Callistochiton, Carpenter.

Callistochiton antiquus (Reeve).

Chiton antiquus, Reeve, Conch. Icon., 1847, pl. xxv. fig. 169.

Lepidopleurus antiquus, Angas, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1867, p. 223.

Callistochiton antiquus, Carpenter MS.

Habitat.—Port Jackson. 6 to 15 fathoms.

Port Jackson and Newcastle, New South Wales (Dr Dieffenbach in British Museum). This species closely resembles Callistochiton elenensis, Sow. (Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1832, p. 27, and Conch. Illust., No. 79, pl. clxii. fig. 69), from St Elena, West Columbia, and Panama. Angas considers them synonymous, but he retains Reeve's name. Callistochiton elenensis, however, closely resembles Callistochiton decoratus, Carp., from California, if indeed it be really distinct. The most pronounced sculpture occurs in Callistochiton palmulatus, Carp., also from California.

Mr E. A. Smith has described 1 Callistochiton coppingeri, a form closely allied to the above, but apparently sufficiently distinct from it, which also comes from Port Jackson.

C.—LOPHYROIDEA.

Genus Chiton, Linné.

Chiton squamosus, Linné.

Chiton squamosus, Linné, Syst. Nat., 1767 (ed. 12), p. 1107; Deshayes, Lamarck's Hist. Nat.

Anim. s. vert. (ed. 2), 1836, vol. vii. p. 490; Sowerby, Conch. Illust., 1841, p.

2, No. 13, pl. clxii. fig. 76 (var.); Gray, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1847, p. 66, and Guide to Moll., 1857, p. 180; Reeve, Conch. Icon., 1847, pl. iii. fig. 16, pl. iv. fig. 23 (var.); Tristram, Proc. Zool. Soc. Lond., 1861, p. 403.

" assimilis, Reeve, Conch. Icon., 1847, pl. xiv. fig. 77, a and b.

Habitat.—Station 36. April 22, 1873. Bermudas. Lat. 32° 7′ 25″ N., long. 65° 4′ W. 30 fathoms. Coral. Two specimens.

West Indies.

Although there is some doubt concerning several of Linné's species of Chitons, conchologists are now quite agreed as to which form they accept as Chiton squamosus, Linn., and it is usually regarded as the type-species of the genus as commonly restricted. The brothers Adams selected Chiton aculeatus, Linn., as the type of the genus Chiton as restricted by them, and they have been followed by other naturalists in this and in the use of the generic name Lophyrus for those Chitons with large, smooth, imbricated scales. Dall has discussed this question in his paper On the Scientific Results of the Exploration of Alaska,² and he agrees with Carpenter in taking Chiton tuberculatus, Linné, as the type of the restricted genus Chiton. Concerning this latter species Dall says: "It is

¹ Zool. Collect. H.M.S. "Alert," 1884, p. 80.

² Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus., 1878, p. 300.