

*Shell*.—Very small, strong, white, rounded, narrowed in front, broad and gibbous behind, where also the labral callus, somewhat pinched out, and prominent especially on the right, encircles the top of the mouth, which is much bent and narrow, channelled in front and behind, and runs the whole length of the shell; the outer lip is varixed and inside is finely toothed, the inner lip is bent, unthickened, and has three very feeble teeth in front. *Sculpture*: none, but some very faint lines of growth. *Colour* translucent white. *Spire* entirely concealed. *Mouth* is small, much bent, the full length of the shell, a very little expanded behind, very slightly narrowed in the middle, but nearly of the same breadth throughout. *Outer lip* thick, curved, but less so above than in front, where it is oblique in direction; in the middle it is slightly incurved and is blunt, but above and below is bevelled outwards to a sharp edge, the inner side of which is furrowed with small fine teeth; it is thickened externally by a narrowish, slightly prominent labral varix, which is continued; a little weakened but with a small exterior furrow, round the outside of the posterior canal, which is deep and rounded, and truncates the tip of the shell. *Inner lip* very much bent, particularly above; at the top it is shortly, thickly, and angularly bordered by the end of the callus of the outer lip, which coils round the top of the shell; in front there is an almost imperceptible thickening where the teeth occur; these are four in number and very small, the upper two being barely visible; the lower two are very oblique, and the under one of these forms a minute flange to the point of the pillar, which is very truncated. H. 0·082 in. B. 0·055. Mouth, breadth 0·007, greatest breadth (at the top) 0·012.

This little species resembles, of course, a considerable number of small *Marginellas*, of which there is a large group, only distinguishable from one another by careful examination of specimens. So obvious a fact as this need not have been stated, but for the almost incredible tendency to mix up a number of these species on the mere testimony of figures and descriptions. *Marginella agger* differs from *Marginella guanacha*, d'Orb., in that the shell is rounder, the tumidity of the body is less gibbous, the mouth is more prolonged behind, and the tip of the shell in front is less truncated, the teeth on the outer lip are a little stronger, and those on the pillar a little weaker than in that species. Compared to *Marginella clandestina*, Brocchi, *Marginella agger* is rounder in form, being less broad behind, but is more pointed at both ends, behind especially; the presence of the little projections formed by the labral varix is a marked feature; there, too, the canal is deeper, the pillar teeth, too, are much finer and feebler. From *Marginella occulta*, Monterosato, it differs markedly in form, being smaller, shorter, and rounder, the posterior enlargement of the labral varix is much more prominent, and the posterior oral canal is much deeper; it lacks, too, the slight basal excavation which is always found in that species. *Marginella ovuliformis*, d'Orb., from Cuba, has a much shorter mouth, and lacks the posterior projection.