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Dear Curt:

In response to your letter of March 1, 1965, all my various collateral notes on Nautilus and many of the old letters were destroyed as soon as the volume was printed. This had to be done to make room for the voluminous notes on the Ostreidae. I lack filing space and filing clerks and must now concentrate on the Ostreidae, which take a lot of space and attention. For that reason I no longer have that note on Nautilus shells worked ashore on Madagascar.

However, I have searched my memory and have come up with the three enclosed references. The first one is in my library and has been checked; the other two are not available to me at present. Perhaps you have the pertinent literature available and can check the veracity of the two French references.

You are doing a very good thing in collecting additional data on inaccuracies, errors, and omissions. They will pay off at a later date.

I hope to be in New Orleans for reunion with old friends.

With best wishes

Sincerely,

H. B. Stenzel

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Enclosures

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- (1) Hornell, James, 1951, Indian Molluscs: Bombay Nat. History Soc., iv + 96 p., 70 figs., frontispiece and color plate on front cover. Nautilus pompilius on p. 81: "often thrown ashore during monsoon storms" no exact locality given; on p. 94 "and occasionally an empty shell of the Pearly Nautilus is driven ashore", Bombay and neighborhood.
- (2) Dautzenberg, Ph. [= Philippe], 1929, Mollusca II, p. 321-636, pls. 4-6, in Contribution à l'étude de la faune de Madagascar par G. Petit, pt.2: Faune des Colonies Françaises, v. 3, pt. 4.
- (3) Dautzenberg, Ph., 1923, Liste préliminaire des mollusques marins de Madagascar et description de deux espèces nouvelles: Jour. de Conchyliologie, v. 68, p. ?.