888, p. 79, pl. viii, fig. 4.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 45. South Arabian coast. 38 metres. 2 specimens (13 mm.).

RANGE.—Philippine Islands, Bay of Bengal, South Arabian coast (new loc.). 30 to 50 metres.

*Paguristes incomitatus* Alcock.*Paguristes incomitatus* Alcock, 1905, p. 39, pl. iii, fig. 6.

OCCURRENCE :

Station 164. Maldive area. 183 metres. 6 specimens (17–8 mm.).

Station 194. Gulf of Aden. 220 metres. 23 specimens (19–10 mm.).

RANGE.—Bay of Bengal, Maldive area (new loc.), Gulf of Aden (new loc.). 183 to 220 metres.

REMARKS.—Many of the females from Station 194 were ovigerous.

Genus *Calcinus* Dana.*Calcinus elegans* (Milne-Edwards).*Pagurus elegans* Milne-Edwards, 1836, p. 278, pl. xiii, figs. 2 and 3.*Calcinus elegans* Dana, 1852, p. 458, pl. xxvii, fig. 10.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 27. Gulf of Aden, 37 to 91 metres. 1 specimen (9 mm.).

RANGE.—Gulf of Aden (new loc.), Laccadives, "South Seas", Indo-Pacific from S.E. and E. Africa to the Sandwich Islands (? Pacific coast of Patagonia).

NOTES.—This specimen agrees perfectly with Alcock's description except that the colour is not so deep nor the pattern so well marked.

Genus *Diogenes* Dana.*Diogenes rectimanus* Miers.*Diogenes rectimanus* Miers, 1884, p. 262, pl. xxvii, fig. c.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 27. Gulf of Aden. 37 to 91 metres. 2 specimens (15 and 11 mm.).

RANGE.—Gulf of Aden (new loc.), east coast of India, North Australia. 37 to 120 metres.

*Diogenes bicristimanus* Alcock.*Diogenes bicristimanus* Alcock, 1905, p. 72, pl. vii, fig. 1.

OCCURRENCE.—Motor boat Station 11A. South Arabian coast. 9 metres. 1 specimen.

RANGE.—South Arabian coast (new loc.), Indus delta, Ganjam coast, South African coast. 9 to 61 metres.

Genus *Troglopagurus* Henderson.*Troglopagurus jousseaumei* Bouvier.*Troglopagurus jousseaumei* Bouvier, 1897, p. 232, fig. 6.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 72. Gulf of Oman. 73 metres. 18 specimens (22–16 mm.).

RANGE.—Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman (new loc.), off west coast of India.

REMARKS.—Many of the females with eggs.

Genus *Pagurus* Fabr.*Pagurus euopsis* Dana.*Pagurus euopsis* Dana, 1852, p. 7.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 27. Gulf of Aden. 37 to 91 metres. 2 specimens (21–18 mm.).

RANGE.—Red Sea, Gulf of Aden (new loc.), east coast of Africa, and eastward through the Indo-Pacific to Samoa.

NOTES.—Both the specimens are in so bad a state of preservation that the identification is not absolutely certain.

*Pagurus asper* DeHaan.*Pagurus asper* DeHaan, 1849, p. 208, pl. xlix, fig. 4.

## OCCURRENCE :

Station 27. Gulf of Aden. 37 to 91 metres. 2 specimens (40 and 35 mm.), badly damaged.

Station 146. Maldive area. 37 metres. 1 specimen (65 mm.).

RANGE.—Gulf of Aden (new loc.), Maldives, Ceylon, Andamans, Malay Archipelago, Loyalty Islands, Sandwich Islands, Japan, Australia.

*Pagurus hessii* Miers.*Pagurus hessii* Miers, 1884, pp. 185, 264, pl. xxviii, fig. A.

## OCCURRENCE :

Station " B " (date, 17.ix.33). Red Sea. 29 metres. 2 small specimens.

Station 72. Gulf of Oman. 73 metres. 14 specimens (65–16 mm.).

RANGE.—Red Sea (new loc.), Gulf of Oman (new loc.), Maldives, east coast of India, Bay of Bengal, Burma coast, Penang, Celebes Sea.

NOTES.—The relative length of the eye stalk\* to the antennular peduncle seems to be rather a variable character.

Genus *Aniculus* Dana.*Aniculus tenebrarum* Alcock.*Aniculus tenebrarum* Alcock, 1905, p. 96, pl. vii, fig. 5.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 177. Gulf of Aden. 274 to 366 metres. 1 specimen (14 mm.).

RANGE.—Cape Comorin, 185 metres (single record). Gulf of Aden (new loc.).

\* Throughout this paper in considering either the length or the breadth, the eyestalk is taken as including the eye itself.

*Aniculus strigatus* (Herbst):*Cancer strigatus* Herbst, 1804, p. 25. pl. lxi, fig. 3.*Aniculus strigatus* Henderson, 1893, p. 422.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 45. South Arabian coast. 38 metres. 1 specimen (20 mm.).

RANGE.—Mozambique, Gulf of Aden, South Arabian coast (new loc.), S.W. Indian coast and Bay of Bengal, Loyalty Islands, and Tahiti.

Sub-family EUPAGURINÆ Ortmann.

Genus *Parapagurus* S. I. Smith.*Parapagurus pilosimanus* S. I. Smith.*Parapagurus pilosimanus* S. I. Smith, 1879, p. 51.

## OCCURRENCE :

Station 26. Gulf of Aden. 2312 metres. 4 specimens (20–10 mm.).

Station 118. Zanzibar area (new loc.). 1789 metres. 18 specimens (35–11 mm.).

Station 119. Zanzibar area (new loc.). 1207 to 1463 metres. 4 specimens (18–10 mm.).

Station 120. Zanzibar area (new loc.). 2926 metres. 4 specimens (20–10 mm.).

Station 162. Maldive area. 1829 to 2051 metres. 2 specimens (23 mm.).

Station 171. Central part of the Arabian Sea. 3840 to 3872 metres. 4 specimens (20–8 mm.).

Station 184. Gulf of Aden (new loc.). 1270 metres. 5 specimens (20–8 mm.).

Station 185. Gulf of Aden (new loc.). 2000 metres. 1 specimen (8 mm.).

RANGE.—In deep water in all the oceans of the world. In the North Atlantic there are records from as shallow as 450 metres, but most records fall between 1500 and 3500 metres.

NOTES.—Specimens from the different oceans often differ somewhat from Smith's description; but the variation among individuals from the same locality both in this collection and in others which I have seen is about the same as that between those from different localities; and I have been unable to find any constant separating characters. Specimens which I have seen from the coast of Ireland and the North Eastern Atlantic generally are larger and more hairy than any I have seen from the Indian Ocean.

REMARKS.—This species has always been recorded as housed in a very typical zoophyte growth. Of the present specimens, none had this characteristic housing. Quite a number of shells had been used, of which the most common was a species of *Ianthina*. It should be remembered that the typical zoophyte house begins as the covering of a mollusc shell, and in two specimens that I have examined from the North Atlantic, the shell was *Ianthina* sp.

There were ovigerous females among the specimens at Stations 26 and 171.

*Parapagurus minutus* Henderson.*Parapagurus minutus* Henderson, 1896, p. 531.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 143. Maldive area. 797 metres. 1 specimen (14 mm.).

RANGE.—Maldive area. 797 to 1295 metres.

REMARKS.—As was the case with Henderson's specimens, this specimen was found in a *Dentalium* shell.

*Parapagurus andersoni* Henderson.

*Parapagurus andersoni* Henderson, 1896, p. 529.

OCCURRENCE.—

Station 119. Zanzibar area. 1207 to 1463 metres. 1 specimen (14 mm.).

Station 122. Zanzibar area. 732 metres. 2 specimens (23 and 21 mm.).

Station 143. Maldive area. 797 metres. 5 specimens (30–18 mm.).

RANGE.—Between Maldives and Cape Comorin. 797 to 1390 metres. Zanzibar area (new loc.). 732 to 1463 metres. East African coast. 693 to 1242 metres.

REMARKS.—At both Stations 122 and 143 there was an ovigerous female.

Genus *Sympagurus* S. I. Smith.

It has been repeatedly pointed out that this genus differs from *Parapagurus* only in the gill structure. Milne-Edwards and Bouvier (1893, p. 58) suggested that it might be combined with *Parapagurus*, a step which was taken by Balss (1912, p. 98). Bouvier (1922, p. 21) has re-separated them and I have followed him in this.

*Sympagurus bicristatus* (A. Milne-Edwards and Bouvier).

? *Eupagurus bicristatus* Milne-Edwards, 1880, p. 43.

*Sympagurus bicristatus* Milne-Edwards and Bouvier, 1892, p. 205.

OCCURRENCE :

Station 34. Gulf of Aden. 1022 metres. 3 specimens (16–13 mm.).

Station 184. Gulf of Aden. 1270 metres. 1 specimen (10 mm.).

? Station 195. Gulf of Aden. 1095 metres. (Chela only.)

Station 105. Zanzibar area. 380 metres. 2 specimens (10 mm.).

Station 109. Zanzibar area. 640 metres. 3 specimens (12–8 mm.).

Station 143. Maldive area. 797 metres. 8 specimens (12–7 mm.).

Station 145. Maldive area. 494 metres. 15 specimens (23–12 mm.).

Station 164. Maldive area. 183 metres. 1 specimen (20 mm.).

RANGE.—Caribbean Sea, western Atlantic, from the Azores and coast of Portugal to Cape Verde, Gulf of Aden, Maldive area, east African coast. Depth from 99 metres to 1642 metres.

NOTES.—Alcock (1905, p. 105) has divided his material from the Indian seas into the variety *typica* and the variety *indicus*. In the present fairly large collection I have found this species very variable, particularly in the shape of the hand and in the development of the two crests on it. Balss (1912, p. 99) has already remarked on this fact. The variations grade into one another to such an extent that I have not felt able to distinguish between the two sub-species; but it should be noted that, as the depth range of this species is unusually great, it seems to me quite possible that a careful examination of large collections would result in the division of this species into as many as three species.

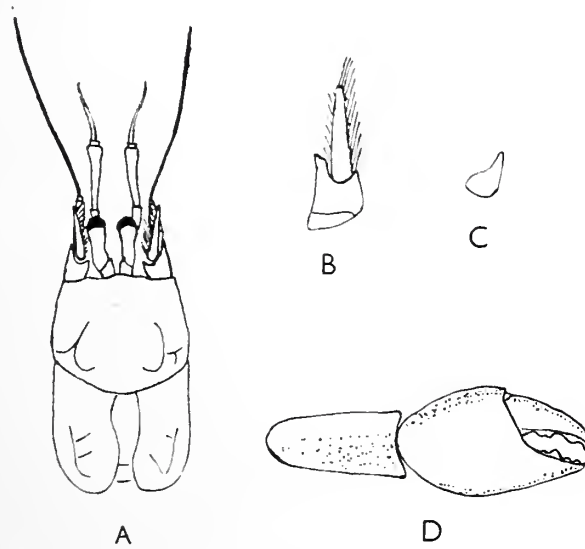


*Sympagurus burkenroadi* sp. nov. (Text-fig. 1.)

OCCURRENCE.—Station 115. Zanzibar area. 640 to 658 metres. 3 specimens (50–31 mm.).

DESCRIPTION.—Carapace strongly calcified in front of the well-defined cervical groove but rather less so in the anterior median dorsal region. Behind the cervical groove the carapace is membranous. The greatest breadth in the branchial region is about two-thirds the length in the middle line. The rostrum, though almost obsolescent, is faintly carinate and more prominent than the antennal angles.

The eye stalks are stout, expanded both proximally and distally, and are a little more than half the length of the anterior border of the carapace: they reach to the middle of



TEXT-FIG. 1.—*Sympagurus burkenroadi*, nov. sp. All views are from above. A. Cephalothorax ( $\times 1.5$ ). B. Left antennal acicle ( $\times 3$ ). C. Left ophthalmic scale ( $\times 4$ ). D. Right hand and carpus ( $\times 1$ ).

the penultimate joint of the antennular peduncle and of the last joint of the antennal peduncle. They have a sparse row of long hairs dorsally. The ophthalmic scales are well separated at their base and each is produced to a single acute spine on its inner border.

The antennular peduncles are a little more than three-quarters of the length of the carapace and of this length about two-thirds is made up of the terminal joint. The antennal peduncle extends just past the end of the eye stalks. The acicle is almost straight and narrowly triangular, reaching to the distal end of the last joint of the peduncle. The outer border is smooth with a little hair; the inner border has some small spines and a thick fringe of long hairs. The antennal flagellum is about one and three-quarter times the length of the body.

The chelipeds are very unequal, the right being not only longer but much more massive. Both right and left chelipeds have the hand and carpus so densely pilose as to conceal

not only the sculpture, but the shape of the hand and the carpus. These hairs are rather fine, forming a soft, fluffy-looking covering about 2 mm. thick. The large cheliped is nearly three times the length of the carapace. The hand is hardly half as wide as long, the dactylus being half the length of the hand. The surface of the hand, when exposed by depilation, has a glazed-white appearance, quite devoid of sculpture except that on the margins of the face there is a rounded ridge of small granular spines. The ridge disappears before reaching the dactylus, but the granules continue on along the outer edge of the finger. The outer edge of the palm has a thin row of small spines which extend up along the fixed finger. Both margins of the upper surface of the hand are rather rounded and ill-defined. The carpus is three-quarters the length of the hand. It is almost cylindrical in shape and its greatest width is only half its length. Except for small granules on its upper and outer face it is free from sculpture, and is equal in length to the next two joints combined.

The second and third legs of both sides are about equal in length and hardly surpass the large cheliped when both are stretched out. All the joints are smooth except for a small spine on the distal end of the carpus. The dactyli are plumose distally. The dactyli of the left side are scarcely and those of the right side distinctly shorter than the corresponding combined propus and carpus.

REMARKS.—The holotype and the two paratypes are from Station 115. The holotype is a male, about 50 mm. in length, and the two paratypes are both females, one a large mature ovigerous specimen (about 48 mm.) and the other a small one (31 mm.). Apart from the sexual differences common to the genus, the paratypes agree well with the holotype. The only noteworthy differences are that there is a tendency for the branchial region to be rather more expanded and that all the joints of the chelipeds are shorter. The proportions are, however, but little altered. It is worth noting that the female genital aperture was found only on the left-hand side. It has been necessary to depilate the chelipeds of the holotype in order to examine their shape and structure, and to some extent this had been done in the case of the larger female. A good idea of the original general appearance can be obtained from Balss' photograph (1912, pl. x, fig. 3) of what he has called *Parapagurus arcuatus* var. *monstrosa*.

This species is very close to *Sympagurus arcuatus* Milne-Edwards and Bouvier, var. *monstrosus* Alcock, from which it is readily separated by the densely pilose condition of both its chelipeds, by the shape and sculpture of its large hand, and by the narrow, almost cylindrical shape of its carpus. Other points of difference are the slightly greater length of its eye stalks, the shape of its antennal acicle, its shorter antennal flagellum, the relatively greater length of its large cheliped, and that its walking legs of both sides are of almost equal length and scarcely surpass the large cheliped. From *Sympagurus arcuatus* it is immediately separated by the shape of its large hand, which is absolutely different from that figured by Milne-Edwards and Bouvier (1893, pl. v, fig. 22). I am very doubtful whether the specimen figured by Balss (*loc. cit.*) is the same as Alcock's variety with which he has identified it; he gives no description, and it is impossible to tell the amount of distortion that has taken place in this photograph, and the possible identification of this form with the present species must wait till the specimens have been compared. At least one of Balss' specimens came from the same region as the present specimens.

This species is named after Mr. M. D. Burkenroad, of the Bingham Oceanographic Laboratory, Yale University.

*Glaucothoe* Milne-Edwards.*Glaucothoe hendersoni* Bouvier. (Text-figs. 2 and 3.)*Glaucothoe* Henderson, 1896, p. 535.*Glaucothoe* sp. prox. *peronii* Alcock, 1905, p. 23.*Glaucothoe hendersoni* Bouvier, 1905, p. 6.

## OCCURRENCE :

Station 119. Zanzibar area (new loc.). 1207 to 1463 metres. 1 specimen (21 mm.).

Station 143. Maldive area (new loc.). 797 metres. 2 specimens (19–20 mm.).

RANGE.—Between Cape Comorin and Maldives, 1295 metres. Maldive area, 797 metres. Zanzibar area, 1207 to 1462 metres.

DESCRIPTION.—The anterior border of the carapace is produced into a broadly triangular, subacute process, reaching well out between the bases of the ocular peduncles. The carapace is roughly rectangular, there being hardly any expansion over the branchial region. The cervical groove is deeply cut, and the portion of the carapace that is included within it is strongly calcified and notably arched. The cardiac region is also well calcified, but the branchial region is thin and almost transparent. The greatest width of the carapace is about three-quarters of its length in the middle line.

The eye stalks are almost exactly half as long as the anterior border of the carapace. They reach just beyond the penultimate joint of the antennular peduncle and are about equal in length to the antennal peduncle. There is no sign of an ophthalmic scale. The eye stalks are greatly enlarged anteriorly, so that their greatest width is about two-thirds of their length. The eyes themselves are concave at their ends, and are almost unpigmented; what little pigment there is is concentrated towards the anterior inner portion of the eye.

The antennular peduncles are only moderately stout. Their length is about two-thirds of the carapace in the middle line, more than half of which is made up of the terminal joint.

The antennal peduncles have a simple narrowly lobe-shaped acicle which reaches almost to the end of the penultimate joint. The flagellum is about twice the length of the carapace.

The chelipeds are very unequal, the right one not only being longer but vastly more massive. Measured on the arc, the large (right) cheliped is about twice as long as the carapace measured in the middle line. The large hand (including the fixed finger) is about twice as long as broad, and the dactylus is about half as long as the hand. The outer surface of the hand is practically free from sculpture except along the two margins; here there are a number of small granules and these extend on along both the fixed finger and the dactylus. There is some hair on this surface and on the carpus, but not enough to obscure the surface and the sculpture in the least. The cutting edge of both the fixed and movable fingers have a few, rather irregular large white teeth. The carpus about equals the palm in length, and on its upper border there is a row of small teeth.

The small cheliped reaches about to the base of the dactylus of the large hand. The small hand is narrow and rather slight. The chelipeds open and close obliquely.

The walking legs surpass the large cheliped by about half the length of their dactylus when they are all stretched out.

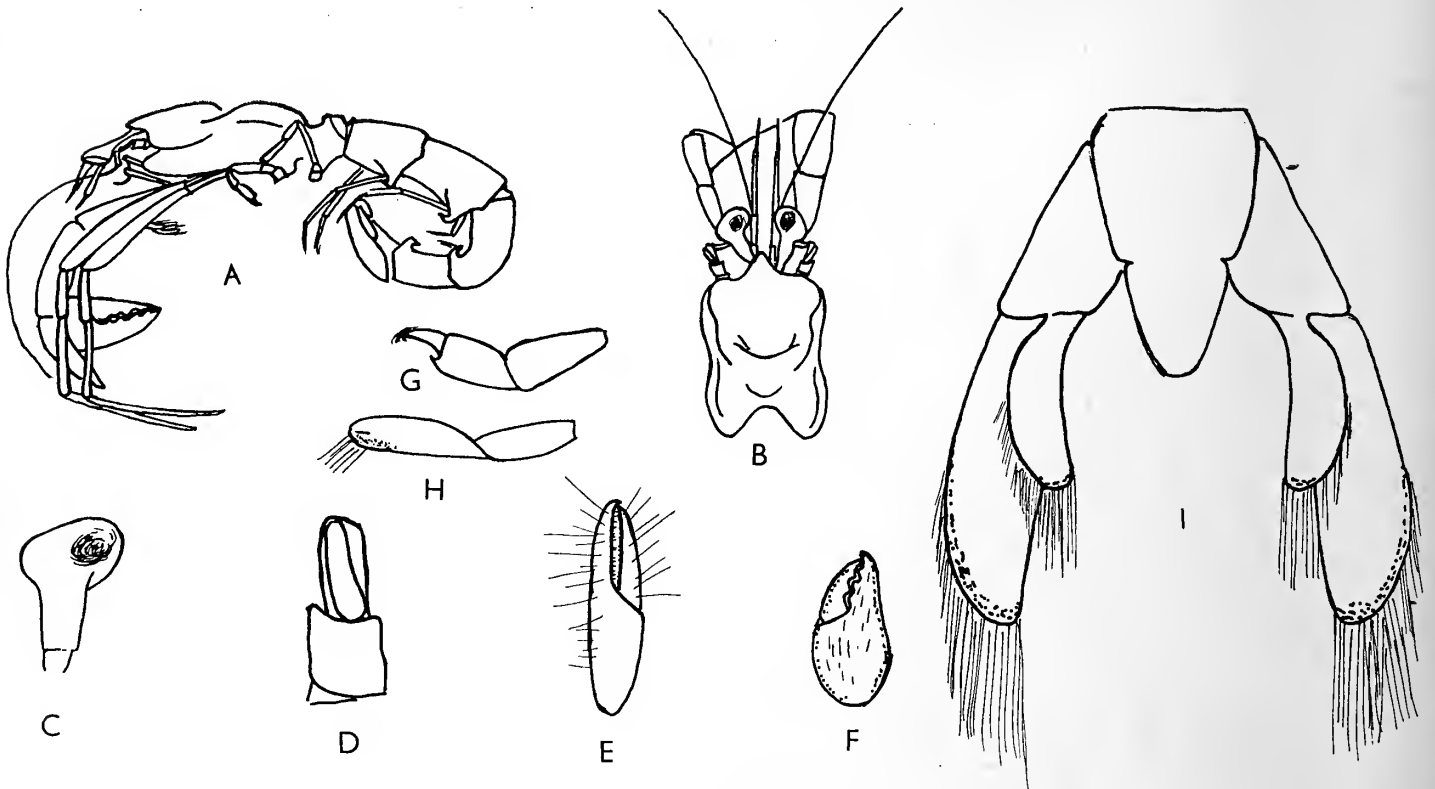
The 4th pair of legs are sub-chelate and the 5th pair minutely chelate.



The abdomen is about two and a quarter times the length of the carapace, and the segmentation is very clearly shown. The first abdominal segment has an incomplete tergum; the terga of all the remaining abdominal segments are complete, but poorly calcified. Segments 2 to 5 each bears a pair of appendages, and has the epimeron of each side produced downwards into a procurved hook.

The abdomen is twisted up on the right side as in the typical pagurid adult, but the tail fan is still symmetrical.

The mouth parts seem to be those of the typical adult pagurid (Fig. 3), and the third maxillipeds are well separated at their base.



TEXT-FIG. 2.—*Glaucothoe*. A. Left lateral view ( $\times 3.75$ ). B. Dorsal view of cephalothorax ( $\times 3.5$ ). C. Left eye from above ( $\times 8$ ). D. Base of left antennae, showing shape of acicle ( $\times 17.5$ ). E. Outer surface of left hand ( $\times 6$ ). F. Outer surface of right hand ( $\times 4$ ). G. Last three joints 4th leg, left side ( $\times 15$ ). H. Last three joints 5th leg, left side ( $\times 15$ ). I. Telson and tail fan ( $\times 22.5$ ).

The gill formula is the same as that described by Gurney (1924, p. 185). However, only the anterior pair is rudimentary, the other gills being well developed.

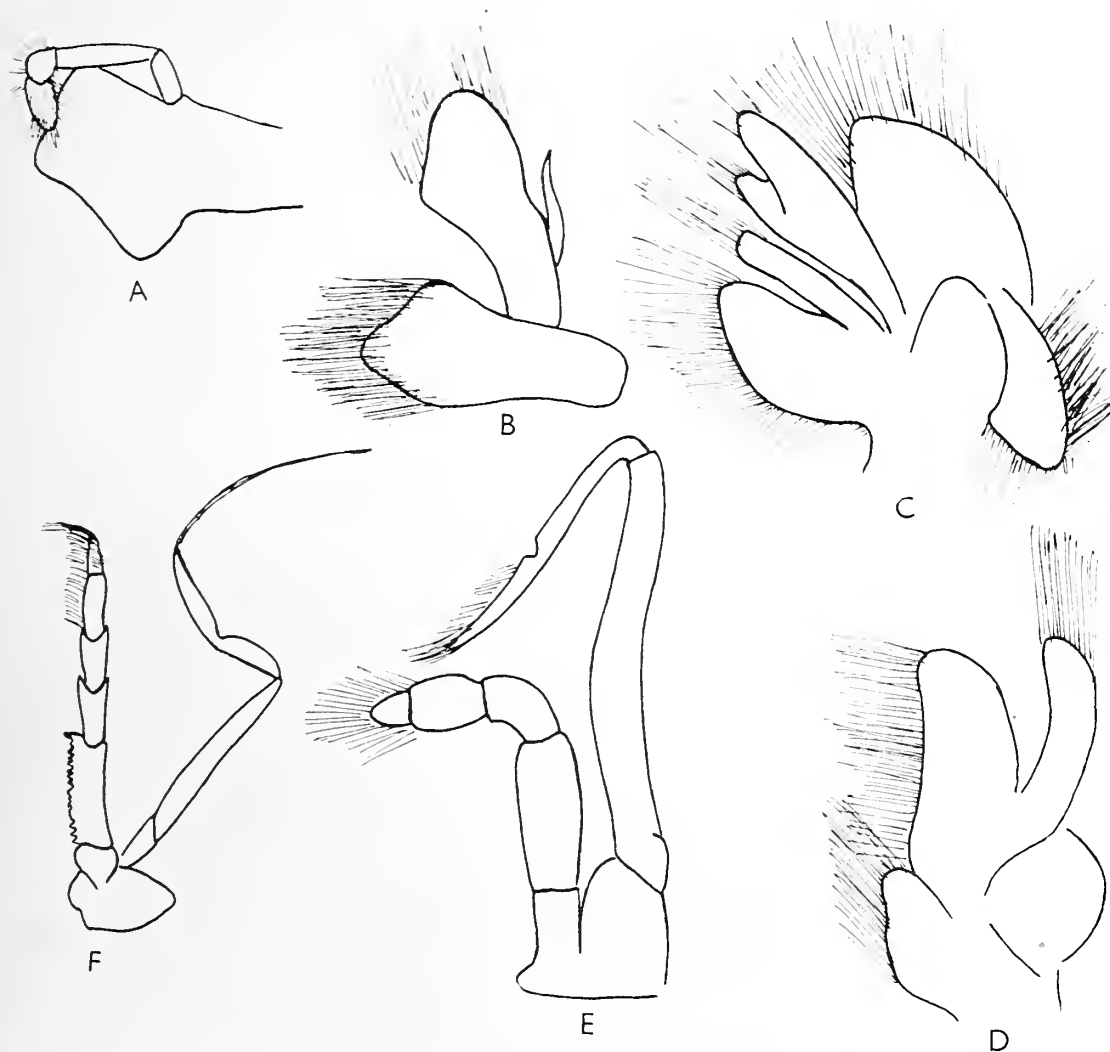
No genital apertures could be detected.

NOTES.—It is with some hesitation that I have referred these specimens to *G. hendersoni*. Henderson's original description and Alcock's subsequent remarks were based on "a single specimen . . . not in a fit condition for description or figuring". Milne-Edwards' description of *Glaucothoe peronii* is not very complete, but as far as it goes it agrees with my specimens except for the more prominent rostrum and granulose hand; and these latter are the characters on which Bouvier (1905, p. 5) has separated *Glaucothoe*



*hendersoni* from *Glaucothoe peronii* and it seems certain that Bouvier never saw Henderson's specimen.

REMARKS.—The most interesting feature of these specimens is that while they still retain the larval characters on which the "Genus" *Glaucothoe* was originally based (*e. g.* absence of ophthalmic scale, paired abdominal appendages and symmetrical tail fan) they appear to have developed further towards adult pagurids than any specimens previously recorded. Thus, the tail, though still symmetrical, is curled up on the side in the typical



TEXT-FIG. 3.—*Glaucothoe*. Mouth parts from the left side. A. Mandible ( $\times 50$ ). B. 1st Maxilla ( $\times 50$ ). C. 2nd Maxilla ( $\times 50$ ). D. 1st Maxilliped ( $\times 50$ ). E. 2nd Maxilliped ( $\times 37.5$ ). F. 3rd Maxilliped ( $\times 37.5$ ).

adult form; and all three specimens were found inhabiting gastropod shells, suggesting that they are about to assume the adult way of life.

The original dispute as to whether members of the "Genus" *Glaucothoe* were adult animals or larval stages seems to have been pretty well settled by Bouvier (1891 and 1905) in favour of their being larval stages of various pagurids. We are still left with the question as to whether the large *Glaucothoes* are normal or abnormal forms. Bouvier

(1905) holds to the former view, maintaining that these large *Glaucotohes* are merely small ones which failed to find a shell at the proper time and continued to grow in the larval state. Gurney (1924) prefers to consider them as normal stages in the development of pagurids, the life histories of which are as yet unknown. There is still little evidence on which to decide between these opinions. It seems relevant to point out that many workers have shown that in the development of pagurids the assumption of the asymmetric form appears before a shell is found, and it is, therefore, difficult to explain the continued symmetry in the large *Glaucotohes* simply on the grounds that they have failed to find a suitable shell. To explain this failure to metamorphose to the asymmetric form we must postulate a difference in the life history of these forms from that of the known pagurids; and as we have to postulate this difference, it seems better to go all the way and agree with Gurney that the large *Glaucotohes* represent normal stages in development.

As *Glaucotohes* attain relatively large size it is obvious that, if we assume that they represent normal stages in development, they must be the larvae of rather large adults. In the case of the present specimens, if they are normal larvae of known genera, the adults undoubtedly belong to the Genus *Sympagurus*. A comparison of the description given here for *Glaucotohe hendersoni* with that given for *Sympagurus burkenroadi* is interesting. Except for the characters which can be fairly accepted as larval, the descriptions are practically interchangeable. Further, the specimens of *Sympagurus burkenroadi* were taken at Station 115, quite close to Station 119, where one specimen of *Glaucotohe hendersoni* was found, inhabiting the same species of shell as that used by *S. burkenroadi*. This is nothing more than a suggestion, but I do not know of any other pagurid which in size, habitat and structure could so well be the adult of this form.

Genus *Nematopagurus* Milne-Edwards and Bouvier.

*Nematopagurus muricatus* (Henderson).

*Catapagurus muricatus* Henderson, 1896, p. 524.

*Nematopagurus muricatus* Alcock, 1905, p. 111.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 157. Maldive area. 229 metres. 2 specimens (20 mm.).

RANGE.—North-east and south coast of Ceylon (50 to 60 metres). Maldive area (new loc., 229 metres).

NOTES.—These specimens have rather more spines on the hands than is shown in Alcock's figure, but otherwise agree well with his description.

Genus *Eupagurus* Brandt.

*Eupagurus macardlei* Alcock.

*Eupagurus macardlei* Alcock, 1905, p. 129, pl. xi, fig. 3.

OCCURRENCE.—Station 72. Gulf of Oman. 73 metres. 3 specimens (35, 14, and 8 mm.).

RANGE.—Persian Gulf. 72 metres. Gulf of Oman (new loc.). 73 metres.

NOTES.—All three specimens are in a very poor state of preservation, so that this identification is not at all certain.

*Eupagurus carpofoaminatus* Alcock.*Eupagurus carpofoaminatus* Alcock, 1905, p. 130.

## OCCURRENCE :

Station 45. South Arabian coast. 38 metres. 6 specimens (25–15 mm.).

Station 53. South Arabian coast. 13.5 metres. 1 specimen (16 mm.).

Station 72. Gulf of Oman. 73 metres. 5 specimens (23 mm.).

RANGE.—Along the South Arabian coast (new loc.), including the Gulf of Oman (new loc.), down the west Indian coast to Ceylon and up the east coast of India to the head of the Bay of Bengal. 13.5 to 266 metres.

REMARKS.—Some of the females at Station 72 were ovigerous.

Genus *Pylopaguropsis* Alcock.*Pylopaguropsis magnimanus* (Henderson).*Pylopagurus magnimanus* Henderson, 1896, p. 522.*Pylopaguropsis magnimanus* Alcock, 1905, p. 134, pl. xiii, fig. 2.

## OCCURRENCE :

Station 72. Gulf of Oman (new loc.). 73 metres. 1 specimen (16 mm.).

? Station 24. Gulf of Aden (new loc.). 73 to 220 metres. 1 broken specimen (15 mm.).

? Station 194. Gulf of Aden (new loc.). 220 metres. 2 broken specimens (about 26 mm.).

RANGE.—From the head of the Bay of Bengal down the east coast of India to Ceylon. 109 to 395 metres. Gulf of Oman (new loc.). 73 metres. Gulf of Aden (new loc.). 73 to 220 metres ?

NOTES.—The specimens from the Gulf of Aden are in such bad condition that the determinations are not at all satisfactory.

## Family COENOBITIDÆ Dana.

REMARKS.—As the members of this family are land or littoral forms the specimens in the present collection are the result of casual shore collections, and are in no way representative of the Coenobitidæ fauna of the areas visited.

## Family COENOBITA Latreille.

*Coenobita clypeatus* Latreille.*Coenobita clypeata* Latreille, 1826, p. 277.*Coenobita clypeatus* Alcock, 1905, p. 142, pl. xv, fig. 1, 1a.

OCCURRENCE.—One large specimen from on shore at Horseburgh Atoll (Maldives).

RANGE.—Tropical West Africa. From tropical East Africa through the Indo-Pacific to Tahiti. Usually well above high-water mark.

REMARKS.—This specimen was inhabiting the half of a small coconut shell.

*Coenobita perlatus* Milne-Edwards.*Coenobita perlata* Milne-Edwards, 1837, p. 242.*Coenobita perlatus* Ortmann, 1892, p. 319, pl. xii, fig. 25.

OCCURRENCE.—Shore collection Zuhaw Island (Red Sea). 6 specimens (about 40

mm.). A very common species in this locality. Shore collection, Beach Island, Hallaneya, Khorya Morya; South Arabian coast. 1 specimen (about 50 mm.), but it was very common there.

RANGE.—Red Sea. South Arabian coast, Mauritius, Seychelles through the Indo-Pacific to Samoa; just at high-water springs.

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