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ABBREVIATIONS.

B. British.

W. Wood's Catalogue of Shells.

S. Sowerby's Manual of Conchology.

T. Turton's Manual of Land and Freshwater Shells. 1st edit.

E. Encyclopédie Méthodique.

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