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Ventrals 146; anal divided; subcaudals $28 + x$, possibly 40. Posterior maxillary tooth strong and separated from the preceding by an interspace.

Upper parts brown, with four rather indistinct blackish lines, the outer along the fourth and the inner along the seventh series of scales; upper labials yellowish, marbled with blackish like the throat; lower parts greyish, nearly black.

The length of the single specimen is 18 inches, of which the somewhat mutilated tail measures two.

This species seems to be allied to *Liophis quinquelineatus* (Ann. & Mag. Nat. Hist. 1881, vol. vii. p. 359), of which the type has been lost. It differs, however, by its somewhat larger eye, fewer series of scales, and different coloration of the head.

X.—*Report upon the Crustacea collected by P. W. Bassett-Smith, Esq., Surgeon R.N., during the Survey of the Macclesfield and Tizard Banks, in the China Sea, by H.M.S. 'Rambler,' Commander W. U. Moore. By R. I. POCCOCK.*

THIS collection of Crustacea is composed principally of Brachyurous forms of small size. Seventeen species have been identified, and of these three are now described for the first time. This percentage of new species from seas so well known is distinctly good. The chief interest centres in the Maioid forms, two of them being new to science and the rest noticeable in other respects.

In addition to the species here enumerated several small specimens of a species of *Alpheus* were taken; but the identification of these has not been attempted, on account of their immaturity and imperfect condition.

1. *Gonodactylus chiragra* (Fabr.).

One small specimen in 3 feet of water at the north-east extremity of the reef.

2. *Galathea australiensis*, Stimpson.

Galathea australiensis, Stimpson, Proc. Ac. Sci. Philad. p. 89 (1858); Henderson, Anomura of 'Challenger' Exped. p. 118, pl. xii. fig. 5.

Two specimens without chelipedes in 32 fathoms of water on Macclesfield Bank.

3. ? *Dynomene hispida*, Desmarest.

Dynomene hispida, Desmarest, Consid. gén. Crust. p. 133, pl. xviii. fig. 2.

A single specimen, perhaps not referable to this species, on Macclesfield Bank, 32 fath.

4. *Nursilia dentata*, Bell.

Nursilia dentata, Bell, Trans. Linn. Soc. xxi. p. 309, pl. xxxiv. fig. 6.

A single female specimen at a depth of 40 fath.

5. *Cophyra laevis*, A. Milne-Edwards.

Cophyra laevis, A. Milne-Edwards, Nouv. Arch. Mus. v. p. 152, and ix. p. 173, pl. iv. fig. 2.

One specimen in 3 feet of water on Extreme Reef.

6. *Tetralia cavimanus*, Heller.

Tetralia cavimanus, Beiträge zur Crustaceen-Fauna des rothen Meeres, p. 353, pl. iii. figs. 24, 25.

Three specimens from Mace Island at a depth of 20½ fath.

7. *Trapezia caerulea*, Rüppell.

Trapezia caerulea, Rüppell, Miers, Brachyura of 'Challenger,' p. 165.

A single specimen on Extreme Reef in 3 feet of water.

The lateral spines of the carapace are almost obsolete; the manus is rounded above and not hairy externally.

8. *Trapezia cymodoce* (Herbst), Miers.

Trapezia cymodoce (Herbst), Miers, Ann. Nat. Hist. (5) ii. p. 408.

Taken with the above was a single specimen of *Trapezia* which is referable to *T. cymodoce* as restricted by Miers. It may be distinguished from those that I have named *T. guttata* by the absence of spots from the legs and by the presence of a cluster of very short hairs on the outer surface of the manus of the chelipede.

9. *Trapezia guttata*, Rüppell.

Trapezia guttata, Rüppell, Beschreib. Krabben des rothen Meeres, p. 27.

Half a dozen small specimens in 6 fathoms off Tizard Bank.