

## NOTE XXXII.

ON A PECULIAR MODE OF ATTACHING OF  
SIPHONARIA SIPHO, SOW.

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Lately the Leyden Museum received from Prof. K. Martin some specimens of *Siphonaria siphio* Sow., collected by himself at Batoe Kapal on the eastcoast of Hocamocal, a peninsula of the island of Ceram, one of the Molucca's. Now it is not to be wondered at, that this species, widely distributed in the Molucca's, was also found in the quoted locality; but an observation about its mode of attaching, made by Prof. Martin, who communicated it to me, and kindly allowed me to publish it, seems to be very remarkable.

On a piece of „Glimmerschiefer” (n<sup>o</sup> 389 of Prof. Martin's collection) he observed some small specimens of *Siphonaria siphio*, attached with their apices to the stone, so as to form little cups. Prof. Martin himself loosened the shells and took the soft parts out of them. The apices of the shells show no characters different from those of other shells of this species in our collection.

No other example of a limpet-like mollusc, having been found attached on this manner, being known to me, I mention it. Perhaps other naturalists might have observed similar facts; in that case they should oblige me, if they bring them to my notice.

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