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"Remarks on the genus *Achatinella*, Swainson, and descriptions of six new species from Mr. Cuming's collection." By Dr. L. Pfeiffer.

Upon examining the long series of forms which occur in the vast family of the *Heliceæ*, I have ascertained that there are several groups which Nature herself seems to have characterized as genera, though it would be very difficult to draw out such a generic definition as would exclude all other nearly allied species. One of these natural groups is the genus *Achatinella*, proposed by Swainson in Brandt's Journal, 1828, which appears to be peculiar to the Sandwich Islands, and has been united to the genus *Bulimus* by most recent authors, as by myself in my 'Symbolæ.' However, the greater the number of species we become acquainted with, the more convenient it appears to unite them together as a distinct genus. I may therefore be permitted to give a short account of the species now known.

1. ACHATINELLA LUGUBRIS (*Turbo*), Chemn. Described by Lamarck under the name of *Monodonta seminigra*, and figured by Swainson in the Zool. Illustr. under the name of *A. pica*. Of course the name of Chemnitz must be retained.
2. ACHATINELLA PERVERSA, Swains. Synon. *Helix decora*, Fér., t. 155. f. 5—7; *Bulimus decorus*, Pfr. Symb.
3. ACHATINELLA ACUTA, Swains. *Hel. spirizona*, Fér., t. 155. f. 14, 15.
4. ACHATINELLA BULIMOIDES, Swains. *Hel. lorata*, Fér., t. 155. f. 9—11; *Bul. loratus*, Pfr. Symb.
5. ACHATINELLA LIVIDA, Swains. *Hel. vulpina*, Fér., t. 155. f. 1, 2; *Bul. vulpinus*, Pfr. Symb.
6. ACHATINELLA ROSEA, Swains. A very distinct species, to which none of Féruccac's figures may be referred.
7. ACHATINELLA PULCBERRIMA, Swains. This species might perhaps be considered as a dextrous variety of *A. livida*.
8. ACHATINELLA TURRITELLA (*Hel.*), Fér., t. 155. f. 13; *Bul. turritella*, Pfr. Symb.
9. ACHATINELLA TRISTIS (*Hel.*), Fér. Mus.; *Bul. tristis*, Pfr. Symb.
10. ACHATINELLA VENTULUS (*Hel.*), Fér. Mus.; *Bul. ventulus*, Pfr. Symb.
- ✓ 11. ACHATINELLA RADIATA, Pfr. *Ach. testa ovata, solidula, leviter striata, nitida, viridi et luteo radiata, strigis intercurrentibus nigricantibus; spira conica, obtusiuscula; sutura marginata;*

*✓ 11. Achatinella radiata, Pfr. Ach. testa ovata, solidula, leviter striata, nitida, viridi et luteo radiata, strigis intercurrentibus nigricantibus; spira conica, obtusiuscula; sutura marginata;*

*fractibus 5½ vix convexiusculis, ultimo spiræ paulò breviore; columellæ dente brevi calloso rubello munitæ; aperturæ oblongo-ovali; peristomate intus fusco-rubello-labiato.*

Long. 19, diam. 10 mill.

Ins. Sandwich. (Mus. Cuming.)

12. ACHATINELLA PICTA, Pfr. *Ach. testæ sinistrorsæ, ovato-elongatæ, striatulæ, carned, maculis et flammis nigro-fuscis eleganter pictæ; spiræ turritæ, gracili, acutiusculæ; suturæ simplice; anfractibus 6 convexis, ultimo ¾ longitudinis subæquante; columellæ valdè tortæ, dente planulato, acutè prominente, albo munitæ; aperturæ oblongæ; peristomate simplice, acuto.*

Long. 12½, diam. 7 mill.

Ins. Sandwich. (Mus. Cuming.)

✓ 13. ACHATINELLA BREVIS, Pfr. *Ach. testæ ovatæ, brevi, solidæ, obliquè striatulæ, nitidæ, fuscæ; spiræ conicæ, acutiusculæ; anfractibus 6 convexiusculis, ultimo ¼ longitudinis vix superante, subgloboso; columellæ breviter arcuatæ, acutè dentatæ; aperturæ rotundato-lunari; peristomate simplice, albo.*

Long. 11, diam. 6½ mill.

Ins. Sandwich. (Mus. Cuming.)

✓ 14. ACHATINELLA PYRAMIS, Pfr. *Ach. testæ ovato-pyramidalæ, lævissimè striatæ, diaphanæ, virenti-corned; spiræ pyramidalæ, apice acuto; suturæ linearis, angustè marginatæ; anfractibus 8 planis, ultimo ¾ longitudinis subæquante; columellæ brevissimè arcuatæ, plicæ dentiformi complanatæ, acutæ, munitæ; aperturæ ovali.*

Long. 12, diam. 5½ mill.

Ins. Sandwich. (Mus. Cuming.)

✓ 15. ACHATINELLA CLARA, Pfr. *Ach. testæ oblongæ, longitudinaliter plicatulo-striatæ, pellucida, pallidæ corned; spiræ turritæ, apice obtuso; suturæ linea rufæ marginatæ; anfractibus 8 planiusculis, ultimo ¼ longitudinis vix æquante; columellæ vix arcuatæ, dente parùm prominente munitæ; aperturæ orali.*

Long. 12, diam. 4¾ mill.

Ins. Sandwich. (Mus. Cuming.)

16. ACHATINELLA CORNEOLA, Pfr. *Ach. testæ ovato-oblongæ, lævissimè striatulæ, pellucida, nitida, corned; spiræ turrito-conica, apice obtusiusculo; suturæ subsimplice; anfractibus 8 planiusculis, ultimo ⅔ longitudinis subæquante; columellæ valdè arcuatæ, dente acutè prominente, albo, complanato instructæ; aperturæ irregulariter ovali; peristomate intus callo tenui, nitido, albo sublabiato.*

Long. 15, diam. 7 mill.

Ins. Sandwich. (Mus. Cuming.)

17. ACHATINELLA GRAVIDA (Hel.), Fér., t. 155. f. 3, 4.

18. ACHATINELLA LUTEOLA (Hel.), Fér., t. 155. f. 12. These two species I have not been able to find out of the great number of varieties and species I had the opportunity of examining.