## Euplax (Chænostoma) boscii (Audouin).

Macrophthalmus boscii, Audouin, Explic. des planches in Savigny, Crust. de l'Egypte, pl. ii. fig. 1. Euplax boscii, Milne Edwards, Ann. d. Sci. Nat., ser. 3, Zool., vol. xviii. p. 160, 1852.

" (Chænostoma) boscii, A. Milne Edwards, Nouv. Archiv. Mus. Hist. Nat., vol. ix. p. 281, 1873, and reference to synonyma.

", ", Miers, Crust. in Rep. Zool. Coll. H.M.S. "Alert," pp. 238, 542, 1884.

Fiji Islands, Kandavu, July 1874 (an adult female, bearing ova).

Adult 9.					Lines.	Millims.
Length of carapace, nearly	•	•			5	10.5
Breadth of carapace, nearly	•	540	•	•	6	12.5

## Family III. GRAPSIDE.

Grapsoidiens, Milne Edwards, Hist. Nat. Crust. vol. ii. p. 68, 1837.
Grapsidæ, Dana, U.S. Explor. Exped., vol. xiii., Crust., p. 329, 1852.
"Kingsley, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad., p. 187, 1880.
Grapsinæ (pt.), Milne Edwards, Ann. d. Sci. Nat., ser. 3, Zool. xx. p. 163, 1853.

Carapace depressed or moderately convex, more or less quadrilateral, with the lateral margins straight or slightly arcuated. Front usually broad, more rarely of moderate width, never very narrow. Orbits and eye-peduncles of moderate size. The post-abdomen usually covers the whole width of the sternum at the base, between the coxæ of the fifth ambulatory legs. The carpal joint of the endognath of the exterior maxillipedes articulates at the summit or at the antero-external angle of the merus, not at the antero-internal angle. The chelipedes (in the adult males) are usually subequal and are moderately developed. The dactyli of the ambulatory legs are styliform, compressed, and are sometimes smooth, sometimes armed with strong spines.

The species are nearly always littoral or shallow-water forms, but rarely inhabit deep water (c.g., Euchirograpsus). Both genera and species have been recently enumerated by Kingsley in the memoir cited above.

Subfamily 1. GRAPSINÆ.

Grapsinæ, Kingsley, tom. cit., p. 189.

Antennules more or less transverse and covered by the front, which is entire, not longitudinally cleft.

This subfamily is divided by Mr. Kingsley (after Dana) into the following sections (or tribes) :---