

DESCRIPTION OF A PARTULA SUPPOSED TO BE NEW, FROM THE ISLAND OF MOOREA.

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***Partula Mooreana*, Hartman.**

Shell sinistral, ovate, elongate, thin, translucent, pale yellowish horn-color, apex darker; whorls 5, flatly convex, body-whorl, with or without from one to three narrow, pale, brown revolving bands; surface smooth, with fine, oblique striations, which are decussated by crowded waved spiral striæ; a narrow white line beneath the suture; aperture nearly half the length of the shell, lip white, moderately reflected, pillar tooth oval, prominent, situated nearest the superior angle, umbilicus open, moderately compressed.

Length 18 mill., diameter 9 mill.

Hab.—Vaianai Valley, Island of Moorea (Andrew Garrett, Esq.).

In one hundred and forty-six species and varieties of *Partula* represented in my collection, this shell possesses constant and well-marked specific characters. Mr. Garrett informs me that fifteen hundred specimens were all sinistral and dentate. The surface of the shell resembles *P. spadicea* and varieties from Moorea in possessing the thickly crowded waved spiral striæ.

This species is arboreal, and is not uncommon on bushes, in Vaianai Valley, the metropolis of *P. vexillum* Pse. = *P. stenostoma* Ph.