NOTES ON AUSTRALIAN ATHECATE HYDROIDS.

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The following notes refer to two Athecate Hydroids—(i) the fresh water Cordylophora lacustris Allman, from the Myall Lakes, New South Wales, and (ii) the marine Bougainvillia ramosa (van Beneden) from Port Jackson, Sydney.

The occurrence of *Cordylophora lacustris* in the Myall Lakes is extremely interesting, since this widely distributed colonial Hydroid has been recorded previously in Australian waters only from Parramatta, near Sydney (Whitelegge and von Lendenfeld), and from a small tributary of the River Inglis, between Wynyard and Flowerdale, Northern Tasmania (Flynn).

The marine Hydroid, *Bougainvillia ramosa* (van Beneden), which occurs abundantly on the piles of the wharf at Watson's Bay, Port Jackson, is the first representative of the genus *Bougainvillia* to be recorded from the coastal waters of New South Wales.

I. On Cordylophora lacustris from Myall Lakes, N. S. Wales.

Genus Cordylophora Allman.

Cordylophora lacustris Allman.

- ? Tubularia caspia Pallas, 1771.
- Cordylophora lacustris Allman, Monograph of Gymnoblastic or Tubularian Hydroids, Ray Soc., I, 1871–1872, p. 252, pl. iii, figs. *Id.*, Stechow, Zool. Jahrb., Syst., Bd. xxxii, 1912, p. 343 (synonymy).
- Cordylophora whiteleggei Lendenfeld, Zool. Jahrb., Syst., Bd. ii, 1887, p. 97, pl. vi, figs. 11-12.
- Cordylophora caspia (Pallas), Roch, Zeitsch. für Morph. und Okologie der Tiere, Bd. ii, 1924, p. 350.
- Cordylophora fluviatilis Hamilton, Finlay, Austr. Zoologist, v, 3, 1928, p. 258.

During a biological survey of the fresh water Myall Lakes on the north coast, New South Wales, several submerged logs were removed from the water at Bombah Point, a narrow tongue of land between Booloombayt Lake and The Broadwater. An examination of these logs revealed the presence of many small colonies of the widely distributed fresh water Hydroid, *Cordylophora lacustris* Allman.

The lakes, comprising Myall Lake, Booloombayt Lake, and The Broadwater, form a chain of communicating water-ways parallel to the coast and separated from the sea by a strip of land, which varies from a quarter of a mile to three