DESCRIPTION OF A NEW PHASIANELLA (P. TOMLINI) FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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PHASIANELLA TOMLINI, n.sp.

Shell small, relatively solid, turbinate; of four whorls, including the smooth protoconch of about one and a half whorls, thence they are spirally ridged, ridges flatly rounded, between them linear grooves, which are finely obliquely striate, giving a punctate appearance. Colour varying from brown to pink radial maculations on a white or pink tinted background, the maculations are mostly divided into radial lines. Aperture round. An umbilical chink is caused by the thickening of the columella.

Dimensions: — 5.8 x 4.6 mm.

Hab.—West Australia.

Observations.—As is usual in the genus the colour pattern varies greatly. The umbilical chink is not always present. In general habit it is comparable with P. bicarinata, Dunker.

Type in J. H. Gatliiff’s collection, and paratypes given to the British Museum.
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