

The Marine Fauna of the Cullercoats District

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ENTOPROCTA

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Phylum ENTOPROCTA Nitsche

LOXOSOMATIDAE Hincks

Loxosoma pectinaricola (FRANZEN)

Nielsen 1964, pp. 7-9, fig. 2.

Very abundant on *Pectinaria belgica* (Pallas) from mud grounds. Over 200 specimens on each worm examined.

BREEDING—Buds April, May, July and September; embryos June and July.

Loxosomella sp. = **Loxosomella nitschei** Arvy and Prenant 1952, Bobin and Prenant 1953, 1954, Prenant and Bobin 1956, Nielsen 1964, not *L. nitschei* (Vigelius), Roper 1913, Harmer 1915, Ryland 1961.

Nielson 1964, p. 34, fig. 23.

Up to 50 specimens on each *Phascolion strombi* (Montagu) on in-shore grounds.

BREEDING—Buds all year, embryos all year.

Loxosomella murmanica (NILUS)

Nielsen 1964, p. 37, fig. 25.

A few specimens referable to this doubtful species (Nielsen 1964, Eggleston 1965) occasionally occur among *Loxsomella* sp. on *Phascolion strombi*.

Loxosomella nitschei (VIGELIUS) = *L. nitschei* Roper 1913, Harmer 1915, Ryland 1961, not *L. nitschei* Arvy and Prenant 1952, Bobin and Prenant 1953, 1954, Prenant and Bobin 1956, Nielsen 1964.

Ryland 1961, pp. 35-37, fig. 2.

"Growing in aquarium tanks in great abundance," Jun., 1912 (Roper 1913).

Abundant on *Bugula* sp. on Blyth pier piles 6 Sep. 1963; on *Cellaria fistulosa* Hincks, hydroids, dead shell and coal on gravel grounds, 20-25 fms. 3-4 miles E. of Newbiggin, 18 Apr. 1965.

BREEDING—Buds April and September.

Loxosomella compressa NIELSEN AND RYLAND

Nielsen & Ryland 1961, pp. 41-43, fig. 2; Nielsen 1964, pp. 41-42, fig. 29.

Common (up to 50 individuals) on all *Gattyana cirrosa* (Pallas) from *Chaetopterus* tubes on mud grounds. Also on *Lagisca extenuata* (Grube) from gravel grounds, 20-25 fms., 3-4 miles E. of Newbiggin.

BREEDING—Buds, July.

Loxosomella nordgaardi RYLAND

Ryland 1961, pp. 31-35, fig. 1 : Nielsen 1964, pp. 42-44, fig. 30.

Dredged in small numbers at Battery Park gravel ground on 28 May 1963 and 15 Jun. 1963. On *Smittoidea reticulata* MacGillivray, *Schizomavella linearis* Hassall and *Porella concinna* (Busk).

BREEDING—Buds, May and June.

Loxosomella fauveli BOBIN AND PRENANT

Nielsen 1964, pp. 39-41, fig. 28.

Rare. Only 3 specimens found on over 20 *Aphrodite aculeata* L. examined. Trawled on gravel ground on 18 Apr. 1953, 20-25 fms., 3-4 miles E. of Newbiggin.

Loxosomella harmeri (SCHULTZ)

Nielsen 1964, pp. 28-30, fig. 18.

Abundant on antennae, dorsal cirri and on dorsal surface of elytra of *Gattyana cirrosa* from *Chaetopterus* tubes on mud grounds. Up to 200 specimens occur on each *G. cirrosa*. Not found on *G. cirrosa* from *Amphitrite* tubes.

BREEDING—Buds, February, May, July. Embryos, May and July.

PEDICELLINIDAE Smith**Pedicellina cernua (PALLAS)**

Hincks 1880, p. 565, pl. 81, figs. 1-3 : Nielsen 1964, pp. 54-56, fig. 39.

"On small sea-weeds and corallines, near low-water mark; frequent." (Alder 1856) ; "Present. Coquet and Berwick Bay." (Alder 1862b) ; "Off Holy Island." (Alder 1864) ; "Off Marsden, present." (Alder 1864) (all as *P. echinata*). "Very common on all kinds of algae between tide-marks, Cullercoats : Dredged abundantly on hydroids and other Polyzoa from all Stations except VI and IX and from 40 fms. east of Longstone." (Robson 1913) : "From station V" (Robson 1913, var. *belgica*).

Common on *Campanularia*, etc. on piles in Blyth harbour. H.O.B. : Common wherever suitable supports e.g. algae, stones, shells, hydroids, ectoprocts, ascidians, etc. occur from between tide-marks to 50 fms.

Barentsia gracilis (M. SARS)

Hincks 1880, p. 570, pl. 81, figs. 4-6 (as *Pedicellina g.*) :

Nielsen 1964, p. 56, fig. 41.

"On the under side of stones, and on the stems of Zoophytes,

Cullercoats and Tynemouth ; common." (Alder 1862a, as *Pedicellina* g.) : "On shells, stones, hydroids and Polyzoa from stations III, IV, VII and VIII ; very common. Also from 40 fms. east of the Longstone, 32 fms. east by south of Cullercoats, and between tide-marks, Cullercoats." (Robson 1913, as *Ascopodaria* g.).

Similar in distribution to *Pedicellina cernua* but less common on the shore.

Barentsia laxa KIRKPATRICK

Rogick 1948, pp.128-142, figs.1-43.

Large colonies found growing in Dove Marine Laboratory aquaria and in outside storage tank Sep. 1962—Sep. 1964.

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