large, blunt and flattened, with a very slight inversion of the extreme tip. Whorls nearly 5, very little convex; the last is rather large and somewhat tumid. Suture rather oblique, slight, scarcely impressed. Mouth oval, pointed above, a little oblique in its direction. Outer lip sharp and thin, with its edge crenulated by the sculptural spirals; in direction it is straight above, well curved on the base, where it is very slightly emarginate. Inner lip: very slightly convex on the body, it passes gradually into the short concave pillar, at the base of which there is only the faintest trace of a tooth; its edge is sharp and patulous, with a minute chink behind it. H. 0·18 in. B. 0·1. Penultimate whorl, height 0·06. Mouth, height 0·11, breadth 0·07.

This species slightly resembles Action pusillus (Forbes), from the Mediterranean and North Atlantic; but the spirals in that species are stronger, and are pit-marked; the suture is much stronger and more channelled, and the body-whorl is more barrel-shaped.

7. Actaon amabilis, Watson (Pl. XLVII. fig. 4).

Actæon amabilis, Watson, Prelim. Report, pt. 18, Journ. Linn. Soc. Lond., vol. xvii. p. 287.

Station 73. June 30, 1873. Lat. 38° 30′ N., long. 31° 14′ W. West of Azores. 1000 fathoms. Pteropod ooze. Bottom temperature 39° 4 F.

Station 85. July 19, 1873. Lat. 28° 42′ N., long. 18° 6′ W. Off Palma, Canaries. 1125 fathoms. Volcanic mud.

Shell.—Small, ovate, white, with flattened whorls, a subscalar spire, a very blunt apex, a pear-shaped smallish mouth, and a very slight tooth on the pillar. Sculpture: Longitudinals—there are very faint hair-like lines of growth. Spirals—there are on the last whorl about 20, on the penultimate whorl about 8 rather strong and equal furrows stippled with roundish-oval pits; they become more crowded and weaker toward the middle of the base: just below the suture the first furrow is minutely and slightly beaded, and it with the next one or two is strong and these are crowded; the flat surface which parts them is somewhat broader than the furrows. Colour translucent and subglossy white. Spire conical, high, scarcely scalar. Apex blunt and truncated; the extreme tip is a very little Whorls, 5, very slightly shouldered just below the suture: round the top there inverted. is a very feeble constriction; below this the whorl is conical, and in profile flat on the sides; the last whorl is a very little tumid with a produced base. Suture very little oblique, strongish and well marked, but not channelled. Mouth pear-shaped, pointed above, a little oblique in direction, patulous or very slightly guttered in front of the pillar point. Outer lip straight and parallel to the axis, and a little contracted above, arched and patulous in front. Inner lip slightly convex on the body, on which there is a thin but distinct glaze with a defined edge. There is a slight angulation at the junction of the body and the pillar, near the top of which is a very faint tooth amounting to no