

BULLA ACHATINA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Animal Limax.

Testa univalvis, convoluta, inermis.

Apertura subcoarctata, oblonga, longitudinalis,
basi integerrima.

Columella obliqua, laevis.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1181.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

BULLA testa ovata, apertura obovata apiceque
fanguineis, columella truncata.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 1186.

BULLA GALLICA.

Seb. Mus. 3. t. 71. 1. 2. 3. & 7. 8.

BUCCINUM cauda brevi, ore expanso.

Argenv. t. 10. f. E.

Per pulchram hanc concham parit America, et
Americæ adjacentes insulæ. Variat colore, qui in-
terdum fuscus, undis obscurioribus, interdum multo
splendore insignis quem cernere est in tabula. Spe-
cies

cies hæc terrestris? est et tenuis. Distinguitur va-
rietas depicta apertura læte purpurea. Quod eam
incolit animal limaci simillimum est. Non omnino
persuasum mihi habeo debere hanc testam generi
quod *Bullam* vocat Linnæus annumerari, cuius inter-
formam generalem et characteres huic non plene
convenit.



THE
AGATE BULLA.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Animal resembling a Limax or Slug.

Shell univalve, convoluted.

Aperture somewhat straitened, oblong, longitudinal, entire at the base.

Column oblique and smooth.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Ovate, pointed, wide-mouthed BULLA, with broad fasciæ, crimson mouth, and truncated column.

The AGATE BULLA.

The CRIMSON-MOUTHED BULLA.

This most elegant shell is a native of America and the West Indian islands. It varies considerably in point of color, being sometimes of a dusky brown, with deeper variegations; at other times ornamented with the beautiful hues represented on the annexed plate. This is commonly called the purple-mouthed variety.

variety. It is a land? shell, of a thin structure, and the inhabiting animal bears the most striking resemblance to the common snail. It may be added that it seems scarce allowable to rank this shell under the Linnæan genus *Bulla*, with the general form and characters of which it does not perfectly agree.



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