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# ON THE GAMMARIDEAN AMPHIPODA OF THE GULF OF MANNAR, WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO THOSE OF THE PEARL AND CHANK BEDS\*

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#### ABSTRACT

During the underwater survey of the pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin carried out by 'Scuba' diving, a number of amphipods were also seen amongst various material collected from the sea bottom. These amphipods were studied in detail. Incorporating the amphipods of the pearl banks of Ceylon described by Walker (1904) a complete list with synonymies of all the reported species of amphipods from the Gulf of Mannar, together with the description and sketches of species wherever found necessary, has been given in this account.

#### INTRODUCTION

THE present paper deals with the amphipods collected while engaged in the underwater exploration of the pearl and chank grounds off Tuticorin by 'Scuba't diving during the years 1962-64. A good number of amphipods were collected from different habitats at depths varying from 10 metres to 30 metres. Additional materials were also obtained from shallow areas, sandy beach of Tuticorin and from plankton collections made off Tuticorin. The aim was not only to make the account of the amphipod fauna of this part of the Sub-Continent a comprehensive one, but also to compare the amphipod fauna with that of the Gulf of Mannar coast of Ceylon, almost an identical habitat, as reported by Walker (1904).

Separated as it is only by a distance of a few scores of miles with the nearest points between India and Ceylon coasts being hardly more than 20 miles and interconnected by Adam's bridge through submerged coral reefs lying in shallow waters between Dhanushkodi and Thalaimannar at the head of the Gulf, one would find close similarity of fauna from identical habitat. Naturally most of the forms reported by Walker (1904) are reported here. But such of those forms which Walker (1904) recorded but which were not collected during the present study have also been included to make the account of some use to the systematic worker on this group. It was not possible before the present paper was released to complete the description of some of the unreported species collected now from Gulf of Mannar both due to insufficient material and the limited time at the disposal of the author. It is hoped to bring it out shortly.

Detailed descriptions of the species have been omitted to lessen the bulk, but sketches of some of the characteristic appendages which would help in the identification of the species have been given wherever possible. Included in this account are amphipods referable to 78 species of 54 general under 27 families.

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<sup>\* +</sup> Self-contained underwater breathing apparatus,

#### Suborder GAMMARIDEA

Family LYSIANASSIDAE

#### Genus Shoemakerella Pirlot

### Shoemakerella nasuta (Dana)

(Fig. 1)

Lysianassa nasuta Dana, 1853-55, p. 915, pl. 62, fig. 2 a-m.

Lysianax cubensis Stebbing, 1897, p. 29, pl. 7B.

Lysianassa cubensis & nasuta Stebbing, 1906, pp. 38 & 40.

Lysianassa alba Pearse, 1912, p. 369.

Lysianassa alba Shoemaker, 1921, p. 99.

Shoemakerella nasuta Pirlot, 1936, p. 264.

Shoemakerella nasuta Shoemaker, 1948, pp. 1-2.

Shoemakerella nasuta Nayar, 1959, pp. 6-7, pl. 1, figs. 1-15.

Locality.—A few specimens were collected from the pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin on 20-10-1963.

Distribution.—This species has been described by Dana (1853-55) from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and it has since been recorded from Barbados, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Tortugas, the coast of Florida, Gulf of Mexico and from Madras coast. This is the first record of this species from the Gulf of Mannar.

#### Genus Ichnopus Costa

#### Ichnopus taurus Costa

Ichnopus taurus Della Valle, 1893, p. 802, pl. 27.

Ichnopus taurus Walker, 1904, p. 238, pl. I, fig. 3.

Locality.-One male specimen was collected from Galle Harbour at a depth of 100 fathoms.

Remarks.—This species is not represented in the present collection. For further details regarding the synonymy of the species, Chevreux and Fage (1925) may be consulted.

#### Genus Socarnella Walker

#### Socarnella bonnieri Walker

Socarnella bonnieri Walker, 1904, pp. 239-40, pl. I, figs. 4.

Locality.—One female specimen was obtained from Reef, Galle along with compound Ascidians.

Remarks.—Walker created Socarnella (1904) to accommodate the single female specimen collected from Ceylon on 16-2-1902. This species has not been reported from anywhere else and no other species has also been added to this genus to date,



FIG. 1. Shoemakerella nasuta (Dana). Male: (a) Antenna 1; (b) gnathopod 1; (c) gnathopod 2.

Genus Lysianassa Milne Edwards

#### Lysianassa cinghalensis (Stebbing)

Lysianax cinghalensis Stebbing, 1897, p. 28, pl. 7 A.

Lysianax cinghalensis Walker, 1904, pp. 242-43, pl. 1, fig. 6.

Lysianax cinghalensis Walker, 1909, p. 328.

Lysianassa cinghalensis Barnard, 1937, pp. 142-43.

Locality.-- A number of specimens were collected at various localities round the coast of Ceylon.

Size.-Length of male about 6 mm. and of female about 10 mm.

Recorded localities in the Indian Ocean.—This species has been previously collected and recorded from Ceylon by Walker (1904) and from Red Sea, Gulf of Oman, by Barnard (1937).

Remarks .- This species is not represented in the present collection.

#### Lysianassa coelochir (Walker)

Lysianax coelochir Walker, 1904, pp. 243, pl. 1, figs. 7.

Lysianassa coelochir Barnard, 1937, p. 143.

Locality.-Ceylon coast.

Distribution.—This species was first recorded by Walker (1904) from Ceylon and it has since been recorded from the Gulf of Oman by Barnard (1937).

Remarks .- This species is not represented in the present collection.

#### Genus Orchomenella Sars

### Orchomenella nana (Kroyer)

Orchomenella nana Walker, 1904, p. 244.

Locality .-- A number of specimens were collected from the Ceylon coast at Cheval Paar.

Size.-Length of male is about 5.5 mm.

*Remarks.*—For more details regarding this species and its distribution Gurjanova (1951) may be referred to. This species is not represented in the present collection.

Genus Tryphosa Boeck

#### Tryphosa cucullata Walker

Tryphosa cucullata Walker, 1904, p. 244, pl. IV, fig. 8.

Locality.—Only one male specimen of this species was collected from Kondatchi Paar on 17th November 1902 near Ceylon.

Size.---Male about 5.5 mm.

*Remarks.*—This species was created by Walker (1904) based on a single male specimen collected from Kondatchi Paar. This is the only record of this species. This species is not represented in the present collection.

Genus Amaryllis Haswell

#### Amaryllis tennipes (Walker)

Vijaya tenuipes Walker, 1904, pp. 241-42, pl. I, figs. 5.

Locality.-From the coast of Ceylon two specimens were obtained.

Size.—4 mm.

**Remarks.**—Two specimens, a male and a female collected from Ceylon, have been described by Walker (1904) as a new species under a new genus. Barnard (1932) considers the genus Vijaya as a synonym of *Amaryllis*. This species is not represented in the present collection.

#### Genus Anonyx Kroyer

#### Anonyx schmardae Heller

Socarnes schmardae Walker, 1904, p. 238.

Locality .- Only one male specimen has been recorded from Ceylon coast.

Distribution.—This has been first recorded from the Mediterranean coast and has since been recorded from the Ceylon coast.

*Remarks.*—No specimen belonging to this species has been collected during the underwater survey work carried out at Tuticorin during 1962-64. This is considered a doubtful species by J. L. Barnard (1958). Since no specimen has been collected during the present survey it is not possible to comment on the validity of this species.

Genus Lepidepecreum Bate & Westw.

#### Lepidepecreum foraminiferum Stebbing

Lepidepecreum foraminiferum Stebbing, 1888, p. 686, p. 24.

Anonyx longicornis Della Valle, 1893, p. 814,

Lepidepecreum foraminiferum Stebbing, 1906, p. 79.

Lepidepecreum foraminiferum Nayar, 1959, p. 7, pl. l, figs. 16-26.

Locality .- This has been previously recorded from Tuticorin by Nayar (1959).

Remarks .- It is not represented in the present collection.

Family AMPELISCIDAE

Genus Ampelisca Kroyer

#### Ampelisca tridens Walker

Ampelisca tridens Walker, 1904, pp. 249-50, pl. IV, fig. 11.

Ampelisca tridens Stebbing, 1906, p. 722.

Ampelisca tridens Pirlot, 1936, pp. 281-82.

Ampelisca tridens Nayar, 1959, p. 10, pl. II, figs. 19-29.

Locality.—This species has been first recorded from the Ceylon coast by Walker (1904). A few specimens were collected from the pearl banks off Tuticorin during the present survey from the Thollayiram Paar at depths ranging from 19 metres to 22 metres.

Distribution .- Cevlon, Madras, East Indies.

#### Ampelisca scabripes Walker

Ampelisca scabripes Walker, 1904, pp. 250-51, pl. II, figs. 12.

Locality: Ceylon.

**Remarks.**—"Characterized by the spinous 4th joints of the 3rd and 4th peracopods, the form and proportions of the joints of the 5th and the serrated and dentate 3rd uropods" (Walker, 1904). This species has not been recorded since 1904.

#### Ampelisca brachyceras Walker

Ampelisca brachyceras Walker, 1904, pp. 251-52, pl. II, fig. 13.

Locality.—Only two specimens belonging to this species were collected in 1902 from Kondatchi Paar and Cheval Paar. This species is not represented in the present collection.

Size.—About 4.5 mm.

Remarks.—'This species can easily be recognised by the short antenna 1, the peculiar structure of the 4th joint of the 3rd and 4th and the 1st joint of the 5th peraeopods, and the curiously formed and ornamented 3rd uropods' (Walker, 1904). This species has not been recorded since 1904.

#### Ampeliaca brevicoraia (Costa)

Ampelisca loevigate Sars, 1891, p. 169, pl. 59, fig. 1.

Ampelisca brevicornis Walker, 1904, p. 253.

Ampelisca brevicornis Stebbing, 1906, p. 100.

Ampelisca brevicornis Chevreux & Fage, 1925, p. 78, fig. 69,

Ampelisca brevicornis Schellenberg, 1925, p. 130, fig. 9 (with vars.).

Ampelisca brevicornis Schellenberg, 1928, p. 634.

Ampelisca brevicornis Pirlot, 1936, p. 277.

Ampelisca brevicornis Barnard, 1937, p. 148.

Locality .-- Cyelon. This species is not represented in the present collection.

Distribution.-Ceylon, Bagamoyo, Suez, N. Atlantic, Mediterranean, West, South and East coasts of Africa, Java and Japan.

#### Ampelisca cyclops Walker

Ampelisca cyclops Walker, 1904, p. 253, pl. 2, fig. 14.

Ampelisca cyclops Pirlot, 1936, p. 280.

Ampelisca cyclops Barnard, 1937, p. 149.

Ampelisca cyclops Nayar, 1959, pp. 8-9, pl. II, figs. 12-18.

Locality.-Ceylon and Tuticorin pearl banks.

Distribution.—This species was first recorded off the coast of Ceylon by Walker (1904) and it has since been recorded from East Indies by Pirlot (1936), from Suez Canal by Barnard (1937) and from Madras coast by Nayar (1959).

Size.-Length from the front of the head to the end of uropods is about 9 mm.



FIG. 2. Ampelisca zamboangae Stebbing. (a) Peracopod 4; (b) peracopod 5; (c) uropod 1; (d) uropod 2; (e) uropod 3; (f) telson.

Ampelisca zamboangae Stebbing (Fig. 2)

(1.6. 2)

Ampelisca zamboangae Stebbing, 1888, p. 1057, pl. 106. Ampelisca chevreuxi Walker, 1904, p. 254, pl. 3, fig. 15,

Ampelisca zamboangae Pirlot, 1936, p. 280. Ampelisca zamboangae Barnard, 1937, p. 149. Ampelisca zamboangae Pillai, 1957, p. 30, fig. I, 1–2. Ampelisca zamboangae Nayar, 1959, pp. 7–8, pl. II, figs. 1–11.

Locality.—A number of specimens were collected from the pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin. This has been previously recorded from the Ceylon coast.

Distribution.—This species was described by Stebbing (1888) from Philippine Island and it has since been recorded from Ceylon by Walker (1904), East Indies by Pirlot (1936), Red Sea by Barnard (1937), Trivandrum by Pillai (1957) and Madras coast by Nayar (1959).

Size.—Length of the male as well as the female from front of the head to the end of the uropods is about 6 mm.

#### Genus Byblis Boeck

#### Byblis lepta (Giles)

#### (Fig. 5 a)

Ampelisca lepta Giles, 1888, p. 223, t. 8 & 9.

Ampelisca lepta Della Valle, 1893, p. 894.

Byblis lepta Stebbing, 1906, p. 115.

Byblis lepta Nayar, 1959, p. 2, pl. 2, figs. 30-34.

Locality.—A single female specimen belonging to this species was obtained from the sand samples collected from Thollayiram Paar on 23-2-1963.

Distribution.—This has been previously recorded from the Bay of Bengal by Giles (1888), the Suezi Canal by Barnard (1937) and Madras coast by Nayar (1959).

Remarks .- This is the first record of this species from the Gulf of Mannar.

#### Family HAUSTORIIDAE

#### Genus Platyischnopus Stebbing

#### Platylschnopus herdmani Walker

Platyischnopus herdmani Walker, 1904, p. 247, pt. II, fig. 10.

Platyischnopus capensis, Barnard, 1925, p. 338, pl. xxxiv, figs. 13-14.

Platyischnopus herdmani, Pillai, 1957, pp. 35-37, fig. III.

Platyischnopus herdmani, Nayar, 1959, pp. 11-12, pl. iii, figs. 1-15.

Locality.-Ceylon.

Distribution.—Ceylon, Madras, Trivandrum and South Africa.

Size.—Length of the male about 5 mm.

Remarks.—This species is not represented in the present collection. But the occurrence of this species in Indian waters has been reported by Pillai (1957) and Nayar (1959). Pillai (1957) considers *P. capensis* Barnard collected from Africa as a synonym of this species.

#### Genus Urothoe Dana

## Urothoc spinidigitus Walker

Urothoe spinidigitus Walker, 1904, pp. 235-46, pl. I, fig. 9. Urothoe spinidigitus Nayar, 1959, p. 13, figs. 16-28, pl. III,

Locality.—Only one specimen was collected from Ceylon coast. Two specimens were obtained during the present collection from Thollayiram Paar off Tuticorin.

Remarks.--This has been previously recorded from Madras.

Size.-Length of female about 5 mm.

Family ARGISSIDAE

#### Genus Argissa Boeck

#### Argissa hamatipes (Norman)

Argissa typica Sars, 1891-95, p. 141, pl. 48.

Argissa hamatipes Walker, 1904, p. 246.

Locality.—Only one female specimen was collected from Ceylon from Kondatchi Paar on 17th November 1902.

*Size.*—2.5 mm.

**Remarks.**—This genus is represented by 2 species only, of which one species, viz., A. hamatipes (Norman) has been reported to occur at Ceyton by Walker (1904). No specimen belonging to this species has been collected during the present underwater survey work. For details regarding this species Gurjanova (1951), may be referred to.

#### Family PHOXOCEPHALIDAE

Genus Paraphoxus Sars

#### Paraphoxus uncirostrata (Giles)

Phoxus uncirostratus, Giles, 1890, p. 65, pl. II, fig. 2.

Leptophoxus uncirostratus, Walker, 1904, p. 249.

Leptophoxus uncirostratus, Nayar, 1959, p. 14, pl. IV, figs. 1-16.

Paraphoxus uncirostratus, Barnard, 1958, p. 118.

Locality .--- Ceylon.

Distribution.--This has been previously recorded by Giles (1890) from Burma and from Ceylon by Walker (1904) and from Madras by Nayar (1959).

Remarks.—A single specimen belonging to this species was obtained from the sand sample collected and examined from the Thollayiram Paar on 17-12-1963. Barnard (1958) has brought this species under the genus Paraphoxus.

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#### Family AMPHILOCHIDAE

Genus Amphilochus Bate

#### Amphilochus neapolitanus Della Valle

(Fig. 3)

Amphilochus neupolitanus Walker, 1904, p. 255.

Amphilochus neapolitanus Chevreux & Fage, 1925, p. 112, figs. 106-108.

Amphilochus neapolitanus Barnard, 1937, pp. 151-52.

Locality .-- Ceylon.

Remarks.—A single specimen was collected from the Muttuvaratu pearl oyster washings which Walker (1904) has referred to as *Amphilochus neapolitamus*. During the present survey specimens belonging to the species were obtained from the pearl banks off Tuticorin during 1962-64.

Distribution .-- North Sea, Mediterranean, Canaries and Sahara coast.



FIG. 3. Amphilochus neapolitanus Della Valle. (a) Gnathopod 2; (b) gnathopod 1; (c) antenna 1; (d) antenna 2.

Genus Cyproidea Haswell

Cyproidea ornata Haswell

(Fig. 4)

Cyproidea ornata, Haswell, 1880, p. 320, Taf. 18, fig. 1.

Callea tecticauda Walker, 1904, p. 256, pls. 3 & 8, fig. 16.

Cyproidea ornata Stebbing, 1910, p. 578.

Cyproidea ornata Barnard, 1925, p. 341.

Cyproidea ornata Schellenberg, 1938, p. 18 (literature).

Cyproidea ornata, Nayar, 1959, pp. 15-16, pl. IV, figs. 17-30.

Locality.—A number of specimens were got from Ceylon. This has been collected from Krusadai Island and also from Tuticorin coast.

Distribution.—This has been previously recorded from South Australia, Ceylon, Suez Canal, Capeland, Bismarck Archipelago and Madras coast.



FIG. 4. Cyproidea ornata Haswell. male. (a) gnathopod 2, (b) gnathopod 1.

Family LEUCOTHOIDAE

Genus: Leucothoe Leach

Leucothoe spinicarpa (Abildg.)

(Fig. 5b, c)

Leucothoe spinicarpa Walker, 1904, p. 258. Leucothoe spinicarpa Walker, 1905, p. 925. Leucothoe spinicarpa Walker, 1909, p. 331. Leucothoe spinicarpa Gravely, 1927, p. 123. Leucothoe spinicarpa Schellenberg, 1928, p. 687. Leucothoe spinicarpa Schellenberg, 1931, p. 92. Leucothoe spinicarpa Shoemaker, 1933, pp. 8–9. Leucothoe spinicarpa Barnard, 1937, p. 152. Leucothoe spinicarpa Nayar, 1959, pp. 16–17.

Locality.—A number of specimens were collected from Ceylon. Several specimens were collected from the pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin and from Mandapam Camp during the present survey.

Distribution.—This is a cosmopolitan species. Size.—About 10 mm.

Leucothoe furina (Sav.)

(Fig. 5 d)

Leucothoe hornelli Walker, 1904, pp. 258-59, pl. 3, fig. 17. Leucothoe hornelli Walker, 1905, p. 925. Leucothoe hornelli Walker, 1909, p. 331.

Leucothoe hornelli, Chevreux, 1907, p. 470.

Leucothoe furnia Schellenberg, 1928, p. 635.

Leucothoe furina Barnard, 1937, p. 152.

Locality.—A number of specimens were collected from the branchial sacs of tunicates from Ceylon.

Distribution.—Ceylon, Maldives, Red Sea (Walker), Red Sea (Spandl.), Suez, (Schellenberg), Gambier Archipelago (Chevreux), East Indies and Australia (Schellenberg, var. indica).

Remarks.—This species is represented in the present collection by a single male specimen obtained from Thollayiram Paar on 2-4-1964.



Fig. 5. (a) Byblis lepta (Giles).—Peracopod 5; (b) Leucothoe spinicarpa (Abildg.) male, gnathopod 1; (c) same, gnathopod 2; (d) Leucothoe furina (Sav.), male, gnathopod 2; (e) Stenothoe gallensis Walker, male, gnathopod 2; (f) Melita fresnellt (Aud.), male, gnathopod 2, right side.

#### Family ANAMIXIDAE

#### Genus Anamixis Stebbing

#### Anamixis stebbingi Walker

(Fig. 6)

# Anamixis stebbingi Walker, 1904, p. 259, pl. II, figs. 18.

Locality.—Only one imperfect specimen was collected from Ceylon. One male specimen was found in the collections made from Thollayiram Paar on 1-4-1964.

**Remarks.**—The family Anamixidae comprises of a single genus with five species. A. stebbingi has been created by Walker (1904) based on an imperfect specimen collected from the Muttuvaratu pearl oyster washings from Ceylon. One male specimen of this species was collected from Tuticorin. As the specimen was slightly damaged it was not possible to make detailed sketches but sketches of most of the appendages are given here. The description given by Walker (1904) agrees well with the specimen collected.



FIG. 6. Anamixis stebbingi Walker. (a) Antenna 1; (b) antenna 2; (c) gnathopod 2, right side; (d) end of gnathopod 1.

Family STENOTHOIDAE

Genus Stenothoe Dana

Stenothoe gallensis Walker

(Fig. 5 e)

Stenothoe gallensis Walker, 1904, p. 261, pl. 3, fig. 19.

Stenothoe cruenulata Chevreux, 1907, p. 471.

Stenothoe gallensis Barnard, 1916, p. 154.

Stenothoe gallensis Schellenberg, 1928, p. 640.

Stenothoe gallensis Barnard, 1937, pp. 153-54.

Stenothoe gallensis Nayar, 1959, p. 17, pl. I, figs, 7-19.

Locality.—An abundant species on the Ceylon coast. A number of species were collected from the Tuticorin coast.

Distribution.—South Africa (Barnard), Gambier Archipelago (Chevreux). Recorded localities in the Indian Ocean: This has been previously recorded from Ceylon, Seychelles, Zanzibar, Red Set, Dar-es-Salaam and also from Madras coast.

*Remarks.*—Based on the single female specimen obtained from Ceylon, Walker (1904) created this species. This could be easily identified by the peculiar size and shape of gnathopod 2 bf the male.

#### Stenothoe marina (Bate)

Stenothoe marina Walker, 1904, p. 261.

**Remarks.**—A single female specimen belonging to this species was collected from Cheval Paar in 1902 and described by Walker (1904) as *Stenothoe marina* var. *sinhalensis*. But Gurjanova (1951) considers this as a synonym of *Stenothoe marina*. This species is not represented in the present collection. For further details regarding the species and its distribution Gurjanova (1951) may be referred to.

#### Stenothoe monoculoides (Mont)

Stenothoe monoculoides Walker, 1904, p. 261.

Remarks.—A few species were obtained from Ceylon and recorded by Walker (1904). This species is not represented in the present collection. For further details Gurjanova (1951) may be consulted.

# Family COLOMASTIGIDAE

Genus Colomastix Grube

# Colomastix pusilla Grube

(Fig. 7)

Colomastix pusilla Walker, 1904, p. 299. Colomastix crassimamus Walker, 1909, p. 332.



Fur. 7. Colomastix pusilla (Grube). (a) Antenna 1; (b) antenna 2; (c) gnathopod 1; (d) gnathopod 2; (e) uropod 1; (f) uropod 3.

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Colomastix pusilla Chilton, 1925, p. 533.

Colomastix pusilla Schellenberg, 1928, p. 687.

Colomastix pusilla Barnard, 1937, p. 154.

Colomastix pusilla J. L. Barnard, 1955, pp. 39-42, fig. 20.

Locality.—This has been previously recorded from Ceylon. A single specimen of this species was obtained from the Tuticorin pearl banks on 21-9-1962.

Distribution .-- Cosmopolitan; in tropical and temperate seas.

Family LILJEBORGIIDAE

Genus Liljeborgia Bate

# Liljeborgia pallida Bate

Liljeborgia pallida Sars, 1891-95, p. 530, pl. 187. Liljeborgia pallida Della Valle, 1893, p. 658, pl. 19. Liljeborgia pallida Walker, 1904, p. 279.

Remarks.—This has been previously collected and recorded from Ceylon by Walker (1904). This species has not been described after Stebbing (1906).

Family OEDICEROTIDAE

Genus Perioculodes Sars

Perioculodes serra Walker

Perioculodes serra Walker, 1904, pp. 262-63, pl. IV, fig. 20.

Locality .-- This has been previously recorded from the Ceylon coast by Walker (1904).

Size.—Length of adult male is about 5 mm.

*Remarks.*—This genus is represented by four species only. *P. serra* is not reported from anywhere except from Ceylon by Walker (1904). Since this species is not represented in the present collection, it is not possible to say anything about this species. According to Walker (1904) the upper margins of the rami of the first uropod, in the adults, are strongly serrated.

Genus Synchelidium G. O. Sars

#### Synchelidium brevicarpum (Sp. Bate)

Synchelidium brevicarpum Walker, 1904, p. 263.

Remarks.—A single specimen belonging to this species was collected from Cheval Paar in 1902 and recorded by Walker (1904). This species is not represented in the present collection.

Family TIRONIDAE

Genus Tiron Liljeborg

Tiron thompsoni Walker

Tiron thompsoni Walker, 1904, p. 263, pl. IV, figs. 21.

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Locality.-Only two specimens were collected from Ceylon (Walker, 1904).

*Remarks.*—This species was created by Walker (1904) to accommodate two specimens collected from Ceylon. It has not been recorded from anywhere else since then. This species is not represented in the present collection.

### Family EUSIRIDAE

Genus Eusiroides Stebbing

#### Eusiroides diplinyx Walker

Eusiroides caesaris var. Walker, 1904, p. 264, pl. 1V, fig. 22.

Eusiroides diplonyx Walker, 1909, p. 333, pl. 43, fig. 4.

Eusiroides diplonyx Pirlot, 1936, pp. 302-304, figs. 126-28.

Locality .- This species was previously recorded from Ceylon coast.

Remarks.—Pirlot (1936) considers Eusiroides caesaris var. described by Walker (1904) as a synonym of Eusiroides diplonyx. This species is not represented in the present collection.

#### Eusiroides orchomenipes Walker

Eusiroides orchomenipes Waker, 1904, pp. 264-65, pl. IV. fig. 23.

Locality .-- This has been previously recorded from Ceylon.

Remarks.—Based on the single female specimen obtained from Ceylon, Walker (1904) created this species. The occurrence of this species has not yet been reported from anywhere else. This species is not represented in the present collection.

#### Family ATYLIDAE

Genus Atylus Leach

#### Atylus granulosa (Walker)

Paratylus granulosus, Walker, 1904, p. 265.

Atylus granulosa, Barnard, 1916.

Locality.-This has been previously collected and recorded from Cheval Paar, Ceylon.

Remarks.—Walker (1904) has described it as a new species and included it under the genus *Paratylus* but Barnard (1916) transferred it to *Atylus*. This species is not represented in the present collection.

#### Family GAMMARIDAE

Genus Megaluropus Hoek

#### Megaluropus agilis Hoek

Megaluropus agilis Della Valle, 1893, p. 695, t. 3, fig. 9; t. 34, figs. 1-17. Megaluropus agilis Walker, 1904, pp. 278-79.

Megaluropus agilis Stebbing, 1906, p. 420. Megaluropus agilis Chevreux & Fage, 1925, p. 226, figs. 236-237. Phylluropus capensis Barnard, 1930, p. 146, figs. 84-85. Megaluropus agilis Barnard, 1940, p. 453. Megaluropus agilis Schellenberg, 1942, p. 46, figs. 25-28.

Megaluropus agilis Pillai, 1957, p. 50, fig. X.

Megaluropus agilis Nayar, 1959, p. 21, p. VI, figs. 18-29.

Locality .- Ceylon and Tuticorin.

Distribution.—This species has been previously recorded from Kattegat; North Sea, Holland; Firth of Clyde; Liverpool Bay; English Channel; British Channel; Gulf of Naples; Travancore coast and Madras coast.

Remarks.—A few specimens, both males and females belonging to this species, were collected from Thollayiram Paar from sponges found at depths 15 meters to 25 metres.

Genus Melita Leach

Melita fresnelii (Aud)

(Fig. 5f)

Melita cotesi Giles, 1890, p. 64, pl. 2, fig. 1.

Melita anischir, Walker, 1904, p. 270, pl. 4, figs. 28.

Melita fresnelli Walker, 1909, p. 334.

Melita fresnelii Barnard, 1916, p. 189, pl. 28, fig. 32.

Melita fresnelji Schellenberg, 1928, p. 644.

Melita fresnelii Shoemaker, 1935, p. 239.

Melita fresnelii Barnard, 1937, p. 159.

Melita fresnelii Nayar, 1959, p. 22, pl. VII, figs. 1-5.

Locality.-This has been recorded from Ceylon previously and it has since been collected from Tuticorin during 1962-64.

Recorded localities in the Indian Ocean.—Andaman Island (Giles); Ceylon, Seychelles; Wasin, Suakim (Walker); Suez Bay (Schellenberg).

Distribution.—This species has been previously recorded from East Indies, South Africa, Australia, California, Red Sea, Gulf of Aden, Zanzibar area and Madras coast.

Size.—The length of the male from front of the head to the end of the uropods is about 5 mm.

#### Melita obtusata (Mont)

Melita obtusata Walker, 1904, p. 270.

Melita obtusata Schellenberg, 1942.

Locality .-- This species has been previously reported from Ceylon.

Remarks .- This species is not represented in the present collection.

#### Genus Maera Leach

#### Maera othonides Walker

Maera othonides Walker, 1904, p. 271, pl. V, fig. 29.

Maera othonides Walker, 1905, p. 927.

Maera othonides Chilton, 1921, p. 535, fig. 5.

Maera othonides Barnard, 1935, pp. 285-286.

Maera othonides Nayar, 1959, pp. 24-25, pl. VIII, figs. 1-18.

Locality.—This has been previously reported from Ceylon. During the present survey, a number of specimens were obtained from Tuticorin pearl banks and also from Mandapam coast.

Distribution.—This species has been recorded from Ceylon and Maldive Islands by Walker (1904 & 1908), Chilka Lake by Chilton (1921), from Travancore and Cochin by Barnard (1935) and from Madras coast by Nayar (1959).

#### Maera subcarinata (Hasw.)

Elasmopus subcarinatus Walker, 1904, p. 275, pl. 5, fig. 34.

Elasmopus subcarinatus Walker, 1909, p. 335.

Elasmopus subcarinatus Gravely, 1927, p. 123.

Elasmopus subcarinatus Stephensen, 1931, p. 11.

Elasmopus subcarinatus Barnard, 1935, p. 286.

Elasmopus subcarinatus Barnard, 1937, p. 160.

Maera subcarinata Harley, 1954 a, p. 603.

Locality.—Very common in Ceylon. A number of specimens belonging to this species have been collected during the present survey work from different pearl banks off Tuticorin. A number of specimens have also been collected from Mandapam coast.

Recorded localities in Indian Ocean.—Ceylon and Seychelles (Walker); Krusadai Island (Gravely); Travancore (Barnard).

Distribution .- East Indies; Australia, South Africa.

#### Maera tenella (Dana)

(Fig. 8)

Maera tenella Walker, 1904, pp. 272-73, pl. 5, fig. 31.

Locality.—This has been previously recorded from Ceylon. One male specimen belonging to this species was obtained from the underwater collections made at Thollayiram Paar on 11-10-1963.

#### Maera inaequipes (Costa)

Maera scissimana Walker, 1904, p. 273, pl. 5, fig. 32.

Maera inaequipes Walker, 1909, p. 1334.

Maera inaequipes Schellenberg, 1928, p. 646.

Maera inaequipes Barnard, 1937, p. 159,



FIG. 8. Maera tenella (Dana). Male: (a) Gnathopod 2; (b) uropod 1; (c) uropod 3; (d) telson.

Locality .--- This has been previously recorded from Ceylon.

Recorded localities in Indian Ocean.—Red Sea (Kossmann, Spandl); Seychelles (Miers); Maldives, Seychelles, Wasin, Suez, Suakim (Walker); Suez (Schellenberg).

· Distribution.—Bermuda; Azores and Canaries; Mediterranean; South Africa; Australasia; Chile,

Remarks.-This species is not represented in the present collection.

Maera quadrimana (Dana)

(Fig. 9 a, b)

Garrarus quadrimanus Dana, 1853, p. 955, t. 65, fig. 9.

Maera quadrimanus Bate, 1862, p. 194, t. 35, fig. 5.

Maera quadrimana Stebbing, 1906, p. 434 (literature).

Maera quadrimana Schellenberg, 1938, pp. 45-48. figs. 21-22.

Maera quadrimana J. L. Barnard, 1955, p. 13.

Maera quadrimana Nayar, 1959, p. 23, pl. 7, figs. 6-15.

Locality.--Number of specimens belonging to this species have been collected from Tuticorin and also from Mandapam coast. This is the first record of this species from the Gulf of Mannar.

Distribution.--This has been previously recorded from Tropical and South Pacific, Fiji Islands, New Zealand, Hawaiian Islands and from Madras coast.

# Maera pacifica Schellenberg

(Fig. 9 c, d)

Maera pacifica Schellenberg, 1938, pp. 42-45, figs. 19 & 20. Maera pacifica Nayar, 1959, pp. 23-24, pl. 8, figs. 16 & 17.



FiG. 9. (a) Maera quadrimana (Dana) male, gnathopod 2; (b) same, uropod 3; (c) Maera pacifica Schellenberg, male, uropod 3; (d) same, gnathopod 2; (e) Lembos podoceroides Walker, male, gnathopod 1, right side; (f) Photis longimanus Walker, gnathopod 2; (g) same, gnathopod 1.

Locality.—A few specimens belonging to this species were collected from Tuticorin and also from Mandapam Camp. This is the first record of this species from the Gulf of Mannar.

Distribution.—This has been previously recorded from Hawaii Islands by Schellenberg (1938) and from Krusadai Island by Nayar (1959).

#### Genus Ceradocus Costa

# Ceradocus rubromaculatus (Stimpson)

Maera rubro-maculata Walker, 1904, p. 272, pl. 5, fig. 30. Maera rubro-maculata Chevreux 1907, p. 479, fig. 6.

Maera rubro-maculata Chilton, 1921 a, p. 71, fig. 9, lib. Maera rubro-maculata Tattersall, 1922, p. 6, pl. 1, figs. 15-16. Maera rubro-maculata Schellenberg, 1925, p. 154. Maera rubro-maculata Schellenberg, 1928, p. 644. Maera rubro-maculata Pirlot, 1934, p. 222. Maera rubro-maculata Barnard, 1937, p. 160.



FIG. 10. Elasmopus pectenicrus (Bate), male, (a) gnathopod 1; (b) uropod 3.

Locality .- Collected from Ceylon.

Recorded localities in Indian Ocean.-Maldives, Ceylon, Seychelles, Red Sea (Walker), Suez (Schellenberg).

Distribution .-- South Africa, East Indies, Australia, New Zealand and Gambier Archipelago.

Genus Elasmopus Costa

Elasmopus spinimanus Walker

Elasmopus spinimanus Walker, 1904, p. 277, pl. 5, figs. 36.

Elasmopus spinimanus Gravely, 1927, p. 123.

Locality.—This species was collected from Ceylon and described by Walker (1904) as a new species. It has also been recorded by Gravely (1927) from Krusadai Island. It is not represented in the present collection.

# Elasmopus pectenicrus (Bate)

(Fig. 10)

Elasmopus serrula Walker, 1904, p. 277, pl. 18, fig. 34.

Elasmopus serrula Walker, 1909, p. 336.

Elasmopus pectenicrus Barnard, 1916, p. 197, pl. 28, fig. 33,

Elasmopus pectenicrus Gravely, 1927, p. 123. Elasmopus pectenicrus Schellenberg, 1928, p. 647. Elasmopus pectenicrus Shoemaker, 1935, p. 238. Elasmopus pectenicrus Pirlot, 1936, p. 312.

Elasmopus pectenicrus Barnard, 1937, p. 161.

Elasmopus pectenicrus J. L. Barnard, 1955, pp. 8-10, fig. 4.

Elasmopus pectenicrus Nayar, 1959, pp. 27-28, pl. 9, figs. 20-35.



Fig. 11. Parelasmopus suluensis (Dana). Male: (a) gnathopod 1; (b) gnathopod 2; (c) end of gnathopod 2,

Locality.—Ceylon and Tuticorin. This has been previously recorded from Ceylon. A number of specimens were obtained from the pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin during 1962-64.

Recorded localities in Indian Ocean.-Red Sea (Kossmann, Spandl); Ceylon, Zanzibar, Suez (Walker); Krusadai Island (Gravely); Suez, Dar-es-Salaam (Schellenberg) and Madras coast (Nayar).

Distribution.—This is a cosmopolitan species and has been recorded from New Guinea; South Africa; East Indies; Peurto Rico and Hawaiian Island.

#### Elasmopus dubius Walker

Elasmopus dubius Walker, 1904, p. 276, pl. 5, fig. 35.

Locality.-Ceylon.

*Remarks.*—This species has been created by Walker (1904) based on the single male specimen obtained from the pearl oysters, East Cheval Paar, on 8-11-1902. It has not been reported from anywhere else since 1904. It is not represented in the present collection also.

#### Genues Parelasmopus Stebbing

Parelasmopus suluensis (Dana)

(Fig. 11)

Paretasmopus suluensis Stebbing, 1888, p. 1029, pl. c.

Parelasmopus suluensis Walker, 1904, p. 278, pl. 6, fig. 38,

Parelasmopus suluensis Barnard, 1935, p. 286, fig. 6.

Parelasmopus suluensis Barnard, 1940, p. 463.

Parelasmopus suluensis Pillai, 1957, p. 52, fig. 11.

Locality.—Mandapam. A single male specimen belonging to this species was collected from Mandapam during October 1964. This has been previously recorded from Cheval Paar, Ceylon.

Distribution-Sulu Sea, Marshal and Solomon Islands, India, Ceylon, Australia, Red Sea, Africa.

Family DEXAMINIDAE

Genus Dexamine Leach

#### Dexamine serraticrus Walker

Dexamine serraticrus Walker, 1904, pp. 265-66, pl 14, fig. 24.

Locality.---This has been previously collected and recorded from Cheval and Talaivillu Paars, Ceylon.

*Remarks.*—Walker (1904) has created a new species to accommodate the two specimens collected from Ceylon. The occurrence of this species has not yet been reported from anywhere else. This species is not represented in the present collection also.

Genus Polycheria Haswell

# Polycheria atolli Walker

Tritaeta antarctica Walker, 1904, p. 266, pl. 4, fig. 25.

Polycheria atolli Walker, 1905, p. 926, pl. 88, figs. 1-5.

Polycheria atolli Walker, 1909, p. 337.

Polycheria atolli Schellenberg, 1925, p. 157, fig. 15.

Polycheria atolli Barnard, 1930, p. 390, fig. 49.

Polycheria atolli Barnard, 1937, p. 162.

Polycheria atolli Barnard, 1940, p. 464.

Polycheria atolli Pillai, 1957, pp. 52-54, fig. 12.

Locality.—This has been previously recorded from Ceylon. A single female specimen was obtained in the present collections from Thollayiram Paar on 28-1-1963.

Distribution.—Ceylon, Maldives, Seychelles, East Africa, South Africa, Arabian Sea, Trivandrum coast.

Family MELPHIDIPPIDAE

Genus Hornella Walker

Hornella incerta Walker

Hornella incerta, Walker, 1904, p. 269, pl. 4, fig. 27.

Hornella incerta Stebbing, 1906, p. 728.

Hornella incerta Pillai, 1957, pp. 48-49, fig. 9,

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Locality.-- A few specimens were collected from Ceylon and also from Tuticorin.

Remarks.—A new genus was created by Walker (1904) to accommodate this species collected from Ceylon. A few specimens belonging to this species were collected by Pillai (1957) from plankton collections made at Trivandrum. In the present collection also a few specimens were obtained from the plankton off Tuticorin collected during the months May to June 1964. No other species. has yet been added to this genus.

#### Family AORIDAE

#### Genus Lembos Bate

#### Lembos podoceroides Walker

(Fig. 9*e*)

Lembos podoceroides Walker, 1904, p. 279, pl. 6, fig. 39.

Lembos podoceroides Walker, 1909, p. 338.

Locality.—Based on a single specimen collected from Ceylon, this species has been created by Walker (1904). A single male specimen was obtained from Thollayiram Paar on 26-2-1963.

Recorded localities in the Indian Ocean: Ceylon, Maldives, Red Sea (Walker).

#### Lembos chelatus Walker

Lembos chelatus Walker, 1904, pp. 280-81, pl. 6, fig. 40.

Locality.-This has been previously collected and recorded from Ceylon.

**Remarks.**—This species was created by Walker (1904) based on a single specimen obtained from Chiltan Paar. The occurrence of this species has not yet been reported from anywhere else. This species is not represented in the present collection also.

#### Family TALITRIDAE

Genus Talorchestia Dana

#### Talorchestia martensii (Weber)

(Fig. 12)

Talorchestia martensii Stebbing, 1906, p. 553.

Talorchestia martensii Chilton, 1921, pp. 541-45, fig. 8.

Talorchestia martensii Chilton, 1925, p. 535.

Talorchestia martensii Gravely, 1927, p. 123.

Talorchestia martensii Barnard, 1935, pp. 289-90.

Talorchestia martensii Nayar, 1959, pp. 28-29, pl. 10, figs. 1-9.

Locality.-A number of specimens were collected from Tuticorin and also from Mandapam coast,

Distribution.—This has been recorded from Flores, East Indies, Chilka Lake, Gulf of Mannar, Tale Sap, Siam, Vizagapatnam, Travancore coast and Madras coast.



Fig. 12. Talorchestia martensii Stebbing. Male: (a) Gnathopod 1; (b) gnathopod 2; Female: (c) gnathopod 1; (d) gnathopod 2.

Family HYALELLIDAE

Genus Parhyalella Kunkil

Parhyalella indica Barnard

Parhyalella indica Barnard, 1935, pp. 294-95, text-fig. 11.

Locality.-Tuticorin.

Remarks.—The species was collected from Tuticorin harbour in 1926, and described as a new species by Barnard (1935). It is not represented in the present collection.

Family HAYLIDAE Bulycheva

Genus Hyale Rathke

#### Hyale honoluluensis Schellenberg

Hyale honoluluensis Schellenberg, 1938, p. 69, fig. 35.

Hyale honoluluensis Nayar, 1959, p. 31, pl. 11, figs. 1-9,

Locality .--- Tuticorin.

*Remarks.*—Number of specimens belonging to this species were collected from the shore, pier, and the buoys at the harbour areas. This is the first record of this species from the Gulf of Mannar region.

Distribution.—This has been previously recorded from Hawaiian Islands by Schellenberg (1938) and from Madras by Nayar (1959).

Genus Parhyale Stebbing

## Parhyale hawaiensis (Dana)

Allorchestes hawaiensis Dana, 1853, p. 900, Taf. 61, fig. 5. Hyale brevipes Shoemaker, 1933, p. 18, figs. 10 and 11, Hyale brevipes Barnard, 1935, p. 292.

Hyale hawaiensis Schellenberg, 1938, p. 66, fig. 34.

Hyale hawaiensis Shoemaker, 1942, p. 18.

Hyale hawaiensis Nayar, 1959, pp. 30-31, pl. 10, figs. 10-24.

Locality.--Number of specimens belonging to the species have been collected from Tuticorin and also from Mandapam Camp.

Distribution.—The occurrence of this species has been recorded from Hawaii, Seychelles, Ceylon, Maldives, Tale Sap (Siam), Vizagapatnam, Travancore, Krusadai, Suez, West Indies, Narborough Island, Galapogos Island and Madras coast.

#### Family PHOTIDAE

Genus Eurystheus Bate

#### Eurystheus atlanticus (Stebbing)

(Fig. 13)

Gammaropsis zeylanicus Walker, 1904, p. 282, pl. 6, fig. 41.

Gammaropsis gardinery Walker, 1905, p. 929, pl. 88, figs. 11, 14, 16 and 17.

Gammaropsis zeylanicus Walker, 1909, p. 339.

Eurystheus atlanticus Stebbing, 1908, p. 86, pl. 14 B.

Eurystheus atlanticus Barnard, 1937, p. 164.

Eurystheus atlanticus Pirlot, 1938, pp. 345-46.

Locality.—Generally distributed round the coast of Ceylon. A number of specimens were collected from the pearl banks. They were found in association with some of the common sponges found in Paar area.

Distribution .-- Ceylon, Maldives, Seychelles, Cape Verdigs and South Africa.

### Genus Photis Kroyer

#### Photis longicaudata (Bate & Westwood)

Photis longicaudata Sars, 1894, p. 571, pl. 203, fig. 1.

Photis longicaudata Walker, 1904, p. 286, pl. 6, fig. 43.

Photis longicaudata Walker, 1908, p. 339.

Photis longicaudata Chevreux and Fage, 1925, p. 310, fig. 319.

Photis Iongicaudata Schellenberg, 1926 a, p. 231.

Photis longicaudata Schellenberg, 1928, p. 662.

Photis longicaudata Barnard, 1937, p. 164.

Photis longicaudata Shoemaker, 1945, p. 11, fig. 5.

Photis longicaudata Nayar, 1959, p. 34, pl. 12, figs. 1-7.



FIG. 13. Eurystheus atlanticus (Stebbing). (a) Head; (b) antenna 1; (c) antenna 2; (d) gnathopod 1; (e) gnathopod 2; (f) peraeopod 1; (g) peraeopod 3; (h) uropod 1; (i) uropod 2; (j) uropod 3; (k) telson.

Locality.—Ceylon. This has been previously collected and recorded from Ceylon. Number of specimens were also collected during the present survey from Thollayiram Paar and also from the shore during 1962-64.

Distribution.—This species has been recorded from Northern Europe, Mediterranean, Gulf of Guinea (Schellenberg), Suez Canal (Schellenberg), South Arabian coast (Barnard), British East Africa and Seychelles (Walker), Ceylon (Walker), Gulf of Mexico, Tortugas, Florida (Shoemaker) and Madras coast (Nayar).

# Photis longimanus Walker

(Fig. 9*f*, *g*)

Photis longimanus Walker, 1904, pp. 286-87, pl. 7, fig. 44.

Locality.—This has been previously recorded from Ceylon. Two specimens were obtained from Thollayiram Paar off Tuticorin on 16-11-1963.

#### Photis nana Walker

Photis nana Walker, 1904, pp. 287-88, pl. 17, figs. 45.

Locality.-Ceylon.

**Remarks.**—Only 2 specimens were collected from Ceylon and recorded by Walker (1904) and since then the species has not been reported from anywhere. It is not represented in the present collection also.

Genus Cheiriphotis Walker

#### Cheriphotis megacheles (Giles)

(Fig. 17 a)

Melita megacheles Giles, 1885, p. 70, pl. 3.

Eurystheus hirsutus Giles, 1887, p. 227, pl. 8.

Cheriphotis megacheles Walker, 1904, p. 284, pl. 6, fig. 42.

Cheriphotis walkeri Stebbing, 1910, p. 461.

Cheriphotis durbanensis Barnard, 1916, p. 247.

Cheriphotis megacheles Schellenberg, 1928, p. 381.

Cheriphotis delloei Pirlot, 1934, p. 231.

Cheiriphotis megacheles, Barnard, 1937, p. 169.

Cheiriphotis megacheles Nayar, 1959, p. 33, pl. 11, figs. 23-25.

Locality.—Ceylon. Number of specimens, both males and females, were obtained from the pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin. They are generally found in association with the common sponges found in the Paar area.

Distribution.--This has been previously recorded from Bay of Bengal (Giles), Ceylon (Walker), South Africa, East Indies, South Arabian coast, and from Madras coast (Nayar).

Genus Chevalia Walker

#### Chevalia aviculae Walker

(Fig. 17*b*)

Chevalia aviculae Walker, 1904, p. 288, pls. 7-8, fig. 50.

Chevalia aviculae Walker, 1909, p. 341.

Chevalia aviculae Barnard, 1916, p. 252.

Chevalia aviculae Barnard, 1937, p. 169, fig. 15.

Locality.-Ceylon. A few specimens belonging to this species have been obtained in the present collection from oyster beds of Tuticorin.

Recorded localities in Indian Ocean .- Ceylon, Seychelles (Walker).

Distribution.-South Africa.

#### Family AMPITHOIDAE

Genus Ampithoe Leach

#### Ampithoe ramondi Audouin

(Fig. 14)

Ampithoe ramondi, Schellenberg, 1928, pp. 665-66. Ampithoe ramondi Barnard, 1935, p. 305. Ampithoe ramondi Pirlot, 1938, pp. 346-47. Ampithoe ramondi Barnard, 1937, p. 170. Ampithoe vaillanti Chevreux and Fage, 1925, pp. 333-34. Amphithoe vaillanti Walker, 1904, p. 291. Amphithoe intermedia Walker, 1904, pp. 290-91. Ampithoe ramondi, Barnard, 1955, pp. 28-29.

Locality.—This species has been previously recorded from Ceylon. Number of specimens belonging to this species have been collected from the pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin during 1962-63 and also from Mandapam during 1964.



Fig. 14. Ampithoe ramondi Audouin. Male: (a) Gnathopod 1; (b) end of gnathopod 1; (c) gnathopod 2; (d) peraeopod 3; (e) uropod 3.

Distribution.-This is a cosmopolitan species found in the tropical and subtropical seas.

Remarks.--J. L. Barnard (1955) considers Ampithe vailanti Lucas and Ampithee intermedia Walker described from the collections made from the Ceylon pearl oyster beds by Walker (1904) as a synonym of Ampithee ramondi Audouin. For a complete list of synonymy of this species J. L. Barnard (1955) may be referred to.

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#### Genus Cymadusa Savigny

#### Cymadusa filosa Savigny

Grubia filosa Schellenberg, 1928, pp. 666-68, fig. 206.

Grubia filosa Nayar, 1959, pp. 37-38, pl. 13, figs. 12-19.

Grubia filosa Shoemaker, 1935, p. 245, figs. 4-5.

Grubia filosa Barnard, 1937, pp. 171-72.

Cymadusa filosa, J. L. Barnard, 1955, pp. 29-30, fig. 15.

Locality.—This has been previously recorded from Krusadai Island and Mandapam Camp oy Nayar (1959). Number of specimens were collected during the present underwater survey work from pearl and chank beds off Tuticorin during 1962-64.

Distribution.-Mediterranean Sea, Indian Ocean, Red Sea, Australia, Caribbean Sea, West Africa, Bermuda, Hawaiian Islands and Madras coast.

#### Family ISCHYROCERIDAE

#### Genus Jassa Leach

# Jassa falcata (Montagu)

#### Jassa falcata Walker, 1904, p. 292, pl. 7, fig. 47.

**Remarks.**—Walker got only a single female and in the absence of a male in the collection he was not certain about the identity of the specimen although he has referred it to as Jassa falcata. This species is not represented in the present collection of material from Tuticorin waters.

#### Family COROPHIDAE

#### Genus Grandidicrella Countiere

#### Grandidierella bonnieri Stebbing

(Fig. 17f)

Grandidierella bonnieri Stebbing, 1908, p. 120, pl. 6.

Grandidierella megnae Chilton, 1921, p. 548.

Unciolella lunata Schellenberg, 1928, p. 669, fig. 207.

Grandidierella megnae Stephensen, 1933, p. 434.

Grandidierella bonnieri Barnard, 1935, p. 299, figs. 12 d and 13 b.

Grandidierella megnae Panikkar & Aiyar, 1937, p, 294.

Grandidierella bonnieri Shoemaker, 1948, p. 11.

Grandidierella bonnieri Nayar, 1959, pp. 38-39, pl. 14, figs. 1-5.

Locality.--Number of specimens were collected from Tuticorin and Mandapam coast.

Distribution.—This species has been recorded from the brackish pools as Port Canning, Lower Bengal (Stebbing, 1908); Chilka Lake (G. megnae) (Chilton, 1932); Suez Canal (Unciolella lunata) 11

(Schellenberg, 1928); Island of Bonaire (Stephensen, 1933); Vizagapatnam, Cochin & Travancore (Barnard, 1935); Brazil (Schellenberg, 1938); Cuba (Shoemaker, 1937); the West Indian and Caribbean regions (Shoemaker, 1937), and from Madras coast (Nayar, 1959).

Genus Cerapus Say

#### Cerapus abditus Templeton

Cystophium calamicola Giles, 1885, p. 54, pl. 1.

Cerapus flindersi Stebbing, 1888, p. 1163, pl. 125.

Cerapus abditus Stebbing, 1910, p. 616, pl. 55-A.

Cerapus calamicola, Walker, 1904, p. 293.

Cerapus abditus, Barnard, 1916, p. 271.

Cerapus abditus Barnard, 1937, p. 173.

Cerapus abditus, Pirlot, 1938, p. 349, figs. 157-58.

Cerapus abditus, Pillai, 1957, p. 59, fig. 16, 1-2.

Cerapus abditus, Nayar, 1959, pp. 41-42, pl. 14, figs. 7-15.

Locality.-Collected from Ceylon. This species is represented by a few specimens in the present collection.

Distribution.-Bay of Bengal, Ceylon, Sacotra, Australia, South Africa, Mauritius, South Arabian coast, Travancore and Madras.

Genus Erichthonius M. Edwards

Erichthonius macrodactylus (Dana)

(Fig. 17 a)

Erichthonius macrodactylus Walker, 1904, p. 292, pl. 7, fig. 48.

Erichthonius macrodactylus Stebbing, 1906, pp. 672 and 740.

Erichthonius macrodactylus Pirlot, 1938, p. 352-53.

Locality.-This has been previously collected and recorded from Ceylon. In the present collection a few specimens were obtained from Tuticorin.

Distribution.-Ceylon.

#### Erichthonius brasiliensis (Dana)

(Fig. 15)

Erichthonius abditis Walker, 1904, p. 292. Erichthonius brasiliensis Walker, 1909, p. 343. Erichthonius brasiliensis Schellenberg, 1928, p. 668. Erichthonius brasiliensis Shoemaker, 1935, p. 249. Erichthonius brasiliensis Barnard, 1937, p. 173. Erichthonius brasiliensis Barnard, 1955, pp. 37-38. Erichthonius brasiliensis Nayar, 1959, p. 42, pl. 15, figs. 1-13.



F10. 15. Erichthonius brasiliensis (Dana). Male: (a) Gnathopod 1; (b) gnathopod 2; (c) uropod 1; (d) uropod 2; (e) uropod 3.

Locality.—This species has been collected and recorded from Ceylon (1904). In the present collection also number of specimens, both male and female, were obtained from the collections made at different stations in the Paar area during 1962-64.

Distribituion.-Cosmopolitan.

Remarks.—For a complete list of synonymy of this species, Barnard, J. L. (1955) may be consulted.

Genus Siphonoecetes Kroyer

Siphonoceetes orientalis Walker

Siphonoecetes orientalis Walker, 1904, p. 294, pl. 7, fig. 49.

Siphonoecetes orientalis Barnard, 1916, p. 270.

Siphonoecetes orientalis Barnard, 1937, p. 174.

Locality.-Ceylon.

Distribution.—This has been first recorded from Ceylon (Walker) and since been described from South Africa (Barnard) and South Arabian coast (Barnard).

Remarks .- This species is not represented in the present collection.

Genus Corophium Latreille

Corophium triaenonyx Stebbing

(Fig. 16)

Corophium triaenonyx Stebbing, 1904, p. 25, pl. 6 a.

Corophium crassicorne Walker, 1904, p. 294.

Gorophium crassicorne Chilton, 1921, p. 554.

Locality.—This has been previously recorded from Ceylon. This has been collected from different paars off Tuticorin in the present underwater survey work during 1962-64.

**Remarks.**—Stebbing (1904) described this species as a new one from the collections made from Ceylon. The same year Walker (1904) included the forms he got from Ceylon under Corophium crassicorne. Based on Walker (1904), Chilton (1921) has referred the specimens collected from Chilka lake as Corophium crassicorne. But Shoemaker (1947) in his studies on the genus Corophium has transferred the specimens described by Walker (1904) and Chilton (1921) as Corophium triaenonyx.



FIG. 16. Corophium triaenonyx Stebbing. Female: (a) Aptenna 1; (b) antenna 2; (c) peraeopod 5.

#### Family PODOCERIDAE

Genus Podocerus Leach

#### Podocerus laevis (Haswell)

Platophium laeve Walker, 1904, pp. 295-96, pl. 7, figs. 51.

Locality .- This has been previously recorded from the Ceylon coast.

Remarks .- This species is not represented in the present collection.

### Podocerus zeylanicus (Walker)

Platophium zeylanicum Walker, 1904, pp. 297-98, pl. 8, figs. 53.

Locality.--Number of species were collected from the pearl oyster beds from East Cheval Paar during 1902.

*Remarks.*—This species described by Walker (1904) as a new one has not yet been reported from anywhere else. This species is not represented in the present collection also.

#### Podocerus brasiliensis (Dana)

(Fig. 17 d, e)

Platophium brasiliensis Dana, 1853, 55, p. 838, t. \$5.

Platophium synaptochir Walker, 1904, pp. 296-97, pl. 8, fig. 52.

Platophium synaptochir Walker, 1909, p. 243.
Platophium synaptochir Barnard, 1916, p. 279.
Podocerus brasiliensis Barnard, 1925, p. 366.
Podocerus brasiliensis Gravely, 1927, p. 123.
Podocerus brasiliensis Schellenberg, 1928, p. 674.
Podocerus brasiliensis Barnard, 1935, p. 305.



Fio. 17. (a) Cheiriphotis megacheles (Giles). Male: Gnathopod 2; (b) Chevalia aviculae Walker, male, gnathopod 2; (c) Erichthonius macrodactylus, (Dana) male, gnathopod 2, left side; (d) Podoterus brasiliensis (Dana) male, gnathopod 2; (e) same, gnathopod 1; (f) Grandidierlla bonnieri Stebbing, male, gnathopod 1.

Locality.—This has been previously recorded from Ceylon and Krusadai Island. In the present collection number of specimens, both males and females, were collected from different Paars during 1962-64.

Distribution.—This species has been previously recorded from tropical Atlantic; Ceylon; Gulf of Mannar; Suez, Port Said, Dar-es-Salaam, Zanzibar, Natal; Rio de Janeiro, Antigua and Madras coast.

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