

B. WHORLS FLAT OR CONVEX

6-SHELL SHAPE, ACUTE, ELONGATE, CONIC, ANTELLIA NOT URELED.

Smaller; strongly cancellated and nodulous at the intersections; costæ about 18-20, straight; one faint anterior and three strong spirals between the sutural band and the suture in front; the interstices deep; band obscure; base more finely reticulated, the spirals stronger than the costæ; color white to pale buff. Lon. 18.0, lat. 3.5 mm., whorls 14. *Acus limatulus* Dall. DALL 1889 p 63

Terebra (*Acus*) *limatula* DALL

Habitat. Barbados, 100 fms.; Gulf of Mexico at Station 36, in 84 fms.; Bahamas, west of North Bemini, in 200 fms. (Dr. Rush); U. S. Fish Commission Station 2402, in the Gulf of Mexico, between the delta of the Mississippi and Cedar Keys, Fla., in 111 fms., mud; and Station 2610, 24 miles S. E. from Cape Lookout on the Carolina coast, in 22 fms., sand, bottom temperature 79° 0 F.

The sculpture of Antillean specimens tends to be stronger, the alveoli between the ridges deeper, and the spirals fewer than in the northern specimens. The latter usually have three or four above the suture, the Antilleans two or three. If these differences are worth naming, the variety may be called *T. limatula* var. *acrior*.

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limatula Dall, Bnll. M. C. Z., 18, p. 66, 1889; Bull. 37, U. S. N. M., p. 94, '89.

Distribution.—N. Carolina to Barbados. Also Gulf of Mexico between Mississippi delta and Cedar Keys at 111 fms.

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Acus limatulus Dall, 1889, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool. Harvard 18 (2): 63. The type is lost, and the species was not figured. The description alone is too brief for identification. B. 77

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