

Buccinum proximum 1771

1771, Mantissa plantarum . . . regni animalis appendix, p. 550.

LOCALITY: Not given.

"Testa turrita, anfractibus bifidis: inferiore substriato, superiore filiformi . . . Testa subulata, nitida. Anfractus bifidi. Anfractus inferior latior, transversaliter obsolete striatus. Anfractus superior filiformis, elevatior; primo intuitu videntur anfractus simplices, superne stria elevata, obtusa, gemina."

This also is an undetermined species. What has been said of *B. monile* and *gemicum*, above, applies equally to this species. Gmelin and Dillwyn both listed it, but merely copied or translated the Linnaean description, and Dillwyn (1817, p. 645) said, "No subsequent author has ascertained this species. . . ." Tryon included it in his list of undetermined terebras. I can offer no further suggestion as to its identity except to say that it is undoubtedly a *Terebra*. The description points out many characters that it has in common with *gemicum*.

DODGE 1956

Proxima 169. *B. spirae anfractibus bifidis, inferiore substriato, superiore filiformi. Mant. 2. p. 550.*

Habitat - - - *testa subulata nitida. Gmelin 1791 (p. 3505)*

There still remain to notice the following species, which were referred by the old authors to that section of *Buccinum* which is now regarded as synonymous with *Terebra*, but which there is much difficulty and doubt in referring to any shells at the present time in our collections:—*Buccinum murinum*, Linn.; *B. acus*, Chemnitz; *B. hecticum*, Gmelin; *B. bifasciatum*, Petiver; *B. concinnum*, Gualtier; *B. succinctum*, Chemnitz; *B. geminum*, Linn.; *B. proximum*, Linn.; *B. monile*, Linn.; *B. sinuatum*, Linn.; and *B. phallus*, Chemnitz, is since known as *Pleurotoma buccinoides*.

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Proximum (*Buccinum*), Linn. Gray, Zool. Proc., 168, 1843. Undetermined, 39

TRYON 1885

PROXIMUM. 139. Shell turreted, with the whirls transversely divided; lower division slightly striated, and the upper filiform.

Buccinum proximum. Linnaeus *Mantissa*, p. 550. Gmelin, p. 3505.

Inhabits —

No subsequent author has ascertained this species, and it is described by Linnaeus to be subulate, glossy, with the lower division of the whirls broadest, and obsolete striated transversely.

DILLWYN 1817 (p. 645)

Buccinum proximum Linnaeus, 1771, Mantissa Plantarum Reg. Anim., appendix p. 550. The description was brief, the species was not illustrated, no locality was given, and no type exists. Gmelin (1791) and Dillwyn (1817) both listed it, but merely copied or translated the Linnaean description. Dillwyn said, "No subsequent author has ascertained this species." Dodge, (1956) said he could add only that it is undoubtedly a *Terebra*.

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