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Slate-pencil sea urchin, Eucidaris thomarsii (Val.), perched on the reef-buidling coral Pocillopora laamicornis (L.). In Panama, the urchin grazes on the coral only if deprived (for several weeks) of coralline algae and other preferred prey. See page 47. [G. M. Wellington, University of California, Santa Barbara]