



FIGS. 1-4.—*Lepidasthenia accolus* n.sp. Fig. 1: Anterior end. Fig. 2: A middle parapodium. Fig. 3: Anterior seta. Fig. 4: Posterior seta.

**TYPE:** The holotype has been deposited in the New Zealand Oceanographic Institute collection, registered number 31.

**REMARKS:** Most species of *Lepidasthenia* have bidentate ventral setae. *L. accolus* with unidentate ventral setae is distinguished from the other unidentate species by the details of the setae and the extreme reduction of the elytra. The name *accolus* (one who dwells nearby) refers to its commensal habit.