

Actinol. 425. *Milne-Edwards* in Ann. des. Sc. Nat. Part. Zool. viii. 329, pl. 13, fig. 1—*Discopora verrucaria*, *Flem. Brit. Anim.* 530.

*Hab.* On shells and corallines from deep water, frequent. “ *Minuta specimina ad Angliam in Fucis Escharisque observavi*,” *Pallas.*

Polypidom like a little saucer, calcareous, white, about half an inch in diameter; the base thin, subcircular, forming a shallow cup crowded with cells in the centre, the margin plain, entire, scored with faint lines; central cells shorter than those towards the circumference and frequently closed, most of them laid obliquely, but some erect, tubulous, with a round even aperture.—In its perfect state this zoophyte has been aptly compared to a compound flosculous flower; but specimens sometimes occur without any free margin to the base, when the congeries of cells forms a mere wart-like crust. It is to specimens of this kind, which are not unfrequent and variable, (some with erect cells forming a minute fluted column,) that I feel inclined to refer the *Madrepora verrucaria* of Otho Fabricius, (Faun. Groenl. 430, no. 432,) and the *Tubulipore verruqueux* of Milne-Edwards, so well described and figured in Ann. des. Sc. Nat. Part. Zool. viii. 323, pl. 12, fig. 1 : remarking at the same time, however, that this celebrated naturalist refers it to the following, of which he considers the *Obelia tubulifera* of Lamouroux to be another variety.

\* \* Base ramous. (*IDMONEA*, Lamouroux.)

2. *T. SERPENS*, “ *creeping, prostrate, in obtuse linear divisions, with tubular pores on the upper surface disposed in transverse rows.*” Ellis.

#### PLATE XXXI. FIG. 4-6.

Small purple Eschara, *Ellis*, Corall. 74, no. 6, pl. 27, e, *E*.—*Tubipora serpens*, *Lin. Syst.* 1271. *Fabric.* Faun. Groenl. 428. *Turt.* Gmel. iv. 614. *Jameson* in Wern. Mem. i. 561. *Stew. Elem.* ii. 426. *Bosc*, Vers, ii. 351.—*Millepora liliacea*, *Pall. Elench.* 248. *Turt.* Gmel. iv. 639. *Turt.* Brit. Faun. 205. *Bosc*, Vers, ii. 345.—*M. tubulosa*, *Ellis* and *Soland.* Zooph. 136. *Turt.* Gmel. iv. 639. *Turt.* Brit. Faun. 205. *Stew. Elem.* ii. 428. *Bosc*, Vers, ii. 345. *Hogg's Stock.* 37.—*Tubulipora transversa*, *Lam.* Anim. s. Vert. ii. 162. 2de edit. ii. 242. *Stark*, Elem. ii. 437. *Lamour.* Zooph. 1, pl. 64, fig. 1. *Risso*, L'Europ. Merid. v. 338. *Johnston* in Trans. Newc. Soc. ii. 269.—*Tubulipora transversa*, *Blainv.* Actinolog. 424. *T. pourpre*, *Ibid. Atlas*, pl. 72, fig. 3.—*T. serpens*, *Flem. Brit. Anim.* 529.

*Hab.* Attached to corallines, old shells, &c. especially to *Plumularia falcata*. Common on all parts of the coast. “ *Ex mari Cornubiam alluente allatae Sertulariae eandem crebram, in piso majores glomeres convolutam aut laciniosos passim et revolutos flosculos*