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3. **The Rotifera, or Wheel Animalcules.** By C. T. HUDSON, LL.D., assisted by P. H. GOSSE, F.R.S. (To be completed in six parts. Part I. London: Longmans, Green, & Co. 1886.)

The discoverer of Pedalion and the veteran illustrator of the Rotiferan mastax have joined forces to produce what promises to be one of the most beautiful works on natural history which an English publisher has ever ventured to issue. The Rotifera have of late years been studied almost exclusively by English microscopists, and by none with such remarkable and profoundly interesting results as those obtained by Dr. Hudson. We shall be able to speak more fully of the work when it is completed, but at present may limit ourselves to a word of admiration for the plates of Floscularia. Each part will contain five folio plates, which the publishers would do well to issue in unfolded folio form with a wide margin, in a volume accompanying the letterpress, instead of doubling them up as at present. Every naturalist's library throughout the world must contain a copy of this beautiful book.
