

reversed. *Colour* white, translucent, slightly glossy. *Spire* high narrow and conical. *Apex* blunt, tabulated, the tip, which consists of one minute whorl and a half, being flattened down and immersed, while still encircled with an impressed suture; the first 3 or $3\frac{1}{2}$ whorls are smooth and glossy, and the normal sculpture seems to begin imperceptibly and increase regularly. *Whorls* 7 in all, of regular increase, flatly convex; the last is long, with a full prolonged base. *Suture* oblique, slightly impressed, with the faintest possible constriction round the very top of each whorl. *Mouth* obovate, or slightly pear-shaped, being a little pointed at the top, broadened below. *Outer lip* apparently thickened and expanded, but it has been recently broken, and the restoration is still thin, direct and level on the edge, with a very flat curve till the base is reached, where the curve is rapid, and the edge is expanded and thickened. *Inner lip* concave throughout; on the body spread out with a defined edge, and somewhat thickened; on the pillar, which is long, the edge is patulous, blunt, and scarcely prominent; there is a slight angulation and thickening in front, at the junction with the outer lip. H. 0.152 in. B. 0.065. Mouth, height 0.061, breadth 0.042.

This remarkable species recalls *Odostomia* of the group *Parthenia*, but the apex quite separates it from that genus.

D. Spiralled weakly (*Ceratia*), i.e., in which there are spiral threads, but these not strong.

27. *Rissoa* (*Ceratia*) *glaphyra*,¹ n. sp. (Pl. XLV. fig. 6).

Station 135c. October 17, 1873. Lat. $37^{\circ} 25' 30''$ S., long. $12^{\circ} 28' 30''$ W. Off Nightingale Island, Tristan da Cunha. 100 to 150 fathoms.

Shell.—Thin, ovate, conical, hyaline, white, with a blunt rounded tip, convex striated whorls (the body-whorl being slightly tumid), a slightly impressed suture, a rounded base, an unvarixed lip, and a subangulately ovate mouth. *Sculpture*: Longitudinals—on the upper part of the body-whorl, and perhaps of the others, there are very feeble, narrow, flat, sparse riblets. Spirals—the whorls are faintly scored with very slight flat ridges and shallow furrows, but both longitudinals and spirals are so slight that their intersection is scarcely appreciable. *Colour* hyaline, white, and glossy. *Spire* not narrow, conical. *Apex* very blunt, the extreme tip being immersed. *Whorls* 5, convexly conical on the sides, of regular increase, the last a little tumid. *Suture* slightly impressed, little oblique. *Mouth* subangulately ovate, being bluntly pointed above, angulated both at the top and at the point of the pillar. *Outer lip* thin and sharp, above, its curve is very flat; it is slightly patulous on the base. *Inner lip* extremely thin on the body, straight, with a

¹ γλαφυρός, neat.