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#### ABSTRACT

The species Favosites clausus Rominger, Favosites digitatus Rominger, and Favosites nitellus Winchell are redescribed and refigured. The new species Favosites mammillatus, Favosites norwoodensis, and Emmonsia alpenensis are described and illustrated. The internal structures of Winchell's and Rominger's species are figured for the first time.

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#### INTRODUCTION

**P**ART XII of the study of the corals of the Traverse Group of Michigan concerns the description and illustration of the small-celled species of *Favosites* and *Emmonsia*. By small-celled is meant those species in which the diameters of mature corallites range from 0.3 to 1.3 mm in diameter.

#### PREVIOUS WORK

Alexander Winchell (1866) described *Favosites nitellus*, without illustrations from the Gravel Point Formation of the Little Traverse Bay region.

Rominger (1876) figured specimens of F. nitellus and described and figured F. clausus and F. digitatus. He also described F. placenta from the Hungry Hollow Formation of Ontario and the Four Mile Dam Formation of Michigan. The specimen from the latter formation is removed from F. placenta and is the holotype of our new species F. mammilatus. Rominger also described F. radiciformis from the Jeffersonville limestone of the Falls of the Ohio, from Onondaga Limestone drift in Michigan and from the Alpena Limestone. The specimens from the Alpena Limestone are removed from F. radiciformis and form paratypes of our new species Emmonsia alpenensis.

David Swann (1947), made an excellent study of the larger celled species of *Favosites*, the *Favosites alpenensis* lineage.

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#### LOCALITIES

The locality numbers indicated below are those used by The University of Michigan Museum of Paleontology and the Michigan Geological Survey.

- 7c. Ledges and bluffs along Lake Michigan extending from point shore at locality 7a to point ½ mile north, Charlevoix Co., NE ¼ sec. 27, and SE ¼ sec. 22, T.33 N., R.9 W.
- Quarry of Petoskey Portland Cement Company, about 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles west of Petoskey, Emmet County. SW. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sec. 2, and SE. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sec. 3, T.34 N., R.6 W.
- 14e. Abandoned "Bell" quarry and ledges on shore about 2 miles east of Bay Shore, Emmet County. Near NE. corner sec. 8, T.34 N., R.6 W. (Rose quarry of Fenton and Fenton, 1930.)

- Kegomic quarry on south shore of Mud Lake just east of Harbor Springs road (M. 131) about ¼ mile north of its termination on US 31 one mile east of Bay View, Emmet Co. SE. ¼ SW. ¼ sec. 27, T.35 N., R.5 W.
- Quarry of Michigan Limestone and Chemical Company at Calcite, Presque Isle County. Site of Crawford's Marble quarry. 10 sections in SE. part T.35 N., R.5 E., and adjacent townships.
- 35. Bluffs on north east shore of Partridge Point, 4 miles south of Alpena, Alpena County. Extends from center into SE. 1/4, sec. 11, T.30 N., R.8 E.
- Abandoned quarry of Kelley's Island Lime and Transport Company (Great Lakes Stone and Lime Company) at Rockport, Alpena Co., sec. 6, T.32 N., R.9 E.
- Quarry of Michigan Alkali Company, eastern edge of Alpena, Alpena County. Sec. 13, T.31 N., R.8 E.
- 41. Exposures on banks and in bed of Thunder Bay River below Four Mile Dam, Alpena County. ¼ mile S. of center, sec. 7, T.31 N., R.8 E. Other names currently or formerly applied to this dam site are Fletcher Dam, Three Mile Dam, and Broadwell's Saw Mill.
- 53. Quarry of Thunder Bay Quarries Company, eastern edge of Alpena, Alpena County. SE. ¼, sec. 14, T.31 N., R.8 E.
- 58. Ditches beside road at southern tip of Long Lake, Alpena County. NE. 1/4, sec. 22, T.32 N., R.8 E.
- 68. Small shale pit at the northwest corner of the Alpena Cemetery (Evergreen Cemetery), Alpena County, SW. ¼, sec. 21, T.31 N., R.8 E.
- 92. Road cuts and ditches on northwest side of Orchard Hill, extending from corner 3/4 miles north of Orchard Hill bridge, for 1/4 mile eastward toward Orchard Hill School, Alpena County. N. line NW. 1/4 sec. 31, T.32 N., R.7 E.
- 95. Abandoned "Griffin" or "Bolton" limestone quarry and adjacent field outcrops, on southwest side of Detroit and Mackinac R.R. tracks about 1¼ miles northwest of Bolton, Alpena County, SE. ¼ SW. ¼ sec. 5, T.32 N., R.7 E. Winchell's and Pominger's types can be located only by general area

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SYSTEMATIC DESCRIPTIONS Phylum COELENTERATA Class ANTHOZOA Order TABULATA Family Favositidae Genus Favosites Lamarck

Favosites Lamarck, 1816, p. 204.

Type species.—By subsequent designation of Edwards and Haime, 1850, p. 1x, F. gothlandicus Lamarck, 1816, p. 205, Silurian, Gotland, Sweden.

Favosites clausus Rominger (Pl. II, Fig. 7; Pl. VI, Figs. 5-6)

Favosites clausus Rominger 1876 partim, pp. 37–38, Pl. 14, upper tier, left-hand figure, non right-hand figure, non lower tier; Nicholson, 1879, p. 75, Pl. 4, Figs. 1a-c; Stumm, 1949, Cards 237–238.

Favosites goodwini Davis, 1887, Pl. 25, Figs. 1-9; Stumm, 1950, Cards 263-264.

Favosites placenta forma ramosa Ross, 1953, pp. 71-72, Pl. 20, Figs. 1-3.

Description.—Corallum digitate, branches typically subparallel but some divergent. Branches round or elliptical in outline. Width of branches ranging from 6 to 11 mm. Corallites dimorphic, larger ones typically round to subround, smaller ones subround to subpolygonal. Diameters of corallites ranging from 0.3 to 0.8 mm. In transverse section corallites thinwalled, an average of 11 corallites in the diameter of one branch. No trace of squamulae present. In longitudinal section tabulae complete, horizontal, relatively evenly spaced at an average distance of 0.6 mm apart. Mural pores uniserial, circular, averaging 0.2 mm in diameter and separated by distances averaging 1 mm apart.

*Remarks.*—This is a widespread species occurring typically in rocks of Centerfield age in New York, the Ohio Valley, southwestern Ontario, and the Michigan Basin.

Occurrence.—Middle Devonian, Traverse group, Four Mile Dam Formation, loc. 41, Michigan; Hamilton group, Ludlowville Formation, New York; Hungry Hollow Formation, coral bed, southwestern Ontario. Beechwood Limestone, southern Indiana and northern Kentucky.

Types.—Lectotype (chosen by Stumm, 1949, Card 237), UMMP 8477.

## Favosites digitatus Rominger

(Pl. I, Figs. 4-5; Pl. III, Figs. 3-4; Pl. IV, Figs. 4-6; Pl. VI, Figs. 5-6) Favosites digitatus Rominger 1876, partim, pp. 39-40, Pl. 15, lower-tier, six right-hand figures; Stumm, 1949, Card 197.

Description.—Corallum digitate, branches typically divergent. Width of mature branches ranging from 8 to 14 mm. Corallites dimorphic, larger ones typically round to subround, smaller ones subround to polygonal. Diameters of corallites ranging from 0.3 to 0.7 mm. In transverse section corallites of the axial region thin-walled, those of the peripheral region thick-walled, an average of 8 corallites in the diameter of one branch. Squamulae absent. In longitudinal section tabulae complete, horizontal, and relatively evenly spaced at an average distance of 0.9 mm apart. Mural pores uniserial, circular, averaging 0.1 mm in diameter and unevenly spaced at distances averaging about 2 mm apart.

*Remarks.*—In the original description by Rominger the presence of lateral squamulae was mentioned. No traces of squamulae were observed in the thin sections herein described. The species is similar to F. *clausus* but differs in the digitate growth habit; the lack of dimorphic corallites; and the larger average size of the corallites.

Occurrence.—Middle Devonian, Traverse group, Bell Shale, locs. 31 and 38, Genshaw Formation, loc. 58, Alpena Limestone, and Four Mile Dam Formation, Michigan.

*Types.*—Lectotype UMMP 8484; Paratype UMMP 8484*a*, Hypotypes Nos. 37950, 46933, 47974, 47975, and 47976.

Favosites mammillatus sp. nov.

(Pl. I, Figs. 1–2, 8; Pl. II, Figs. 1–2, 6, 8; Pl. III, Figs. 1–2; Pl. IV, Figs. 1–2; Pl. V, Fig. 6; Pl. VII, Figs. 3–4)

Favosites placenta Rominger, 1876, p. 34, partim, Pl. 11, Fig. 3, non Figs. 1-2.

Description.—Corallum massive, low hemispherical to laminate, complete coralla typically subcircular in outline. Upper surface of corallum typically with circular or elliptical mammillate swellings. Corallites polygonal to subrounded, ranging from 0.3 to 0.9 mm in diameter with an average of 0.7 mm. Walls of variable thickness; where thicker a subrounded appearance of the aperture is produced. Tabulae typically incomplete, thin, wrinkled, and closely set. A few squamulae may be present. Mural pores typically uniserial, round, about 0.2 mm in diameter.

Remarks.—Superficially this species resembles F. placentus Rominger from the Hungry Hollow Formation of Ontario but it differs in possessing mammillate swellings on the distal surfaces of the coralla and having the closely set, typically incomplete, wrinkled tabulae. It also resembles F. nitellus Winchell but differs in growth form and in having more widely spaced tabulae.

Occurrence.—This species is widespread, occurring in almost every formation of the Traverse Group in the Alpena region. Bell Shale, locs. 31 and 38; Ferron Point Formation, locs. 38 and 51; Genshaw Formation, locs. 40 and 58; Alpena Limestone, locs. 40, 53, and 95; Four Mile Dam Limestone, loc. 41; Potter Farm Formation, locs. 68 and 92; Thunder Bay Limestone, loc. 35.

*Types.*—Holotype No. 8468 (Rominger's syntype of *Favosites placentus*, 1876, Pl. 1, Fig. 3); hypotypes No. 37977, 37978, 37984, 46930, 46931, 47085, 47088, 47089, and 47093.

### Favosites nitellus Winchell

(Pl. II, Figs. 3-4; Pl. VI, Figs. 3-4; Pl. VII, Figs. 1-2)

Favosites nitella Winchell, 1866, p. 89; Rominger, 1876, p. 33, Pl. 11, Fig. 4 (lower right-hand quadrant); Stumm, 1950, Card 281.

Description.—Corallum subglobular, irregularly nodose, or subdendritic. Corallites polygonal or subpolygonal, thin-walled, mature corallites ranging from 0.5 to 1.3 mm with an average of 0.8 mm. Young corallites appearing at junctions of corallites and ranging from 0.1 to 0.5 mm in diameter. Mural pores round, typically uniserial, averaging 0.2 mm in diameter and separated by distances averaging 0.7 mm. Tabulae complete or incomplete, horizontal, inclined, or arched, spaced from 0.1 to 0.8 mm apart.

Remarks.—This species has previously been known only by its external features. It is common in the shaly beds of the middle part of the Traverse Group. The internal structures of F. nitellus are similar to F. mammillatus except that the corallites are typically thinner walled; the tabulae are typically more widely spaced and a larger percentage of them are complete. The external growth form is quite distinct.

Occurrence.--Middle Devonian, Traverse group, Gravel Point Formation, locs. 14 and 14e; Alpena Limestone, locs. 40 and 53.

Types.—Lectotype No. 24725; paralectotype No. 24725a; hypotypes Nos. 14367, 25234, and 47092.

Favosites norwoodensis sp. nov. (Pl. II, Fig. 5; Pl. VI, Figs. 1–2)

Description.—Corrallum flattened, palmate in basal part, becoming flattened digitate distally. Corallites polygonal, thin-walled, with an average diameter of 0.7 mm. Tabulae typically complete and relatively widely spaced from 0.8 mm to 2.5 mm apart in the axial region, becoming incomplete and much more closely set in the peripheral region. Mural pores uniserial, about 0.2 mm in diameter, spaced about 11 mm apart.

Remarks.—This species superficially resembles F. digitatus, but can be distinguished by the flatter corallum and by the dimorphic tabulae.

Occurrence.--Middle Devonian, Traverse group, Upper Petoskey Limestone, Favosites bed just above Atrypa bed, loc. 7c.

Types.—Holotype No. 37802, paratype No. 37801.

Genus Emmonsia Edwards and Haime Emmonsia Edwards and Haime, 1851, pp. 152, 246.

Type species.—By subsequent designation of Römer, 1883, p. 425, Favosites hemispherica Edwards and Haime, 1851, p. 247 (non F. hemispherica Yandell and Shumard 1847, p. 9) = Favosites emmonsi Rominger, 1876, p. 27, Pl. VII, Fig. 1, non Fig. 2. Middle Devonian, Jeffersonville Limestone, Falls of the Ohio.

#### Emmonsia alpenensis sp. nov.

(Pl. I, Figs. 3, 6-7; Pl. III, Figs. 5-6; Pl. IV, Fig. 3; Pl. V, Figs. 1-5; Pl. VII, Figs. 5-6) Favosites radiciformis Rominger, 1876, partim, pp. 34-35, Pl. 12, lower tier, two lefthand specimens.

Description.—Corallum palmate near base becoming digitate distally. Digitate branches elliptical in outline near base, becoming rounded at upper ends. Diameters of branches ranging from 1 to 3 cm. Corallites polygonal to subpolygonal ranging from 0.3 to 1.2 mm and averaging 0.7 mm in diameter. In transverse section corallites thin-walled in axial portion where they are directed distally. In the peripheral area they are horizontally directed and have numerous squamulae. In longitudinal section the tabulae are typically thin, complete, or incomplete, and overlapping in the axial area. In the peripheral area they are masked by numerous squamulae. The mural pores are typically uniserial, rarely biserial, ranging from 0.1 mm to 0.15 mm in diameter, and separated by distances averaging 1.0 mm apart.

Occurrence.—Middle Devonian, Traverse group, widespread in most formations in the Thunder Bay region and more rarely in the Little Traverse Bay region. Figured specimens from the Bell Shale, Rockport Quarry Limestone, Genshaw Formation, Alpena Limestone, Potter Farm Formation, and Petoskey Limestone.

*Types.*—Holotype No. 37955, Paratypes Nos. 8471, 37804, 37948, 37953, 37954, 37956, 47091, and 47973.

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## EXPLANATION OF PLATE I

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FIG. 3. Side view of silicified specimen. Paratype No. 8471. Rominger's syntype of *Favosites radiciformis*, probably from the upper part of the Alpena Limestone in the vicinity of Alpena, Michigan.

FIG. 6. Colony showing palmate base and anastomosing digitate branches. Paratype No. 37954, upper part of Alpena Limestone, locality 53.

FIG. 7. Relatively complete colony showing characteristic growth form. Holotype No. 37955, Rockport Quarry Limestone, locality 38.

FIG. 4. Isolated branch of a corallum. Hypotype No. 37950. Genshaw Formation, locality 58.

FIG. 5. Silicified stem of colony. Lectotype No. 8484. Original of Rominger's Pl. 14, Fig. 4, upper center figure. Four Mile Dam Limestone, locality 41.

PLATE I





PLATE II

# EXPLANATION OF PLATE II

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Favosites memmillatus sp. nov
FIG. 1. Relatively flat colony with prominent mammillate swellings. Paratype
No. 47093. Potter Farm Formation, locality 68.
FIG. 2. Low hemispherical corallum with an abundant epifauna. Paratype No.
37978. Thunder Bay Limestone, locality 35.
FIG. 6. Flat-topped colony with mammillate swellings. Note slightly larger-sized
corallites on mammillate areas. Holotype No. 8468, the original of Rominger's
Pl. 11, Fig. 3. Four Mile Dam Formation, locality 41.
FIG. 8. Low hemispherical colony with obscure mammillate areas. Paratype No.
37984. Alpena Limestone, locality 95.
Favosites nitellus Winchell 27
FIG. 3. Typical subglobular colony with narrow attachment base. Lectotype
No. 24725. Gravel Point Formation, probably from the lower blue shale, vicinity
of Petoskey, Michigan.
FIG. 4. Small colony with digitate expansion. Hypotype No. 25234. Gravel Point
Formation, lower blue shale, locality 14e.
Favosites norwoodensis sp. nov
FIG. 5. Basal part of flattened corallum showing parts of three digitate branches.
Holotype No. 38702. Upper Petoskey Limestone, locality 7c.
Favosites clausus Rominger 25
FIG. 7. Colony composed of phaceloid stems. Note dimorphic corallites. Lecto-
type No. 8477, the original of Rominger's Plate 14, upper tier, left-hand figure.
Four Mile Dam Formation, locality 41.

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## EXPLANATION OF PLATE III

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Favosites mammillatus sp. nov 27
FIG. 1. Longitudinal section of a corallum showing the wrinkled tabulae. Para-
type No. 46931. Bell Shale, locality 38.
FIG. 2. Transverse section of the specimen illustrated on Pl. 1, Fig. 2.
Favosites digitatus Rominger
FIG. 3. Longitudinal section showing mural pores and incomplete tabulae. Hypo-
type No. 46933. Bell Shale, locality 38.
FIG. 4. Transverse section of same specimen.
Emmonsia alpenensis sp. nov
FIG. 5. Transverse section of a large stem. Paratype No. 47973. Rockport Quarry
Limestone, locality 38.
FIG. 6. Longitudinal section of same specimen.

PLATE III



PLATE IV



## EXPLANATION OF PLATE IV

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Favosites mammillatus sp. nov 27
FIG. 1. Longitudinal section showing mural pores and closely set wrinkled tabu-
lae. Paratype No. 37977. Genshaw Formation, locality 40.
FIG. 2. Transverse section of same specimen.
Emmonsia alpenensis sp. nov
FIG. 3. Transverse section showing spinose squamulae in the periaxial region.
Paratype No. 37948. Genshaw Formation, locality 27.
Favosites digitatus Rominger
FIG. 4. Longitudinal section showing horizontal, wrinkled tabulae. Hypotype
No. 47976. Genshaw Formation, locality 58.
FIG. 5. Transverse section of a typical specimen. Hypotype No. 47975. Genshaw
formation, locality 58.
FIG. 6. Longitudinal section of a large specimen showing widely spaced tabulae

and uniserial mural pores. Hypotype No. 47974. Genshaw Formation, locality 58.

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 Emmonsia alpenensis sp. nov.
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 FIG. 1. Transverse section of typical digitate stem. Paratype No. 47091, Alpena Limestone, locality 53.

FIG. 2. Longitudinal section showing well-preserved squamulae and tabulae. Paratype No. 37953. Alpena Limestone, locality 53.

FIG. 3. Longitudinal section of Rominger's syntype of *Favosites radiciformis* (here illustrated on Pl. I, Fig. 3).

FIG. 4. Transverse section of same specimen.

FIG. 5. Longitudinal section of a specimen with closely set, incomplete tabulae. Paratype No. 37804. Petoskey Limestone, locality 21.

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FIG. 6. Longitudinal section of a typical specimen. Paratype No. 47088. Alpena Limestone, locality 95.



PLATE V



PLATE VI

## EXPLANATION OF PLATE VI

## (All figures $\times 4$ )

Favosites norwoodensis sp. nov
FIG. 1. Transverse section showing elliptical corallites. Paratype No. 37801. Upper
Petoskey Formation, locality 7c.
FIG. 2. Longitudinal section of the same specimen showing widely spaced axial
tabulae and closely set, wrinkled peripheral tabulae.
Favosites nitellus Winchell 27
FIG. 3. Transverse section of a large corallum. Hypotype No. 14367. Gravel
Point Formation, vicinity of locality 14.
FIG. 4. Longitudinal section of same specimen showing closely set complete and
incomplete tabulae.
Favosites digitatus Rominger
FIG. 5. Transverse section of a silicified specimen. Paratype 8484a. Upper Alpena
Limestone or Four Mile Dam Formation, North Fork of Thunder Bay River,
Alpena County, Michigan.
FIG. 6. Longitudinal section of same specimen showing complete tabulae.
Favosites clausus Rominger
FIG. 7. Transverse section showing dimorphic corallites. Holotype No. 8477. Four
Mile Dam Formation, locality 41.
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FIG. 8. Longitudinal section of same specimen.

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 Favosites nitellus Winchell
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 FIG. 1. Longitudinal section of a very typical specimen. Hypotype No. 25234, Gravel Point Formation, locality 14e.

FIG. 2. Transverse section of a specimen showing many immature corallites. Hypotype No. 47092. Alpena Limestone, 1 foot shale bed 20 feet above base of formation, locality 40.

tabulae and mural pores. Four Mile Dam Formation, locality 41.

FIG. 4. Transverse section of same specimen. Note variation in thickness of corallite walls.

FIG. 6. Longitudinal section of specimen showing squamulae and closely set, incomplete tabulae.



PLATE VII

