

SOME NATICOIDS FROM QUEENSLAND.

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(Plate xxii.)

The identity of a series of tropical species of Naticoids is unsatisfactory because of defective treatment in Reeve's monograph of *Natica* in the "Conchologica Iconica," which has governed subsequent studies of this group.

To put taxonomy on a better basis, I have here reviewed the nomenclature of several obscure species, and to facilitate their recognition also present figures of them.

The first name given to a group, resembling the Linnean *Nerita mammilla*, of polished massive white or yellow shells, was Humphrey's *Uber*. *Uber flemingianum* Recluz, *jukesii* Reeve, *labyrinthum* Hedley, *mellosum* Hedley and *pyriforme* Recluz, can be associated together.

Those species associated with *U. pes-elephantis*, being large, massive shells with a wide umbilicus containing a stout spiral funicle, may be grouped under *Mammillaria*, Swainson; namely, *U. citrinum* Philippi, *columnare* Recluz, *powisianum* Recluz, and *pes-elephantis* Deshayes.

Lastly, those thinner ovate and variegated shells grouped round *Uber mammatum* can be ranked under *Mammilla* Schumacher; such are *Uber mammatum* Bolten, *melanostomoides* Quoy & Gaimard, *nuxcastaneum* Martyn, *opacum* Recluz, *sebæ* Recluz and *simiæ* Deshayes.

UBER *Humphrey*.

Uber Humphrey, Mus. Calonnianum, 1797, p. 21, first species and type *Nerita mammilla* Linné.

Albula Bolten Mus. Bolt. (2), 1798, p. 20, first species *Albula albumen* Linné (not *Albula* Gronovius, Zooph., i, 1763, p. 102).

Mammilla Schumacher Essai, 1817, p. 190, type *Mammilla fasciata* Schumacher.

Polinices Montfort Conch. Syst. ii, 1810, p. 222, type *Polinices albus* Montfort.

Mammillaria Swainson, Treat. Malac., 1840, p. 345, type *M. lactea* Swainson.

Naticaria Swainson, Treat. Malac., 1840, p. 345, type *N. melanostoma* Mart.