Orepidula plana Say. In aperture of dead Polinices duplicata Say.

Natica canrena Lam. Rare, sand bars.

Polinices duplicata Say. Common on sand bars.

Sigarctus perspectivus Say. Not common, sand bars.

Turbo castancus Gmel. Rare, low-water line.

Fissuridea alternata Say. Dead, low-water line.

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Venus campechiensis Gmel. Common.

Barnea costata Linn. Not common, buried in sand and mud.

These two species were peculiar to this part of the island as far as I was able to ascertain. All other species that were found here were also found at Tarpon Bay. A single fragment of Voluta junonia Hwass. was found on the beach near this locality.

NOTES ON THE ANATOMY AND TAXONOMY OF CERTAIN LAMPSILINAE FROM THE GULF DRAINAGE

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1. Ptychobranchus greeni (Conrad) (1834); Ptychobranchus foremanianum (Lea) (1842); Ptychobranchus trinachum (Lea) (1861).

Simpson (1914, pp. 336-338) gives these as separate species, but he unites (and rightly so) woodwardianus Lea (1857) and velatus Conrad (1853) with foremanianus, and simplex Lea (1845) and flavescens Lea (1845) with greeni.

The three species admitted by Simpson belong to the Alabama drainage, and the first (greeni) is reported from Black Warrior River, the two others from the Coosa River. Simpson points out the possible identity of trinacrus with foremanianus. He distinguishes greeni by being smaller and more delicate, and having a more nearly elliptical outline.

It is impossible for me to see in trinacrus anything but an individual variation of foremanianus, chiefly, since shells similar to this have never been found subsequently. The characters given for g in addition, I should River, has the rays while foremanianum, and blotches.

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Specimens from Cahaba River approach greeni in shape and color markings, yet the latter are often more distinct, showing rays, but without forming blotches.

Thus there are two types of Ptychobranchus in the Alabama system, the one belonging to the Black Warrior and Cahaba, the other to the Coosa, but they are not sharply separated. Many Coosa specimens have poorly developed rays and no blotches; the shape is very variable, not always triangular; and, on the other hand, there are specimens in the Cahaba, and also in the Black Warrior, which have more distinct rays, and others which are smewhat triangular. Thus I think it is best to regard these forms as local varieties of the same species, which should bear the name: Ptychobranchus greeni (Conrad) (1834). The typical form is found in Black Warrior and Cahaba Rivers, while the variety, Pt. greeni formanianum (Lea) (1842) represents this in the Coosa River.

Anatomy. Already Lea has described and figured the marsupium and glochidium of *U. woodwardianus* and foremanianus. The marsupium places these forms undoubtedly into the genus *Ptychobranchus* (see: Ortman, Ann. Carnegie Mus. 8, 1912, p. 308). I have material of the soft parts from the following localities.

Coosa River, Wilsonville, Shelby Co., Ala.—1 gravid female (without shell), H. H. Smith coll., Nov. 4, 1911.

Chatooga River, Cedar Bluff, Cherokee Co., Ala.—1 gravid female (without shell), H. H. Smith coll., Nov. 1910.

Black Warrior River, Walker Co., Ala.—6 gravid females (without shells), H. H. Smith coll., Oct. 15, 1912.

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Ball (Ecology 3, 1922, p. 112) distinguishes, in the Black Warrior River, a third form: Psychobranchus greeni flavescens, which apparently should be regarded as the compressed headwaters-form of greeni.

anum-type, the last typical greeni, since many shells are at hand from a number of localities in the various drainages, showing the shell-characters as described above. Glochidia were present in all soft parts, except one of greeni, and thus the breeding season apparently begins in autumn.

No unusual features are shown in the soft parts. It should be mentioned, however, that the inner lamina of the inner gills is, in one specimen, entirely connected with the abdominal sac, while in the others it is more or less free behind: the maximum is about one half of the length of the abdominal sac. The number of folds of the marsupium varies according to the size of the individual, from 8 to 12. I do not observe any dark pigment on the edge of the marsupium, but the material has been a long time in alcohol. The placentae are the usual shape and quite solid. Glochidium subovate, without hooks, higher than long, L. 0.15, H. 0.18 mm: thus they are somewhat smaller than those of *Pt. fasciolare* (Raf.).

The genus Medionidus in the Alabama drainage.

Medionidus conradicus (Lea) (1934), common in the head-waters of the Cumberland and Tennessee drainages (see: M. plateolus (Raf.) Ortman, Proc. Amer. Philos. Soc. 57, 1918, p. 575), has been reported also from the Alabama system, but according to my observations, this is incorrect. The genus is represented, there, indeed, but by different forms, which may be distinguished as follows.

- a₁ Color rays not reticulated or spotted, but straight and continuous, the finer ones sometimes wavy. Corrugations of posterior slope rather fine.

 M. conradicus
- a₂ Color rays reticulated or interrupted, spotted. Corrugations of posterior slope coarser.
 - b₁ Rays poorly developed, forming, over the whole surface, a painting of a reticulated character. No distinct posterior ridge. Posterior end of shell not pointed. Nacre bluish.
 M. narradus
 - b₂ Rays better developed, rather broad, but also composed of reticulations, or interrupted. Posterior ridge distinct. Posterior end of shell pointed. Nacre often of reddish or salmon color.
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Simpson, Descr. Cat. 1914, p. 248.

Type-locality: Coosa River, Ala., and "Chattanooga, Ga." (surely Chattooga River, Ga. is meant). Simpson adds: Swamp Creek, northwest Ga. (tributary to Conasauga River, in Whitfield Co., Ga.).

The Carnegie Museum possesses 15 specimens of this species. Exact localities are recorded for the following.

Cahaba River, Lily Shoals, Bibb Co., Ala.—5 spec., R. E. Call coll

Coosa River, Weduska Shoals, Shelby Co., Ala.—1 spec., H. II. Smith coll.

Coosa River, near Upper Clear Creek, Talladega Co., Ala., H. H. Smith coll.—1 spec.

Coosa River, Riverside, St. Clair Co., Ala.—1 spec., H. H. Smith coll.

Choccolocco Creek, Jackson Shoals, Talladega Co., Ala.—1 spec., H. H. Smith coll.

Conasauga River, Conasauga, Polk Co., Tenn.—2 gravid females (with soft parts), A. E. Ortmann coll., May 24, 1915.

M. parvulus is a M. conradicus with the painting of a reticulate character, the rays not or poorly developed, and the corrugations of the posterior slope somewhat coarser. Lea (Obs. 11, 1867) has described the soft parts, and also the glochidium. According to him, the marsupium has 10 ovisaes, is located in the middle of the outer gill, occupying one third of its length. The inner gills are free from the abdominal sac over half of its length, and the posterior half of the mantle-margin is cronulated. The glochidium is "elongate pouch shaped".

According to my two females, the anatomy is practically identical with that of *M. conradicus* (Ann. Car. Mus. 8, 1912, p. 335; Naur. 28, 1915, p. 142; Naur. 34, 1921, p. 90). Inner lamina of inner gills connected with abdominal sac anteriorly for about half of its length. Papillae of mantle margin small, with exception of 1 or 2 anterior ones, which are remarkably long and subcylindrical. Marsupium larger or smaller, depending on size of shell, located near the middle of the gill, number of ovisacs up to 20. Color of soft parts the

same as in M. conradicus (blackish), of marsupium white, with no pigment on edge. Glochidium: L. 0.19, H. 0.25 mm., thus corresponding to the minimum measurements known is conradicus. Shape the same, subspatulate.

3. MEDIONIDUS ACUTISSIMUS (Lea) (1831). Simpson, 1914, p. 251. A synonym is U. rubellinus Lea (1857), which represents an old shell, while acutissimus is young.

The type-locality for acutissimus is the Alabama River, and it has been reported (by Conrad) also from Black Warrior River, Erie, Greene Co., Ala. (I was unable to locate a place of that name). U. rubellinus is from Othcalooga Creek, Gordon Co., Ga.

I have 16 specimens with the following exact localities.

Sipsey River, Texas, Marion Co., Ala. -3 spec., H. H. Smith coll.

Cahaba River, Gurnee, Shelby Co., Ala,-1 spec., H. If.

Coosa River, Weduska Shoals, Shelby Co., Ala. -2 spec. H. H. Smith coll.

Talladega Creek, Talladega Co., Ala. - 4 specimens, Hartman collection.

Choccolocco Creek, Jackson Shoals, Talladega Co., Ala,-1 spec., H. H. Smith.

Chattooga Creek, Trion, Chatooga Co., Ga.—2 males, 1 gravid (discharging) female, (all with soft parts), A. E. Ortmans coll., May 19, 1915.

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A KEY TO THE FAMILY TEREBRIDAE

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Medionidus acutissimus (Lea).

Also this species differs from *M. conradicus* in the reticulated painting and the coarser corrugations of the posterior slope. It differs from *M. parvalus* by the fact that the rays are more frequently present and rather broad (but also composed of reticulations). From both, conradicus and parvulus, it is distinguished by more prominent posterior ridge and pointed posterior epd. The nacre is very frequently of a reddish or salmon color.

The soft parts have been described by Lea (under *U. rubelli-* mis, Obs. 6, 1858). He reports that the marsuplum occupies nearly the whole length of the outer gill, with a wide reddish-brown border on the edge. The inner lamina of the inner gill is free nearly half of the length of the abdominal sac.

In my specimens I have found that the inner lamina of the inner gills is free for about one-half of the abdominal sac (more or less). In the gravid female, there are 2 to 4 long papillae on the mantle-edge in the same position as in the other species. These papillae are cylindro-conical in shape. The marsupium is large, yet it does not occupy the whole gill, but a large section in the middle of it, leaving non-marsupial a more considerable portion anteriorly, and a smaller portion posteriorly (it is quite probable that it is smaller in younger specimens). The number of ovisacs on the left side is at least 22 (with some posterior ones discharged); on the right side, they are hard to count, since they are largely discharged, but probably there were still more of them. Also my specimen has the margin of the marsupium broadly colored with brown pigment. Color of soft parts rather light: the black of convadicus and parvulus being replaced by brown.

Glochidium of the same shape as that of the other species, but larger: L. 0.26 to 0.27, H. 0.32 to 0.33 mm.

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4. Carungulina paula (Lea) (1840). Simpson, 1914, p. 159.

Choctawhatchee River, Blue Springs, Barbour Co., Ala.—soft parts of 4 males and 5 barren females, H. H. Smith coll., Oct., 1915.

The anatomy of these specimens agrees in all respects with that of C. parva (Barn.) (see: Ann. Carn. Mus. 8, 1912, p. 338, and Naur. 28, 1915, p. 129). In one of my specimens, a female, the supraanal opening is closed, in the others open. There is some blackish pigment at the edge of the marsupium. The caruncle is white or brownish.

These specimens have been identified (as Lampsilis paula) by B. Walker, but since I do not possess the shells, I cannot exactly say what Walker understood by this name. However, specimens in the Carnegie Museum from various sources, among them two thus labeled, received from the Alabama Museum (from Chattahoochee River, Columbus, Muscogee Co., (Ia.), hardly differ from C. parva (Barnes). They do not have the cloth-like epidermis seen in the typical parva, and young shells are not so black, but more greenish, with lighter concentric bands. Further, the female is more distinctly swollen and dilated in the postbasal region. But these characters occasionally may turn up in C. parva, chiefly in southwestern (Arkansas) material.

5. CARUNCULINA MŒSTA (Lea) (1841).

Toxolasma lividum (Raf.) Ortman, Proc. Amer. Philos. Soc. 57, 1918, p. 573; Car. mæsta Ortmann, Naut. 34, 1921, p. 89.

U. corvunculus Lea, 1868.

Othcalooga Creek, Calhoun, Gordon Co., Ga.—a number of shells, and soft parts of one gravid female, H. H. Smith coll., July, 1913.

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Choccolocco Creek, White Plains, Calhoun Co., Ala.—1 barren female with soft parts, H. H. Smith coll., July 31, 1915.

All these specimens were labeled corvunculus by Walker. I have pointed out, that the shell named corvunculus cannot be distinguished from T. lividum (=C. mæsta) of the upper Tennessee drainage, and also the soft parts do not differ from specimens from East Tennessee and the Ozarks (Naut. 34, 1921, p. 89). Also the glochidia are the same.

My specimen with glochidia was collected in July, which confirms the late end of the breeding season observed in other instances in this species.

This is one of the species indicating the close connection of the Alabama-fauna with that of the Tennessee. C. mæsta is found in the Cumberland-Tennessee drainages and in the Ozarks, and its variety glans (Lea) in the central basin, south to Arkansas, but not on the Gulf plain. But the typical masta is present again (under the name of corvunculus) in the Alabama drainage, chiefly in the headwaters. It should be mentioned, in this connection, that glans has been reported by Simpson (1914, p. 154) from Etowah River, Ga.: there is no doubt, in my opinion, that this refers to mæsta.

6. MICROMYA NEBULOSA (Conrad) (1834). Ortmann, Proc. Amer. Philos. Soc. 57, 1918, p. 577.

This is a common species in the Cumberland and Tennessee drainages, and is very variable. But it is also found in the Alabama drainage, and in the Chattahootchee system in Georgia. In fact, its type-locality is in the headwaters of the Black Warrior River in Alabama ("mountainous regions of Alabama, in the Black Warrior River").

The following synonyms founded upon specimens from this region have been ascertained previously (l. c.).

U. radians Lea (1857). Probably a rather normal female, with wide rays. Nacre white or rose. Othcalooga Creek (near Calhoun), Gordon Co., Ga. (tributary to Oostanaula, headwaters of Coosa).

U. jonesi Lea (1859). Normal female, with narrow rays.

Nacre white or salmon. Eubarlee Creek, Bartow Co., Ga. (tributary of Etowah River, headwaters of Coosa).

U. sparas Lea (1868). A normal male with well developed rays. Nacre salmon. Swamp Creek, Whitfield Co., Ga. (tributary to Conasauga River, south of Dalton, headwaters of Coosa).

U. linguaeformis Lea (1860). A male, with poorly developed rays, but normal in shape. Columbus, Ga. (Chattahoochee drainage; also reported from French Broad River in Tennessee).

U. simus Lea (1838). A male with strongly developed rays, originally described from Cumberland River, but reported by Simpson (1914, p. 124) also from Othcalooga Creek Gordon Co., Ga.

To these, however, should be added the following synonyms. U. plancus Lea (1860). Already Simpson (1914, p. 125) suspects that this is only a form of nebulosus. The figure represents a male, and it is a rather short nebulosus, with rays well-developed. Such specimens are not at all rare. Coosa River, Wetumpka, Elmore Co., Ala.

U. difficilis Lea (1868). Made a synonym of planeas by Simpson. The figured specimen is a small, rather shoot male, with few rays. Swamp Creek, Whitfield Co., Ga. (also given from headwaters of Holston River, Washington Co., Va.).

I have before me a rather large number of this species from the Coosa drainage, from Conasauga River in Polk Co., Tenn., from Swamp Creek, Whitfield Co., Ga. (type-locality of sparus and difficilis), from Cowan Creek, Cherokee Co., Ala., Little Wills Creek and Green Creek, Etowah Co., Ala.; Shoal Creek, St. Clair Co., Ala.; Choccolocco Creek, Talladega Co., Ala.; and Spring Creek, near Kewatchee Springs, Shelby Co., Ala. I have also material from the Cahaba River, in Bibb Co., Ala.

All this material shows that *M. nebulosa* is widely distributed in this region, and that the Alabama-form cannot be distinguished from that of the Tennessee. In Conasauga River, at Conasauga, Polk Co., Tenn., I collected myself 2 males and 1 gravid female (discharging glochidia, May 24, 1915). The anatomical characters are those of *M. nebulosa*, and also the glochidia are identical.

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7. Micromya vibex (Conrad) (1834), Simpson, 1914, p. 136.

A species widely distributed in the Gulf drainage from Mississippi to Georgia, with a variety (nigrina Lea) in Florida. It is closely allied, in the shell characters, to M. nebulosa, but generally more elongate, with very well developed rays, which usually are wide and stand rather crowded, although they may be absent on the anterior part of the shell. The rays are not "wavy", as Simpson describes them, but rather interrupted, spot-like, but not always so. On account of the crowded character of the rays, the general color of the epidermis appears rather dark, dark green to blackish. The nacre is mostly white, rarely reddish. The shell grows to a larger size than that of M. nebulosa; the posterior expansion of the female is of about the same character. The synonyms given by Simpson surely belong here; they are: U. exiquus Lea (1840); U. stagnalis Conrad (1849); U. rutilans Lea (1856); U. subellipsis Lea (1856).

I have material from the Tombigbee, Sipsey, and Black Warrior River systems, from the Cahaba and Coosa drainages, up to Murray Co., Ga. and Polk Co., Tenn.; from the Escambia and Choctawhatchee drainages in southern Alabama and from the Chattahoochee in Georgia. Soft parts are at hand from the following localities.

Conasauga River, Conasauga, Polk Co., Tenn.—2 males and 1 young female, A. E. Ortmann coll., May 24, 1915.

Little River (trib. to Chattooga), Cherokee Co., Ala.—1 young male, 1 gravid female (glochidia), H. H. Smith coll., Octob., 1915.

Choccolocco Creek, White Plains, Calhoun Co., Ala.—1 male, 1 female, H. H. Smith coll., July 31, 1915.

Choctawhatchee River, Blue Springs, Barbour Co., Ala-1 barren and 1 gravid female (glochidia), H. H. Smith coll., the former May 11, the latter Octob., 1915.

The specimens from the Choctawhatchee were labeled by Walker: vibex var.? I do not have the shells of them. But other specimens with shells from the Choctawhatchee drainage, thus labeled, are surely vibex, differing only by more or less purplish shades in the nacre, thus forming a transition to the var. nigrina, known from Florida. Whatever they are, the soft parts do not differ from those of vibex.

I have described (Ann. Carnegie Mus. 8, 1912, p. 340) the barren female of *M. vibex nigrina* (Lea). The mantle margin of the typical *vibex* essentially agrees with this. There are about 12 (or more, in *nigrina* 10) cylindro-conical papillae, of large or medium size, which are somewhat distant from each other, with a few smaller ones anterior to them. In young females, the larger papillae are nearly the same size; in the larger ones, they are more irregular, and stand at irregular intervals, and the posterior part of the mantle-edge may be without them; but a group of 6 to 8 large papillae in its anterior part is evident.

The marsupium is of the normal Lampsiline type; the number of ovisacs varies with age, from a few up to 25 or 30. The edge of the marsupium has blackish pigment.

Anal opening separated from the supraanal by a moderate mantle-connection. The anal has crenulations, the branchial opening has papillae. Inner lamina of inner gills connected with abdominal sac. Palpi with posterior margins connected at base only. The male has a few, small, and distant, rudimentary papillae on the mantle edge. Color of soft parts whitish, anal and branchial openings with black pigment, and

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Thus the anatomy bears out the relationship of this species to M. nebulosa and M. iris, and we should regard M. vibex as at least closely allied to nebulosa, from which it may have descended. The slight irregularity in the papillae of the mantleedge, in size as well as in their distance from each other, is transitional towards forms like lienosa, and thus M. vibex may present, to a degree, a connection between the iris- and lienosa-

It should be pointed out that we thus have, in the Alabama system, two species representing the form nebulosa of the Tennessee-drainage: an identical one, nebulosa, and a closely allied, but different one, vibex. For the latter, of course, the same should be said with regard to its origin, as to the former. However, vibex being distinct from nebulosa, we are to conclude that the conditions which brought about its distribution prevailed at least twice, at different times during the geological and geographical history of this region. There was an older connection of the waters, permitting a first immigration of the nebulosa-stock into the Alabama-system. This stock changed in the course of time into vibex, and reached a wider distribution upon the coastal plain (as far as Florida). A second immigration took place later, and the nebulosa-stock which then reached the Alabama-drainage did not have time enough to change its characters, and remained more geographically restricted (to the Alabama and Chattahoochee systems, chiefly in the headwaters).

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"Nacre flesh color, and very iridescent with purple and violet". Such coloring in the abruptus has never been seen by the writer, but applies very well to some specimens of the retusa. The nacre of the latter is generally said to be "deep purple", but it is sometimes white, and sometimes with a blush of pink; especially when young.

An attentive reading of Hildreth's description will show that his shell was correctly placed by the earlier naturalists—for it must be remembered that the several species called *subrotunda*, torsus etc., might have been lumped together by them. Say at any rate never mentioned the torsus or retusa in any of his writings.

Whether Hildreth's species be the subrotunda or the retusa is merely of academic interest; the facts which interest us being that it is absolutely not Say's species, Unio abruptus; and the latter name, after resting in the synonymy for almost a hundred years, must be used as the valid name of what has been incorrectly called Unio orbiculatus Hildreth.

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WOTES ON THE ANATOMY AND TAXONOMY OF CERTAIN LAMPSILINAE. FROM THE GULF DRAINAGE

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8. MICROMYA VANUXEMENSIS UMBRANS (Lea) (1857). See: Lampsilis propria and umbrans=vanuxemensis, Simpson, 1914, p. 105 and 103.

E. vanuxemensis, of the Cumberland-Tennessee-system, has also been reported from the upper Coosa drainage. The following accepted synonyms are from this region.

U. umbrans (=umbrosus), Lea, 1857. A typical female in shape, with dark brown epidermis and dark purple nacre.—Othcalooga Creek, Gordon Co., Ga.

U. teachricus Lea, 1857. The figure represents a male, with dark brown epidermis and purple or salmon nacre.—Etowah River, Ga.

U. fabaceus Lea, 1861. A male, not full grown. Epidermis dark brown, nacre purplish and salmon near the margin.—Oostanaula River, Ga.

Another, very closely allied form, has been reported from this region: U. proprius Lea (1865). Simpson (p. 104) suspects that it may be only a smaller and paler form of variance mensis. It originally comes from Lafayette, Walker Co., Ga. (headwaters of Chattooga River). But, remarkably enough, Simpson gives it also from Clinch River, Va. Now, in the upper Tennessee region, occasional specimens of vanuxemensis turn up which are lighter in color of the epidermis and nacre, and, if they are also small, they would very well agree with proprius. But in this region, they form only an individual variation, and a very rare one.

In the Coosa drainage, specimens with lighter color of epidermis and nacre prevail, as is shown by the rich material from this region before me. But they are by no means smaller than the normal vanuxemensis. There are specimens fully as large as the general run of vanuxemensis in the upper Tennessee, although, exactly as in the latter, they seem to remain uniformly smaller in certain creeks. On the other hand, with regard to the color of the epidermis and nacre, there are, in the Coosa drainage, specimens fully as dark as the normal ranuxemensis, but such specimens are rare, and, if found, are mostly associated with lighter ones. From many places, only the light form is at hand. As a rule, old and worn specimens are the ones which incline toward the darker tints. Thus we have the following conditions: in the Tennessee-drainage, there is a dark form, the typical vanuacmensis, which rarely shows an inclination to become lighter; in the Coesa drainage, there is a light form, which sometimes shows an inclination to become darker. The light shells from the Tonnessce cannot be distinguished from the normal Coosa-form; and the dark shells of the latter cannot be told apart from the normal Tennessee-form. These are exactly the conditions which are required for the separation of these forms as varieties of one species.

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The normal form of the Coosa has been called *U. proprius* Lea (1865). However, also *umbrans*, tenebricus, and fabaceus belong to this stock, the oldest name being *umbrans* Lea (1857) (has only page precedence over tenebricus). Unfortunately, this name, founded upon two females only, stands for the dark phase of the Coosa-form, and the same is true also for tenebricus and fabaceus. But they cannot be separated upon this ground from the lighter form (proprius); they are simply individual variations of it.

I have two males from Othealooga Creek, which are topotypes of umbrans, and they have the epidermis olive-brown near the beaks, but lighter (light brown) upon the sides. In the larger, the nacre has that beautiful, characteristic salmon tint of the Coosa-form; the smaller is pale salmon inside, whitish on the margin. Already Lea says, that there is a "disposition to yellowness" on the sides. Thus I have no doubt that he had only two unusually dark specimens before him.

The name of the Coosa-form should be: Micromya vanuxemensis umbrans (Lea) (1857), with the synonyms: U. tenebricus Lea (1857); U. falaceus (1861); U. proprius Lea (1865).

I have investigated the anatomy of the following material.

Conasauga River, Conasauga, Polk Co., Tenn.—1 barren, 2 gravid females (with glochidia), A. E. Ortmann coll., May 24, 1915,

Shoal Creek, St. Clair Co., Ala.—1 male, 2 gravid females (with glochidia), H. H. Smith coll., Oct., 1914.

Morgan Creek, Shelby Co., Ala.—5 males, 2 barren females, H. H. Smith coll., July 3, 1914.

The structure of the soft parts is absolutely identical with that of the typical vanuxemensis (see: Ann. Carn. Mus. 8, 1912, p. 342; Naut. 1915, p. 65; 34, 1921, p. 91). Also here the glochidia vary a little in size: L. 0.21 to 0.23, H. 0.27 to 0.30 mm.

Attention should again be directed to the geographical distribution. This species is found, first, in the Cumberland-Tennessee drainages; then there is an Alabama-form closely allied to it, so that it can be separated only as a variety, indicating that it must have reached the Coosa-drainage by crossing over

from the Tennessee. The complete absence of this type of shell from the Mississippi valley, the coastal plain, and the lower parts of the Alabama-system, renders the idea impossible that it might have come from those parts, migrating from West to East.

9. MICROMYA LIENOSA CONCESTATOR (Lea) (1857). See: Simpson, 1914, p. 100 and 102.

Simpson admits the close affinity of concestator to lienosa, and says that lienosa differs in being larger and solider, in being darker and not quite so shining. It is said to be found from the Mississippi and lower Ohio drainage to southwestern Georgia, with the type-locality in southern Alabama, while concestator is said to be distributed from North Carolina to Louisiana, and possibly Texas. M. lienosa thus would be more western and northern, M. concestator more southern and eastern, the two forms overlapping in the Gulf drainage.

Examining my material, which comes from nearly the whole range of these two forms (Ga., Ala., Miss., La., Ark., Ky., and Ind.) I am able to verify these differences at least to a certain degree, but surely size and solidity do not hold good. Specimens from the West, indeed, generally are rather black in color, but I observe the same color in specimens from the Choctawhatchee drainage in southeastern Alabama and from the Chattahoochee in Georgia. Individuals with more brownish epidermis, and then often with more distinct rays, it is true, are more abundant towards the East, but in Alabama they are often associated with and grade into more blackish forms, so that no sharp line can be drawn.

These conditions make it impossible to distinguish the two forms as species. The best we can do is to separate them as varieties, and to call the more eastern, brownish form: Micromya lienosa concestator. But we must remember that there will be cases where it is hard to decide to which form a particular specimen may belong.

Among a number of specimens received from the Alabama Museum and labeled by Walker, it is very evident that this difficulty was encountered. Of specimens labeled concestator, I have soft parts from the following localities. Choctawhatchee R
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East Choctawhatchee River, Dale Co., Ala.—1 male, 1 gravid female (glochidia), J. A. Burke coll., Nov., 1915.

The anatomical structure of these is identical with that of M. lienosa as described previously (Ann. Carnegie Mus. 8, 1912, p. 340, and Naur. 30, 1916, p. 55). Also the glochidia are of the same shape and size (see: ibid. 1912, pl. 20, f. 5).

10. Lampsilis claibornensis obtusa (Lea) (1840). (Synonym of L. claibornensis, according to Simpson, 1914, p. 70).

From the Choctawhatches drainage I have 5 shells labeled Lumpsilis obtusa by Walker. They fully agree with Lea's description of this form, and H. H. Smith remarks: "Simpson makes this a synonym of chibornensis: I should call it a good subspecies anyway".

These specimens differ from claibornensis in having a more delicate shell and the color of the posterior slope, which is dark brown (or dark greenish in young shells), contrasting with the yellowish of the rest, and produced by the confluence of the indistinct rays. This form might be, indeed, a local race of claibornensis, belonging to the Choctawhatchee and Chattahoochee Rivers, or even a species taking its place in these parts; the final decision depends, however, on the investigation of more material.

The affinity of this form to claibornessis is clearly shown in its anatomy. I have received the following soft parts.

Choctawhatchee River, Blue Springs, Barbour Co., Ala.—1 gravid female (with glochidia) (without the shell), II. II. Smith coll., May 11, 1915.

Pea River, 4 miles N. of Elamville, Barbour Co., Ala.—2 young males (shells and soft parts) J. A. Burke coll., Nov., 1915.

The gravid female has the anatomy agreeing with that of L. claibornensis (and that of L. siliquoidea, for that matter) (see: Ann. Carn. Mus. 8, 1912, pp. 348, 349). The "large dark papillae below the branchial opening", described by Lea (1863, p. 406) for obtusus, undoubtedly refers to the "flap", the projecting anterior portion of the inner edge of the mantle in front

of the branchial. The glochidia have also been described and figured by Len (1858, p. 46, pl. 5, f. 1), and their measurements given as: L. 0.192, H. 0.256. I found them to agree with those of daibornessis: L. 0.21, H. 0.27 mm.

11. Lamusilis excavata (Lea) (1857). See: Simpson, 1914, p. 41.

When I described the anatomy of this species (Ann. Carn. Mus. 8, 1912, p. 252), I did not have any females. The glochidia were known then from the description and figure given by Lea (1874, pl. 21, f. 6). I have now the following soft parts.

Forks of the Black Warrior River, Walker Co., Ala.—1 gravid female, H. H. Smith coll., Oct. 15, 1912.

This female shows the mantle flap developed exactly as in L. ovata (Say) (and related forms); posteriorly, it is lamellar with almost smooth edge (only with traces of crenulations); anteriorly, it projects in the shape of a lacerated lobe. On the inside, there is a black-brown streak.

The glochidia are subovate, of the same shape as in L. ovata, L. 0.20 to 0.21, H. 0.24 to 0.25 mm. This differs from the dimensions given by me previously for L. ovata and L. ovata ventricosa (as: L. 0.24 to 25, H. 0.28 to 0.29). These latter dimensions, however, are a mistake. Subsequent measurements of my old material have shown that the figures are the same as in L. excavata. Also the glochidia of L. ovata satura, L. 0.22, H. 0.25 (Naur. 30, 1916, p. 56) agree with these. Already Surber (Bur. Fisher, doc. no. 771, 1912, p. 9) has correctly given the dimensions of the glochidia of L. ovata ventricosa as: 0.205 × 0.255, and of L. satura (ibid. no. 813, 1915, p. 6) as: 0.205 × 0.245 mm.

12. Lampsilis clarkiana (Lea) (1852). Synonyms: Unio clarkianus Lea (1852); U. spilmani Lea (1861); U. gerhardti Lea (1862). (Simpson, 1914, pp. 53, 54, makes the first two synonyms, while he has the third as a separate species).

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U. spillmani is from "Luxpalila Creek" (=Lookapallila or Floating Turtle Creek), near Columbus, Lowndes Co., Miss. (Tombigbee drainage), and U. gerhardti is given from "Chattanooga, Ga.", which probably means Chattooga River, Ga. (trib. to Coosa). In addition, Simpson gives for this: Shorter, Macon Co., Ala. (Tallapoosa drainage). Thus these forms seem to be widely distributed over the Tombigbee-Alabama system.

All these forms resemble each other in general shape, and differ only in color of epidermis and naere. Simpson has already united the first two; but I have no doubt that also gerhardti is the same shell. This differs only by the generally lighter, yellowish, color of the epidermis, with poorly developed rays, while the others are yellowish, brownish or blackish, with or without rays. A specimen collected by myself in Chattooga River is to be regarded as a topotype of gerhardti, and closely resembles this form. But I cannot sharply distinguish it from others before me, which resemble the darker clarkianus-type, because there are all transitions.

This species is analogous to L. ovata ventricosa (Barnes) of the interior basin. The color of the epidermis varies a good deal, from yellowish (chiefly in younger shells) to brownish. sometimes quite dark brown. Rays may be absent or present, narrower or wider. The nacre is whitish, often tinted salmon in the cavity. It is a rather compressed shell, and resembles, in shape, the male of L. ovata ventricosa, but is slightly more elongated. The greatest difference from the latter, however, is found in the postbasal expansion of the female, which, in clarkiana, is much less developed, and situated more anteriorly, so that the female shell is not subtruncated posteriorly, but produced into a point. The male and female shells are comparatively little differentiated, so that it is hard to tell them apart; there is a gentle projection in the postbasal region of the female, but this does not reach, by any means, the proportions seen in ventricosa.

I have the following material:

Conasauga River, Conasauga, Polk Co., Tenn. 1 female, with soft parts, coll. by myself, May 24, 1915.

Chattooga River, Trion, Chattooga Co., Ga.—1 gravid female (with eggs), coll. by myself, May 19, 1915.

Beaver Creek, St. Clair Co., Ala.—1 specimen, probably male, H. H. Smith coll. (identified by Walker as clarkiana).

Coosa River, Coosa Valley, St. Clair Co., Ala.—1 spec., young, H. H. Smith coll. (identified by Walker as clarkiana).

Choccolocco Creek, Jackson Shoals, Talladega Co., Ala.—1 spec., young, H. H. Smith coll. (identified by Walker as clarkiana).

Talladega, Talladega Co., Ala.—1 spec., probably male, Hartman collection (originally labeled spillmani).

Sipsey River, Elrod, Tuscaloosa Co., Ala, —2 spec., probably females, H. H. Smith coll. (labeled by Walker clarkiana).

Buttahatchee River, Hamilton, Marion Co., Ala.—7 spec., at least 2 females among them, H. H. Smith coll. (labeled by Walker clarkiana).

It should be noted that all specimens from the Tombighee drainage have more brownish epidermis (lighter or darker), while yellowish epidermis prevails in shells from the Coosa system, yet a few of the latter are also brownish.

Of the two females I collected with soft parts, the one taken on May 19 in Chattooga River has eggs, but not glochidia. This would indicate the beginning of the breeding season in the spring, and is cutively abnormal. But it is known that also in other cases the breeding season becomes irregular in the southern states.

The anatomy agrees with that of L. ovata ventricesa, excavate, and related forms. The mantle flap is similar to that of these forms, with a free lobe anteriorly, not very distinct in my specimens, since it is contracted by the action of the alcohol, but several large teeth or lacerations are seen. The edge of the posterior part of the flap is nearly smooth, with a few indistinct crenulations. Also the color on the inside is normal: brownish, with a black longitudinal streak, but, on account of the contracted condition, I cannot recognize that peculiar eye-spot. There is no question that this species belongs in the oratagroup of Lampsilis.