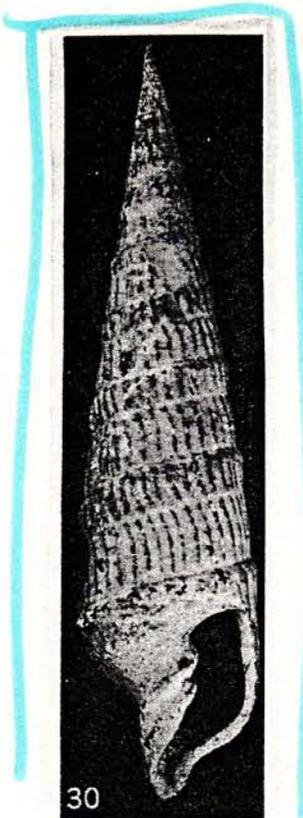


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**Terebra litorea** Dall and Ochsner.

(Figure 30.)

*Terebra litorea* DALL and OCHSNER, Proc. Calif. Acad. Sci., ser. 4, vol. 17, no. 4, p. 101, pl. 2, fig. 3, June 22, 1928.

TYPE. Holotype, California Academy of Sciences, Department of Geology, Type Collection no. 2904.

TYPE LOCALITY. "One and one-fourth miles northeast of Vilamil, Albemarle Island, Galápagos Group. Probably Pleistocene."

DISTRIBUTION. Known only from the Galápagos Islands.

DESCRIPTION. Shell large; color buff in fossil state; whorls flat, slightly constricted at weak spiral groove which sets off convex subsutural band; early sculpture weak axial ribs with nodulous subsutural band; later sculpture of flexuous axial ribs which cross subsutural band and distinct suture, ribs continuing over body whorl; aperture elongate; columella with two strong plications, the posterior of which is carried outside the aperture as a sharp keel posterior to the siphonal fasciole.

DISCUSSION. This species was described as fossil, probably of Pleistocene age, and has not been seen by us as a Recent species.

Length of the holotype is 56 mm.

FIGURE 30. *Terebra litorea* Dall and Ochsner. Holotype no. 2904, California Academy of Sciences, Department of Geology, Type Collection. Isabela (Albemarle) Island, Galápagos Islands. Pleistocene. Length 56 mm., height of last whorl 21 mm., width 13 mm.

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3. **Terebra litorea** Dall & Ochsner, new species

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Shell elongate, acute, with 15 slightly constricted flat-sided whorls beside the (lost) nucleus; suture distinct, sculpture in general feeble; on the apical whorls the axial sculpture consists of (on the sixth whorl about 12) rounded straight ribs extending from suture to suture with a raised nodulous spiral band in front of the suture and five or six fine spiral threads on the rest of the whorls, evenly spaced and over riding the ribs; on the subsequent whorls the ribs become narrower, sharper, and more numerous, crossing the subsutural band, the nodules disappear, the spiral threads become wider and flattened with much narrower interspaces, the axial ribs flexuous (about 33 on the last whorl), and continuous over the whole whorl; the base is rounded, constricted toward the canal; the aperture subrectangular, narrower than high; the body with a thin coat of enamel; pillar strong, twisted, with two sharp spiral plaits of which the posterior is carried outside the aperture as a sharp keel behind the siphonal fasciole; canal rather long, narrow and recurved. Height of shell, 56 mm.; of last whorl, 21 mm.; maximum diameter, 13 mm.

Holotype: No. 2904, Mus. Calif. Acad. of Sci., collected by W. H. Ochsner, March 3, 1906, 1¼ miles northeast of Vilamil, Albemarle Island, Galapagos Group. Probably Pleistocene.

This species is nearest to the recent *T. specillata* Hinds, of the west coast of America from the Gulf of California to the Bay of Panama.



Fig. 3. *Terebra litorea* Dall & Ochsner, new species. Holotype, No. 2904 (C. A. S. type coll.) from Albemarle Island; Pleistocene; height, 56 mm.; p. 101.

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