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A female Lampsilis ovata ventricosa (Barnes). This fresh-water mussel is one of a family having glochidia or young that are parasitic on the gills of fishes. The females of this group, during the breeding season, develop lures, such as the fish-like projections of the edge of the mantle shown here. These projections attract fish to the vicinity of the mussel, thereby assuring transfer of the young larva to the host. [J. H. Welsh, Biological Laboratories, Harvard University]