

DESCRIPTION OF *PLECOTREMA SYKESII*, n.sp., FROM KARACHI.

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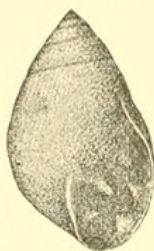
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PLECOTREMA SYKESII, n.sp.

P. testa parva, rimata, solidula, ochraceo-cornea, lævi, anfractibus 6 vel 7, infra, juxta suturas, transversim binis sulculis superficialiter scalptis, aliter omnino lævibus, ultimo anfractu cæteros late conjunctim superante, apertura oblonga, peristomate extus paullum incrassato, intus quinque dentibus plicisve albidis munito, videlicet; duobus dentibus labialibus, tribusque plicis columellaribus. Long. 4, lat. 1.75 mm.

Hab.—Karachi (F. W. Townsend).

A small horny-yellow *Plecotrema*, of which we have seen a few specimens, all precisely similar. The shell is solid, rimate, six- or seven-whorled, with the surface entirely smooth (thus differing from

*Plecotrema Sykesii*, n.sp.

most of its congeners), with the exception of two, very superficial, thin, spiral sulculi, more like scratches than furrows, just below the sutures. The last whorl is much the largest. Mouth oblong, peristome somewhat thickened exteriorly, and within provided with two labial teeth and three columellar plaits; both teeth and plaits are whitish.

I am much indebted to Mr. E. R. Sykes for having assisted me in the discrimination of the species of this genus, and have unusual pleasure in connecting this very interesting little new form with his name. He desires me to take this opportunity, since no suitable occasion has presented itself to him, to point out that, by an oversight, *P. mucronatum*, Mölldff. (Nachr. Deutsch. Malak. Gesell., 1894, p. 116), from Bohol, was omitted from his paper on the genus (Proc. Malac. Soc., Vol. i, p. 241).

The other *Plecotrema*, brought by Mr. Townsend from Karachi, is *P. concinnum* (H. & A. Ad.).



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