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BEFORE describing the Ammonitidæ of the Lias I purpose giving a short account of the several zones of life into which this great formation is divided, with the view of defining their stratigraphical distribution in time and space. More ample details on the subject will be found in the various works cited in the synonyms prefixed to the description of the different zones.

English geologists divide this formation into Upper Lias, Marlstone, and Lower Lias, but these subdivisions require additions and modifications in order to place the liassic beds of the British Isles in strict correlation with those of France, Switzerland, and Germany. For on the Upper Lias clays, in certain localities, are superimposed extensive arenaceous deposits, which, previous to the publication of my memoir on the Upper Lias Sands,¹ were grouped with the Inferior Oolite, and in the Lower Lias are included several beds of clays and marls which, with the Marlstone of English authors, form the Middle Lias of Continental geologists.

Taking the Lias beds so well exposed in their natural order of superposition in the north and south of England in the magnificent sections on the Yorkshire and Dorsetshire coasts, and naming each group of beds by the most characteristic Ammonite form contained therein, we find the following zones of life, taken in descending order:

THE UPPER LIAS.—The sands² forming the upper portion of this zone, are characterised for the most part by Ammonites belonging to the groups Harpoceras and Lytoceras, as *Harpoceras opalinum*, Rein., *H. radians*, Schloth., *H. Thouarsense*, d'Orb.,

¹ "Palæontographical and Stratigraphical Relations of the so-called 'Sands of the Inferior Oolite,'" 'Quart. Journ. of the Geological Society,' vol. xii, p. 292, 1856.

² Midford Sands, so named by the late Professor Phillips in his 'Geology of Oxford and the Thames Valley,' p. 118, 1871.

H. insigne, Schübl., with *Lytoceras jurense*, Ziet., *L. hircinum*, Schlüb. The clays forming the lower part of the zone are everywhere distinguished by *Harpoceras bifrons*, Brug., *H. serpentinum*, Schloth., and numbers of the group *Stephanoceras*, as *Steph. commune*, Sow., *S. anguinum*, Rein., and *S. fibulatum*, Sow.

THE MIDDLE LIAS.—This is divisible into five zones, each characterised in descending order by—1. *Amaltheus spinatus*, Brug. 2. *A. margaritatus*, Mont. 3. *Aegoceras Henleyi*, Sow. 4. *Amaltheus Ibeæ*, Quenst. 5. *Aegoceras Jamesoni*, Sow.

THE LOWER LIAS is divisible into seven zones. These are—1. Zone of *Arietites raricostatus*, Ziet. 2. *Amaltheus oxynotus*, Quenst. 3. *Arietites obtusus*, Sow. 4. *A. Turneri*, Sow. 5. *A. Bucklandi*, Sow. 6. *Aegoceras angulatum*, Schloth. 7. *Aegoceras planorbis*, Sow., reposing conformably on the *Avicula contorta* series.

Complicated as these subdivisions may at first sight appear to those who have been accustomed to regard the Lias formation as a great clay deposit, with a uniform fauna throughout, still their accuracy may be clearly demonstrated in the extensive section on the Dorsetshire coast, extending from near Bridport Harbour on the east to Pinhay Bay on the west. For within these limits the entire series of beds rise beneath each other on the shore, and are exposed in the cliffs, so that this coast section may be said to be complete from the great arenaceous deposit of Upper Lias Sand, containing *Harpoceras opalinum*, with each succeeding zone of the Upper, Middle, and Lower Lias, down to *Aegoceras planorbis*, and its *Ostrea* series, resting on the *Avicula contorta* beds of the Trias formation.

In the following table I have placed the different zones of the English Lias in correlation with those of Germany, so well described by Professors Quenstedt, Opper, Fraas, and others; those of France by the late M. A. d'Orbigny, and those of England by Sir R. Murchison, Sir H. De la Beche, and the Rev. W. D. Conybeare.

This table likewise shows how completely the whole Lias formation is represented in England, and how nearly it corresponds bed for bed with the Würtemberg series. I shall now describe the different zones in ascending order, commencing with the zone of *Avicula contorta*.

As much difference of opinion formerly prevailed regarding the true position of the Contorta zone, I have deemed it best to give a short account of the beds in question for the purpose of showing how distinct their lithological and palæontological characters are from those of the true Lias formation which rests upon them, and how necessary it is to clear away all doubts as to the true affinities of these beds before entering upon the study of the Lias formation which forms the subject of this introductory part of our Monograph.

A TABLE SHOWING THE CORRELATION OF THE LIAS BEDS OF FRANCE, GERMANY, AND ENGLAND.

CORRELATION OF THE LIAS BEDS.

SWABIA. <i>Quenstedt.</i>	WÜRTEMBERG. <i>Oppel.</i>	FRANCE. <i>d'Orbigny.</i>	SOUTH OF ENGLAND. <i>Wright.</i>	GLOUCESTERSHIRE. <i>Murchison.</i>	DORSETSHIRE. <i>De la Beche.</i>
Lias ξ . <i>Jurensismergel.</i>	Jurensis-bett.	Toarcien.	LYTOCERAS JURENSE. <i>Zone of</i>	Inferior Oolite.	Inferior Oolite.
Lias ϵ . <i>Posidonienschiefer.</i>	Posidonomyen-bett.	UPPER LIAS.	STEPHANOCERAS COMMUNE. <i>Zone of</i>	Upper Lias.	Lower part.
Lias δ . <i>Amaltheenthone</i>	Spinatus-bett. Margaritatus-bett.	<i>Liasien.</i>	AMALTHEUS SPINATUS. <i>Zone of</i> AMALTHEUS MARGARITATUS.	Marlstone.	Micaceous Marl.
Lias γ . <i>Numismalismergel</i>	Davoei-bett. Ibex-bett. Jamesoni-bett.	MIDDLE LIAS.	AEGOCERAS HENLEYI. <i>Zone of</i> AMALTHEUS IBEX. <i>Zone of</i> AEGOCERAS JAMESONI.	Ochraceous Lias.	Belemnite Bed. Upper Marl.
Lias β . <i>Turnerithone</i>	Raricostatus-bett. Oxynotus-bett. Obtusus-bett.	<i>Sinemurien.</i>	ARIETITES RARICOSTATUS. <i>Zone of</i> AMALTHEUS OXYNOTUS. <i>Zone of</i> ARIETITES OBTUSUS. <i>Zone of</i> ARIETITES TURNERI.	Hippopodium & Cardinia Beds. Ammonite Bed	Lower Lias Shales. Ammonites in nodules.
Lias α . <i>Sandu. Thonkalke.</i>	Tuberculatus-bett. Bucklandi-bett. Angulatus-bett. Planorbis-bett.	LOWER LIAS.	ARIETITES BUCKLANDI. <i>Zone of</i> AEGOCERAS ANGULATUM. <i>Zone of</i> AEGOCERAS PLANORBIS.	Plagiostoma Beds.	Lias Limestones. Lower Lias Limestones.
				Saurian and Insect Beds.	White Lias, upper part.

THE ZONE OF *AVICULA CONTORTA*.

Synonyms.—Von Buch, "Schicht mit Gervillien auf der Gruber Alp am Setzberge in den bayr. Alpen," Denksch. Akad. Wissensch. Berlin, Jahrg. p. 82, 1828. Alberti, "Versteinerungsreicher Sandstein von Täbingen," 1834. Strickland, "Calcareous Sandstone with Pectens, and White Micaceous Sandstone with Bivalve Shells." Proceedings of the Geological Society, vol. iii, p. 586, 1842. Portlock, "Shale" with *Avicula contorta* and "loose gritty marl" containing *Pecten Valoniensis*, Report on Geology of Londonderry, pp. 126, 127, 1843. Brodie, "Pecten-bed," Fossil Insects of the Secondary Rocks, p. 58, 1845. Quenstedt, "Gelbe Sandsteine," Flözgebirge Württembergs, 1846. Emmerich, "Gervillien-Schichten," Neues Jahrbuch, p. 437, 1849. Schafhäütl, "Schiefergebilde der Wetzsteinformation mit Gervillien," Geognost. Untersuch. südbayrischen Alpengebirges, 1851. Von Hauer, "Kössener-Schichten," Jahrbuch der k. k. geologischen Reichsanstalt, p. 733, 1853. Escher, "Oberes St.-Cassian.," Geologische Bemerkungen über Voralberg, 1853. Gümbel, Gervillien-(Kössener-)Schichten in der Grünten," Geognostische Skizze, 1856. Opper and Suess, "Kössener-Schichten," Sitzungsber. Akadem. Wissenschaft. Wien, vol. xxi, p. 525, 1856. Opper, "Kössener-Schichten," Jura, p. 290, 1856. Winkler, "Die Schichten der *Avicula contorta* inner- und ausserhalb der Alpen," 1859. Opper, "Die Zone der *Avicula contorta*," Württemberg. natur. Jahreshefte, p. 315, 1859. Lyell, "Infra-liassic Strata of Austrian Alps," Supplement to the Manual of Geology, 5th ed., 1857. Suess, "Kössener-Schichten," Ueber die Brachiopoden, &c., 1854. Jules Martin, "Infra-Lias" (pars), Paléontologie stratigraphique de l'Infra-Lias du Département de la Côte-d'Or, Mém. Soc. Géol. France, 2 série, vol. vii, 1860. Stoppani, Essai sur les conditions générales des couches à *Avicula contorta*, 1861, supplement à l'essai 1863. Alphons v. Dittmar, Die Contorta-Zone ihre Verbreitung und ihre organischen Einschlüsse, 1864. Renevier, Notices géologiques et paléontologiques sur les Alpes Vaudoises, p. 1, 1864. Dumortier, "Infra-Lias, zone à *Avicula contorta*," Études Paléont. sur les Dépôts Jurass. du Bassin du Rhône, tom. i, p. 6, 1864. Boyd Dawkins, "Rhætic Beds," Journ. Geol. Soc., vol. xx, p. 396, 1864. Das Rhät in der Umgegend v. Göttingen, L. Pflücker y Rico, Berlin, 1868. Brauns, Die untere Grenze des Jura und die ihr zunächst liegenden Triasschichten, p. 22, 1871. Tate and Blake, Yorkshire Lias, "The Rhætic Series and the relations of the Lias with the Keuper," p. 30, 1876.

The *Avicula contorta* beds, as proved by the above list of synonyms, have for forty years engaged the attention of geologists, who, after much discussion as to their true place in the series, are still divided in opinion as to whether they ought to be considered the upper portion of the Keuper or the basement-beds of the Lias. It is now generally admitted that the *facies* of the fauna of the *Avicula contorta* zone has more affinities with the Kössener-Schichten of the Tyrol and the Upper St.-Cassian beds of Germany than with the true Lias, and it can be demonstrated that most of the species of *Radiata*, *Mollusca*, and Fishes, found in the *Avicula contorta* beds, are special to them, and do not pass into the Lias.

The question where does the Lias formation commence is easier asked than answered, for between the uppermost beds of the grey marls of the Keuper and the lowest true beds of the Lias is a remarkable assemblage of strata, which I long ago described as the "AVICULA CONTORTA BEDS," from that shell forming their leading fossil. Typical sections of the Contorta series are exposed at Garden cliff, Aust cliff, Penarth, and Watchet on the Severn shores; at Weston, Keynsham, Willsbridge, and Salford, near Bath, and at Puriton, Uphill, and Wells in Somersetshire, as well as in many other localities. In the upper part of the series are dark-grey shales interstratified with bands of limestone containing *Avicula contorta*, *Cardium Rhæticum*, *Pecten Valoniensis*, and *Schizodus elongatus*; and in the lower part the Bone-bed, consisting of hard dark siliceous grit, charged with bones, spines, teeth, and scales of Fishes belonging to the genera *Nemacanthus*, *Acrodus*, *Sargodon*, *Hybodus*, and *Ceratodus*, with bones of Reptilia belonging to the genera *Ichthyosaurus* and *Plesiosaurus*, and the teeth of a small Mammal, *Microlestes antiquus*, Plieninger.

As no sketch of the Lias formation can be said to be complete without its relation to the Trias below and the Jurassic rocks above being clearly defined, I shall briefly describe some type sections of the *Avicula contorta* beds in which the relation of these to the base of the Lias is very well shown.

GARDEN CLIFF, NEAR WESTBURY-ON-SEVERN.

I made a detailed section of the *Avicula contorta* beds of Garden Cliff, near Westbury-on-Severn, many years ago,¹ as it affords one of the most typical profiles of the zone known to me, and that best situated for study, and I recommend its careful examination to all who wish to know this series, as each stratum emerges in succession by the river bank, and can be measured and searched for its fossils, as it rises in the cliff at a low angle. The Rev. W. D. Conybeare² gave a section of this, which he called "Westbury Cliff, on the west bank of the Severn," for the purpose of illustrating the lower beds of the Lias formation, which reads as follows:—

	Ft.	In.
White Lias	10	0
Blue shale passing into Marlstone	10	0
Black shale with iron-shot fissures	12	0
Green siliceous grit, highly micaceous, and containing abundant bones, well known here and at Aust by the name of the Bone-bed	1	0
Black shale	2	0
Green grit	0	6
Black shale	2	0
Greenish Marlstone decomposing into balls	18	0
Red marl of the new red sandstone formation	0	0

¹ 'Quart. Jour. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, p. 378, 1860.

² 'Geology of England and Wales,' p. 263, 1822.

The outline of the above agrees in some respects with my section, but the naming of the beds and the absence of their fauna, renders it valueless for the purpose of correlation with the many other exposures of strata of the same age throughout Europe.

The cliff should be reached about ebb-tide, as this will afford ample time for examining all the beds as they rise from the shore line. The *Estheria*-bed¹ must be diligently searched for its special Crustacea. The *Contorta* shales and *Cardium* shales contain an immense number of small shells, much compressed; and it will be necessary for the student to carry with him a thin solution of gum arabic and a hair pencil, so as to give the fossiliferous slabs he extracts a coating of the solution whilst the shells are *in situ*, and allow them to dry in the sunshine, otherwise he will fail to preserve the treasures he gathers from these brittle paper-like strata.

Detailed Section of Garden Cliff.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK-	PALÆONTOLOGY.
		NESS.	
		ft. in.	
1	Brown or grey hard limestone with numerous shells	0 4	<i>Modiola minima</i> , <i>Ostrea liassica</i> , <i>Protocardium</i> , <i>Pleuromya</i> .
2	Thin brown shales containing Fishes' scales and teeth	2 0	Fish remains, scales, and teeth; genera indeterminate.
3	Cream-coloured fissile argillaceous limestone, the <i>Monotis</i> -bed	0 4	<i>Monotis decussata</i> , <i>Anatina præcursor</i> , <i>Myacites musculoides</i> , <i>Gervillia præcursor</i> .
4	Indurated brown marls, clayey and shaly in parts	3 6	Fishes' teeth and scales are seen on the split laminæ.
5	Grey fissile marls, with thin pyritic limestone bands	3 0	Fossils in the limestone bands, but indeterminate as to species.
6	Light grey, nodular, marly limestone, <i>Estheria</i> -bed.....	1 0	<i>Estheria minuta</i> , var. <i>Brodieana</i> , Jones, found in nests in the hard limestone.
7	Chocolate-coloured shales, laminated and friable, containing many seams of compressed shells, which must be examined when exposed	7 0	<i>Avicula contorta</i> , <i>Pecten Valoniensis</i> , <i>Cardium Rhæticum</i> , <i>Axinus cloacina</i> , <i>Lima præcursor</i> , <i>Neoschizodus posterus</i> , <i>Pleurophorus</i> , <i>Myacites</i> , <i>Modiola</i> , and Gasteropods indeterminate.
8	Dark shaly clay with many seams of compressed shells, and two indurated bands containing Pectens	2 0	<i>Pecten Valoniensis</i> forms an upper Pecten-bed. <i>Pullastra arenicola</i> , <i>Axinus</i> , <i>Cardium Rhæticum</i> , and <i>Pecten Val.</i> Lower Pecten-bed.
9	Dark grey <i>contorta</i> shales with seams of shells	2 6	<i>Avicula contorta</i> compressed with <i>Axinus</i> , <i>Cardium</i> , <i>Pecten</i> , &c.
10	Dark brown paper-like <i>Cardium</i> -shales with many seams of shells	7 0	<i>Cardium Rhæticum</i> in great numbers, <i>Pecten Valoniensis</i> , <i>Axinus</i> , <i>Ophiolepis Damesii</i> .
11	<i>Bone-bed</i> calcareo-siliceous pyritic band forming an osseous breccia in parts with a clay bed between	1 0 0 6 0 1	<i>Acrodus minimus</i> ; <i>Nemacanthus filifer</i> , <i>Hybodus minor</i> , <i>Gyrolepis tenuistriatus</i> , <i>Saurichthys apicalis</i> , <i>Sargodon tomicus</i> , <i>Avicula</i> , <i>Axinus</i> , <i>Pullastra</i> .
12	Black shales	1 6	Non-fossiliferous.
13	Dark grey, micaceous, ripple-marked sandstone, forming ledges; the <i>Pullastra</i> bed.....	1 0	<i>Avicula contorta</i> , <i>Cardium Rhæticum</i> , <i>Pullastra arenicola</i> , <i>Modiola minima</i> . Fishes' teeth.
14	Dark shales	1 10	Non-fossiliferous.
15	<i>Lower Bone bed</i> , dark and gritty sandstone, with teeth	0 4	<i>Acrodus</i> , <i>Sargodon</i> , <i>Gyrolepis</i> , <i>Avicula contorta</i> , <i>Pullastra arenicola</i> .
16	Dark laminated shales ..	1 4	Teeth, scales, coprolites, &c., at base.
17	Grey marls of Keuper		Unfossiliferous.

¹ Rupert Jones' 'Monogr. Foss. Estheriæ,' Pal. Soc. vol. for year 1860, p. 70, &c.

FIG. 1.—A Vertical Profile of Garden Cliff.

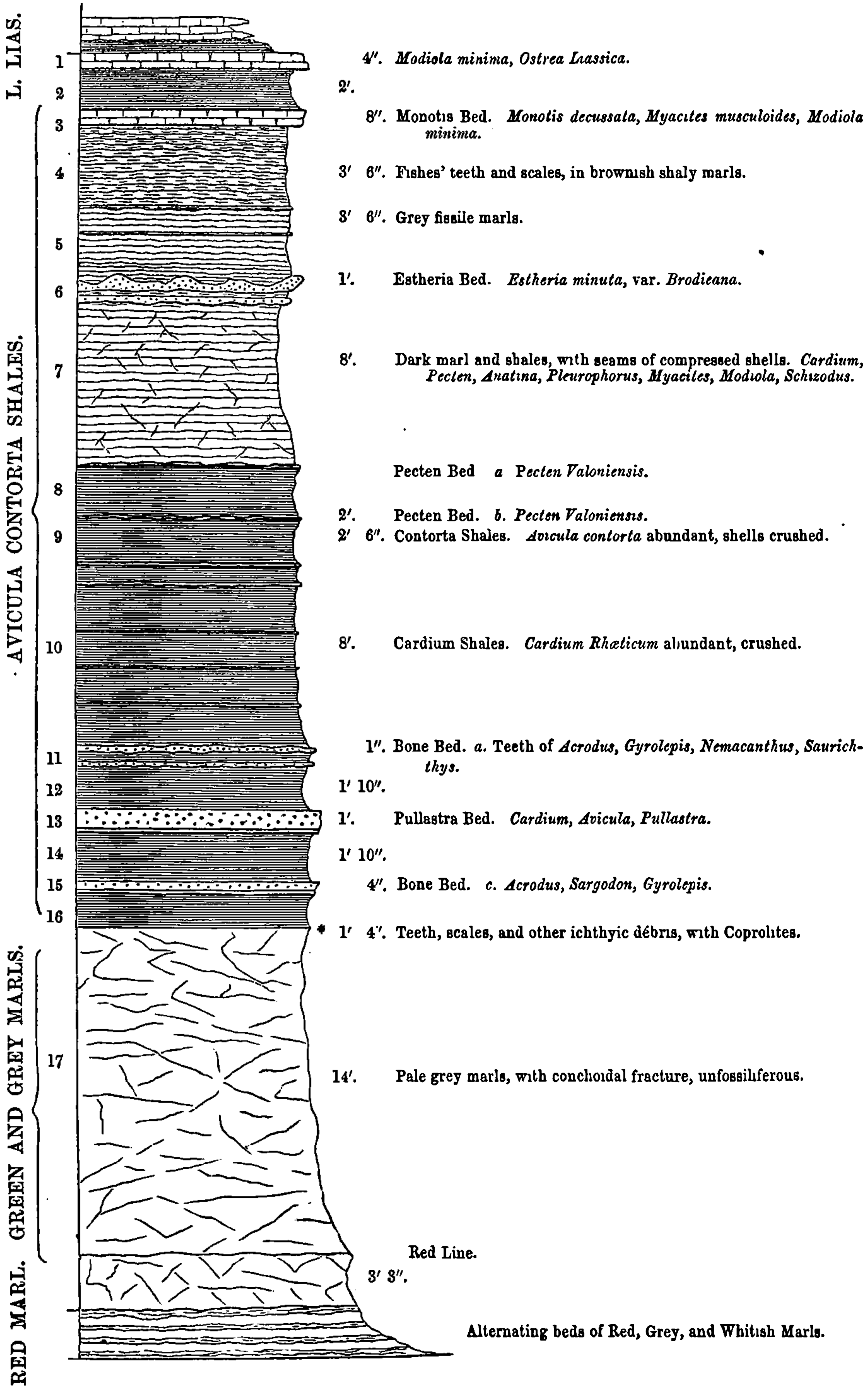
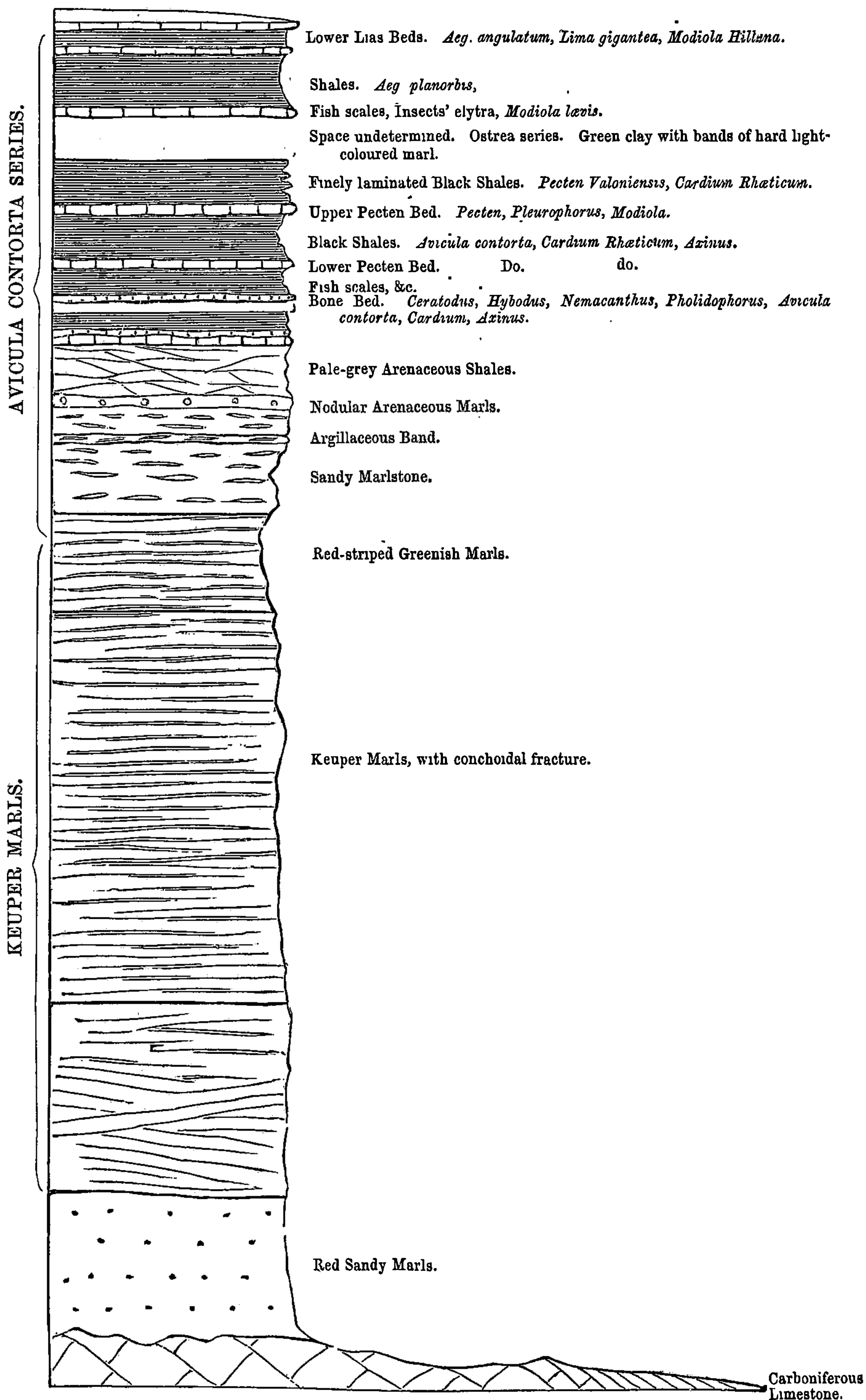


FIG. 2.—*A Vertical Profile of Aust Cliff.*

Figs. 1 and 2 were drawn by my friend Robert Etheridge, Esq., F.R.S., to illustrate papers published in the 'Trans. of the Cotteswold Naturalists' Field Club;' he has kindly allowed me to use them here; and my friend Dr. Paine, F.C.P., Hon. Secretary to the Society, has given me the use of the woodcuts. To both old friends I return my best thanks.

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having at their base a nodular band of similar marls, passing into a thick bed of sandy marlstone, six feet six inches thick, and forming the base of the *Avicula contorta* series, which rests on nodular greenish marls, thick-bedded and red-striped, fourteen feet thick, and next a thick mass of marls fifty-two feet thick, having a conchoidal fracture; then follow the gypsiferous series, containing fibrous gypsum, in string-like lines, for twenty-five feet six inches, having at the base twenty feet of red sandy marls, the whole resting upon highly inclined strata of the lower portion of the Carboniferous Limestone, which here forms the bed of the Severn.

PENARTH CLIFF.

At Penarth Head, near Cardiff, a magnificent section is exposed, showing the Lower Lias and *Avicula contorta* beds resting on the variously coloured marls of the Keuper. The lowest half of the cliff is a roll of the same beds which occur at Garden Cliff, forty-four miles higher up the Severn. The upper part of the Head is composed of alternate beds of shale and limestone with *Arietites Turneri*, *Cardina ovalis*, *Gryphæa arcuata*, and *Pentacrinus tuberculatus*, fifteen feet thick, which overlie the Zone of *Arietites Bucklandi*, consisting of alternate beds of limestone and shale, which attain from fifty to sixty feet in thickness; and contain *Lima antiqua*, Sow., *Lima gigantea*, Sow., *Lima punctata*, Sow., *Lima pectinoides*, Sow., *Cardinia hybrida*, Stuch., *Unicardium cardioides*, Phil., with fragments of *Arietites Bucklandi*. Beneath the Lima-series are beds of laminated clay containing *Aegoceras planorbis*, Sow., with alternate strata of clay and limestone, and a profusion of *Ostrea liassica* on the surface of the slabs. They attain a thickness of ten feet, and are underlain by a bed of stiff clay containing *Ostrea liassica* and *Modiola minima*.

The *Avicula-contorta*-beds form an important feature in the cliff, consisting as they do of blackish shales interposed between the light-coloured marls of the Keuper below, and the light-coloured shales and limestone of the Planorbis-beds above; beneath are dark marly clays with impressions of teeth, scales, and shells that lie compressed in seams of clay, resting on a calcareous rocky band containing *Pecten Valoniensis*, DeFr., closely pressed together, and badly preserved. Beneath this Upper Pecten-bed are several feet of dark shales, resting on a second stony band with *Pecten Valoniensis*, and this lower Pecten-band is underlain by shales and layers of ripple-marked micaceous sandstone, containing *Avicula contorta* and *Pullastra arenicola*, Strick. The Bone-bed occurs in the section, but is feebly represented, and often with difficulty discovered, as its contents are sparse, and often much comminuted. Two feet of Black Shales separate the sandstone from the Keuper.

In the county of Somerset there are several exposures of the Contorta-beds laid open either by railway-cuttings or by the action of the sea along the coast; to the former belong the Uphill Cutting near Weston-super-Mare. As I watched this exposure during its entire progress, and have studied it several times since, I give the details, for it is very typical of the others.¹

¹ 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, p. 382, 1860.

UPHILL RAILWAY-CUTTING, BRISTOL AND EXETER LINE.

	LITHOLOGICAL CHARACTERS and thickness.	BEDS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
LOWER LIAS.	Alternate beds of light-coloured Lias limestones and shales, much fractured and distarbed to an angle of 40°. 10 feet.	THE ANGULATUM SERIES.	Fragments of <i>Aegoceras angulatum</i> and <i>Aeg. liassicum</i> .
	Dark-greyish laminated shales interstratified with thin bands of limestone, and beds of clay, thickness 14 feet.	PLANORBIS SERIES.	<i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> , much compressed between the shaly laminæ, the white outer layer of the shells is well preserved.
	Bands of limestone, 6 inches. Do. of shale, 3 feet 6 inches. Do. of limestone, 4 inches. Do. shale, 3 feet. Succeeded by 12-14 beds of limestone and shales, 12 feet.	OSTREA SERIES.	<i>Modiola minima</i> , <i>Ostrea liassica</i> , <i>Pleuromya Crowcombeia</i> , <i>Astarte obsoleta</i> . These fossils were found sparingly on the surface of the slabs.
AVICULA CONTORTA SERIES.	A thin band of dark grit, 1½ inches, resting upon dark-grey shaly marl, 4 feet 6 inches.	DARK GRIT.	Teeth and Scales of Fishes.
		BLACK SHALES.	Fossils rare.
	Dingy-coloured pyritic limestone, many shells, 2 inches.	UPPER PECTEN-BED.	<i>Pecten Valoniensis</i> . <i>Cardium Rhæticum</i> .
	Grey marl, 2 inches, resting on a band of limestone with shells and gypsum, 2 inches, and dark marl, 4 feet.	GREY MARL WITH GYPSUM.	<i>Avicula contorta</i> . <i>Cardium Rhæticum</i> . <i>Axinus cloacinus</i> .
	Dark shelly pyritic limestone, 6 inches.	LOWER PECTEN-BED.	<i>Pecten Valoniensis</i> . <i>Avicula contorta</i> . <i>Isodonta præcursor</i> .
	Dark marls, 3 feet. Laminated Shale, 3 inches. Dark marl, 1 foot 9 inches. Stony band of impure limestone, 3 inches.	LOWER DARK MARLS AND SHALES.	Many small shells in compressed seams lie within the laminæ of the shales, as <i>Pullastra</i> , <i>Axinus</i> , and <i>Avicula contorta</i> .
	Dark pyritic conglomerate; coprolites' teeth, and scales of Fishes, 2 inches thick.	BONE-BED.	Teeth and scales of Fishes. <i>Saurichthys</i> , <i>Hybodus</i> , <i>Gyrolepis</i> .
	Dark shaly marl, 3 feet 6 inches. Dark stony band, 8 inches. Dark indurated marl, 2 feet. Band of limestone, 6 inches. Dark indurated marl, resting on a pebbly conglomerate, 3 feet 6 inches.	LOWER BLACK SHALES.	These black shales are not fossiliferous.

The Lower Black Shales rest upon beds of pale green and grey marls, interstratified with bands of limestone which are here interposed between the Contorta-series and the Red Marls of the Keuper.

In this cutting, when first made, the uppermost portion of the grey marls was overlain by a thin bed of conglomerate formed of small round quartz pebbles, and on this rested the basement layer of the Black Shales. The Bone-bed was uniformly thin and found with difficulty *in situ*, although fragments of it were discovered on the spoil-banks. I have collected from these many good specimens of teeth and scales of the Fishes in the list.

The Lower Pecten-bed is a slate-coloured, pyritic, semi-indurated shale, containing many compressed bivalved shells in tolerable preservation, and the dark shales between the two Pecten-beds have a few fossils closely compressed between the laminæ.

The Upper Pecten-bed was very rich in Conchifera, which were enclosed in a hard, argillaceous limestone with iron; so the fossils were too pyritic to be preserved, otherwise a larger list might have been added.

At Puriton is another railway-cutting in which the Contorta-series is well exposed; and the Bone-bed was found to be richly fossiliferous. In this cutting the Ostrea- and Planorbis-beds of the Lower Lias were likewise well laid open.

The railway-cutting near Shepton Mallet affords another instructive section of the Contorta-series overlain by the Ostrea-, and Planorbis-, and Angulatum-beds of the Lower Lias; and similar sections are exposed likewise near Wells, and Whitchurch, and at Saltford and Weston, near Bath. The latter show the relation of the Contorta-series to the Lias extremely well, as will be seen in the sequel.

A very fine coast-section of the Contorta-series, ranging from the tea-green and grey Marls through the Black Shales and Limestones of the Lower Lias, is admirably exposed at St. Audrey's Slip, two miles east of Watchet. At the base are seen the red marls of the Keuper having in succession the tea-green marls, and above alternating beds of pale-grey, hard, and soft marls, resting on beds with strontian and gypsum. The pale grey marls are overlain by black shales, which collectively are here about forty feet thick, and almost unfossiliferous. The black shales are overlain by a band of nodular limestone containing *Cardium Rhæticum*, *Axinus depressus*; above this band comes in dark grey, sandy shales with the Bone-bed, consisting of a grey calcareo-siliceous rock, enclosing the teeth of *Saurichthys apicalis*, *Acrodus minimus*, and *Hybodus*. The Bone-bed is overlain by dark shales, and inconstant bands of limestone, containing *Avicula contorta*, *Pecten Valoniensis*, *Anatina Suessii*, *Myophoria postera*, and other Conchifera. The dark-grey shales, some of which are indurated and ripple-marked, are sixteen feet thick, and are overlain by the Cotham Marble-bed, on which rests eight feet of the White Lias series, containing the Sun-bed; on this reposes a series of laminated shales five feet thick, some of the beds containing immense numbers of Pullastra, similar to the condition of the same beds at Pinhay Bay, on the Dorset coast. These shales separate the White Lias from the Ostrea-series, fifteen feet thick, which succeeds in the section.

The Contorta-beds have likewise been found in Warwickshire, Staffordshire, and Leicestershire, also at Colin Glen, near Belfast, and in other localities in Ireland.¹ The sections discovered in these counties and Ireland closely resemble those already described. The following list contains the fauna special to the *Avicula-contorta*-zone:

ECHINODERMATA.

Ophiolepis Damesii, *Wright*. Garden Cliff; Leicestershire; Warwickshire; Hildesheim, N. Germany.

LAMELIBRANCHIATA.

<i>Avicula contorta</i> , <i>Portlock</i> .	<i>Pleurophorus elongatus</i> , <i>Moore</i> .
— <i>solitaria</i> , <i>Moore</i> .	— <i>angulatus</i> , <i>Moore</i> .
<i>Lima precursor</i> , <i>Quenst</i> .	<i>Anatina præcursor</i> , <i>Quenst</i> .
<i>Modiola minima</i> , <i>Goldf</i> .	— <i>Suessii</i> , <i>Oppel</i> .
<i>Placunopsis alpina</i> , <i>Moore</i> .	— <i>elongata</i> .
<i>Plicatula intusstriata</i> , <i>Emmerich</i> .	<i>Schizodus depressus</i> , <i>Moore</i> .
<i>Gervillia præcursor</i> , <i>Quenst</i> .	— <i>elongatus</i> , <i>Gümbel</i> .
<i>Pecten Valoniensis</i> , <i>Defrance</i> .	— <i>concentricus</i> , <i>Moore</i> .
— <i>Rhæticus</i> , <i>Merian</i> .	<i>Cardium Rhæticum</i> , <i>Merian</i> .
<i>Pleuromya Crowcombeia</i> , <i>Moore</i> .	<i>Cypricardia Suevica</i> , <i>Oppel</i> .
<i>Myophoria inflata</i> , <i>Emmerich</i> .	<i>Pullastra arenicola</i> , <i>Strickland</i> .

GASTEROPODA.

<i>Cylindrites elongatus</i> , <i>Moore</i> .	<i>Chemnitzia alpina</i> , <i>Dittmar</i> .
— <i>fragilis</i> , <i>Dunker</i> .	— <i>granum</i> , <i>Dittmar</i> ,

CRUSTACEA.

<i>Cypris? liassica</i> , <i>Brodie</i> .	<i>Pollicipes Rhæticus</i> , <i>Moore</i> .
<i>Estheria minuta</i> , var. <i>Brodieana</i> , <i>Jones</i> .	<i>Tropifer lævis</i> , <i>Gould</i> .

PISCES.

<i>Acrodus minimus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	<i>Hybodus minor</i> , <i>Agass</i> .
<i>Saurichthys apicalis</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	— <i>plicatilis</i> , <i>Agass</i> .
— <i>acuminatus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	— <i>læviusculus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .
<i>Sargodon tomicus</i> , <i>Plieninger</i> .	<i>Ceratodus altus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .
<i>Nemacanthus monilifer</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	— <i>trapezoides</i> , <i>Phen</i> .
— <i>filifer</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	— <i>emarginatus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .
<i>Gyrolepis tenuistriatus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	— <i>gibbus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .
— <i>Alberti</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	— <i>latissimus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .
<i>Hybodus pyramidalis</i> , <i>Agass</i> .	— <i>obtusus</i> , <i>Agass</i> .

REPTILIA.

<i>Plesiosaurus</i> .	<i>Ichthyosaurus</i> .
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¹ Portlock, 'Geol. Report, Londonderry,' pp. 126-127, 1843; Tate, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xx, pp. 105-107, 1864.

MAMMALIA.

Microlestes antiquus, *Plieninger*, in the Bone-bed of Würtemberg, and in the Rhætic Breccia of Somerset.

M. (*Hypsiprymnopsis*) *Rhæticus*, *Dawkins*, Rhætic Beds, Watchet.

Foreign Correlations.—The Zone of *Avicula contorta* has a wide geographical range on the Continent of Europe, where the beds are found with lithological and palæontological characters very similar to those already described in the English counties, thus—

In South-west Germany they are developed in Würtemberg near Tübingen, near Balingen, in the neighbourhood of Stuttgart, and near Nürtingen and Esslingen. In the Langenbrücker Jura at Malsch and Osvingen, in Baden; in Bavaria, at Bamberg and Baireuth; in Coburg, at Gotha in North-west Germany, near Brunswick, near Hildesheim, near Hanover, and in the vicinity of Göttingen.

In Switzerland, near Basel, and in the Canton of Argau, and in the Vaudois Alps, and in the Eastern, Western, and Italian Alps.

In France, in the departments of the Haute Saône, in the Franche Comté, in the Meurthe, Moselle, and Côte d'Or, Aveyron, Herault, Var, Mont d'Or, near Lyons, and Saint-Sorlin Saône-et-Loire, and in Luxembourg and Belgium.

In Lombardy they have a wide extent and great thickness, and are found in the north-west of Hungary at many points in the Carpathians. They are found likewise in Sweden as sandstone, shales, and coal, with plant remains, and attain a considerable thickness.

A careful review of the fauna shows—

1. That the zone of *Avicula contorta* contains a special assemblage of species, few of which are limited to any one bed.

2. That the vertebrata represented by Fishes are all more closely connected with the well-known forms of the Trias, and are claimed by Ichthyologists as such.

3. That the Molluscan fauna contains two or three species that ascend into the Lias, but are never found in the Trias beds, whilst the greatest number are special to the zone, and have many organic affinities in relation with Triassic species. For these reasons it is contended that the Contorta-beds are truly Triassic.

THE LOWER LIAS.

1. THE ZONE OF AEGOCERAS PLANORBIS.

Synonyms.—“White Lias,” William Smith, ‘Memoir to the Map,’ p. 47, 1815. “White Lias (pars),” De la Beche, ‘Geol. Trans.,’ 2nd series, vol. ii, p. 26, 1826. “Saurian Beds,” Murchison’s ‘Geology of Cheltenham,’ 2nd ed. by Buckman and Strickland, p. 49, 1845. “Pylonotenbank,” Quenstedt, ‘Der Jura,’ Table, p. 293, 1857. “Die Schichten des Ammonites planorbis,” Opper, ‘Juraformation,’ p. 24, 1856, “Zone of

Ammonites planorbis," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, p. 389, 1864. "Zone de l'Ammonites planorbis," Dumortier, 'Études Paléont.,' t. i, p. 15, 1864. "Die Pylonotonschichten," Brauns, 'Die untere Jura,' p. 55, 1871. "Zone of Ammonites planorbis," Tate and Blake, Yorkshire Lias, p. 38, 1876.

This division of the Lower Lias is well developed in the South of England.¹ In general it consists of a series of thin, greyish, or bluish, argillaceous limestones, with alternating beds of laminated shale; or it forms sometimes the upper part of the thick-bedded, argillaceous, cream-coloured limestone, called "White Lias" by William Smith. In the upper half of this group *Aegoceras planorbis* (Sow.), in some localities, is found in considerable numbers, compressed in the shales, with the outer layer of its white shell more or less preserved; in the lower portion of the series *Ostrea liassica*, Strick.,² appears in great numbers; and beneath these strata are three or four beds of hard limestones (or "firestones"), in which the finest skeletons of *Enaliosauria* have been discovered. As this distinction, by means of *Æ. planorbis*, *Ostrea liassica*, and Saurians, is a practical and useful one in the investigation of this zone of life, I shall adhere to it on the present occasion,—premising, however, that *Ammonites* are very rare in the lower beds, and numerous in the upper; and that *Ostreae* are abundant below, and rare above, whilst Saurian remains are found throughout the entire series.

The best sections of the *planorbis*-zone are those afforded by the extensive quarries at Street and the coast-sections at Watchet, and St. Audrey's Slip, in Somerset;³ at Binton and Wilmcote, in Warwickshire; and at Pinhay Bay and Up-Lyme, in Dorset. I purpose giving a detailed description of the most typical sections in each county.

Somersetshire.—At Street the strata are nearly horizontal and undisturbed, and therefore admit of accurate measurement. The following section of Mr. Cree's quarry I have compared with like sections afforded by the quarries of Messrs. Seymour, Underwood, and Talbot in the same parish; and find that the variation is so inconsiderable that any one may be said to represent the others, both as regards the sequence of the beds and the fossils they contain.

¹ The substance of the following observations on the Lower Lias is contained in my memoir on the 'Zone of *Avicula contorta*, and the Lower Lias of the South of England,' 'Quart. Jour. of the Geological Society,' vol. xvi, p. 374, 1864.

² *Ostrea liassica*, Strickland, is a very characteristic shell of the lowest Lias beds. It resembles *Ostrea irregularis*, Münster (Goldfuss, 'Petr. Germ.,' pl. vii—ix, fig. 5), and *Ostrea rugata*, Quenstedt ('Jura,' pl. iii, fig. 17). Dunker, in the 'Palæontographica' (pl. vi, fig. 27), has figured a small Oyster from the Lias of Halberstadt (*Ostrea sublamellosa*, Dunker), which appears to be identical with our species. These small, thin, rugose Oysters are found in great abundance in the lowest beds of the Lower Lias in England and Germany. They are probably only varieties of one species, which had a wide geographical distribution in the seas which deposited the basement-beds of the Lias.

³ R. Etheridge, F.G.S., "Physical Structure of the Watchet Area," 'Proc. Cotteswold Nat. Field Club,' 1871, p. 40, and section No. 6.

Section of the Zone of *Aegoceras planorbis*, at Street, Somerset.

No.	LITHOLOGY AND LOCAL NAMES OF BEDS.	THICK- NESS.		ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft.	in.	
				PLANORBIS SERIES.
1	Light-coloured marly clay. "Top Bed"	3	0	Saurian bones and <i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> .
2	Light-coloured Lias limestone	0	9	<i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> in moulds.
3	Yellowish laminated shale, splitting up into thin layers	3	0	<i>Ichthyosaurus intermedius</i> , <i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> , <i>Lima punctata</i> , and <i>Isastræa Murchisoni</i> .
4	Light-coloured shaly limestone.....	0	4	<i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> , compressed.
5	Hard grey limestone. "Building-stone"	0	7	<i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> , on the top of the bed, <i>Lima punctata</i> and <i>Lima gigantea</i> .
6	Dark-grey shale.....	0	3	<i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> and muricated spines of <i>Cidaris Edwardsi</i> .
7	Dark-grey limestone. "Corn-sized building-stone".....	0	6	Spines of <i>Cidaris</i> and bones of <i>Ichthyosaurus tenuirostris</i> .
	OSTREA SERIES.			OSTREA SERIES.
8	Dark laminated shale	0	4	<i>Ostrea liassica</i> .
9	Dark-grey limestone. "Five-inch building-stone".....	0	5	<i>Ostrea liassica</i> .
10	Dark shale.....	0	3	<i>Ostrea liassica</i> .
11	Dark-grey limestone. "Six-inch building stone".....	0	6	<i>Cardinia crassiuscula</i> , <i>Lima punctata</i> , and <i>Ostrea liassica</i> .
12	Dark shale.....	0	6	—
13	Greyish hard limestone. "The Whetstones." Best paving-bed. Consisting of two 4-inch beds	0	8	Fossils rare: <i>Ostrea liassica</i> and <i>Modiola minima</i> .
14	Hard dark marl. "Saurian bed"	0	9	Many Saurians have been obtained from this bed. <i>Ichthyosaurus intermedius</i> and <i>Plesiosaurus Hawkinsii</i> (British Museum). Many jaws of Saurians and Fishes.
15	Greyish fine-grained limestone. "The Cream-bed." Fine-grained paving-stone	0	3	<i>Ostrea liassica</i> and <i>Modiola minima</i> .
16	Brownish limestone. "Red LiVer." Paving-stone	0	4	Few fossils.
17	Dark-coloured limestone. "The Black stone," used for large paving-slabs; some of them 10 ft. by 5 ft.....	0	4	<i>Modiola minima</i> , <i>Ostrea liassica</i> , <i>Pleuromya</i> , and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> .
18	Dark-blue shale	0	2	<i>Ostrea liassica</i> and <i>Modiola minima</i> .
19	Hard greyish limestone. "Six-inch building-stone".....	0	6	<i>Ceromya, sp.</i> , <i>Modiola minima</i> , and <i>Ostrea liassica</i> .
20	Soft bluish shale	0	2	—
21	Greyish-blue limestone. "Four-inch building-stone".....	0	4	Fossils as in No. 19.
22	Dark-grey laminated shale	0	4	<i>Ichthyosaurus intermedius</i> and <i>I. tenuirostris</i> .
23	Hard blue limestone. "The Blue Clog," or "One-foot building-stone," used for steps	1	0	<i>Ceromya, sp.</i> , <i>Ostrea</i> , <i>Modiola</i> , and <i>Rhynchonella</i> .
24	Grey laminated shale	1	3	Saurians abundant: <i>Ichthyosaurus intermedius</i> and <i>I. tenuirostris</i> , <i>Pholidophorus leptcephalus</i> , Agass.
25	Greyish limestone. "Grey Clog." A valuable building-stone, used for steps, troughs, &c.	1	0	<i>Modiola minima</i> .
26	Dark shale.....	0	2	

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intermedius, Conyb., from a bed of light-coloured Lias at Haselgrove, near the "Folly;" and the late Mr. Dudfield collected several very fine skeletons of *Ichthyosaurus tenuirostris*, Conyb., *I. intermedius*, Conyb., and *I. communis* (?), Conyb., with bones of *Plesiosaurus Hawkinsii*, at Bockeridge Common, and from similar beds in other localities near Tewkesbury; and I possess several vertebræ of *Plesiosaurus rugosus*, Owen, which were obtained from a bed of Lower Lias at Woolridge, near Hartpury.

The junction of the Lower Lias with the red marls of the Keuper in the Vale of Gloucester is, in general, indicated by a low escarpment, facing the west. At Bockeridge and Defford Commons this natural boundary is exceedingly well marked, and between these two localities are several quarries which expose to a greater or less extent the beds now under consideration. The presence of *Aegoceras planorbis* in the upper strata of these sections has enabled me to correlate the beds beneath with the corresponding strata at Street, in Somerset, and at Binton, Grafton, and Wilmcote, in Warwickshire.

Section of the Planorbis-, Ostrea-, and Saurian-beds at Bockeridge and Defford Commons.

Zones.	STRATA AND ORGANIC REMAINS.	Bockeridge.		Strensham.	
		ft.	in.	ft.	in.
Planorbis-beds.	1. Light-coloured clay.....	3	0	3	0
	2. White laminated limestone. "First rub," Bockeridge; "Chance rub," Strensham.....	0	4	0	4
	3. Brown laminated clay, with compressed white shells of <i>Aegoceras planorbis</i>	3	0	2	0
	4. Blue argillaceous limestone	0	3	0	2
	5. Brown shaly clay.....	0	2	0	2
	6. Blue limestone.....	0	3	0	2
	7. Dark clay, with Saurian remains. "Yard clay".....	3	0	3	0
	8. Hard blue limestone. <i>Ostrea liassica</i> on the surface of the rock. This bed is called "Red nurf" at Bockeridge, "King's nurf" at Strensham.....	1	0	0	3
Ostrea- and Lower-Saurian Beds.	9. Dark clay. The second bed of "Yard clay" at Strensham.....	1	6	3	0
	10. Blue limestone. The "Queen's nurf," Strensham.....	0	3	0	3
	11. Blue clay.....	0	0	0	3
	12. Hard blue limestone, with <i>Modiola minima</i>	0	0	0	6
	13. Paving-stone, separated by an inch-band of clay.....	0	0	0	4
	14. Dark shale. Vertebræ of <i>Ichthyosaurus</i> , tests and spines of <i>Cidaris Edwardsi</i> , <i>Hemipedina Tomesii</i> , and Fishes' scales ...	0	0	0	6
	15. Hard blue limestone, in square blocks. "Brick-bed".....	0	0	0	5
	16. Dark shale.....	0	0	0	3
	17. Insect-limestone of the Rev. P. B. Brodie, F.G.S.; a hard argillaceous limestone, containing the Elytra and other remains of Insects...	0	0	0	6
	18. Blue shale.....	0	0	1	3
	19. Light-blue limestone, with <i>Cardinia ovalis</i> , <i>Macrodon Hettangiensis</i> , and <i>Astarte obsoleta</i>	0	0	0	4

I have placed the sections together for the purpose of comparison : they were first made by my friend, the Rev. P. B. Brodie, F.G.S., and have been often examined since with similar results. These sections show the uniformity which prevails in the Lower Saurian beds of Gloucestershire and Worcestershire, and how much they resemble their correlative strata at Street.

The late Mr. Dudfield, of Tewkesbury, obtained from the *Ostrea*-beds at Brockridge Common, enumerated in the preceding sections, and from other strata occupying the same horizon in the vicinity of that town, a very fine series of Saurian remains, which were all sold and dispersed in June, 1843. From my notes of that collection I find there was a specimen of *Ichthyosaurus intermedius*, about 8 feet in length; the two fore-paddles and a portion of the scapular arch were tolerably complete; and there were upwards of 100 vertebræ, and many ribs nearly all in place. *I. tenuirostris*; 4 feet in length; the skull, jaws, and teeth were well preserved, and the vertebral column was tolerably complete; likewise one fore-paddle. *I. communis*; very fine paddles. *I. platyodon*; large skull, with orbital plates in position. *Plesiosaurus Hawkinsii*; the vertebral column, ribs, and humeri; and fifty vertebræ in position.

The *Ostrea*- and *Saurian*-beds at Binton, Brockridge, and Street are overlain by clays and laminated shales, containing *Aegoceras planorbis*. As these beds form a most important horizon in the Lias formation, and have a wide geographical distribution in England, France, and Germany, they require to be defined with accuracy, especially as some authors are of opinion that the true Lias commences with this zone of life.

The relation of the *Planorbis*-shales to the Saurian beds below is extremely well exposed in the Railway-cutting at Uphill and in the quarries at Street, Somerset; at Binton and Wilmcote, in Warwickshire; at Brockridge Common, in Gloucestershire; at Strensham, Worcestershire; and to the *Bucklandi*- or *Lima*-beds above in the sections at Saltford, near Bristol; Penarth Head, near Cardiff; Pinhay Bay, near Lyme Regis; and St. Audreys Slip, near Watchet, Somerset.

The following section of the beds at Binton was made by Mr. R. Tomes, F.Z.S., from a working now abandoned. A similar exposition, however, was seen in the quarry worked near the former, which I examined and measured with Messrs. Tomes and Kershaw.

Section of the Zones of Aegoceras planorbis and Avicula contorta, at Binton, Warwickshire.

No.	LITHOLOGY AND LOCAL NAMES OF BEDS.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
1	Light-coloured limestone. "Top rock" or "Whites"	ft. in. 0 6	—
2	Light-coloured clay	2 6	—
3	Argillaceous limestone. "Top LiVeries"	0 3	<i>Ichthyosaurus</i> ; on the upper surface, Insects.

No.	LITHOLOGY AND LOCAL NAMES OF BEDS.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
4	Light-coloured clay	7 0	—
5	Argillaceous limestone. "Top Liveries" (lower)	0 3½	<i>Aegoceras Johnstoni</i> , Sow. Insects' wings.
6	Clay	1 1	—
7	Greyish limestone. "Extra rock," "Thick paving-bed"	0 6	No fossils.
8	Clay	0 3½	
9	Greyish limestone. "Quarters." Thin and irregular when covered by the preceding..... 2 in. to	0 3	
10	Clay	0 8½	—
11	Greyish limestone. "Ribs." A con- stant bed	0 3½	Insects.
12	Clay	0 5½	—
13	Limestone. "Paving-stone"	0 3	A few Insects, and <i>Pholidophorus Stricklandi</i> , Ag.
14	Clay	0 10½	—
15	Insect Limestone. "Bottom rock" ...	0 3¼	More Insects here than in all the other beds collectively.
16	Clay	0 8	—
17	Limestone. "Hoggs" 3 in. to	0 6	<i>Tetragonolepis angulifer</i> , Ag. (Warwick Mus.)
18	Strong hard clay	0 3½	No fossils in this bed.
19	Argillaceous limestone; imperfect stone. "Ruskin"	0 3	—
20	Laminated clay	1 6	—
21	Fragmentary shelly limestone. "Grizzle bed"	0 1½	Saurian bones, Fishes' teeth and scales, <i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> , <i>Lima punctata</i> , <i>Protocardia Phillip- piana</i> , and <i>Ostrea liassica</i> ; spines of <i>Cidaris</i> and other <i>Echinidæ</i> abundant.
22	Stony shale.	—	—
23	Hard limestone. "Blue stone" or "Blocks"	0 6	<i>Pleuromya Crowcombeia</i> , and elytra of <i>Coleoptera</i> .
24	Hard clay	1 3	
25	Limestone. "Grave-stone rock"	0 3½	<i>Ichthyosaurus</i> and <i>Otopteris acuminata</i> , Lin. & Hut.
26	Clay. Thin hard plates of stone lie in this clay	0 11	
27	Limestone, underlain by clay. (The clay frequently wanting)	0 0½	
28	Limestone; inconstant. "Gummerals"	0 6	<i>Ostrea liassica</i> .
29	Clay.		—
30	Hard grey limestone. "Fire-stone beds"	0 6	Saurian remains and <i>Protocardia Phillipiana</i> . <i>Modiola minima</i> , <i>Pl. Crowcombeia</i> , and <i>O. liassica</i> . In these limestones and clays only one small <i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> has been found.
31	Clay	0 2	
32	Limestone	0 3	
33	Clay	0 2	
34	Limestone	0 3	
35	Clay	0 3	
36	Hard dark limestone. "The Guinea- bed." (This is the bottom bed of the quarry) 1 in. to	0 10	Saurian bones, <i>Avicula longicostata</i> , Stutch., <i>Monotis fallax</i> , <i>Lima punctata</i> , <i>Pleuromya Crowcombeia</i> , <i>Ostrea liassica</i> , <i>Hemipedina Tomesii</i> , Wr., in numbers; <i>Septastræa</i> .
AVICULA CONTORTA BEDS.			
37	Thick clay-beds; yellowish blue; break- ing in angular fragments	8 0	[Belonging to the zone of <i>Avicula contorta</i> .]
38	Dark ferruginous clay, with conchoidal fracture, the <i>Estheria</i> -bed.	8 0	<i>Estheria minuta</i> , var. <i>Brodieana</i> .

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	PALÆONTOLOGY.
		ft. in.	
39	Clay. "Clear blue blocks"	?	—
40	Laminated clays	3 0	—
41	Light-coloured micaceous sandstone ...	0 1	<i>Pullastra arenicola</i> , Strickl.
42	Brown clay	0 2	—
43	Sandstone; micaceous.....	0 2	<i>Pullastra arenicola</i> , Strickl.
44	Dark shaly clay	0 6	—
45	Soft sandstone	0 1	—
46	Black clay.....	0 3	—
47	Ferruginous sandy Vein	?	—
48	Grey Keuper marls.		—

The beds from No. 37 to N. 48 were found *in situ* in an escarpment at a short distance from the quarry at Binton. The "Guinea-bed" is the lowest stratum seen *in situ* in the pit, and No. 37 occupies its natural position relatively to that bed, although not exposed in the Binton section.

Lithology.—The *Planorbis*-beds at Bockeridge (p. 18) consist of dark, laminated shales, with interstratified beds of marl and limestone. The shales split into very thin laminae, between which innumerable shells of *Aegoceras planorbis* lie closely compressed; the white, calcareous, pulverulent material of the shells forming a strong contrast to the dark shales enclosing them. In Somersetshire, at Uphill, the rock consists of shales which greatly resemble those at Bockeridge; at Watchet, of dark clays which are more indurated and have the shell-structure better preserved: *Aegoceras planorbis* and *Aeg. Johnstoni* are here found with the iridescent nacreous layer of their shells beautifully lustrous. At Street the rock is a light-yellowish clay, with bands of greyish limestone and marl beneath, and in Worcestershire at Strensham, and in Warwickshire at Binton, similar lithological conditions prevail.

The White Lias series of the section at Saltford (see p. 37) represents in part the *Planorbis*-beds: the relations of that zone to the Saurian beds below, and to the *Bucklandi*-beds above, are here also well shown. In Dorsetshire the *Planorbis*-beds are represented by the upper portion of the White Lias so well exposed in the large quarries at Up-Lyme, where it is raised for caustic lime, and in the coast-sections at Charlton and Pinhay Bays; and consists of a fine-grained, cream-coloured limestone. The two principal quarries afford the necessary details. Mr. Webb's quarry shows—

In the uppermost portion, thin bands of grey limestone interstratified with shales; in these are found *Aegoceras planorbis* and *A. Johnstoni*; in two thick beds of dark, shaly clay are numerous spines and plates of sea-urchins, as *Cidaris Edwardsii*, Wrt., *Pseudodiadema lobatum*, Wrt., *Hemipedina Bechei*, Brod., *Hemipedina Bowerbankii*, Wrt. These same shales are found at low-water mark at Pinhay Bay, and have yielded nearly all the Echinidæ said to be found in the Lower Lias at Lyme Regis.

Beneath the lower bed of the Cidaris-shales are several thin beds of light-coloured limestone, locally called Whetstones, and separated by intermediate shales; then in descending order come the beds known as Grey Burr, Rotten Burr, Fire-stones, Cliff-ledge, Half-foot, One-foot, Red Size, and Anvil-ledge, all separated by thin bands of shale; on the surface of the limestones and in the shales are many fossils, among which *Ostrea liassica* forms the dominant shell. The shale above Anvil-ledge contains great numbers of *Pullastra arenicola*, Strickland, apparently indicating a change of condition in the series of beds which lie below this fossil band. The beds from the Whetstones to the Pullastra-shales represent the *Ostrea*-series, and from the circumstance of the exposed edges of the rock having weathered to a cream-colour, they form the upper portion of the White Lias. The lower portion of this formation differs both lithologically and palæontologically from the upper portion; it is a compact, earthy limestone, with conchoidal fracture, cream-coloured, and close-grained; and many of the beds are so fine that they might be used as lithographic stone. Beneath Anvil-ledge are three feet of light-coloured, rubbly beds, containing *Modiola minima*, *Ostrea liassica*, *Pleuromya Crowcombeia*, resting upon eighteen inches of White Lias; then follow a series of irregular beds, with thin partings, twelve feet in thickness, which overlie a bed, twenty-one inches thick, of fine, white limestone, resting on a like thickness of shale; beneath this is a bed of smooth, regular, fine, white limestone, six feet thick; then a bed of shale; and at the base of the series is a band of Cotham marble or Landscape-stone. The lower portion of the White Lias from the Pullastra-shales downwards represent, I believe, the upper beds of the *Avicula-contorta*-zone; there are many fossils in the limestones, which have not yet been determined. I have found casts of *Cardium Rhæticum*, *Monotis decussata*, *Pullastra arenicola*, and shells of *Pecten Valoniensis*. Unfortunately the fossils are mostly in the form of moulds, and for this reason we must wait until better specimens are obtained. The lower portion of the White Lias series is only seen in Mr. Fowler's quarry at Up-Lyme.

The coast-section at Pinhay Bay is a complete repetition of the Up-Lyme quarries; the Cidaris-shales are well exposed at low water during spring-tides, and from them are obtained all the *Echinidæ* found in the section. I know of no *Asteriadæ* in these beds.

In Gloucestershire this zone is well exposed at Bockeridge Common, and at Wainlode, in a quarry on the right-hand side of the Gloucester Road, between Hartpury and Ashelworth, and at Elmore, in quarries near the Old Kennel.

In Glamorganshire it is seen in the fine coast-section at Penarth Head. In Somersetshire, in the cutting of the Great Western Railway at Saltford; in the Uphill Cutting on the Bristol and Exeter Railway; in the coast-section at St. Audreys Slip, near Watchet; and in all the quarries at Street.

In Worcestershire it is found at Strepsham; and in Warwickshire at Binton, Grafton and Wilmcote.

It is likewise found at Robin Hood's Bay, on the coast of Yorkshire; the beds lie here below low-water mark, and large blocks, frequently washed up by the tide, are literally crowded with *Aegoceras planorbis*, known at Scarborough and Whitby as *Aeg. erugatum*, Bean.

The Coral-bed at Lussay, Isle of Skye,¹ probably represents this zone, as I found the same species of *Anthozoa* as the Hebridean Coral *Isastræa Murchisoni*, Wrt., in the light-coloured clays with *Aeg. planorbis* at Street.

This lower Ammonite-zone has, therefore, a wide geographical range throughout the Lower Lias of the northern, midland, and southern counties of England, and retains the same relative position in the Lower Lias of France, Germany, and Switzerland.

The detailed sections which I have given of the Planorbis-zone form some of the best known types of the basement-beds of the Lias in England, and enable us to understand their relations to the CONTORTA-series below, and the ANGULATUM-strata which succeed them.

Fossils of the Planorbis-beds.—The fauna of this zone is very limited; at present I know only the following species from the English beds:

Ichthyosaurus intermedius, Conyb.

— *tenuirostris*, Conyb.

— *communis*, Conyb.

Plesiosaurus Hawkinsii, Conyb.

— *Etheridgii*, Huxl.

— *rugosus*, Owen.

— *dolichodeirus*, Conyb.

— *megacephalus*, Stutch.

Dapedius, sp. ined.

Pholidophorus leptcephalus, Ag.

— *Stricklandi*, Ag.

Aegoceras planorbis, Sow.

— *Johnstoni*, Sow.

Lima punctata, Sow.

Lima gigantea, Sow.

— *pectinoides*, Sow.

Cardinia crassiuscula, Sow.

Unicardium cardioides, Phil.

Ostrea liassica, Strick.

Protocardia Phillipsiana, Dukr.

Pleuromya Crowcombeia, Moore.

Rhynchonella variabilis, Schloth.

Cidaris Edwardsii, Wrt.

Pseudodiadema lobatum, Wrt.

Hemipedina Bechei, Brod.

— *Bowerbankii*, Wrt.

Hemipedina Tomesii, Wrt.

Isastræa Murchisoni, Wrt.

Foreign Correlations.—In the North of Germany the PLANORBIS-beds are well developed, and in some parts contain a Flora in which are found many species that appeared for the first time in the CONTORTA-zone; the most important genera are *Equisetum*, *Dictyophyllum*, *Clathropteris*, *Glossopteris*, *Tæniopteris*, *Pterophyllum*, *Zamites*, *Nilssonia*, and many others.

The Molluscan fauna contains many species which are common to this and the Angulatum beds; the following species were nearly all collected at Halberstadt, and

¹ 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xiv, pp. 4 and 34.

many of them, were figured and described by Dr. Dunker in the 'Palæontographica' some years ago.

CEPHALOPODA.

<p><i>Aegoceras planorbis</i>, Sow. — <i>Johnstoni</i>, Sow. — <i>Hagenovii</i>, Dukr.</p>	<p><i>Aegoceras angulatum</i>, Schloth. — <i>laqueum</i> Quenst. <i>Nautilus intermedius</i>, Sow.</p>
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GASTEROPODA.

<p><i>Cylindrites fragilis</i>, Dukr. <i>Patella Schmidtii</i>, Dukr. — <i>subquadrata</i>, Dukr. — <i>tenuis</i>, Dukr. <i>Dentalium Etalense</i>, Terq. <i>Pleurotomaria rotellæformis</i>, Dukr. <i>Discohelix pygmæus</i>, Dukr. <i>Euomphalus liasinus</i>, Dukr. <i>Neritina liasina</i>, Dukr.</p>	<p><i>Turritella Zenkéni</i>, Dukr. <i>Hydrobia Krausseana</i>, Dukr. — <i>solidula</i>, Dukr. <i>Hydrobia subulata</i>, Dukr. <i>Rissoa liasina</i>, Dukr. <i>Littorina inornata</i>, Terqm. <i>Cerithium gratum</i>, Terqm. — <i>Etalense</i>, Piette. <i>Purpurina angulata</i>, Dukr.</p>
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LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

<p><i>Ostrea sublamellosa</i>, Dukr. — <i>ungula</i>, Münst. <i>Hinnites inæquistriatus</i>, Goldf. <i>Pecten textorius</i>, Schloth. <i>Lima pectinoides</i>, Sow. — <i>succincta</i>, Schloth. — <i>gigantea</i>, Sow. <i>Nucula navis</i>, Piette. <i>Macrodon pullus</i>, Terqm. <i>Inoceramus pinnæformis</i>, Dukr. <i>Gervillia Hagenovii</i>, Dukr. <i>Avicula Kurrii</i>, Oppel. <i>Pinna Hartmanni</i>, Ziet. <i>Modiola Hillana</i>, Sow. — <i>nitidula</i>, Dukr. — <i>scalprum</i>, Sow. <i>Astarte obsoleta</i>, Dukr.</p>	<p><i>Cardinia concinna</i>, Sow. — <i>crassiuscula</i>, Sow. — <i>Listeri</i>, Sow. <i>Hippopodium ponderosum</i>, Sow. <i>Unicardium cardioides</i>, Phill. <i>Cardium Héberti</i>, Terqm. <i>Protocardia Phillipiana</i>, Dukr. <i>Isodonta elliptica</i>, Dukr. <i>Tancredia securiformis</i>, Dukr. <i>Cyrena Menkei</i>, Dukr. — <i>Germari</i>, Dukr. <i>Tæniodon ellipticus</i>, Dukr. <i>Pholadomya corrugata</i>, Dukr. <i>Goniomya heteropleura</i>, Agass. <i>Gresslya Galathea</i>, Agass. <i>Pleuromya subrufosa</i>, Dukr. — <i>liasina</i>, Schübl.</p>
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The Planorbis-beds are developed in Württemberg, and exposed near Stuttgart; at Rüdern smooth forms of *Aegoceras planorbis* lie in a dark crystalline limestone; and at Nellingen, the smooth and plaited varieties of the same species are found together in a dark-grey limestone.

In Swabia they are likewise worked, and from them a fine series of Ammonites have been collected by Professor Quenstedt, which are contained in the Tübingen University

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Cardinia Hennoquii, *Terq.*

— *Collenoti*, *Mart.*

— *subovalis*, *Mart.*

— *brevis*, *Mart.*

— *Breoni*, *Mart.*

— *concinna*, *Sow.*

— *contracta*, *Mart.*

— *trigona*, *Mart.*

— *Listeri*, *Sow.*

— *hybrida*, *Stutch.*

— *ovum*, *Mart.*

Lucina arenacea, *Terq.*

Tancredia Sinemuriensis, *Mart.*

— *Deshayesei*, *Terq.*

Cucullæa similis, *Terq.*

Arca Collenoti, *Mart.*

— *Hettangiensis*, *Mart.*

Pinna semistriata, *Terq.*

Mytilus minutus, *Goldf.*

— *Geuxii*, *d'Orb.*

— *rusticus*, *Terq.*

Saxicava, *sp.*

Lima edula, *d'Orb.*

— *Valoniensis*, *DeFrance.*

Lima Hettangiensis, *Terq.*

— *pectinoides*, *Sow.*

— *prælonga*, *Mart.*

— *tuberculata*, *Terq.*

— *duplicata*, *Quenst.*

Avicula Deshayesei, *Terq.*

— *infraliasina*, *Mart.*

— *Dunkeri*, *Terq.*

— *Sideloci*, *Mart.*

— *similis*, *Piet. et Terq.*

Inoceramus, *sp.*

Pecten pollux, *d'Orb.*

— *calvus*, *Goldf.*

— *dispar*, *Terq.*

Gervillia acuminata, *Terq.*

Plicatula spinosa, *Sow.*

— *Deslongchampsei*, *Piet. et Terq.*

— *Hettangiensis*, *Terq.*

— *intustriata*, *Emmr.*

— *Baylii*, *Terq.*

Hinnites liasinus, *Terq.*

Ostrea marcignyana, *Mart.*

— *irregularis*, *Münst.*

— *læviuscula*, *Munst.*

BRACHIOPODA.

Spiriferina Walcotii, *Sow.*

| *Terebratula perforata*, *Piet.*

ECHINODERMATA.

Pentacrinus angulatus, *Opp.*

Ophioderma, *sp.*

| *Cidaris Martini*, *Cott.*

| *Hemipedina Burgundiæ*, *Cott.*

ANTHOZOA.

Septastræa excavata, *De From.*

Isastræa basaltiformis, *De From.*

Astrocœnia sinemuriensis, *De From.*

| *Stylastræa Sinemuriensis*, *De From.*

— *Martini*, *De From.*

In addition to the above fossils there are upwards of forty species of Foraminifera from the zone of *A. planorbis* at l'Auxois (see the description of "Les Foraminifères de l'Auxois" in the memoirs of M. Terquem).

The zone of *A. planorbis* was likewise found by Dr. Reynès in the Aveyron; and in the Ardèche at Mercuer, near Aubenas, by M. Ch. Laforêt, where he collected both the smooth and plaited varieties of *A. planorbis* in the same bed.

2. THE ZONE OF AEGOCERAS ANGULATUM.

Synonyms.—"Sandige Kalke und Sandsteine mit *Am. angulatus*, Quenst.," 'Flötzgeb.,' p. 541, 1843. "Grès infraliasique" (pars), Dufrénoy et De Beaumont. 'Exp. Carte Geol. France,' vol. ii, p. 157, 1848. "Grès liasique, grès de Hettange," Terquem, 'Paléont. du Dép. de la Moselle,' p. 11, 1855. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites angulatus*," Opper, 'Juraformation,' p. 28, 1856. "Zone à *Ammonites Moreanus*," Martin, 'Pal. Stratigraph. de l'Infra-lias du Départ. de la Côte-d'Or,' 'Mém. Soc. Géol. de France,' p. 38, 2nd série, 1860. "Augulatenschichten," Seebach, "Der Hannoversche Jura," p. 17, 1864. "Die Angulatenschichten die untere Jura," Brauns, p. 70, 1871. "Zone d'*A. angulatus*," Dumortier, 'Études de Bassin de Rhone,' Prem. Pt., p. 100, 1864. "Zone of *Ammonites angulatus*," Tate and Blake, 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 46, 1876.

The *Angulatum*-zone, so far as it has been exposed, appears to be imperfectly developed in the Midland Counties, and from the difficulty experienced in separating its beds from the *Bucklandi*-series, they were grouped with the latter in my memoir.¹ On the Continent, however, and especially in France, this zone forms a very important horizon, and contains a rich fauna. M. Jules Martin,² in his valuable memoir on the Infra-Lias of the department of the Côte-d'Or, says, "this zone forms one of the best characterised palæontological horizons in the Côte-d'Or, and contains the richest and most varied fauna. Limited to two or three yards in thickness, this deposit appears to correspond to a period of animalisation of admirable fecundity. It is from these that we have collected the charming fauna which we last year indicated, and which has such intimate relations with the Hettangian fauna described by M. Terquem." From this zone M. Martin has collected and catalogued—1 *Ichthyosaurus*, 1 *Ichthyodorulite*, 10 sp. of *Cephalopoda*, 63 sp. of *Gasteropoda*, 77 sp. of *Conchifera*, 5 sp. of *Brachiopoda*, 4 sp. of *Echinodermata*, 10 sp. of *Anthozoa*, 3 sp. *Annelida*, and the débris of *Crustacea*. In the Department of the Moselle M. Terquem³ has enumerated 177 species from the same zone. *Aegoceras angulatum*, (Schloth.), is found between Charmouth and Lyme Regis, in dark shale, below the grey concretionary limestone, with a mammilated surface; and likewise in the same strata south-west of the Cob. From these beds I have collected *Aegoceras angulatum* (Schloth.), *Aeg. Moreanum* (d'Orb.).

This zone was well exposed in the Harbury cutting of the Great Western Railway, near Warwick, although very few Mollusca besides *Aegoceras angulatum* were obtained therefrom; on the spoil-banks, even now, some good fragments are occasionally found. On the coast of Yorkshire it occurs near Redcar, where it has been studied with much care by Messrs. Tate and Blake, and they have given a detailed account of its beds in their excellent work on the 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 48, whence the following section is derived:—

¹ 'Quart. Journ. Geol. S.,' xvi, p. 398, 1860.

² 'Paléontologie stratigraphique d'Infra-Lias du département de la Côte-d'Or,' p. 39, 1860. 'Mém. Soc. Géol. de France,' 2nd série, tom. vii, Mém. No. 1.

³ 'Paléontologie du département de la Moselle,' p. 12, 1855.

Section of the *Angulatum*-beds at Redcar (Yorkshire).

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	Base of the lowest scar of the <i>Bucklandi</i> zone	—	<i>Arietites Conybeari</i> , <i>Lima gigantea</i> , <i>Pentacrinus</i> .
2	Blue shale with a line of <i>Am. Conybeari</i> at the depth of 1 foot	2 8	<i>Cardinia Listeri</i> , <i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , <i>Lucina limbata</i> , <i>Pentacrinus</i> .
3	Indurated shale 5 inches, earthy limestone 1 inch	2 6	<i>Aegoceras angulatum</i> , <i>Gryphæa</i> (small). <i>Unicardium cardioides</i> .
4	Blue shale		<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> .
5	Friable shale, Oyster bed, and irregular limestone nodules 1½ inches	0 7	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> , <i>Pleurotomaria similis</i> , <i>Dentalium Etalense</i> , <i>Astarte Oppeli</i> , <i>Lima gigantea</i> , <i>Cardinia Listeri</i> , <i>Pleuromya crassa</i> , <i>Serpula socialis</i> .
6	Blue shale.....	1 0	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> (large size), <i>Gryphæa</i> .
7	Friable shale, with Oysters chiefly, 2 inches	0 5	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> , <i>Cardita Heberti</i> , <i>Lucina limbata</i> , <i>Plicatula liasina</i> .
8	Blue shale		<i>Terquemia arietis</i> , <i>Perna infraliassica</i> , <i>Rhynchoplicatissima</i> , <i>Montlivaltia polymorpha</i> .
9	Band of small <i>Gryphæa</i> , ½ inch; blue shale	3 0	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> , <i>Plicatula liasina</i> .
10	Shell band and shelly limestone, 1½ inch; irregular, 5 inches. Blue shale	6 4	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> , <i>Eucyclus elegans</i> , <i>Astarte obsoleta</i> .
11	Shelly limestones, sometimes Encrinital, with shale, 2½ inches	2 8	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> , <i>Encyclus acuminatus</i> .
12	Blue shale		
13	Coral bed: a friable shale with small pebble-like concretions at top, very fossiliferous, 2½ inches	2 0	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> , <i>Astarte Oppeli</i> , <i>Cardita Heberti</i> , <i>Plicatula liasina</i> , <i>Pleurot. similis</i> , <i>Montlivaltia Haimei</i> , <i>Serpula socialis</i> , <i>Waldheimia Sarthacensis</i> .
14	Depressed, irregular limestone doggers, 1½ inch		
15	Shale with <i>Gryphæa arcuata</i>		<i>Aegoceras angulatum</i> (large).
16	Earthy subcrystalline limestone	1 2	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> (large).
17	Black smooth shale		
18	Friable shale and Oyster band.....	0 6	
19	Smooth shale.....		
20	Siliceous limestone, ½ inch	0 6	
21	Smooth shale.....		
22	Limestone doggers, depressed		<i>Lima gigantea</i> .
23	Thin shell limestone	3 2	
24	Friable shale		
25	Smooth shale, 9 inches.....		<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> .
26	Earthy limestone or doggers	0 2	<i>Cardinia ovalis</i> .
27	Smooth shale	1 0	
28	Blue siliceous limestone	0 1	<i>Ostrea ungula</i> , <i>Dentalium Etalense</i> .
29	Friable shale.....	0 8	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> .
30	Siliceous limestone	0 2	
31	Friable shale.....	1 5	<i>Aeg. angulatum</i> .

Palæontology.—The *Angulatum*-beds in the Department of Côte-d'Or have yielded a very rich fauna to the researches of M. Martin; many of these fossils were described and figured in the memoir already cited, and MM. Terquem and Piette have made like

contributions to the history of the fauna of this zone in their valuable monograph, "Le Lias inférieur de l'Est de la France."¹ The researches of MM. Tate and Blake in the Yorkshire Lias have added much to our knowledge of the British fossils of the Angulatum-beds near Redcar, as the following list shows.

Fossils from the Angulatum-Zone.

REPTILIA.

Ichthyosaurus, vertebræ and teeth.		Plesiosaurus, vertebræ and teeth.
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PISCES.

Hybodus minor, <i>Agass.</i>		Acrodus minimus, <i>Agass.</i>
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CEPHALOPODA.

Aegoceras angulatum, <i>Schl.</i>		Aegoceras nanum, <i>Mart.</i>
— Johnstoni, <i>Sow.</i>		Nautilus striatus, <i>Sow.</i>
— Liasicum, <i>d'Orbigny.</i>		Belemnites infundibulum, <i>Phillips.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

Discohelix striata, <i>Piette.</i>		Dentalium limatum, <i>Tate.</i>
— semiclausa, <i>Tate.</i>		Actæonina fragilis, <i>Dunker.</i>
Pleurotomaria obesula, <i>Tate.</i>		Phasianella Morencyana, <i>Piette.</i>
— , similis, <i>Sow.</i>		Turbo solarium, <i>Piette.</i>
— tectoria, <i>Tate.</i>		— philemon, <i>d'Orbigny.</i>
Pitonellus sordidus, <i>Tate.</i>		Littorina semiornata, <i>Münst.</i>
Cryptænia solarioides, <i>Sow.</i>		Eucyclus elegans, <i>Münster.</i>
— rotellæformis, <i>Dunker.</i>		— acuminatus, <i>Chap. & Dewal.</i>
— nucleus, <i>Terquem.</i>		Turritella Dunkeri, <i>Terquem.</i>
Cerithium gratum, <i>Terquem.</i>		Chemnitzia transversa, <i>Blake.</i>
— Semele, <i>d'Orbigny.</i>		— Berthandi, <i>Dunker.</i>
— spiratum, <i>Moore.</i>		— unicingulata, <i>Terquem.</i>
Dentalium Etalense, <i>Terquem.</i>		— Etalensis, <i>Piette.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Ostrea ungula, <i>Münster.</i>		Limea Blakeana, <i>Tate.</i>
— semiplicata, <i>Münster.</i>		Avicula Pattersoni, <i>Tate.</i>
Gryphæa arcuata, <i>Lamarck.</i>		Perna infraliasica, <i>Quenstedt.</i>
Anomia alpina, <i>Winkler.</i>		Pinna Hartmanni, <i>Zieten.</i>
— striatula, <i>Oppel.</i>		Macrodon pullus, <i>Terquem.</i>
Plicatula liasina, <i>Terquem.</i>		— Hettangiensis, <i>Terquem.</i>
Pecten calvus, <i>Goldfuss.</i>		— navicula, <i>Terquem.</i>
— punctatissimus, <i>Quenstedt.</i>		Leda Galathea, <i>d'Orbigny.</i>
— textilis, <i>Münster.</i>		— Renevieri, <i>Oppel.</i>
— textorius, <i>Schlotheim.</i>		— texturata, <i>Terquem.</i>

¹ 'Mémoires de la Société Géologique de France,' 2e série, tome viii, p. i, 1865.

Leda v-scripta, Tate.

Nucula nævis, Piette.

Astarte obsoleta, Dunker.

— *cingulata*, Terquem.

— *Oppeli*, Andler.

Hippopodium ponderosum, Sow.

Cardita Heberti, Terquem.

Protocardia Phillipiana, Dunker.

Cardinia crassiuscula, Sow.

— *ovalis*, Stutchburg.

— *Deshayesii*, Terquem.

— *Desoudini*, Terquem.

Cardinia Listeri, Sow.

Lucina limbata, Terquem.

Modiola hillanoides, Chap. & Dewalq.

— *lævis*, Sow.

— *Hillana*, Sow.

Saxicava arenicola, Terquem.

Myoconcha psilonoti, Quenstedt.

— *inclusa*, Terquem.

Unicardium cardioides, Phillips.

Pholadomya glabra, Agassiz.

Gresslya Galathea Agassiz.

Pleuromya crassa, Agassiz.

BRACHIOPODA.

Waldheimia Sarthacensis, d'Orbigny.

Spiriferina rostrata, Schlotheim.

Rhynchonella plicatissima, Quenstedt.

CRUSTACEA.

Bairdia liasica, Brodie.

— *lacryma*, Blake.

— *Redcarensis*, Blake.

— *elongata*, Blake.

Polycope cerasia, Tate.

Cythere Blakei, Jones.

— *circumscripta*, Blake.

— *paupercula*, Blake.

— *Redcarensis*, Blake.

— *arcuformis*, Blake.

ANNELIDA.

Ditrypa capitata, Phill.

— *globiceps*, Quenst.

Galeolaria socialis, Goldf.

Serpula limax, Goldf.

— *plicatilis*, Goldf.

— *flaccida*, Goldf.

ECHINODERMATA.

Cidaris Edwardsii, Wright.

Hemipedina Tomesi, Wright.

Pentacrinus psilonoti, Quenst.

— *basaltiformis*, Müller

ANTHOZOA.

Septastræa excavata, de From.

Montlivaltia Haimei, Chap. & Dewalq.

Montlivaltia polymorpha, Terquem.

Foreign Correlations.—Professor F. A. Römer, in 1836,¹ published an important work on the ‘Jurassic Formations of North Germany,’ which formed the starting-point of numerous observations made since that date by several accurate observers, as Dr. U. Schlönbach, “Ueber den Eisenstein des mittleren Lias im nordwestlichen Deutschland,” as developed at Harzburg, Liebenburg near Goslar, Bodenstein, Calefeld, and other places;² also Professor von Seebach, “Der Hannoversche Jura;”³ and Emerson, “Der Liasmulde von Markoldendorf bei Einbeck.”⁴ After a careful examination of the

¹ ‘Die Versteinerungen des Nord-deutschen Oolithen-Gebirges,’ 1836.

² ‘Zeitschr. d. d. Geol. Ges.,’ Band xv, p. 465, Jahrg., 1863.

³ ‘Der Hannoversche Jura,’ mit 10 Tafeln und 1 Karte, 1864.

⁴ ‘Zeitschr. d. d. Geol. Ges.,’ Band xxii, p. 271, 1870.

organic remains and an accurate determination of the species, each of these authors has placed the strata of the Lower and Middle Lias in their proper zones. Similar studies had been well and carefully carried out by previous observers with like results, as Bornemann, Strombeck, Ulrich, Ewald, Rolle, Wagener, &c., and from the united Palæontological data thus obtained we have learned the correlation of the north-west German Lias beds, as shown in the following table—

The Middle and Lower Lias of North Germany.

VON SEEBACH.	SCHLÖNBACH.	EMERSON.
	MIDDLE LIAS.	
<i>Amaltheenthone.</i>	Zone of <i>Am spinatus.</i>	Beds with <i>Am. spinatus.</i>
	Upper zone of <i>Am. margaritatus.</i>	Absent.
Beds with <i>Am. capricornus.</i>	Upper zone of <i>Am. fimbriatus.</i> Lower zone of <i>Am. margaritatus.</i>	Absent.
Beds with <i>Am. brevispina.</i>	Lower zone of <i>Am. fimbriatus.</i>	Beds with <i>Am. centaurus.</i>
	Zone of <i>Am. Jamesoni.</i>	Beds with <i>Am. brevispina.</i>
		Beds with <i>Terebratula subovoides</i> and <i>Am. armatus.</i>
	LOWER LIAS.	
Beds with <i>Am. planicosta.</i>	Zone of <i>Am. planicosta.</i>	Beds with <i>Am. bifer.</i>
		Beds with <i>Am. planicosta.</i>
Arietenschichten.	Zone of <i>Am. geometricus.</i>	Beds with <i>Am. geometricus.</i>
	Zone of <i>Am. Bucklandi.</i>	Absent.
<i>Angulatenschichten.</i>	Zone of <i>Am. angulatus.</i>	Beds with <i>Am. angulatus.</i>
Pylonotenschichten.	Zone of <i>Am. Johnstoni.</i>	Pylonotenschichten.
Rhætic.	Zone of <i>Avicula contorta.</i>	Avicula.

The Angulatum-zone, as shown in this table, is well developed in North Germany, as is proved by the valuable works of the late Professor U. Schlönbach and "Der untere Jura" of Dr. Brauns, from which it appears that many of the organic remains of the Planorbis-beds pass into the Angulatum-zone, and that it is difficult to draw a divisional line between them. The following list affords a correct idea of the Molluscan fauna of the North-German Angulatenschichten.

CEPHALOPODA.

Aegoceras angulatum, *Schlotheim.*Nautilus intermedius, *Sow.*

GASTEROPODA.

Hydrobia Krausseana, *Dkr.*Pleurotomaria rotellæformis, *Dkr.*Turritella Zenkeni, *Dkr.*Cylindrites fragilis, *Dkr.*Mesalia turritella, *Dkr.*Dentalium Etalense, *Terq. et Piette.*Pleurotomaria Anglica, *Sow.*Discohelix pygmæa, *Dkr.*

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Ostrea sublamellosa, *Dkr.*Astarte obsoleta, *Dkr.*Gryphæa arcuata, *Lamk.*Cardinia concinna, *Sow.*Pecten textorius, *Schlth.*— crassiuscula, *Sow.*Lima pectinoides, *Sow.*— Listeri, *Sow.*Leda Renevieri, *Opp.*Unicardium cardioides, *Phill.*Macrodon pullus, *Tqm.*Cardium Heberti, *Tqm.*Inoceramus pinnæformis, *Dkr.*Protocardia Phillipiana, *Dkr.*Gervillia Hagenovii, *Dkr.*Isodonta elliptica, *Dkr.*Avicula inæquivalvis, *Sow.*Pholadomya corrugata, *Dkr.*Pinna Hartmanni, *Ziet.*Goniomya heteropleura, *Agass.*Modiola Hillana, *Sow.*— subrugosa, *Dkr.*— nitidula, *Dkr.*— liasina, *Schübl.*— scalprum, *Sow.*Gresslya Galathea, *Agass.*

ECHINODERMATA.

Pentacrinus, sp.

Hypodiadema lobatum, *Desor.*

Cidaris, sp.

The Angulatum-beds are well developed in Württemberg; and the Stuttgart Museum contains a very fine series of the leading fossils, as *Aegoceras angulatum*, *A. Moreanum*, *A. compressum*, *A. Liasicum*, and many other Mollusca. Some of the Ammonites are upwards of one foot in diameter, and were collected from the Lias α near that town. I have one nearly as large sent me by my esteemed friend Prof. Fraas.

In France this zone is found in several Départments, as in the Côte-d'Or, and is remarkable for the very rich fauna it has yielded to the researches of M. Martin and MM. Collenot and Bréou. In this zone likewise are found, in the Commune of Thoste, and at the hamlet of Beauregard, the remarkable ferruginous beds which have yielded such an immense quantity of Cardinias. These shells are in admirable preservation, fossilized by iron, and present all the characters of their internal structure. The Ammonites.

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LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

<i>Leda Aballoensis</i> , <i>Mart.</i>	<i>Arca pulla</i> , <i>Terq.</i>
<i>Cardita Heberti</i> , <i>Terq.</i>	— <i>Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>Mart.</i>
<i>Astarte consobrina</i> , <i>Chap. et Dewal.</i>	<i>Pinna Hartmanni</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>
<i>Cardinia Listeri</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	— <i>semistriata</i> , <i>Terq.</i>
— <i>sublamellosa</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	<i>Avicula Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
— <i>acuminata</i> , <i>Mart.</i>	<i>Mytilus Guexii</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
— <i>hybrida</i> , <i>Agass.</i>	— <i>rusticus</i> , <i>Terq.</i>
— <i>exigua</i> , <i>Terq.</i>	<i>Lima edulis</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
<i>Lucina arenacea</i> , <i>Terq.</i>	— <i>gigantea</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
<i>Cardium Terquemi</i> , <i>Mart.</i>	— <i>Hettangiensis</i> , <i>Terq.</i>
<i>Nucula Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>Mart.</i>	<i>Ostrea irregularis</i> , <i>Minst.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

<i>Terebratula perforata</i> , <i>Piet.</i>	<i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
— <i>retusa</i> , <i>Mart.</i>	— <i>plicatissima</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>

ECHINODERMATA.

<i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus</i> , <i>Mill.</i>	<i>Astropecten</i> , <i>sp.</i>
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ANTHOZOA.

<i>Montlivaltia Martini</i> , <i>de From.</i>	<i>Isastræa Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>de From.</i>
— <i>Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	<i>Stylastræa Martini</i> , <i>de From.</i>
<i>Thecosmilia Martini</i> , <i>de From.</i>	<i>Astrocœnia Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>de From.</i>

SPONGIARIA.

<i>Porosmilia Martini</i> , <i>de From.</i>	<i>Amorphofungia Dumortieri</i> , <i>Mart.</i>
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FORAMINIFERA.

<i>Placopsilina Flouesti</i> , <i>Terq.</i>	<i>Involutina petrea</i> , <i>Terq.</i>
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The Lower Lias is well developed in the Departments of the Meurthe and the Moselle, in the east of France, in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, Belgium, and in the Dep. Meuse. The fossils, from its different zones, have been collected with great care, and their species determined, beautifully figured, and well described by MM. O. Terquem and Ed. Piette in their valuable memoir.¹ In the valley of the Moselle a great number of Mollusca have been discovered in the large quarries of the Angulatum-beds, "Le grès d'Hettange," which has become famous for its fossil riches. The authors enumerate 15 species of plants and 332 species of animals from the zone of *Aeg. angulatum*. Of this total 53 are found in the Planorbis-beds, 212, or two thirds, pass into the upper zones, and 120

¹ "Le Lias inférieur de l'est de la France," 'Mém. de la Soc. Géol. de France,' 2e série, tome viii, 1865.

species appear to be special to the zone of *Aeg. angulatum*, nearly all of which are represented in the "Grès d'Hettange."

In Luxembourg the Marne de Jamoigne represents the Angulatum-zone, and beds of the same age are found in the valleys of the Semois, the Chiers, and the Meuse. In Gloucestershire I have seen small specimens, which were found near Aust and Gloucester. This zone is likewise exposed in the north of Ireland, in the remarkable Lias district near Portrush.

3. THE ZONE OF ARIETITES BUCKLANDI.

Synonyms.—"Blue Lias," William Smith, 'Memoir to the Map,' 1815. "Blue Lias Limestone," De la Beche, 'Geol. Trans.,' 2nd series, vol. ii, 1829. "Gryphiten-Kalkstein," Alberti, 'Die Gebirge des König. Württemberg,' p. 121, 1826. "Liaskalk," Mandelsloh, 'Geol. Profile der schwäbisch. Alpen,' p. 28, 1834. "Calcaire à Gryphites" (pars), Dufrenoy et de Beaumont, 'Mém. Soc. Géol. de France,' p. 196, 1830. "Grès de Luxembourg" (pars. sup.), Omalius d'Halloy, 'Élém. de Géologie,' p. 375, 1835. "Grès de Luxembourg," Dewalque, 'Descrip. du Lias de la Luxembourg,' p. 28, 1857. "Plagiostoma-beds, Lower Lias," Murchison, 'Geol. of Cheltenham,' 2nd ed., p. 49, 1845. "Arietenkalk," Quenstedt, 'Der Jura,' Table, p. 293, 1857. "Die Schichten des Ammonites Bucklandi," Opper, 'Juraformation,' p. 35, 1856. "Zone of *Ammonites Bucklandi*," Wright, 'Quart. Jour. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, p. 398, 1860. "Zone de l'*Ammonites Bucklandi*," Dumortier, 'Études Paléont. sur les Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhone,' 2e part, p. 6, 1867. "Die Arietenschichten," Brauns, 'Der untere Jura,' p. 78, 1871. "Zone of *Ammonites Bucklandi*," Tate and Blake, 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 54, 1876.

The *Bucklandi*-zone forms an important subdivision of the Lower Lias. This series attains a great development in the midland counties and in Glamorgan, Dorset, and Somerset. The rocks are characterised throughout by the prevalence of a number of large *Ammonites* belonging to the natural group *Arietes* (von Buch), and by many *Lamellibranchiata* of the genera *Lima* and *Gryphæa*. In England it everywhere consists of beds of grey-bluish argillaceous limestone, interstratified with bands of marl, shale, and clay of a similar colour. In some parts of the counties of Warwick, Somerset, Dorset, and Glamorgan this series attains a thickness of 80 feet.

Gloucestershire and Somersetshire.—In Gloucestershire it was exposed in the deep cutting of the Dean Forest Railway at Highnam, and is seen in the Lias limestone-quarries near Tewkesbury, and in the natural escarpments at Frethern and Purton-on-the-Severn. In Somersetshire it was sectionised in making the Great Western Railway between Bristol and Bath, and probably at no point were the several beds of the *Lima* series better shown than in the cutting at Saltford, seven miles from Bristol. My late

friend, Mr. William Sanders, F.R.S., made the following profile during the execution of the work, which, together with his notes on the fossils contained in the different strata, have been kindly communicated by my friend, Mr. Etheridge, F.R.S. This section is of great value, inasmuch as the beds are now partially concealed by *débris* and vegetation, and the characteristic fossils are no longer found in their respective beds.

*Section of the Bucklandi-Beds at Saltford, near Bath, Great Western Railway.*¹

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		feet.	
	Brown gravelly marl	120	
	Beds of laminated shale and clay	110	
	Dark clay, with boulders, and layers of septaria at the top and bottom of the bed, and in the clay between.....	105	Scales of <i>Tetragonolepis monilifer</i> , Agass., and <i>Belemnites acutus</i> , Mill.
59	Grey Lias limestone.....	100	<i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
58	Dark shale		<i>Belemnites acutus</i> , Mill.
	Grey Lias limestone. .		
	Dark shale		<i>Ostrea Goldfussi</i> , Bronn, <i>Avicula calva</i> , Schlön., and <i>Pecten textorius</i> , Schlot.
57	Grey Lias limestone.....		<i>Arietites Conybeari</i> , Sow., and <i>Belemn. acutus</i> , Mill.
	Dark shale.		
56	Thin limestone-band.		
	Dark limestone.....		<i>Nautilus striatus</i> , Sow., <i>Ariet. Conybeari</i> , Sow., and <i>Belemnites acutus</i> , Mill.
55	Grey Lias limestone.....	95	<i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow., and <i>Spiriferina Walcottii</i> , Sow.
	Dark limestone.		
54	Grey Lias limestone.		
	Dark shale.		
53	Grey Lias limestone.		
	Dark laminated shale.		
52	Dark grey Lias limestone.....		Vertebrae of <i>Ichthyosaurus, Ar. Bucklandi</i> , Sow., and <i>Spiriferina Walcottii</i> , Sow.
	Dark shale		<i>Ar. Bucklandi</i> , Sow., <i>Nautilus striatus</i> , Sow., and <i>Spiriferina Walcottii</i> , Sow.
51	Grey Lias limestone.....	90	
	Dark shale.		
50	Grey Lias limestone.....		<i>Hybodus curtus</i> , Agass.
	Dark shale		<i>Pholadomya glabra</i> , Agass.
49	Grey Lias limestone.....		<i>Nautilus striatus</i> , Sow. (large), <i>Ar. Brookii</i> , Sow., and fossil wood.
	Dark shales		<i>Ar. Conybeari</i> , Sow., and <i>Ar. Bucklandi</i> , Sow.
48	Grey Lias limestone... ..		<i>Pleurotomaria similis</i> , Sow., and <i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow.
	Dark shales		<i>Ar. Bucklandi</i> , Sow., and <i>Pleurotomaria similis</i> , Sow.
47	Grey Lias limestone.		
	Dark shales		<i>Arietites Conybeari</i> , Sow.
46	Grey Lias limestone.....		<i>Nautilus striatus</i> , Sow.

¹ This section shows the relative position of the zones of *Ar. Bucklandi*, *Aeg. planorbis*, and *Avicula contorta* in this part of the county, and affords a good type for comparing these three stages in Somersetshire with the same groups in other parts of the south of England.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
	Dark shales	feet.	<i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus</i> , Mill. (stem), and <i>Pecten textorius</i> , Schloth.
45	Dark-grey limestones		<i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i> , Conyb.
	Dark shales		<i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lamk., and <i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus</i> , Mill.
44	Grey limestone.		
	Dark shales.		
43	Grey limestone		<i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i> , Conyb., and <i>Ar. Conybeari</i> , Sow.
	Dark shales		<i>Pinna Hartmanni</i> , Ziet., and <i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lamk.
42	Bluish limestone	80	
41	Thirteen or fourteen limestone bands, with irregular surfaces; some nodular, with partings of clay and shale	75	<i>Pholadomya glabra</i> , Ag., and <i>Lima pectinoides</i> , Sow., <i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lam., and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schl.
40	From sixteen to eighteen beds, comprising 20 inches of stone	70	<i>Pholadomya glabra</i> , Ag., and <i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow.
39	Fourteen beds of limestone and clay ...		<i>Pecten textorius</i> , Schl. <i>Pholadomya glabra</i> , Ag., and <i>Pleurotomaria similis</i> , Sow.
38	Eight beds of limestone and clay		<i>Lima pectinoides</i> , Sow., and <i>Cardinia ovalis</i> , Stutch.
37	Thirteen beds of limestone and clay; the limestones irregular, water-worn, and nodular	65	<i>Pholadomya glabra</i> , Ag., <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schl., and <i>Ostrea Goldfussi</i> , Bronn.
	Dark laminated shales		<i>Ostrea Goldfussi</i> , Bronn.
36	Grey limestone.		
	Dark shales.		
35	Greyish limestone	60	
34	Ten beds of shales and limestone; septaria in the lower beds.		
33	Thin grey limestone.		
	Thick dark clay.		
32	Thin band of limestone.		
	Dark clay.		
31	Thin band of limestone	50	
	Thick dark shales.		
30-	25. Six beds of limestone, alternating with six thicker beds of clay	43	
24	Light-coloured limestone.		
	Dark-coloured shale.		
23	Light-coloured limestone.		
	Dark shale.		
22	Thick White Lias	40	
21-	Twelve beds of White Lias, separated by 12 thin bands of clay	35	<i>Pinna Hartmanni</i> , Ziet., and <i>Unicardium cardioides</i> , Phil.
11,	10. Four beds of limestone, becoming thin and rubbly beneath, and nodular at the base	30	<i>Pecten textorius</i> , Goldf., and <i>Pholadomya glabra</i> , Ag., <i>Modiola Hillana</i> , Sow., and <i>Avicula Sinemuriensis</i> , d'Orb.
9	Cotham marble or Landscape-stone		Forms the base of the White Lias series.

White Lias Series.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		feet.	
} <i>Avicula contorta</i> Series.	8 Black shales.		
	Band of limestone	20	
	7 Nodular limestone.		
	Black shales	15	Fishes' scales; layers of compressed <i>Pullastra arenicola</i> , Strickl.
	6 Dark limestone.....	10	<i>Pecten Valoniensis</i> , DeFr., and <i>Avicula contorta</i> , Portl.
	Dark shale.		
	5 Dark limestone		<i>Pullastra arenicola</i> , Strickl.
	Dark shale.		
	4 Greenish-brown soft marl. Marlstone.		
3 Pale-bluish clay, with plant-like fibres...	5		
2 Buff-coloured clay. Grey sandy marlstone, with ferruginous spots. New Red Marl.			

Lyme Regis.—The *Bucklandi*-zone is admirably shown in the coast-section at Lyme Regis, Dorset, both in the Church Cliffs and at Pinhay Bay, where the beds consist of a series of grey limestones, from 2 to 10 inches in thickness, varying from earthy to compact, and alternating with marls and shaly beds—either in seams of a few inches, or in beds of many feet in thickness. The following section, from the lowest stratum on the shore to Broad Ledge, which may be considered the uppermost bed of the *Bucklandi* series, affords a correct view of the stratigraphical order of these strata at Lyme and of the fossils they contain. The profile must be read in a descending order through the *Turneri* and *Bucklandi* beds towards the *Angulatum*-zone on the shore.

Section of the Bucklandi-beds from Broad Ledge to the shore at Lyme Regis.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
} <i>Turneri</i> -beds.	1 Dark-grey limestone. "Broad Ledge" or "Table-bed"	3 6	<i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i> , Conyb., <i>I. platyodon</i> , Conyb., <i>Arietites semicostatus</i> , Y. & B., and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
	2 Dark marls and shales, with bands of clays	18 0	<i>Arietites Turneri</i> , Sow., and Fishes.
	3 Grey limestone.....	0 4	<i>Arietites Turneri</i> , Sow., and <i>Ar. semicostatus</i> , Y. & B.
	4 Dark slaty marls with indurated bands of imperfect limestone	3 0	<i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow., <i>L. antiquata</i> , Sow.

Bucklandi or Lima-beds.

No.	PATHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
5	Dark-grey limestone	1 0	<i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow., <i>L. antiquata</i> , Sow., and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
6	Black shales, with partings of gypsum	2 6	<i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i> , Conyb. (in the "fire-stone beds" west of the Cobb).
7	Dark-greyish limestone	0 10	<i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow., <i>L. antiquata</i> , Sow., and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
8	Dark shale	2 0	<i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lamk.
9	Hard grey limestone. "Grey Ledge"	1 3	Fin-spines of <i>Hybodus</i> , <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth, and <i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus</i> , Mill.
10	Dark shaly marls.....	2 0	<i>Ichthyosaurus platyodon</i> , Conyb.
11	Grey limestone.....	0 6	Spines of <i>Pseudo-diadema</i> , and other <i>Echinidæ</i> .
12	Dark indurated shale	3 6	<i>Ichthyosaurus platyodon</i> , Conyb.
13	Bluish limestone	1 0	<i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lam., <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth, and <i>Lima antiquata</i> , Sow.
14	Dark shales, containing indurated imperfect limestone	1 6	<i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i> , Conyb., <i>I. platyodon</i> , Conyb., <i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus</i> , Mill., and <i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow.
15	Bluish limestone	0 10	
16	Dark indurated clay.....	1 3	<i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lam., and fragments of <i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus</i> , Mill.
17	Grey limestone, with the plant-bed at the top	0 6	<i>Oopteris obtusa</i> , L. & H., and <i>Araucarites peregrinus</i> , Sternb., in the plant-bed.
18	Dark-bluish limestone	1 6	<i>Arietites Conybeari</i> , Sow., and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
19	Dark shale	0 8	<i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lam.
20	Dark-greyish limestone	0 10	<i>Arietites Bucklandi</i> , Sow., and <i>Ar. rotiformis</i> , Sow.
21	Dark shale	0 8	
22	Grey limestone.....	0 4	
23	Dark shale	1 0	<i>Ichthyosaurus tenuirostris</i> , Conyb.
24	Dark greyish limestone	1 4	<i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i> , Conyb., skulls and bones of other species, with <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
25	Hard shale, forming "Quick Ledge"	1 6	<i>Ichthyosaurus communis</i> , Conyb., and <i>I. intermedius</i> , Conyb.
26	Blue limestone.....	0 6	<i>Arietites Bucklandi</i> , Sow., and <i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow.
27	Dark shale	0 8	<i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lam., and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
28	Concretionary limestone (surface mammillated)	0 4	
29	Dark-grey shale	0 8	<i>Aegoceras angulatum</i> , Schloth.
30	Greyish limestone	0 6	<i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow., and <i>L. antiquata</i> , Sow.
31	Dark indurated shale	0 9	<i>Aegoceras angulatum</i> , Schloth. (large specimens with small <i>Gryphæa</i> adherent).
32	Hard grey limestone	0 7	<i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , Lam., small and dwarfed. <i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow., and <i>L. antiquata</i> , Sow.

The shingle of the shore covers the lower beds of the *Angulatum* series.

Coast of Glamorganshire.—In Glamorganshire there is an extensive exposure of the *Bucklandi*-beds for the distance of sixteen miles along the coast, from Penarth Head,

by Barry Island, Aberthaw, and Dunraven Castle, to the mouth of the River Ogmere, where the Lower Lias rests on highly inclined beds of Carboniferous Limestone. The strata laid bare by the sea are chiefly those containing *Lima gigantea* and *Gryphæa arcuata*. At Cowbridge the same stratigraphical condition is observed, and the Lower Lias is here seen resting on Carboniferous Limestone. At Penarth Head, however, the relation of the *Bucklandi* to the *Planorbis* and *Avicula contorta* beds is much better seen than at any other part of the Glamorganshire coast.

The Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S., has described the Lias beds of North-west Lincolnshire,¹ which have recently been laid open by the extension of railways and searchings for Ironstone, and from his interesting and instructive paper I have deduced the following results.

A generalised profile of the Lias beds of North-west Lincolnshire.

LINCOLNSHIRE OOLITIC LIMESTONE.

HORIZONS.	PETROLOGY.	PALÆONTOLOGY.
UPPER LIAS.	Blue shale with moulds of Ammonites of the falcifer type, 60 feet thick.	<i>Harpoceras serpentinum</i> , <i>Lytoceras cornucopiæ</i> .
MIDDLE LIAS MARLSTONE.	Hard, light grey limestone, weathering to brown Ironstone with Rhynchonellæ, 8 feet thick.	<i>Amaltheus spinatus</i> , <i>Avicula cygnipes</i> , <i>Terebratula punctata</i> , <i>Rhynchonella tetraedra</i> , <i>Spiriferina rostrata</i> .
MIDDLE LIAS MARLS.	Blue clay with cement nodules throughout, containing <i>Aegoceras capricornus</i> , 66 feet thick.	<i>Aegoceras Henleyi</i> = <i>capricornum</i> , <i>Belemnites fraxillosus</i> , <i>Plicatula spinosa</i> , <i>Avicula inæquivalis</i> , <i>Nucula complanata</i> , <i>Lima acuticosta</i> , <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> .
MIDDLE LIAS IRONSTONE.	The Ironstone Pecten-bed, crowded with shells, 4 feet thick.	<i>Aeg. armatum</i> , <i>Aeg. striatum</i> , <i>Belemnites elongatus</i> , <i>Cardium multcostatum</i> , <i>C. hybrida</i> , <i>Myacites unionides</i> , <i>Tancredia liassica</i> , <i>Pecten lævis</i> , in great numbers and of good size.
<i>Oxynotus</i> and <i>ruricostatus</i> zones.	Blue Marls of the Lower Lias, containing different zones of life, 90 feet thick.	<i>Aegoceras Birchii</i> , <i>Amaltheus oxynotus</i> , <i>Arietites rari-costatus</i> , <i>Aeg. Taylori</i> , <i>Aeg. Loscombi</i> , <i>Aeg. natrix</i> , <i>Belemnites paxillosus</i> , <i>B. clavatus</i> , <i>Gryphæa Maccullochi</i> , <i>Terebratula numismalis</i> , <i>Pinna folium</i> , <i>Pholadomya ambigua</i> .

¹ 'Quart. Jour. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xxxvi, p. 115, 1875.

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HORIZON.	PETROLOGY.	PALÆONTOLOGY.
LOWER SERIES.	Black, crumbling shales, covered by thin, earthy, shelly limestones, 19 feet thick.	<i>Arietites Conybeari</i> , <i>Eucyclus elegans</i> , <i>Rissoa nana</i> , <i>Turbo philemon</i> , <i>Discohelix Oppeli</i> , <i>D. striata</i> , <i>Tancredia ovata</i> , <i>Plicatula liasina</i> , <i>Rhyn. plicatissima</i> , <i>Montlivaltia Haimeii</i> , <i>Galeolaria socialis</i> .
MIDDLE SERIES.	Soft blue shales, with rows of small limestone nodules in the upper part, friable shales, with shelly bands, thickness 93 feet.	<i>Arietites bisulcatus</i> , <i>Aegoceras Charmassei</i> , <i>Cryptænia solarioides</i> , <i>Turbo solarium</i> , <i>Cerithium gratum</i> , <i>Turritella Dunkeri</i> , <i>Lima gigantea</i> , <i>Unicardium cardioides</i> , <i>Cardinia crassiuscula</i> , <i>C. concinna</i> , <i>C. Listeri</i> , <i>Hippopodium ponderosum</i> , <i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , <i>Lucina limbata</i> , <i>Pecten textorius</i> , <i>Montlivaltia Guettardi</i> .
UPPER SERIES.	Earthy limestones, and calcareous shales, with agillaceous beds, thickness about 66 feet.	<i>Arietites Turnerii</i> , <i>A. semicostatus</i> , <i>A. Sauzeanus</i> , <i>Belemnites acutus</i> , <i>B. infundibulum</i> , <i>Cardinia Listeri</i> , <i>Gryphæa arcuata</i> , <i>Lima gigantea</i> , <i>Pecten Thiollieri</i> , <i>Monotis inæquivalvis</i> , <i>Spiriferina Walcotii</i> , <i>Acrodus nobilis</i> .

Palæontology of the Bucklandi Zone.

REPTILIA.

Ichthyosaurus communis, *Conybeari*.
— *intermedius*, *Conyb.*

Ichthyosaurus platyodon, *Conyb.*
— *tenuirostris*, *Conyb.*

PISCES.

Ichthyodorulites of *Hybodus reticulatus*, *Agass.*, and teeth of *Acrodus nobilis*, *Agass.*

CEPHALOPODA.

Arietites Bucklandi, *Sow.*
— *bisulcatus*, *Brug.*
— *Conybeari*, *Sow.*
— *Sauzeanus*, *d'Orb.*
— *semicostatus*, *Young & Bird.*
— *Brooki*, *Sow.*
— *Scipionianus*, *d'Orb.*
— *rotiformis*, *Sow.*

Aegoceras Charmassei, *d'Orb.*
Amaltheus Greenoughi, *Sow.*
Nautilus striatus, *Sow.*
Belemnites acutus, *Mill.*
— *pencillatus*, *Sow.*
— *calcar*, *Phil.*
— *infundibulum*, *Phil.*

GASTEROPODA.

Pleurotomaria similis, *Sow.*
— *Hennocqui*, *Terq.*
— *concava*, *Mart.*
— *tectoria*, *Tate.*

Cryptænia solarioides, *Sow.*
— *rotellæformis*, *Dunk.*
Actæonina fragilis, *Dunk.*
— *sinemuriensis*, *Mart.*
Turbo solarium, *Piett.*

Turbo philemon, *d'Orb.*
— *reticulatus*, *Moore.*
— *Wilsoni*, *Tate.*
Rissoa nana, *Mart.*
Phasianella Morencyana, *Piette.*
Pitonellus sordidus, *Tate.*
Eucyclus elegans, *Münst.*
— *selectus*, *Chap. & Dewalq.*
Trochus Redcarensis, *Tate.*

Chimnitzia Collenoti, *Terq. & Piet.*
 — unicingulata, *Terq.*
 Cerithium gratum, *Terq.*
 — Semele, *d' Orb.*
 Turritella Zenkeni, *Dunk.*

Turritella regularis, *Terq. & Piet.*
 — Dunkeri, *Terq.*
 Discohelix Oppeli, *Mart.*
 — striata, *Piette.*
 Natica purpuroidea, *Tate.*

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Ostrea semiplicata, *Münst.*
 Pecten calvus, *Goldf.*
 — textorius, *Scholth.*
 — Thiollieri, *Mart.*
 — punctatissimus, *Quenst.*
 — lunularis, *Roemer.*
 — Lohbergensis, *Emmerich.*
 Lima Hettangiensis, *Terq.*
 — gigantea, *Sow.*
 — succincta, *Schloth.*
 — pectinoides, *Sow.*
 Limea Blakeana, *Tate.*
 Monotis papyria, *Quenst.*
 — inæquivalvis, *Sow.*
 Gervillia Hagenovii, *Dunk.*
 Perna infraliassica, *Quenst.*
 Pinna Hartmanni, *Ziet.*
 Inoceramus pinnæformis, *Dunk.*
 Macrodon pullus, *Terq.*
 — naviculus, *Terq. & Piet.*
 — Hettangiensis, *Terq.*
 Leda Galathea, *d' Orb.*
 — Renevieri, *Opp.*
 — texturata, *Terq. & Piet.*
 — subovalis, *Goldf.*

Nucula navis, *Piette.*
 Modiola Hillana, *Sow.*
 — lævis, *Sow.*
 — bifasciata, *Tate.*
 Protocardia Philippiana, *Dunk.*
 Cardita Heberti, *Terq.*
 Cardinia crassiuscula, *Sow.*
 — concinna, *Sow.*
 — Listeri, *Sow.*
 Astarte obsoleta, *Dunk.*
 — cingulata, *Terq.*
 Tancredia ovata, *Chap. & Dewalq.*
 — apicistria, *Rolle.*
 Lucina limbata, *Terq. & Piet.*
 Hippopodium ponderosum, *Sow.*
 Myoconcha, psilonoti, *Quenst.*
 Unicardium cardioides, *Phil.*
 Gresslya Galathea, *Agass.*
 Pleuromya liasina, *Schlüb.*
 — crassa, *Agass.*
 — Dunkeri, *Terq.*
 Pholadomya glabra, *Agass.*
 Homomya ventricosa, *Agass.*
 Goniomya heteropleura, *Agass.*

BRACHIOPODA.

Spiriferina Walcotti, *Sow.*
 Rhynchonella plicatissima, *Quenst.*

Discina Holdenii, *Tate.*

ANNELIDA.

Ditrypa globiceps, *Quenst.*
 — capitata, *Phil.*
 — quinquesulcata, *Münst.*

Serpula limax, *Goldf.*
 — deflexa, *Phil.*
 Galeolaria socialis, *Goldf.*

ECHINODERMATA.

Ophiura, *sp.*
 Cidaris Edwardsii, *Wright.*
 Himipedina Tomesii, *Wr.*

Pentacrinus basaltiformis, *Mill.*
 — tuberculatus, *Mill.*
 Holothuria spines?

ANTHOZOA.

Septastræa Murchisonæ, *Wr.*
 Montlivaltia Haimei, *Chap.*

Montlivaltia Guettardi, *Blainv.*

Foreign Correlations.—Leopold von Buch¹ long ago remarked that “the Ammonites

¹ ‘Die Ammoniten,’ Akademie der Wissenschaften, Phys. Abhandl., p. 142, 1830.

of the Family Arietes are in general found together in great numbers; whole strata are sometimes composed of them, and they often grow to a very large size, from one to two feet in diameter. They are exclusively and only special to the Lias formation, and particularly in the lower beds thereof, where many different species are found. It is still remarkable that this group stands wholly isolated from all the others," and is well represented by *Arietites Bucklandi*, *Conybeari*, *rotiformis*, *stellaris*, *semicostatus*. In North Germany the Arietenschichten are well developed, and very rich in organic remains, as at Orsleben and near Harzburg, where the Bisulcatus-beds are worked for ironstone. At Sölenhai, near Liebenburg, and Falkenhagen, near Rischenau, the hydraulic limestone marls are found with *Arietites bisulcatus* and *Gryphæa arcuata* in great numbers.

In South Germany, in Württemberg, the Bucklandi-beds are developed near Stuttgart, where they repose on the Angulatum-beds, which are worked at Vaihingen for hydraulic limestone; in these Pflastersteine are found large specimens of *A. angulatum*. For one of these fossils, thirteen inches in diameter, I am indebted to my friend Professor Fraas. The twenty feet of Angulaten-Schichten are overlain by a thin seam of yellow clay, on which rests hard, dark-coloured limestone containing *Arietites Bucklandi*, *Conybeari*, *bisulcatus*, *obliquicostatus*, *Gryphæa arcuata*, and numerous other Mollusca, so that the rock is completely composed, as in several specimens before me, of shelly organic remains. The Bucklandi-beds are only about three feet thick, but very fossiliferous, and the Museums of Stuttgart and Tübingen contain extensive suites of fossils from these beds. In Baden the Lower Lias is found at Malsch and Oestringen, in the Langenbrück Jura, where the Planorbis-beds are overlain by the thick, hard, blue limestone of the Bucklandi-beds, the Angulatum series being here almost absent. *Arietites Bucklandi*, *A. spiratissimus*, *A. Turneri*, *Gryphæa arcuata*, *Lima Hermannii*, *L. gigantea*, *L. punctata*, *Pecten textorius*, *Pentacrinus tuberculatus*, Mill., and *Spirifer tumidus*, are the leading fossils here.

In the Breisgau Jura the Lower Lias is represented by the Bucklandi-beds, where the same species are found as at Malsch.

In the Swabian Jura at Küssaburg the black bituminous limestone charged with pyrites are overlain by bluish-grey thick limestone, extremely rich in organic remains. *Aegoceras angulatum*, *Arietites Bucklandi*, *Conybeari*, *Sauzeanus*, *Turneri*, *Kridion*, *raricostatus*, *Nautilus striatus*, *Pleurotomaria similis*, *Cardinia concinna*, *C. crassiuscula*, *Lima gigantea*, *L. Hermannii*, *Gryphæa arcuata*, *Pecten textorius*, *Spiriferina Walcotii*, *Pentacrinus tuberculatus*, Mill., are the fossils in these beds.

F. Ritter von Hauer, in his classical monograph "Ueber die Cephalopoden aus dem Lias der nordöstlichen Alpen,"¹ has given beautiful figures and most accurate descriptions of some of the most characteristic species of Ammonites from the Bucklandi-beds of the Eastern Alps, where these shells lie in a red-coloured limestone; we here find *Ar. rotiformis*, *A. Conybeari*, *A. bisulcatus*, *A. spiratissimus*, and *A. tardicrescens*, var. of *Conybeari*, *A. Kridion*, *A. stellaris*, *A. liassicus*, *A. hungaricus*, *A. Nodotianus*, *A. multicostatus*. All of these are well recognised forms of Bucklandi-zone.

¹ Denk. Kaiser, 'Akademie der Wissenschaft,' Wien, 1856.

In Luxembourg the Lower Lias is well developed, and the Bucklandi-beds represented by the upper portion of the Grès de Luxembourg. This formation has received different names by different authors; it is the "Calcaire sableux" of Boblaye, the "grès de Luxembourg" of Omalius, the "Steininger" of Dumont, the "Calcaire sableux" of Sauvage and Buvignier, the "Lias *a*" of Quenstedt, the "unterer lias Sandstein" of Roemer, the "Quadersandstein" (pars) of some German authors, and the "Grès liasique" of Terquem, with the Grès d'Hettange. In France, in Department of the Moselle, the Bisulcatus or Bucklandi-beds have been diligently studied by MM. Terquem and Piette, and the fruit of their labours is given in detail in their able work quoted already, in which the following species of Cephalopoda are catalogued from the Bisulcatus-beds:—*Arietites bisulcatus*, *A. Kridion*, *A. Conybeari*, *A. obtusus*, *A. Birchii*, *A. lacunatus*, *A. Boucaultianus*, *A. Laigneletii*, *A. centaurus*, *A. caprotinus*, *A. Hagenovi*, *A. raricos-tatus*, *A. lævigatus*, *A. sinemuriensis*, *Nautilus striatus*, *N. Schlumbergeri*, *Belemnites acutus*. Besides these there are 60 species of GASTEROPODA, 106 species of LAMELLIBRANCHIATA, 11 species of BRACHIOPODA, 8 species of ANNELIDA, 6 species of POLYZOA, 12 species of ECHINODERMATA, 3 species of CRUSTACEA, 15 species of ANTHOZOA, 20 species of FORAMI-NIFERA, and 3 species of Plants. Of this total 177 are found in lower zones, 57 are special to the Bisulcatus-beds, and 140 pass into the upper stages of life.

In the Côte d'Or M. Collenot, in his 'Description Géologique de l'Auxois,' has given a section of the Lower Lias, which shows the sequence of the beds near Semur.

The upper series represent the zone of *A. Birchii*.

The middle do. do. *A. Bucklandi*.

The lower do. do. *A. Scipionianus*.

The last rests upon the Angulatum-beds or the "Foie de Veau," and the following Palæontological list has been made with great care from the beds. I had the privilege, through the courtesy of MM. Collenot and Bréon, of examining all the species obtained therefrom, and contained in the Semur Museum.¹

List of the Fossils of the Bucklandi-beds in the Côte d'Or, France.

CEPHALOPODA.

<i>Arietites Scipionianus</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	<i>Arietites coronarius</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>
— <i>Hehli</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>	— <i>obesus</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>
— <i>viticola</i> , <i>Dumort.</i>	— <i>bisulcatus</i> , <i>Brug.</i>
— <i>Rouvillei</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>	— <i>Vercingetorix</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>
— <i>Schlombachi</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>	— <i>Bucklandi</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
— <i>Charmassei</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	— <i>Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
— <i>Delmasi</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>	— <i>striarius</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>
— <i>Scylla</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>	— <i>mandubius</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>
— <i>circumdatus</i> , <i>Mart.</i>	— <i>Deffneri</i> , <i>Opp.</i>
— <i>Collenoti</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>	— <i>d'all'Eræ</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>
— <i>rotiformis</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	— <i>Terquemi</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>
— <i>rotator</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>	— <i>Petri</i> , <i>Reynès.</i>

¹ 'Description Géologique de l'Auxois,' p. 226; *ibid.*, p. 235, 1873.

Arietites Conybeari, *Serv.*
 — Conybearoides, *Reynès.*
 — Aussoniensis, *Reynès.*
 — Gmuendensis, *Opp.*
 — compressarius, *Quenst.*
 — Gaudryi, *Reynès.*
 — Sauzeanus, *d'Orb.*
 — subtaurus, *Reynès.*
 — geometricus, *Opp.*
 — falcarius, *Quenst.*
 — ceratoides, *Quenst.*
 — Birchii, *Sow.*
 — obtusus, *Sow.*
 — stellaris, *Sow.*

Arietites Æduensis, *d'Orb.*
 — Breoni, *Reynès.*
 — raricostatus, *Ziet.*
 — rarisulcatus, *Quenst.*
 Amaltheus oxynotus, *Quenst.*
 — Lotharingus, *Reynès.*
 Aegoceras Boucaultianum, *d'Orb.*
 Amaltheus Guibalianus, *d'Orb.*
 Arietites Nodotianus, *d'Orb.*
 — debilitatus, *Reynès.*
 — Bochari, *Reynès.*
 — Brookii, *Sow.*
 — Landrioti, *d'Orb.,*
 and others.

GASTEROPODA.

Littorina clathrata, *Desh.*
 Bulla Flouesti, *Deslong.*
 Turritella Dunkeri, *Terq.*
 Phasianella Morencyana, *Piet.*
 Turbo decoratus, *Mart.*
 — philemon, *d'Orb.*
 Cerithium verrucosum, *Terq.*
 — Semele, *d'Orb.*

Pleurotomaria Martiniana, *d'Orb.*
 — Hettangiensis, *Terq.*
 — Mosellana, *Terq.*
 — Vanderbachii, *Terq.*
 — Marcousana, *d'Orb.*
 — gigas, *Deslong.*
 Helcion, sp.

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Pleuromya, sp.
 Pholadomya Voltzii, *Agass.*
 — Ventricosa, *d'Orb.*
 — rhombifera, *Agass.*
 — Idea, *d'Orb.*
 Goniomya Sinemuriensis, *d'Orb.*
 Tancredia, 4 species.
 Isodonta Engelhardi, *Terq.*
 Panopæa striatula, *d'Orb.*
 — liasina, *d'Orb.*
 Thracia, sp.
 Lyonsa, sp.
 Arcomya, sp.
 Astarte, 2 sp.
 Cardinia Listeri, *Sow.*
 — hybrida, *Stuchb.*
 — Eveni, *Terq.*
 — angustata, *Agass.*
 — lanceolata, *Stuchb.*
 — copides, *Terq.*
 — insignis, *Mart.*
 Mactromya, sp.

Nucula, sp.
 Psammobia, sp.
 Pinna Hartmanni, *Ziet.*
 — folium, *Phil.*
 Avicula Sideloci, *Mart.*
 — sinemuriensis, *d'Orb.*
 Mytilus Guexii, *d'Orb.*
 Inoceramus, sp.
 Lima antiquata, *Sow.*
 — gigantea, *Sow.*
 — Erosne, *d'Orb.*
 — punctata, *Sow.*
 — Hettangiensis, *Terq.*
 Pecten Helhii, *d'Orb.*
 — dispar, *Terq.*
 — textorius, *Schloth.*
 Hinnites liasinus, *Terq.*
 Ostrea multicosata, *Munst.*
 Gryphæa arcuata, *Lamk.*
 — Maccullochii, *Sow.*
 — obliquata, *Sow.*

BRACHIOPODA.

Spiriferina pinguis, Ziet.		Terebratula cor., Lamk.
— Walcotii, Sow.		— punctata, Sow.
Rhynchonella variabilis, d' Orb.		— indentata, von Buch.
Terebratula perforata, Piet.		

ECHINODERMATA, POLYZOA, ANTHOZOA.

Pentacrinus tuberculatus, Mill.		Cidaris, sp.
Neuropora mamillata, de From.		Montlivaltia Sinemuriensis, de From.

FORAMINIFERA, 15 species.

4. THE ZONE OF ARIETITES TURNERI.

Synonyms. — “Hauptpentacrinitenbank des untern Lias,” Quenstedt, ‘Flozgeb.’ p. 152, 1843. “Lumachelle de *Pentacrinites basaltiformis*,” Marcou, ‘Jura salinois,’ p. 47, 1846. “Die Schichten des *Pentacrinus tuberculatus*” Opper, ‘Juraformation,’ p. 44, 1856. “Tuberculatus-bed,” Wright, ‘Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,’ vol. xiv, p. 25, 1858. “Marne de Strassen,” Dewalque et Chapuis, ‘Fossiles de Luxembourg,’ 1853: “Zone of *Ammonites Turneri*,” Wright, ‘Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,’ vol. xvi, p. 403, 1860.

This subdivision of the Lower Lias forms a well-marked zone of life. The beds consist of light-coloured argillaceous limestone, of hard greyish limestone, or of deep-blue shelly, indurated shale, interstratified with beds of dark-coloured clay. Many of the slabs of limestone are covered with shells and portions of the stem and side arms of *Pentacrinus tuberculatus*, Mill. From one of these slabs, collected at Frethern or Purton, in Gloucestershire, Miller’s original specimen of this Crinoid was obtained.

Gloucestershire and Warwickshire.—The *Turneri* zone was exposed at Bredon, in the deep cuttings of the Bristol and Birmingham Railway, from whence my type specimen (Pl. XII) was obtained. In the Vale of Gloucester portions of these beds are sometimes laid open in making drains, as at Badgeworth and Hardwick; and many fine slabs are occasionally procured from the Severn section at Purton. I know of no locality in Gloucestershire, where the entire series is shown. My late friend, Dr. Opper,¹ referred the Saurian beds of Brockridge Common to this zone. This I have shown, at p. 17, to be an error, as the Brockridge Common-beds form a portion of the zone of *Aegoceras planorbis*, whereas the Fish and Saurian beds at Lyme Regis, with which he identified the Brockridge-beds, certainly belong to the zone of *Arietites Turneri*, as the following section indicates. In Warwickshire the *Turneri* beds constitute the base of what is called in that county the “Cardinia-series;” in these are included all the strata of the Lower Lias between the *Turneri* and *raricostatum* beds, characterised by different forms of the genus *Cardinia*.

¹ ‘Die Juraformation,’ p. 49, 1856.

Dorsetshire.—At Lyme Regis the *Bucklandi* series is overlain by thick beds of clay and slaty marls containing many Enaliosaurian skeletons, with numerous Fishes, in fine-preservation; these strata are known to local collectors as the Fish- and Saurian-beds. The magnificent specimen of *Ichthyosaurus platyodon*, Conyb., now in the British Museum, came from this clay, as proved by the impressions of *Arietites semicostatus* seen on the matrix. This thick clay-bed is underlain by a thin band of greyish-limestone, in which *Ar. Turneri* is found. The following section at Lyme Regis shows the sequence of the *Turneri* beds at that locality in a descending order.

Section of the Zone of Arietites Turneri at Lyme Regis.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
Beds with <i>Arietites Turneri</i> .	1 Thick limestone, "Broad Ledge"	3 6	<i>Ichthyosaurus platyodon</i> , Conyb., <i>I. communis</i> , Conyb., <i>Arietites semicostatus</i> , <i>Ar. Turneri</i> , Sow., and Fishes.
	2 Black shales, with bands of brown clay. "Saurian- and Fish-bed"	18 0	
	3 Greyish, hard, shelly limestone	0 4	<i>Arietites Turneri</i> , Sow., and <i>Ar. semicostatus</i> , Young and Bird.
	4 Dark shales, with indurated bands of imperfect limestone	3 0	<i>Lima gigantea</i> , Sow., <i>L. antiquata</i> , Sow., and <i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
Greyish limestone.....			

Beds with *Arietites Bucklandi* and *Lima gigantea*. (See p. 38.)

*Fossils of the Zone of Arietites Turneri.*¹

Ichthyosaurus platyodon, Conyb. (British Museum).
— *intermedius*, Conyb. (Warwick Museum).
— *communis*, Conyb. (British Museum).
Arietites Turneri, Sow.
— *semicostatus*, Young & Bird.
— *Bonnardi*, d'Orb.
Turbo solarium, Piette.
Lima punctata, Sow.
— *gigantea*, Sow.
— *pectinoides*, Sow.

Cardinia ovalis, Stutch.
Ostrea Goldfussii, Bronn.
Avicula inæquivalvis, Sow.
Pecten textorius, Schloth.
— *glaber*, Hehl.
Astarte obsoleta, Dunk.
Crenatula, nov. sp.
Plicatula spinosa, Sow.
Gervillia Hagenovii, Dunk.
Gryphæa arcuata, Lamk.
Cidaris Edwardsii, Wr.
Pseudodiadema spines.
Pentacrinus tuberculatus, Miller.

¹ I have omitted the Lias Fishes found at Lyme Regis, as there is some doubt about the beds from which the different species were collected; a large majority of them, however, I believe, were obtained from this zone of life.

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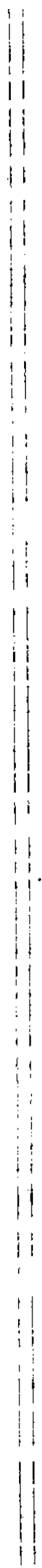
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5. THE ZONE OF ARIETITES OBTUSUS.

Synonyms.—"Marston-Marble," Sowerby, 'Min. Conch.,' Suppl. Index, vol. i, 1812. "Indurated marl and limestone-beds," De la Beche, "Section," &c., 'Geol. Trans.,' 2nd ser., vol. ii, pl. iii, 1823. "Turnerthone," Quenstedt, 'Flözgeb. Württembergs,' p. 157, 1843. "Ammonite-bed (Lower Lias)," Murchison, 'Geol. of Cheltenham,' 2nd edit., p. 42, 1845. "Sable d'Aubange" (partie infer.), Dewalque et Chapuis, 'Luxembourg,' p. 12, 1853. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites obtusus*," Oppel, 'Jura-formation,' p. 50, 1856. "Grès de Virton" (partie infer.), Dewalque, 'Lias de Luxembourg,' p. 48, 1857. "Zone of *Ammonites obtusus*," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' xvi, p. 404, 1860.

Gloucestershire and Warwickshire.—The beds constituting this zone are well developed in the Vale of Gloucester, and were exposed in cutting the Bristol and Birmingham Railway, near Bredon, from whence the best collection of the fossils from this zone in the Midland Counties was obtained. The rocks consist of dark-grey and bluish shales and clays, with irregular and inconstant beds of dark-grey argillaceous limestone, the shales being in part nodular and laminated, the clays thick and tenacious, and the nodular portions of the shales very fossiliferous. Several of the *Arietites obtusus* and *Arietites stellaris* had their shells well preserved, and the outer layers of the same were adorned with numerous parallel, longitudinal, spiral lines, consisting of punctuated elevations, which extend along the sides, dip into the depressions, and rise on the central elevation of the siphonal area. This ornamentation is limited to the external lamina of the shell, as no impression of it is left on either the nacreous layer or the mould. I have rarely found these punctuated lines so well preserved as in the specimens I have figured of *Arietites obtusus*, from Bredon and Lyme, and in the remarkable specimen of *Arietites stellaris*, from Lyme, preserved in the original Sowerbyan Collection now in the British Museum. So seldom is this specific shell-structure observed that many palæontologists deny its existence in these species, but after the figures I have given all doubt upon the subject must be removed. In Warwickshire this zone forms part of the Cardinia-bed and contains some very fine specimens of *Arietites obtusus*, *Ar. multicostratus*, *Ar. Brookii*, and *Ar. Sauzeanus*, d'Orb.

Dorsetshire.—At Lyme Regis the *Obtusus*-zone attains a considerable thickness, and is well shown in the coast-section. The strata rise on the shore about half a mile west of Charmouth, and consist of thick beds of dark marls, which rest upon the table-bed formed by Broad Ledge. The lower part of the marls contains numerous compressed *Aegoceras Birchii*, Sow., and layers of nodules forming cement-stones. Above these succeed shales and clays, thin bands of limestone, and thick beds of shale and marls with mudstones. Above these again are inconstant bands of limestone containing septaria, in which gigantic examples of *Arietites obtusus*, *Arietites stellaris*, and *Arietites Brookii* are found. The following section shows the relative position of these beds.

Section from Broad Ledge to Cornstone Ledge, near Charmouth.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	Dark-grey limestone. "Cornstone Ledge."		Fishes in fine preservation as <i>Pachycormus</i> , <i>Æchmodus</i> , <i>Dapedius</i> , <i>Acrodus</i> , <i>Hybodius</i> , &c.
2	Dark-bluish marls	20 0	
3	Dark-greyish limestone	0 10	<i>Ichthyosaurus platyodon</i> , Conyb., and <i>I. intermedius</i> , Conyb. <i>Aegoceras Birchii</i> , Sow.
4	Dark clays,		
5	Dark limestone, with nodules and septaria.....		<i>Nautilus striatus</i> , Sow., <i>Arietites Brookii</i> , Sow., and <i>Arietites stellaris</i> , Sow. (very large). <i>Dapedius punctatus</i> , <i>Dapedius Colei</i> , Ag.
6	Dark shale.		
7	Dark limestone. "Upper Cement-bed"	3 0	<i>Dapedius granulatus</i> . <i>Æchmodus pustulatus</i> , Ag.
8	Dark shales, containing mudstone nodules at the base	9 0	<i>Scelidosaurus Harrisonii</i> , Owen. <i>Inoceramus pinnæformis</i> . <i>Lepidotus fimbriatus</i> , Agass.
9	Thin band of limestone. The "Pentacrinite bed"		<i>Extracrinus Briareus</i> , Mill.
10	Dark shales.	4 0	<i>Arietites stellaris</i> . <i>Ar. semicostatus</i> .
11	Dark limestone. } "Fire-ledge."	2 0	
12	Dark shale. }	4 0	<i>Chondrosteus acipenseroides</i> , Agass.
13	Dark limestone. }	2 0	<i>Chondrosteus</i> , <i>Lepidotus</i> , <i>Conodus ferox</i> , Ag.
14	Dark shale.		
15	Dark limestone "Split-ledge"	2 0	<i>Aegoceras planicosta</i> , Sow., and <i>Arietites Smithii</i> , <i>Ar. obtusus</i> , Sow., <i>Lepidotus rugosus</i> , Ag.
16	Dark shales	5 0	Saurian skeletons. Fishes.
17	Greyish limestone crystallised, forming the "Tortoise-ammonites"	2 6	<i>Arietites obtusus</i> , Sow., and <i>Aegoceras Birchii</i> , Sow.
18	Dark marls, with nodular masses. The lower Cement-beds &c. &c.	30 0	The nodules contain Saurian remains. <i>Pentacrinus</i> , sp., <i>Ichthyosaurus platyodon</i> .
19	Dark indurated shale and limestone. "Broad Ledge,"	4 0	This bed overlies the Lima-series east of Lyme-Regis.
20	The Nut rocks	3 0	<i>Aegoceras Birchii</i> , Sow.
Zone of <i>Arietites Turneri</i> .			
Thick Limestone: Broad Ledge.			Saurian Skeleton.

The *Obtusus*-zone attains a thickness of from 80 to 100 feet; its actual measurement is a matter of difficulty, the marls having covered up the bands of limestone.

In the lower marls are many compressed specimens of *Aegoceras Birchii*, which fall to pieces when removed from the matrix. Higher up (No. 17) this Ammonite is found in fine preservation, with *Arietites obtusus*. Here the shells are replaced, and their chambers filled, with crystallised carbonate of lime. These beautiful specimens are the "Tortoise-ammonites" of local collectors. About 40 or 50 feet above the latter an irregular band of limestone (5) is seen projecting from the cliff, containing nodules with very large specimens of *Arietites obtusus*, Sow., *Arietites stellaris*, Sow., and *Arietites Brookii*, Sow. Most of the nodules have a septarian structure, the veins of spar intersecting and distorting the fossil contents of the bed.

Below the ammoniferous nodules (5 of the section) other bands of clay and marl (6 to 14) succeed. In one of these (9) are thin, wide-spread layers of Crinoidal limestone, on the surface of which magnificent specimens of *Extracrinus Briareus*, Mill., are

found, with their plant-like arms laid out in all directions, and generally coated with ferric disulphide. The remarkable Liassic Dinosaurian *Scelidosaurus Harrisonii*, Ow., so fully figured and ably described by my friend Professor Owen, F.R.S., in the Palæontographical Society's volume for 1859, was discovered some years ago by Mr. Samuel Clarke, of Charmouth, in the dark shales of bed No. 8, above the mudstones.

Fossils of the Zone of Arietites obtusus at Lyme Regis.

Ichthyosarus platyodon, Conby.
Scelidosaurus Harrisonii, Owen.
Dapedius granulatus, Agass.
Pachycormus heterurus, Agassiz.
Æchmodus Leachi, Egerton.
Lepidotus rugosus, Agassiz.
Condostreus crassior, Egerton.
Arietites obtusus, Sow.
 — *Brookii*, Sow.

Arietites stellaris, Sow.
 — *Sauzeanus*, d'Orb.
Aegoceras planicosta, Sow.
 — *Birchii*, Sow.
Nautilus striatus, Sow.
Belemnites acutus, Mill.
Pleurotomaria similis, Sow.
Inoceramus pinnæformis, Dunk.
Extracrinus Briareus, Mill.

Foreign Correlations.—The zone of *Arietites obtusus* is developed in Germany, although this Ammonite appears to be rare. Some of the specimens I saw in the collections had been mistaken for *Arietites Turneri* and were labelled as such. In North Germany argillaceous beds, with *Aegoceras planicosta*, Sow., and *Aeg. ziphus*, Hehl., representing this zone, are found resting on Arietenschichten in several localities, as near Harzburg, Liebenburg, Hildesheim, Jexheim, Goslar, the Markoldendorfer Mulde, near Steinberg, Falkenhagen, and the Empelder Ziegelei, near Hanover.

In South Germany the zone is developed in Swabia, at the foot of the Alp from Boll towards Randern. *Arietites obtusus*, Sow., is found likewise near Betzingen, Balingen, and Aselfingen.

Fossils from the planicosta-beds of North Germany = the obtusus-beds of England.

Arietites obtusus, Sow.
 — *Sauzeanus*, d'Orb.
Aegoceras planicosta, Sow.
 — *ziphus*, Hehl.
 — *tamariscinum*, Schlön.
Belemnites acutus, Mill.
Hydrobia cerithiiformis, Piette.
Turritella undulata, Benz.
Turbo paludinæformis, Schübl.
Cryptænia expansa, Sow.
Dentalium Etalense, Terq.
Cylindrites fragilis, Dunk.
Pleuromya liasina, Schübl.
Goniomya heteropleura, Agass.
Pholadomya corrugata, Dunk.
Protocardia oxynoti, Quenst.

Lucina problematica, Terq.
Modiola scalprum, Sow.
Avicula inæquivalvis, Sow.
Gervillia olifex, Quenst.
Perna Fellati, Dumort.
Cucullæa Münsteri, Ziet.
Leda complanata, Sow.
Lima gigantea, Sow.
 — *pectinoides*, Sow.
Pecten textorius, Schloth.
Plicatula spinosa, Sow.
Gryphæa cymbium, Lamk.
Waldheimia cor, Lamk.
Spiriferina rostrata, Schloth.
Rhynchonella variabilis, Schloth.
Lingula Voltzii, Terq.

In France this zone is so closely connected with other Lower Lias beds resting upon it, that it has not been accurately defined and separated from them. Its specific Ammonite forms have, however, been collected in different Departments. Thus, *Arietites obtusus*, *Arietites stellaris*, *Aegoceras Birchii*, *Aeg. planicosta*, have been collected near Avallon, Yonne; and at Semur, Côte d'Or; also at Couzon, near Lyons; and at Nancy, Meurthe. The same species were likewise collected, according to M. Dumortier,¹ from St. Fortunat, St. Cyr, Rhône; St. Christophe, Saône-et-Loire; St. Rambart, Ain; affording evidence of the existence of this zone of life through a considerable area of the Sinemurian Lias.

M. Marcou, in the Jura of Salins,² described under the name "Marnes de Balingen ou à Gryphæa cymbium" three stages resting upon the Tuberculatus-beds; these were—1st, beds with *Arietites obtusus*; 2nd, beds with *Amaltheus oxynotus*; and 3rd, beds with *Arietites raricostatus*; and these resembled the formation near Balingen, so that in the Jura the *Obtusus*-zone is developed, as it is likewise in other localities in Switzerland.

6. THE ZONE OF AMALTHEUS OXYNOTUS.

Synonyms.—"Oxynoten-Schichte," Fraas, 'Württemb. naturw. Jahreshefte,' p. 206, 1847. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites oxynotus*," Opper, 'Die Juraformation,' p. 54, 1856. "Oxynotenlager," Quenstedt, 'Der Jura,' p. 293, 1858. "Oxynotus-bed," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xiv, p. 25, 1858. "Zone of *Ammonites oxynotus*," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, p. 406, 1860. "La Zone de *l'Ammonites oxynotus*," Dumortier, 'Études Paléont.,' t. ii, p. 238, 1867. "Zone of *Ammonites oxynotus*," Tate and Blake, 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 7, 1876.

Gloucestershire.—This zone consists of beds of dark clays, which often contain much ferrous sulphide and ferric oxide, and the fossils found in these clays are either highly pyritic or charged with the peroxide of iron. This zone was exposed in cutting the Bristol-and-Birmingham, and Great-Western Railways; at Lansdown, near Cheltenham; and in excavating the new docks at Gloucester; I have collected its characteristic fossils at Swindon and at some localities in the Valley of the Severn.

Dorsetshire.—*Amaltheus Lymensis*, the representative species, in the south, of *Amaltheus oxynotus* in the Midland Counties—is found in a thin bed of dark, pyritic marl between Charmouth and Lyme Regis, near Black Venn. It is here collected with other species, which properly belong to a higher bed; the talus of the upper marl, from the decay of the bank, making it difficult to separate the beds.

Yorkshire.—The *Oxynotus*-zone is well seen in Robin Hood's Bay, and the following detailed section by MM. Tate and Blake,³ including likewise the *Obtusus*-zone and

¹ 'Études Paléont. Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' tome ii, p. 103, 1867.

² 'Jura Salinois,' Mém. Soc. Géol. de France, 1846.

³ 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 73, 1876.

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No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	PALÆONTOLOGY.
		ft. in.	
	Brought over	69 7	
31	Variable blue-black shales, with scattered doggers; flat	14 0	<i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus.</i>
32	Thin whitened band.....	0 2	
33	Shales	1 4	<i>Aeg. sagittarium, Bel. acutus.</i>
34	Whitened band	8-10.	<i>Ostrea arcuata, Bel. acutus.</i>
35	Shales	5 0	<i>Aeg. sagittarium, Pent. tuberculatus.</i>
36	Harder whitened band.....	0 9	
37	Shale.....	2 3	<i>Aeg. sagittarium, Bel. acutus, Ostrea arcuata.</i>
38	Thick whitened band	1 8	
39	Blue shale, unseen in the cliff with line of crustacean nodules		<i>Aeg. planicosta, Ar. obtusus, Ar. stellaris, Aeg. sagittarium, Hippopodium ponderosum.</i>
40	Hard brown limestone band, forming a scar	0 5	
41	Hard blue shale, with line of scattered doggers three feet down	8 0	<i>Pentacrinus tuberculatus, Bel. acutus, Pecten priscus, Ostrea arcuata.</i>
42	Hard calcareous rubbly stone, forming a very strong continuous scar.....	1 3	
43	Blue shale with oyster beds.....	2 4	<i>Pent. tuberculatus, Pecten priscus, Ostrea arcuata.</i>
44	Indurated limestone band	4 6	<i>Ostrea arcuata, Cardinia hybrida, Hippopodium ponderosum.</i>
45	Soft blue smooth shale, with round nodules	3 6	<i>Aeg. planicosta.</i>
46	Indurated calcareo-argillaceous rubbly band, speckled brownish.....	0 2	
	Total thickness	107 10	

The palæontology of the *Oxynotus*-zone is remarkable for the small number of species it contains, when compared with the richness of the *Bucklandi*- and *Angulatum*-zones which preceded and the fertility of the *Jamesoni*-zone which succeeded it.

Fossils of the *Oxynotus*-zone.

CEPHALOPODA.

Amaltheus oxynotus, Quenst.
 — *Lymensis, Wright.*
 — *Oppeli, Schlönbach.*
 — *denotatus, Simpson.*
 — *impedens, Young & Bird.*
 — *Simpsoni, Bean.*
 — *Guibalianus, d'Orbig.*
Aegoceras biferum, Quenst.

Aegoceras lacunatum, Buck.
 — *gagateum, Young & Bird.*
 — *sagittarium, Blake.*
Nautilus intermedius, Sow.
Belemnites acutus, Mill.
 — *calcar, Phill.*
 — *penicillatus, Sow.*

GASTEROPODA.

Pleurotomaria similis, Sow.
Actæonina fragilis, Dunk.
Cerithium gratum, Terq.

Turritella Dunkeri, Terq.
 — *Zenkeni, Dunk.*
Hydrobia solidula, Dunk.

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Gryphæa obliquata, Lamk.	Cucullæa Münsteri, Ziet.
Ostrea Goldfussi, Bronn.	Modiola scalprum, Sow.
Pecten priscus, Schloth.	Protocardia oxynoti, Quenst.
— æqualis, Quenst.	Astarte obsoleta, Dunk.
— calvus, Goldf.	Nucula navis, Piette.
Lima gigantea, Sow.	Hippopodium ponderosum, Sow.
— pectinoides, Sow.	Cardinia hybrida, Sow.
Monotis inæquivalvis, Sow.	Unicardium cardioide, Phill.
Pinna folium, Young & Bird.	Homomya ventricosa, Agass.
— Hartmanni, Ziet.	Arcomya vetusta, Phill.
Leda Heberti, Mart.	Gresslya Galathea, Agass.
— subovalis, Goldf.	Rhynchonella calcicosta, Quenst.
— Galathea, d'Orb.	Rhynchonella oxynoti, Quenst.

ECHINODERMATA.

Cidaris spines.	Pentacrinus tuberculatus, Mill.
Acrosalenia minuta, Buck.	— basaltiformis, Mill.

7. THE ZONE OF ARIETITES RARICOSTATUS.

Synonyms.—"Hippopodium-bed" (pars), Murchison's 'Geology of Cheltenham,' 2nd ed., by Buckman and Strickland, p. 44, 1845. "Raricostatenschicht," Fraas, 'Württemb. naturw. Jahreshefte,' pl. 3, 1847. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites raricostatus*," Opper, 'Die Juraformation,' p. 56, 1856. "Raricostatenbank," Quenstedt, 'Der Jura,' p. 293, 1858. "Raricostatus-bed," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xiv, p. 25, 1858. "Zone of *Ammonites raricostatus*," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, p. 407, 1860. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites ziphus*" (pars), Brauns, 'Die Untere Jura,' p. 90, 1871.

The beds forming this zone are exposed in several brick-fields in the Vale of Gloucester. They consist of dark-coloured clays, more or less impregnated with ferric oxide. In an excavation made at Marle Hill, near Cheltenham, for brick-earth, the following section was obtained. The beds are enumerated in descending order.

No.		ft.	in.
1.	<i>Gryphæa-bed</i> ; a hard, ferruginous clay, which broke into fragments, and contained a great many specimens of <i>Gryphæa obliquata</i> , Sow.	3 ft. to	4 0
2.	<i>Coral-band</i> ; a thin seam of lightish-coloured unctuous clay, containing a great many small, sessile Corals, <i>Montlivaltia rugosa</i> , Wrt., most of which appeared to have been attached to the curved valves of the <i>Gryphæa</i>	1 in. to	0 1½
3.	<i>Hippopodium-bed</i> ; a stiff dark-coloured clay, in some parts ferruginous; containing <i>Cardinia Listeri</i> , Sow., and <i>Hippopodium ponderosum</i> , Sow., in considerable numbers	from 8 ft. to	10 0
4.	<i>Ammonite-bed</i> ; a dark, ferruginous clay, containing selenite, ferric oxide, and ferrous sulphide, and great numbers of a highly pyritic brood of <i>Aegoceras subplanicosta</i> , Opp., <i>Aegoceras densinodum</i> , <i>Arietites raricostatus</i> , <i>Arietites Nodotianus</i> , and the other species of the list	} Not ascertained.	

At Cleeve, near Cheltenham, the same beds were formerly worked for brick-earth ; and the finest specimens of *Cardinia Listeri*, Sow., *Hippopodium ponderosum*, Sow., *Arietites raricostatus*, Ziet., and *Pleurotomaria similis*, Sow., were obtained here. At Bredon these beds were laid open in the railway-cutting, and yielded a rich series of the characteristic fossils. In Warwickshire the railway-cutting at Honeybourne exposed the same zone ; and here also the Coral-band contained a considerable number of *Montlivaltia rugosa*, Wrt., and the Ammonite-bed its leading species.

At Lyme Regis, in Dorsetshire, this zone is found near Black Venn, and some of the beds contain a large quantity of pyrites, so much so that during the winter months they are worked for that mineral, when their characteristic *Ammonites* are collected in considerable numbers ; unfortunately most of the fossils are so much charged with pyrites that they are preserved with difficulty.

At Robin Hood's Bay, on the coast of Yorkshire, this zone is closely associated with the *Oxynotus*-beds and cannot be separated from them ; it is seen resting on the underlying clays with *Amaltheus oxynotus*, and is overlain by thick clays containing *Aegoceras Jamesoni*, Sow. In all these localities there appears to be an absence of limestone-layers, the clay, more or less impregnated with iron in different stages of oxidation, constitutes the entire beds.

My friend Mr. E. C. H. Day, F.G.S., collected for me at the small bay of Ballintoy, in the north of Ireland, a number of fossils from this zone. The box he kindly sent me from that locality contained the following species :

CEPHALOPODA.

<i>Arietites raricostatus</i> , Ziet.		<i>Aegoceras armatum densinodum</i> , Quenst.
— <i>Nodotianus</i> , d'Orb. = <i>Macdonnelli</i> , <i>Portlock</i> .		— <i>muticum</i> , D'orb.
<i>Aegoceras subplanicosta</i> , Oppel.		<i>Belemnites acutus</i> , Mill.
		— <i>penicillatus</i> , Sow.

GASTEROPODA.

<i>Pleurotomaria similis</i> , Sow.		<i>Turritella Dunkeri</i> , Terq.
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LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

<i>Gryphæa obliquata</i> , Sow.		<i>Hippopodium ponderosum</i> , Sow.
<i>Plicatula spinosa</i> , Sow.		<i>Protocardia truncata</i> , Sow.
<i>Leda oxynoti</i> , Quenst.		<i>Goniomya rhombifera</i> , Quenst.
<i>Pecten Hehlii</i> , d'Orb.		<i>Homomya ventricosa</i> , Agass.
— <i>æqualis</i> , Quenst.		

BRACHIOPODA.

<i>Waldheimia perforata</i> , Piette.		<i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , Schloth.
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Fossils of the Zone of Arietites raricostatus from near Cheltenham.

CEPHALOPODA.

Aegoceras armatum densinodum, <i>Quenst.</i>		Arietites Nodotianus, <i>d'Orb.</i>
— lacunatum, <i>Buck.</i>		— raricostatus, <i>Ziet.</i>
— muticum, <i>d'Orb.</i>		Belemnites acutus, <i>Mill.</i>
— subplanicosta, <i>Oppel.</i>		Nautilus striatus, <i>Sow.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

Chemnitzia parva, <i>Wright.</i>		Pleurotomaria raricostæ, <i>Tate.</i>
Pleurotomaria similis, <i>Sow.</i>		Cryptænia expansa, <i>Sow.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Limea acuticosta, <i>Münst.</i>		Ostrea raricostæ, <i>Wright.</i>
Cardinia hybrida, <i>Sow.</i>		Pecten æqualis, <i>Quenst.</i>
Gryphæa obliquata, <i>Sow.</i>		Pleuromya oblonga, <i>Wright.</i>
Hippopodium ponderosum, <i>Sow.</i>		Unicardium cardioide, <i>Phill.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

Lingula Metensis, <i>Terq.</i>		Spiriferina Walcotii, <i>Sow.</i>
Rhynchonella variabilis, <i>Schloth.</i>		Waldheimia numismalis, <i>Schloth.</i>

POLYZOA.

Berenicea striata, <i>Haime.</i>		Stromatopora antiqua, <i>Haime.</i>
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ECHINODERMATA.

Acrosalenia minuta, <i>Buck.</i>		Pentacrinus scalaris, <i>Goldf.</i>
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ANTHOZOA.

Montlivaltia mammiformis, <i>Dunc.</i>		Montlivaltia radiata, <i>Dunc.</i>
— mucronata, <i>Dunc.</i>		— rugosa, <i>Wright.</i>

Foreign correlations.—The *Oxynotus*-beds in Württemberg so closely resemble those near Cheltenham, both in their Petrology and Palæontology, that when examining the fossils from these rocks in the Stuttgart and Tübingen Museums I failed to see any difference between the German and the English specimens; so much alike were they that, without marking the fossils before comparing them, I should have mistaken the one for the other. This was especially the case with *Aegoceras biferum*, *Aeg. lacunatum*, and *Amaltheus oxynotus*. This zone is feebly developed in some of the Departments of France. M. Marcou has found its fossils in the Jura Department. Few of the Ammonites appear to have passed into M. d'Orbigny's hands, as neither of the three leading species enumerated above is figured in the 'Paléontologie Française,' unless it may turn out

on closer study that *Amaltheus Lynæ*, d'Orb., and *Amal. Coynarti*, d'Orb., from the Middle Lias "du Bois-de-Trousse, près de Saint Amand (Cher), où elle est passée à l'état de fer sulfuré ou de fer hydraté," be French forms of *Amal. oxynotus*. I failed to find the type of *Amal. Lynæ* and *Amal. Coynarti* in the d'Orbigny Collection in the Jardin des Plantes.

From the Bassin du Rhône M. Dumortier has given a very full list of the fossils in his collection which he refers to this zone, and observes,¹ when studying the fossils of the zone de l'*Ammonites oxynotus*, the fact that strikes one most is the important place which the Ammonites occupy. The number and variety of the species, the abundance of certain types, and above all the invariable regularity of their stratigraphical position, well deserve attention. In relation to their form, the Ammonites of the superior zone cannot be attached by preference to any particular type, inasmuch as we recognise at the same time shells with numerous and narrow whorls extremely evolute and provided relatively with an enormous umbilicus, as well as species entirely convolute and without a trace of umbilicus; certain forms having large, round backs, whilst others are provided with sharp and prominent carinæ. The external ornamentation exhibits the same variety; sometimes the shell is simple and without ornament, whilst in others the surface is provided with the richest decoration.

The Gastropods, less rare than in the lower zone, are not, however, of much importance. Among the Lamellibranchiata the *Gryphæa obliqua* occupies an exceptional position by the immense number of its individuals. The *Pleuromyæ* in this division of the Lias attain their maximum development; and the *Cardinia philea*, d'Orb., and *Hippopodium ponderosum*, Sow., in consideration of their remarkable forms and the certainty of their horizon, ought to be especially noted. The Brachiopods are here represented by *Spiriferina* and *Rhynchonella*, abounding in individuals, and above all by the *Waldheimia cor*, Lamk., a species of the highest importance. The Echinoderms are in general few in number and species, but *Pentacrinus tuberculatus* is inferior to no other fossil in the zone for its importance and the number of its individuals. The following list gives the characteristic fossils of the zone of *Ammonites oxynotus* as defined by M. Dumortier:

CEPHALOPODA.

<i>Belemnites acutus</i> , Mill.	<i>Ammonites</i> <i>œduensis</i> , Pharmasse.
<i>Nautilus pertextus</i> , Dumort.	— <i>Landrioti</i> , d'Orb.
<i>Ammonites resurgens</i> , Dumort.	— <i>Locardi</i> , Dumort.
— <i>Hartmanni</i> , Oppel.	— <i>Birchii</i> , Sow.
— <i>Berardi</i> , Dumort.	— <i>Sauzeanus</i> , d'Orb.
— <i>Patti</i> , Dumort.	— <i>Victoris</i> , Dumort.
— <i>lacunatus</i> , Buck.	— <i>Aballoensis</i> , d'Orb.
— <i>obtusus</i> , Sow.	— <i>oxynotus</i> , Quenst.
— <i>stellaris</i> , Sow.	— <i>altus</i> , Hauer.

¹ 'Études Paléontologiques sur les Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' tom. ii, p. 238, 1867.

Ammonites Driani, *Dumort.*
 — Salisburgensis, *Hauer.*
 — Sæmanni, *Dumort.*
 — Bonnardi, *d'Orb.*
 — Nodotianus, *d'Orb.*
 — Pellati, *Dumort.*
 — armentalis, *Dumort.*
 — Edmondi, *Dumort.*

Ammonites Oosteri, *Dumort.*
 — planicosta, *Sow.*
 — subplanicosta, *Oppel.*
 — tardecrescens, *von Hauer.*
 — viticola, *Dumort.*
 — raricostatus, *Ziet.*
 — vellicatus, *Dumort.*
 — ziphus, *Hehl.*

GASTEROPODA.

Pleurotomaria gigas, *Deslong.*

Pleurotomaria Charmassei, *Dumort.*

CONCHIFERA.

Pleuromya Toucasi, *Dumort.*
 — cylindrica, *Dumort.*
 Hippopodium ponderosum, *Sow.*
 Gryphæa obliqua, *Goldf.*

Myoconcha oxynoti, *Quenst.*
 Harpax nitidus, *Dumort.*
 Waldheimia cor, *Lamk.*
 Terebratula Sinemuriensis, *Opp.*

M. Dumortier includes in his zone of *Ammonites oxynotus* many species already enumerated in my description of the *Obtusus*- and *Raricostatus*-zones; it is well, therefore, to understand this author's definition of the group he has so well described and so fully illustrated. He says, "the superior part of the Lower Lias, which I comprehend under the name of the 'zone de l'*Ammonites oxynotus*,' offers an ensemble of beds of a total inconsiderable thickness, but which may be represented by the following theoretical section, taking the beds in descending order from above downwards."¹

ZONES.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	PALÆONTOLOGY.
Couches à <i>Am. raricostatus</i>	Calcareous beds, consisting of light-coloured limestones ...	metres 1 0	<i>Am. raricostatus, A. planicosta, A. viticola, Cardinia philea.</i>
Couches à <i>Am. oxynotus.</i>	Subcrystalline calcareous beds, reddish, or brown-yellow compact limestone	1 50	<i>Am. oxynotus, A. Aballoensis, A. Driani, A. Bonnardi, Nautilus pertextus, Avicula Sinemuriensis.</i>
Couches à <i>Am. stellaris.</i>	Hard sublamellated greyish limestone.....	3 0	<i>Am. stellaris, A. Cœduensis, A. obtusus, Gryphæa obliqua, Waldheimia cor.</i>
Couches à <i>Am. Davidsoni.</i>	Hard sublamellated bluish-grey limestone.....	1 50	<i>Am. Davidsoni, A. lacunatus, A. Hartmanni, Pentacrinus tuberculatus.</i>
	Total thickness	7 0	

It is evident from the above table that Dumortier's "zone de l'*Ammonites oxynotus*" comprehends the *Raricostatus*-, *Oxynotus*-, and *Obtusus*-beds of this Monograph.

The distribution of the Ammonites in this zone has been very carefully observed and noted by this author, and he has therefore called the special attention of palæontologists

¹ 'Études Paléontologiques sur les Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' tom. ii, p. 95, 1867.

to the subject by remarking "above all, the invariable regularity of the different horizons they occupy." He has further summarised his observations in the following table, which shows how the species are distributed vertically, and how each of the four stages of life is characterised by a certain number of species.

These observations on Ammonite-zones made by so careful and thoughtful a student of Liassic palæontology as Dumortier proved himself to be, I commend to the consideration of all those who doubt the value of such divisions of the Secondary rocks which I have maintained and followed out in this and other memoirs during the last twenty years.

Distribution of Ammonites in the Zone of Ammonites oxynotus, after Dumortier.

Beds with AM. DAVIDSONI.	Beds with AM. STELLARIS.	Beds with AM. OXYNOTUS.	Beds with AM. RARICOSTATUS.
<i>Am. Davidsoni</i>	<i>Am. stellaris</i>	<i>Am. oxynotus</i>	<i>Am. planicosta</i>
— <i>resurgens</i>	— <i>obtusus</i>	— <i>Victoris</i>	— <i>raricostatus</i>
— <i>Hartmanni</i>	— <i>Æduensis</i>	— <i>Aballoensis</i>	— <i>Cluniacensis</i>
— <i>Berardi</i>	— <i>Landrioti</i>	— <i>Buvigneri</i>	— <i>jejunus</i>
— <i>Patti</i>	— <i>Locardi</i>	— <i>Greenoughi</i>	— <i>Nodotianus</i>
— <i>lacunatus</i>	— <i>Birchii</i>	— <i>tamariscinus</i>	— <i>Pellati</i>
— <i>Sauzeanus</i>	— <i>semicostatus</i>	— <i>altus</i>	— <i>Pauli</i>
— <i>Scipionianus</i>	— <i>Boucaultianus</i>	— <i>Driani</i>	— <i>armentalis</i>
— <i>spiratissimus</i>	— <i>Guibalianus</i>	— <i>Salisburgensis</i>	— <i>subplanicosta</i>
		— <i>Sæmanni</i>	— <i>tardecrescens</i>
		— <i>Bonnardi</i>	— <i>viticola</i>
		— <i>Dudressieri</i>	— <i>vellicatus</i>
		— <i>Ziphus</i>	— <i>Edmundi</i>
		— <i>Bodleyi</i>	— <i>Oosteri</i>

In this table the two lowest zones have nine, and the two uppermost fourteen, species in each. In the *Davidsoni*-beds *Aeg. Davidsoni* and *Aeg. Berardi* have affinities with *Aeg. planorbis*; *Arietites Sauzeanus*, *Ar. Scipionianus*, *Ar. resurgens*, and *Ar. Hartmanni* with *Arietites bisulcatus*; *Ar. spiratissimus* with *Ar. Conybeari*; and *Aeg. lacunatum* with *Aeg. Charmassei*, from which it is derived.

In the *Stellaris*-beds *Aeg. Æduensis* has affinities with *Aeg. Johnstoni*; *Aeg. Locardi*, with *Aeg. Birchii*; *Aeg. Boucaultianum*, with *Aeg. Charmassei*; *Amal. Guibalianus*, with *Amal. Aballoensis*; whilst *Ar. obtusus*, *Ar. stellaris*, and *Ar. semicostatus* are the expiring forms of the genus *Arietites*.

The *Oxynotus*-beds are characterised by new types of Ammonite life belonging to the genus *Amaltheus*, which now appear for the first time as *Amal. oxynotus*, *Amal. Victoris*, *Amal. Aballoensis*, *Amal. Greenoughi*, *Amal. Buvigneri*, and *Aeg. planicosta* = *ziphus* = *Dudressieri*, which last are morphological conditions of one species *Aeg. planicosta*.

The *Raricostatus*-beds are characterised by forms which depart from the *Arietites* type; they have a wide umbilicus, narrow whorls, and were slowly developed as *Ar. Nodotianus*, *Ar. viticola*, *Ar. vellicatus*, *Ar. Edmundi*, which are all nearly allied to *Ar. raricostatus*.

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- ARTHROPTERUS, *Agassiz*.
 — Rileyi, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. iii, p. 379.
- BELONOSTOMUS *Agassiz* (Belonorhynchus, *Bronn*).
 — Anningiæ, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 143.
 — tenellus, *Ag.*, doubtful, probably B. Anningiæ.
- CATURUS, *Agassiz*.
 — Bucklandi, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 119.
- CENTROLEPIS, *Egerton*.
 — asper, *Eg.* Mem. Geol. Surv., decade 9, pl. v.
- CHONDROSTEUS, *Agassiz*.
 — acipensiroides, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, part 2, p. 280.
 — crassior, *Eg.* Phil. Trans., 1858.
 — pachyurus, *Eg.* Id., 1858.
- CONODUS, *Agassiz*.
 — ferox, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, part 2, p. 105.
- CYCLARTHURUS, *Agassiz*.
 — macropterus, *Ag.* Id., vol. iii, p. 382.
- DAPEDIUS, *De la Beche*.
 — arenatus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, p. 304.
 — Colei, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, p. 195.
 — granulatus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, p. 190.
 — politus, *De la Beche*. Geol. Trans., ser. ii, vol. i, plate vi; Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, p. 185.
 — punctatus, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, p. 192.
- ENDACTIS, *Agassiz*.
 — Agassizi, *Eg.* Mem. Geol. Surv., decade 9, pl. iv.
- EUGNATHUS, *Agassiz*.
 — chirotes (Conodus, *Ag.*). Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, part 2, p. 102.
 — leptodus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 105.
 — mandibularis, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 105.
 — minor, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 103.
 — opercularis, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 104.
 — ornatus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 105.
 — orthostomus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 98.
 — Philpotæ, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 101.
 — polyodon, *Ag.* (Platysiagum, *Eg.*) Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 104.
 — scabriusculus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 105.
 — speciosus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 100.
- HARPACTIRA, *Egerton*.
 — velox, *Eg.* Geol. Mag., 1876, p. 441.

HETEROLEPIDOTUS, *Egerton* (*Lepidotus*, *Ag.*).

— *latus* (*Lepidotus fimbriatus*, *Ag.*). *Poissons Fossiles*, vol. ii, p. 247; *Mem. Geol. Surv.*, decade 13, pl. ii.

— *sauroides*, *Eg.* *Mem. Geol. Surv.*, decade 13, pl. iii.

HOLOPHAGUS, *Egerton*.

— *gulo*, *Eg.* *Id.*, dec. 10, p. 19, and dec. 13, pl. x.

HYBODUS, *Agassiz*.

— *carinatus*, *Ag.* *Poissons Fossiles*, vol. iii, p. 52.

— *crassispinus*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 48.

— *curtus*, *Ag.* (*Hybodus reticulatus*, 2nd spine). *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 50.

— *De-la-Bechei*, *Charlesworth*. *Mag. Nat. Hist.*, 1839, p. 242.

— *ensatus*, *Ag.* *Poissons Fossiles*, vol. iii, p. 51.

— *formosus*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 51.

— *medius*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 184.

— *pyramidalis*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 182.

— *reticulatus*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, pp. 50 and 180.

ISCHYODUS, *Egerton* (*Chimæra*, *Ag.*).

— *Johnsoni*, *Ag.* (*Prognathodus*, *Eg.*). *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 344; *Journ. Geol. Soc.*, 1872, p. 233.

— *orthorhinus*, *Eg.* *Journ. Geol. Soc.*, 1871, pl. xiii.

ISOCOLUM, *Egerton*.

— *granulatum*, *Eg.* *Id.*, 1868; *Mem. Geol. Surv.*, decade 13, pl. iv.

LEPIDOTUS, *Agassiz*.

— *rugosus*, *Ag.* (*Heterolepidotus*, *Eg.*?). *Poissons Fossiles*, vol. ii, p. 246.

— *undatus*, *Ag.* — *Id.*, vol. ii, p. 245.

LEPTACANTHUS, *Agassiz*.

— *tenuispinus*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 27.

LEPTOLEPIS, *Agassiz*.

— *Bronni*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. ii, part 2, p. 133.

— *caudalis*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. ii, part 2, p. 133.

MYRIACANTHUS, *Agassiz*.

— *granulatus*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 40.

— *paradoxus*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 38.

— *retrorsus*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. iii, p. 39.

NOTHOSOMUS, *Agassiz*.

— *octostychius*, *Ag.* *Id.*, vol. ii, part 2, p. 221; *Mem. Geol. Surv.*, dec. 9, p. 6.

- OSTEORACHIS, *Egerton*.
 — macrocephalus, *Eg.* Mem. Geol. Surv., dec. 13, pl. v.
- OXYGNATHUS, *Egerton*.
 — ornatus, *Eg.* Id., dec. 8, pl. ix.
- PACHYCORMUS, *Agassiz*.
 — branchialis, *Ag.* MS.
 — heterurus, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, part 2, p. 113.
 — latipennis, *Ag.* Mem. Geol. Surv., dec. 9, pl. iii.
 — macrurus, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, part 2, p. 113.
- PALÆOSPINAX, *Egerton* (*Thyellina*, *Agassiz*).
 — priscus, *Ag.* Mem. Geol. Surv., dec. 13, pl. vii.
- PHOLIDOPHORUS, *Agassiz*.
 — Bechei, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, p. 272.
 — crenulatus, *Eg.* Mem. Geol. Surv., dec. 6, pl. v.
 — latiusculus, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, p. 287.
 — limbatus, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, p. 282.
 — onychius, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, p. 274.
 — pachysomus, *Eg.* Mem. Geol. Surv., dec. 6, pl. iv.
- PLATYSIAGUM, *Egerton*.
 — sclerocephalum, *Eg.* Id., dec. 13, pl. vi.
- PROGNATHODUS, *Egerton*.
 — Güntheri, *Eg.* Journ. Geol. Soc., 1872, p. 233.
- PTYCHOLEPIS, *Agassiz*.
 — Bollensis, *Ag.* Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, pt. 2, p. 108.
 — curtus, *Eg.* Mem. Geol. Surv., dec. 8, pl. viii.
- SEMIONOTUS, *Agassiz*.
 — rhombifer, *Ag.* (*Heterolepidotus?* *Eg.*). Poissons Fossiles, vol. ii, p. 228.
- SQUALORAIA, *Riley* (*Spinacorhinus*, *Agassiz*).
 — polyspondyla, *Riley*. Poissons Fossiles, vol. iii, p. 379.
- THRISSENOTUS, *Agassiz*.
 — Colei, *Ag.* Id., vol. ii, part 2, p. 128; Mem. Geol. Surv., dec. 2, pl. ii.

After a comparison of my original notes on the Lyme sections with a stratigraphical table in manuscript of the same beds, made by my friend Mr. Etheridge, F.R.S., which he has kindly allowed me to examine, I find we are in perfect accordance on the position of the Ichthyolites. Few remains of this class are found in the *Angulatum*-zone. The dark marls of the *Bucklandi*- and *Turneri*-beds appear to be the chief repositories of the Lyme Lias Fishes, as already indicated in my sections at pp. 38, 48,

and 50. A few specimens of *Aechmodus* were found in the marls above the Belemnite-beds at Golden Cap, but few remains are known in other beds of the Middle Lias.

A Table showing the extension of the Lower Lias in the British Islands, Belgium, France, Switzerland, Germany, Austria, and Italy, with indications of the Sinemurian Ammonite Zones, found in some typical regions of the European area.

Ammonite Zones of the Lower Lias.	BRITISH ISLANDS.			BELGIUM.	FRANCE.				SWITZER- LAND.	GERMANY.		AUSTRIA.	ITALY.
	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	Luxemburg.	Côte-d'Or.	Yonne.	Moselle.	Jura.	Basel.	Hanover.	Württemberg.	N. E. Alps.	Tuscany.
RICOSTATUS	*	*	*	*	...	*	*	*	*	*	*
NOTUS	*	*	*	...	*	*	...	*	*	...
USUS	*	*	*	*	...	*	*	*	*	*	*
NERI	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	...	*	...	*
CKLANDI	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
ANGULATUM	*	*	...	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NORBIS	*	*	...	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	...
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My learned friend, Professor Edward Suess, of Vienna, whose valuable and suggestive memoir "Über die Ammoniten"¹ formed the basis of the new generic classification of Ammonites, writes to me, "we have now discovered a number of Ammonite horizons only a few inches in thickness, as for example the *Aeg. planorbis* 18 inches, *Aeg. angulatum* 20—36 inches, upon thousands of feet of Rhætic deposits in the midst of our Alps. This contiguity of single horizons surely gives the Jurassic formation, or at least a part of it, a character rather different from other European deposits, and well worth the exact analogies which you offer."

¹ 'Sitzungsber. d. k. Akad. d. Wissensch.,' Bd. lii, Sitzung vom 30 Juin, 1865.

THE MIDDLE LIAS.

THE Middle Lias is well developed in England, and fully exposed in the grand natural sections of the Yorkshire and Dorsetshire coasts. In the Midland Counties some of the zones are only partially shown. I have therefore selected a section of the cliffs east of Charmouth, Dorset, which I made for this work many years ago, as one that affords a good general view of the whole, and at the same time shows the relation of its *spinatus*-bed to the Upper Lias which rests conformably upon it; the Middle Lias here attains a thickness of about 450 feet, and is divisible into five stages, each characterised by well-determined Ammonite forms. In ascending order these are—1st. The zone of *Aegoceras Jamesoni*. 2nd. The zone of *Amaltheus Ibeæ*. 3rd. The zone of *Aegoceras Henleyi*. 4th. The zone of *Amaltheus margaritatus*. 5th. The zone of *Amaltheus spinatus*.

Section of Down Cliffs, at Toad's Cove, near Bridport Harbour.

UPPER LIAS.

ALTI- TUDE.	No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
ft. 400	1	ZONE OF HARPOCERAS OPALINUM.	ft.	<i>Harpoceras opalinum</i> , Rein., at Burton Cliff, and Chideock Hill.
		ZONE OF LYTOCERAS JURENSE.		
	2	Brown sands, sometimes micaceous, with large sandstone nodules in layers	70	<i>Harpoceras variable</i> , d'Orb. <i>Harpoceras insigne</i> , Schlüb.
		ZONE OF HARPOCERAS BIFRONS.		
300	3	Dark-greyish sandy marl, Very micaceous.....	72	<i>Harpoceras bifrons</i> , Brug., <i>Pleuromya unioides</i> , Roem. Fossils rare, and often indeterminable.
		ZONE OF HARPOCERAS SERPENTINUM.		
	4	Brownish marly limestone, containing great numbers of <i>Harpoceras serpentinum</i> and Upper Lias shells. The Middle Lias comes up to the lower part of this band of stone, with <i>Amaltheus spinatus</i> embedded therein	2½	<i>Harpoceras serpentinum</i> , Schlot., <i>Stephanoceras commune</i> , Sow., <i>S. Raquinianum</i> , d'Orb., <i>Venus pumila</i> , Münster., <i>Rhynch. acuta</i> , Sow., and <i>Rhynch. Moorei</i> , Dav.

MIDDLE LIAS.

ALTI- TUDE.	No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
ft.			ft.	
		. ZONE OF AMALTHEUS SPINATUS.		
	4	Dark-grey, sandy, micaceous marl	18	<i>Amaltheus spinatus</i> , Brug. <i>Belemnites breviformis</i> , Ziet.
	5	Indurated sand, forming large sandstone blocks	8	
	6	Light-brown sands, more or less indurated, and very micaceous	56	No fossils found to enable us to determine whether the bed belongs to this, or the lower zone.
200		ZONE OF AMALTHEUS MARGARITATUS.		
	7	Bluish marl, which forms a well-defined band in the section	6—8	
	8	Greyish, sandy, laminated marls, with irregular layers of nodules	20	<i>Amaltheus margaritatus</i> , Mont., <i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> , Sow., <i>Belemnites elongatus</i> , Mill., <i>Pleurotomaria similis</i> , Sow., <i>Cryptænia expansa</i> , Sow., <i>Pleuromya unioides</i> , Roem., <i>Pecten equivalvis</i> , Sow., <i>Limea acuticosta</i> , Münster., <i>Pinna Hartmanni</i> , Münster., <i>Rhynchonella acuta</i> , Sow., <i>R. tetrahedra</i> , Sow., <i>R. calcicosta</i> , Quenst., <i>Gryphæa gigantea</i> , Sow.
	9	Foxy coloured sandstone, with from 12—16 irregular bands of stone forming the "rough bed" of the workmen	40	
	10	Band of Crinoidal limestone		<i>Pentacrinus subangularis</i> , Mill.
	11	Grey sandy clay, in parts micaceous ... Band of ferruginous septaria.	20	
100	12	Grey laminated sandy clay	17	
	13	The "Starfish Bed," hard, grey, micaceous sandstone: large blocks from this bed lie on the shore	6	<i>Ophioderma Egertoni</i> , Brod., <i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> , Sow., <i>Amaltheus margaritatus</i> , Mont., <i>Belemnites elongatus</i> , Mill.
		ZONE OF AEGOCERAS HENLEYI.		
	14	Grey marls, breaking up into cuboidal masses; in the upper part are several rows of small, fossiliferous nodules; this bed is much thicker, and better seen at Golden Cap	76	<i>Aegoceras Henleyi</i> , Sow., <i>Aeg. Bechei</i> , Sow., <i>Aeg. striatum</i> , Rein., <i>Aeg. planicosta</i> , Sow., <i>Aeg. Davæi</i> , Sow.
		Base of Down Cliffs.....		
		ZONE OF AEGOCERAS JAMESONI.		

The grey or micaceous marls attain a great thickness at Golden Cap, where they rest on the Belemnite-bed. These marls contain several stages of life, which have not been worked out with sufficient accuracy to enable me to define the limits of the different zones. Fragments of *Aegoceras Jamesoni* and *Aeg. submuticum* have been collected in the lower part of this deposit, and *Aegoceras Davæi*, *Henleyi*, and *Bechei*, in the upper.

In Gloucestershire, beneath the zone of *Aegoceras Henleyi*, two other zones are characterised by *Amaltheus Ibeæ* and *Aegoceras Jamesoni*, and these are probably comprised in the grey, micaceous marls at Golden Cap, which here attain so great a thickness.

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BRACHIOPODA.

Discina Holdeni, Tate.
Rhynchonella Variabilis, Schloth.
 — *furcillata*, Theod.
 — *rimosa*, Theod.
Spiriferina Verrucosa, von Buch.

Terebratula punctata, Sow.
Waldheimia indentata, Sow.
 — *numismalis*, Schloth.
 — *Waterhousei*, David.
 — *subvoides*, Röm.

ECHINODERMATA.

Plumaster ophiuroides, Wright.

Pentacrinus basaltiformis, Miller.

ANNELIDA.

Serpula plicatilis, Goldf.

Serpula tricristata, Goldf.

Yorkshire.—The Jamesoni-beds are found at the north side of Robin Hood's Bay, where the following important section was made by Messrs. Tate and Blake,¹ the thickness of the beds there amounting to 225 feet: the position of the fossils so carefully noted in each is of great value in reading correctly the Palæontology of this zone.

Jamesoni-beds, Robin Hood's Bay.

Base of the Henleyi-beds: the section to be read in a descending order.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	Hard, crumbly, light shale	5 0	
2	Dogger	0 6	
3	Shale.....	10 0	
4	Irregular dogger.		
5	Shale.....	4 0	
6	Brown sandy layer	0 3	
7	Shale.....	5 3	
8	Variable dogger	2 6	
9	Shale with indurated bands and nodules	13 6	<i>Aeg. striatum</i> , <i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> , <i>Ophioderma Gaveyi</i> .
10	Scattered dogger-band	1 0	
11	Shale.....	2 9	
12	Dogger	0 3	
13	Hard, crumbly shale	13 0	<i>Belemnites elegans</i> .
14	Dogger	0 6	
15	Bluer shale	2 0	
16	Dogger irregular.		
17	Bluer shale	7 0	<i>Aeg. brevispina</i> , Sow., <i>Gryphæa obliquata</i> , Sow., <i>Modiola scalprum</i> , Sow., <i>Pleuromya ovata</i> , Sow.
18	Well-marked dogger.....	0 3	<i>Belemnites elegans</i> , <i>Monotis inæquivalvis</i> , Sow.
19	Hard, grey, indurated shale, with more indurated band in the middle	11 6	<i>Pecten equivalvis</i> , Sow., <i>Limea acuticosta</i> , Münst., <i>Pinna folium</i> , Y. & B.
20	Dogger	0 3	
21	Blue shale.....	2 4	
22	Dogger	0 4	
23	Blue shale.....	5 0	<i>Gryphæa obliquata</i> , <i>Aeg. brevispina</i> , Sow.

¹ 'Yorkshire Lias,' pp. 79—81.

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
24	Dogger	0 3	
25	Shale.....	1 10	<i>Pecten priscus</i> , Schl., <i>Chemnitzia Blainvillei</i> , Münst.
26	Regular dogger.....	0 6	
27	Shale.....	3 10	<i>Gresslya striata</i> , Agass., <i>Leda Galathea</i> , d'Orb., <i>Plicatula spinosa</i> , Sow., <i>Pinna folium</i> , Y. & B., <i>Belemnites araris</i> , Dumort., <i>Bel. virgatus</i> , Mayer.
28	Irregular dogger	0 6	
29	Shale.....	3 0	<i>Aeg. brevispina</i> , Sow., <i>Aeg. polymorphum</i> , Quenst., <i>Ditrypa circinata</i> , Tate.
30	Dogger	0 5	
31	Shale.....	1 0	
32	Dogger	0 5	<i>Modiola scalprum</i> , Sow.
33	Shale.....	14 8	<i>Amaltheus lynx</i> , <i>Aeg. polymorphum</i> , <i>Pleuromya</i> <i>ovata</i> , <i>Pholadomya decorata</i> , <i>Pecten priscus</i> .
34	Dogger	0 6	<i>Pholadomya decorata</i> .
35	Shale.....	5 4	<i>Pholadomya decorata</i> .
36	Dogger, irregular.		
37	Shale.....	4 3	<i>Pecten priscus</i> , Scloth., <i>Lima Hermannii</i> , Voltz.
38	Dogger, irregular.		
39	Shale.....	5 3	<i>Unicardium cardioide</i> , Phill.
40	Dogger, irregular.		
41	Shale.....	3 0	<i>Arcomya elongata</i> , <i>Pinna folium</i> .
42	Dogger, irregular		<i>Ditrypa circinata</i> , <i>Rhyn. plicatissima</i> .
43	Shale.....	4 0	<i>Pecten priscus</i> , <i>Gryphæa obliquata</i> , <i>Gresslya</i> <i>ovata</i> . Crustacean remains.
44	Dogger, strong.....	0 8	<i>Pinna folium</i> .

This forms the base of the Jamesoni-beds proper.

45	Blue shale.....	10 0	<i>Pinna folium</i> , <i>Cucullæa Münsteri</i> , <i>Lamea acuti-</i> <i>costa</i> , <i>Arcomya vetusta</i> , <i>Glyphæa Terquemi</i> , <i>Lima Hermannii</i> .
46	Ironstone dogger	0 8	
47	Blue shale, with pyritous nests full of fossils, about five feet down..... Is at the base of the cliff, making the south point of the north cheek of the bay.	15 8	<i>Lima Hermannii</i> , <i>Monotis inæquivalvis</i> , <i>Gryphæa</i> <i>obliquata</i> , <i>Aeg. armatum</i> , <i>Aeg. Taylori</i> , <i>Pecten</i> <i>priscus</i> , <i>Protocardia oxynoti</i> , <i>Nucula con-</i> <i>torta</i> , <i>Gresslya ovata</i> , <i>G. striata</i> , <i>Pleuroto-</i> <i>maria procera</i> , <i>Spiriferina Walcotii</i> , <i>Rhyncho-</i> <i>nella calcicosta</i> .
48	Dogger	0 4	
49	Blue shale.....	12 0	
50	Band of rotted clay	0 2	
51	Ironstone dogger, well marked in the cliff	0 3	<i>Inoceramus ventricosus</i> , <i>Pecten calvus</i> , <i>Chem-</i> <i>nitzia Blainvillei</i> .
52	Blue shale.....	5 0	
53	Strong ironstone dogger	0 4	<i>Gryphæa obliquata</i> .
54	Blue shale, with doggers and nests of fossils scattered	24 0	<i>Aeg. armatum</i> , <i>Pecten priscus</i> , <i>Belemnites clava-</i> <i>tus</i> , <i>Ditrypa circinata</i> .
	Thin line of broken fossils	0 1	<i>Ammonites</i> , <i>Belemnites</i> , <i>Pecten</i> , <i>Cerithium</i> .
55	Blue shale field of <i>Belemnites</i> and <i>Gryphæas</i>	5 6	<i>Aeg. armatum</i> , <i>Aeg. planicosta</i> , <i>Belemnites</i> , <i>Gry-</i> <i>phæa obliquata</i> , <i>Lamea acuticosta</i> , <i>Pecten pris-</i> <i>cus</i> , <i>Cucullæa Munsteri</i> , <i>Pinna folium</i> .
56	Ironstone dogger	0 3	

No.	LITHOLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
57	Blue shale	3 0	<i>Aegoceras armatum.</i>
58	Scattered irregular doggers and blue shale	3 0	<i>Ariet. tardecrescens, Pecten calvus, Pecten sub-Bestriatus, Cucullæa Münsteri.</i>
59	Argillaceous ironstone dogger with cone-in-cone structure at top.....	0 4	
60	Blue shale, estimated at	8 6	<i>Aeg. armatum, Ar. Macdonnelli = Nodotianus, Belemnites elegans, Pentacrinus, L. acuticosta.</i>
	Base of the <i>Armatum</i> zone.		
	Total thickness	225 8	

Warwickshire.—The Jamesoni and Ibez beds are developed at Fenny Compton, Warwickshire, where they have been carefully studied and well described by Mr. T. Beesley, F.C.S., of Banbury.¹ The rocks are about 100 feet in thickness, and the following section affords an idea of their petrology, thickness, and organic remains.

No.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	Rough shaly clay.....	20 0	
2	Band of nodules, argillo-calcareous ...	0 2	
3	Shale.....	10 0	
4	Band of fossiliferous nodules	0 3	<i>Aeg. striatum, Amal. Ibez, Aeg. Maugenesti, Aeg. Valdani.</i>
5	Shale.....	8 0	
6	Band of fossiliferous nodules	0 2	<i>Aeg. Maugenesti, Fucoids.</i>
7	Belemnite shale.....	2 0	<i>Belemnites breviformis, and several others.</i>
8	Rough, shelly, argillaceous limestone, with numerous fossils	1 0	<i>Aeg. Jamesoni, Aeg. Valdani, Belemnites clavatus, Lima Hettangiensis, Spiriferina verrucosa, Waldheimia numismalis, Rhynchonella rimosa.</i>
9	Belemnite shale	4 6	<i>Belemnites clavatus, B. apicicurvatus.</i>
10	Rough, shelly, argillaceous limestone, with many fossils.....		<i>Aeg. armatum, Pecten priscus, Limea acuticostata, Gryphæa obliquata, Cardinia attenuata, Rhyn. rimosa, Montivaltia mucronata.</i>
11	Shale.....	1 8	
12	Nodular band	0 3	
13	Shale	3 0	
14	Band of fossiliferous nodules	0 3	<i>Pecten calvus, Terebrat. punctata, var. Radstockiensis, David.</i>
15	Shale.....	14 0	
16	Band of nodules	0 2	
17	Shale.....	5 0	
18	Band of nodules	0 2	
19	Shale.....	3 6	
20	Band of nodules	0 2	
21	Shale.....	22 0	
		96 3	

¹ "Lias of Fenny Compton, Warwickshire." Reprinted from the 'Proceedings of the Warwickshire Nat. and Archæol. Field-Club,' p. 14, 1877.

List of Fossils from the Jamesoni Zone, Fenny Compton.

VERTEBRATA.

Ichthyosaurus, bones and teeth.

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Fishes ; vertebræ and other remains.

CEPHALOPODA.

Harpoceras arietiforme, *Oppel.*

Aegoceras armatum, *Sow.*

— biferum, *Quenst.*

— brevispina, *Sow.*

— Buvignieri, *d' Orb.*

— Centaurus, *d' Orb.*

— densinodum, *Quenst.*

— striatum, *Reinecke.*

— Ibex, *Quenst.*

— Maugenesti, *d' Orb.*

— Jamesoni, *Sow.*

— Loscombi, *Sow.*

— Lynx, *d' Orb.*

— pettos, *Quenst.*

— Valdani, *d' Orb.*

Lytoceras fimbriatum, *Sow.*

Belemnites acutus, *Mill.*

— apicicurvatus, *Blainv.*

— araris, *Dumort.*

— breviformis, *Voltz.*

Belemnites brevis, *Dumort.*

— Bucklandi *Phill.*

— calcar, *Phill.*

— Charmouthensis, *Mayer.*

— clavatus, *Blainv.*

— compressus, *Stahl.*

— cylindricus, *Simp.*

— elegans, *Simp.*

— elongatus, *Sow.*

— junceus ? *Phill.*

— lageniformis, *Ziet.*

— longiformis, *Blake.*

— longissimus, *Mill.*

— Milleri, *Phill.*

— oxynotus, *Quenst.*

— nitidus, *Phill.*

— palliatus, *Dumort.*

— penicillatus, *Sow.*

— ventroplanus, *Voltz.*

— virgatus, *Mayer.*

GASTEROPODA.

Actæonina Ilminsterensis, *Moore.*

— marginata, *Simp.*

— numismalis, *Quenst.*

Tornatella capricornus, *Tate.*

Cerithium Camertonense, *Moore.*

— Brodiei, *Tate.*

— Ibex, *Tate.*

— Slatteri, *Tate.*

Chemnitzia Blainvillei, *Münst.*

— citharella, *Tate.*

— crassicosta, *Tate.*

— foviolata, *Tate.*

Dentalium angulatum, *Buck.*

— minimum, *Strick.*

Eucyclus Gaudryanus, *d' Orb.*

— imbricatus, *Sow.*

Pitonellus conicus, *d' Orb.*

— lineatus, *Moore.*

— turbinatus, *Moore.*

Pleurotomaria similis, *Sow.*

Cryptænia expansa, *Sow.*

Trochus limbatus, *Schloth.*

— Pandion, *Dumort.*

— Pluto, *d' Orb.*

— Thetis, *Goldf.*

Turbo admirandus, *Tate.*

— Lucilius, *d' Orb.*

Turritella anomala, *Moore.*

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

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| Anomia numismalis, <i>Quenst.</i> | Leda Zieteni, <i>Brauns.</i> |
| Arcomya elongata, <i>Römer.</i> | — acuminata, <i>Ziet.</i> |
| Astarte striato-sulcata, <i>Goldf.</i> | Lima eucharis, <i>d' Orb.</i> |
| — Camertonensis, <i>Moore.</i> | — Hettangiensis, <i>Terq.</i> |
| — obsoleta, <i>Dunk.</i> | — Hermanni, <i>Voltz.</i> |
| Avicula calva, <i>Schlönb.</i> | — punctata, <i>Sow.</i> |
| — inæquivalvis, <i>Sow.</i> | — pectinoides, <i>Sow.</i> |
| — papyria, <i>Quenst.</i> | — scabricula, <i>Tate.</i> |
| Cardinia attenuata, <i>Stutch.</i> | Limea acuticosta, <i>Goldf.</i> |
| Cardita multicostata, <i>Phill.</i> | Macrodon intermedium, <i>Simp.</i> |
| Protocardia bombax, <i>Tate.</i> | Modiola numismalis, <i>Oppel.</i> |
| — oxynoti, <i>Quenst.</i> | — scalprum, <i>Sow.</i> |
| — truncata, <i>Sow.</i> | Myoconcha decorata, <i>Münst.</i> |
| Ceromya bombax, <i>Quenst.</i> | Nucula cordata, <i>Goldf.</i> |
| — rugata, <i>Quenst.</i> | Ostrea Goldfussi, <i>Brauns.</i> |
| Cypricardia cucullata, <i>Münst.</i> | — semiplicata, <i>Römer.</i> |
| Cucullæa Münsteri, <i>Ziet.</i> | Pecten acuticostatus, <i>Lam.</i> |
| Gervillia lævis, <i>Buck.</i> | — acutiradiatus, <i>Goldf.</i> |
| Goniomya hybrida, <i>Münst.</i> | — calvus, <i>Goldf.</i> |
| Gresslya lunata, <i>Tate.</i> | — fortunatus, <i>Dumort.</i> |
| — punctata, <i>Simp.</i> | — liasinus, <i>Nyst.</i> |
| — striata, <i>Agass.</i> | — priscus, <i>Schloth.</i> |
| Gryphæa obliquata, <i>Sow.</i> | — substriatus, <i>Röm.</i> |
| Harpax Parkinsoni, <i>Dumort.</i> | — textorius, <i>Schloth.</i> |
| Hinnites tumidus, <i>Ziet.</i> | Pholadomya ambigua, <i>Sow.</i> |
| Hippopodium ponderosum, <i>Sow.</i> | — decorata, <i>Hartm.</i> |
| Leda complanata, <i>Goldf.</i> | Pinna folium, <i>Young & Bird.</i> |
| — Galathea, <i>d' Orb.</i> | Pleuromya ovata, <i>Römer.</i> |
| — graphica, <i>Tate.</i> | Plicatula sarcinula, <i>Goldf.</i> |
| — minor, <i>Simp.</i> | — spinosa, <i>Sow.</i> |
| — subovalis, <i>Goldf.</i> | Unicardium cardioides, <i>Phill.</i> |

BRACHIOPODA.

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| Discina Holdeni, <i>Tate.</i> | Spiriferina pinguis, <i>Tiet.</i> |
| Lingula sacculus, <i>Chap. & Dewal.</i> | — Walcotii, <i>Sow.</i> |
| Rhynchonella calcicosta, <i>Quenst.</i> | Terebratula Radstockensis, <i>Dav.</i> |
| — furcillata, <i>Théod.</i> | — punctata, <i>Sow.</i> |
| — rimosa, <i>Théod.</i> | Waldheimia indentata, <i>Sow.</i> |
| — subconcinna, <i>David.</i> | — numismalis, <i>Lamk.</i> |
| — tetraëdra, <i>Sow.</i> | — Sarthacencis, <i>d' Orb.</i> |
| Spiriferina oxyptera, <i>Bur.</i> | — perforata, <i>Piette.</i> |

POLYZOA.

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| Alecto dichotoma, <i>Goldf.</i> | Stromatopora antiqua, <i>Terq. & Piet.</i> |
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CRUSTACEA.

Bairdia dispersa, <i>Blake</i> .	Cythere triangulata, <i>Bl.</i>
— liassica, <i>Bl.</i>	Glyphæa, <i>sp.</i>
Polycope cerasia, <i>Bl.</i>	Pseudoglyphæa, <i>sp.</i>
Cythere Redcarensis, <i>Bl.</i>	Eryma lævis, <i>Bl.</i>
— translucens, <i>Bl.</i>	

ANNELIDA.

Galeolaria socialis, <i>Goldf.</i>	Serpula limax, <i>Goldf.</i>
Ditrypa circinata, <i>Tate</i> .	— plicatilis, <i>Goldf.</i>
— Etalensis, <i>Piette</i> .	— tricristata, <i>Goldf.</i>
— globiceps, <i>Quenst.</i>	— mundula, <i>Dumort.</i>
— quinquesulcata, <i>Goldf.</i>	

ECHINODERMATA.

Cidaris Edwardsii, <i>Wright</i> .	Pentacrinus basaltiformis, <i>Mill.</i>
Ophioderma Gaveyi, <i>Wright</i>	— Milleri, <i>Austin.</i>
Extracrinus subangularis, <i>Mill.</i>	— scalaris, <i>Quenst.</i>
Millericrinus Hausmanni, <i>Röm.</i>	— punctiferus, <i>Quenst.</i>

ANTHOZOA.

Montlivaltia mucronata, <i>Dunc.</i>	Montlivaltia nummiformis, <i>Dunc.</i>
— rugosa, <i>Wright.</i>	— radiata, <i>Dunc.</i>

FORAMINIFERA.

Cristellaria matutina, <i>Terq.</i>	Lagena, <i>sp.</i>
— recta, <i>d' Orb.</i>	Lingulina tenera, <i>Born.</i>
— rustica, <i>Terq.</i>	Marginulina 12-costata, <i>Terq.</i>
Dentalina irregularis, <i>Terq.</i>	— interlineata, <i>Terq.</i>
— nodosa, <i>d' Orb.</i>	— prima, <i>var. acuta</i> , <i>Terq.</i>
— pauperata, <i>d' Orb.</i>	Miliola, <i>sp.</i>
— perlucida, <i>Terq.</i>	Nodosaria nitida, <i>d' Orb.</i>
— quadrilatera, <i>Terq.</i>	— raphanistrum, <i>Linn.</i>
— striata, <i>Terq.</i>	— raphanus, <i>Linn.</i>
— torta, <i>Terq.</i>	— Simoniana, <i>Terq.</i>
Flabellina rugosa, <i>d' Orb.</i>	Orbulina universa, <i>Terq.</i>
Fronicularia sulcata, <i>Born.</i>	Polymorphia nodosaria, <i>Reuss.</i>
— Terquemi, <i>d' Orb.</i>	Spiroloculina, <i>sp.</i>
Glandulina conica, <i>Terq.</i>	Trochammina gordialis, <i>P. & J.</i>

This rich fauna of the Jamesoni-beds at Fenny Compton has been collected by Mr. Beesley, F.C.S., of Banbury, and forms part of his valuable collection of Lias fossils.

The Middle Lias has been shown by Professor Ralph Tate,¹ F.G.S., to be well developed near Radstock, and he has ascertained the existence of the *Jamesoni*, *Ibex*,

¹ 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xxxi, p. 500.

and *Henleyi* beds in the Munger Quarry, near Paulton, Somersetshire. The *Jamesoni*-bed here consists of a soft, yellow, ironshot limestone, indistinctly bedded, rather lumpy, and very fossiliferous, and from this and the upper beds the following fauna was collected. In consequence of the thinning out of the Lias strata in this locality the three zones are comprised within three yards of rock.

Fossils from the Jamesoni-beds of the Radstock District.

CEPHALOPODA.

<i>Aegoceras Henleyi</i> , Sow.	<i>Aegoceras brevispina</i> , Sow.
— <i>Maugenesti</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	— <i>polymorphum</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>
— <i>Jamesoni</i> , Sow.	<i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> , Sow.
— <i>armatum</i> , Sow.	<i>Amaltheus Ibex</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>
— <i>striatum</i> , <i>Reinecke.</i>	<i>Nautilus intermedius</i> , Sow.
— <i>Buvignieri</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	<i>Belemnites clavatus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>
— <i>pettos</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>	— <i>elongatus</i> , <i>Mill.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

<i>Dentalium elongatum</i> , <i>Münst.</i>	<i>Trochus acutus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>
<i>Cryptænia expansa</i> , Sow.	— <i>mammillaris</i> , <i>Moore.</i>
— <i>heliciformis</i> , <i>Deslong.</i>	— <i>Thetis</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>
<i>Pleurotomaria granosa</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>	— <i>limbatus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>
<i>Turbo cyclostoma</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>	— <i>Ægion</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
— <i>Socconensis</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	<i>Eucyclus Quadryanus</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
— <i>bullatus</i> , <i>Moore.</i>	<i>Chemnitzia undulata</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>
<i>Pitonellus conicus</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	— <i>Blainvillei</i> , <i>Gold.</i>
<i>Phasianella turbinata</i> , <i>Stoliczka.</i>	<i>Actæonina marginata</i> , <i>Simp.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

<i>Ostrea simplicata</i> , <i>Münst.</i>	<i>Macrodon intermedium</i> , <i>Simp</i>
<i>Pecten lunularis</i> , <i>Römer.</i>	<i>Nucula cordata</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>
— <i>priscus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>	<i>Leda Galathea</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>
— <i>substriatus</i> , <i>Römer.</i>	<i>Cardita consimilis</i> , <i>Tate.</i>
<i>Hinnites tumidus</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>	<i>Astarte striato-sulcata</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>
<i>Lima Hermanni</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>	— <i>Camertonensis</i> , <i>Moore</i>
— <i>Hettangiensis</i> , <i>Terq.</i>	<i>Myoconcha decorata</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>
— <i>eucharis</i> , <i>d'Orb.</i>	<i>Cypricardia cucullata</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>
<i>Limea acuticosta</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>	<i>Cardinia attenuata</i> , <i>Stutch.</i>
<i>Plicatula spinosa</i> , Sow.	— <i>crassissima</i> , Sow.
<i>Avicula longiaxis</i> , <i>Buck.</i>	— <i>concinna</i> , Sow.
<i>Inoceramus ventricosus</i> , Sow.	<i>Ceromya bombax</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>
<i>Pinna folium</i> , <i>Young & Bird.</i>	<i>Pleuromya ovata</i> , <i>Röm.</i>
<i>Macrodon Buckmani</i> , <i>Richard.</i>	<i>Pholadomya ambigua</i> , Sow.

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LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Pholadomya decorata, *Hartm.*
 — ambigua, *Sow.*
 Pleuromya ovata, *Römer.*
 — Scotica, *Wright.*
 Unicardium Ianthe, *d'Orb.*
 Pinna folium, *Young & Bird.*
 Mytilus scalprum, *Sow.*
 — numismalis, *Oppel.*
 Leda Zieteni, *Brauns.*
 — Galathea, *d'Orb.*
 Cardinia attenuata, *Stutch.*
 Avicula novemcostæ, *Brown.*
 Lima Hermannii, *Ziet.*
 — eucharis, *d'Orb.*

Limea acuticosta, *Goldf.*
 Inoceramus ventricosus, *Sow.*
 Pecten æquivalvis, *Sow.*
 — liasinus, *Nyst.*
 Plicatula spinosa, *Sow.*
 Gervillia Maccullochii, *Wright.*
 Gryphæa cymbium, *Lamk.*
 — obliquata, *Sow.*
 Hippopodium ponderosum, *Sow.*
 Astarte striatosulcata, *Römer.*
 Arcomya vetusta, *Phill.*
 Cucullæa Münsteri, *Goldf.*
 Cardita multicosta, *Phill.*
 Plicatula spinosa, *Sow.*

BRACHIOPODA.

Rhynchonella tetraëdra, *Sow.*
 — furcillata, *Theod.*
 — variabilis, *Schloth.*

Waldheimia numismalis, *Schloth.*
 Spiriferina oxyptera, *Buwig.*
 — verrucosa, *Buck.*

CRUSTACEA.

Pseudoglyphæa, *sp.*

| Glyphæa, *sp.*

ANNELIDA.

Ditrypa circinata, *Tate.*

| Ditrypa quinquesulcata, *Münst.*

ECHINODERMATA.

Pentacrinus robustus, *Wright.*

| Pentacrinus lævis, *Miller.*

Foreign Correlations.—In North Germany the *Jamesoni*-beds form the base of the Middle Lias, and are, in part, the equivalent of the Numismalis-marl of Swabia. According to the late Dr. U. Schlönbach, who made a special study of these beds, and recorded the results in an exhaustive memoir,¹ the ironstones of the Middle Lias worked near Harzburg, Liebenburg, Bodenstein, Kalefeld, and Markoldendorf, &c., are obtained from this zone. *Aegoceras armatum* lies in the lowest stratum, *Aeg. Jamesoni* and its other associated Mollusca in higher strata, and the upper portion of the marls passes into beds containing *Aeg. Loscombi*, *Aeg. Valdani*, *Aeg. fimbriatum*, and *Amaltheus Ibeæ*, so that the “Schichten des Ammonites Jamesoni” of Brauns include beds which form the whole of the *Ibeæ*-beds and part of the *Henleyi*-beds of this work. Last year I obtained from Hechingen three beautiful specimens of *Aeg. Jamesoni*, almost exact replicas of the type of this Ammonite which I had from its original locality, the island of Pabba, and, associated with it, from like beds, *Aeg. Valdani* from the ferruginous marls. Emerson²

¹ “Ueber den Eisenstein des mittleren Lias im N.-W. Deutschland,” p. 503, 1863; ‘Zeitschr. d. deutschen geol. Gesellschaft,’ Jahrg. 1863.

² ‘Die Liasmulde von Markoldendorf,’ p. 27, 1870.

gives the following section in the lower half of the Middle Lias, "in dem 'Klef' und am Abhange des Berges," in descending order: 1st, *Aeg.-Centaurus*-beds; 2nd, *Aeg.-brevispina*-beds; 3rd, *Aeg.-armatum*-beds. In the first are found *Lytoceras fimbriatum* and *Aegoceras striatum*, in the second *Aeg. Jamesoni* and *Aeg. brevispina*, and in the third *Aeg. armatum* and *Terebratula subovoides* = *T. punctata*.

In South-west Germany, at the foot of the Swabian Alps, the marls of the Middle Lias are seen resting upon Lower Lias clays containing *Arietites raricostatus*. In these, the Numismalis-marls of Quenstedt, are found *Gryphæa obliqua* and *Belemnites elongatus*, which now appear for the first time, *Belemnites acutus*, so common in the older beds, being absent. *Pecten priscus*, *Lima Hermannii*, and other bivalved shells, as *Pholadomya decorata*, are likewise found with *Rhynchonella tetraëdra*, *Rhyn. calcicosta*, and *Spiriferina Münsteri*. Above these forerunners of the new Fauna are large Ammonites, embedded in a calcareous matrix, representing varieties of *Aegoceras armatum*; and in marls still higher in the sections *Aegoceras Jamesoni* appears for the first time associated with *Aegoceras brevispina*, *Aegoceras Taylori*, *Harpoceras Masseanum*, and *Harpoceras arietiforme*. Associated with the Cephalopods are Brachiopods, represented by *Waldeheimia numismalis*, *Rhynchonella rimosa*, *Rhynchonella variabilis*, also *Pentacrinus basaltiformis*, with many Mollusca, which represent the zone of *Aegoceras Jamesoni* in Württemberg. It is important to note the very great change that takes place in the life of the Molluscan Fauna with the dawn of the Middle Lias, and to observe the great contrast between the palæontology of the *Jamesoni*, *Ibex*, and *Henleyi* zones, when compared with those we have studied in examining the various successive horizons of life in the Lower Lias.

In France the *Jamesoni*-beds are well developed in several Departments. In Normandy they would appear to be included by Prof. Deslongchamps¹ in the "Calcaires et Marnes à *Terebratula numismalis*." Although not described as marking a distinct zone, the *Aeg. Jamesoni* = *Regnardi*, d'Orb., has been collected at Evrecy, Calvados. In the Côte d'Or the *Jamesoni*-beds are described by M. Collenot,² who divides the Middle Lias near Semur into four zones, designating each by a characteristic species of Ammonite, and in descending order he gives the following:

- Zone of *Aeg. Henleyi*, Sow.
- „ *Aeg. Davœi*, Sow.
- „ *Aeg. Venarense*, Opp.
- „ *Aeg. Valdani*, d'Orb.

In the *Valdani*-beds *Aegoceras Jamesoni* is found.

¹ Deslongchamps, 'Études Jurassique Inf. de la Normandie,' p. 42, 1864.

² 'Description Géologique de l'Auxois,' p. 260, 1873.

In the Department of the Cher, at Saint-Amand this zone is represented by *Aeg. Jamesoni* = *Regnardi*, d'Orb., *Phyll. Loscombi*, Sow., *Aeg. Valdani*, d'Orb., *Aeg. Mauge-
nesti*, d'Orb., *Amal. Ibeæ*, Quenst., *Aeg. Centaurus*, d'Orb., *Aeg. brevispina*, d'Orb. In the Department of the Aveyron there is a considerable thickness of Middle Lias composed of limestones and marls. The limestones form the base, the "Zone à *Lyt. fimbriatum*," and the marls occupy the upper portion, the "Zone à *Amal. margaritatus*." Specimens of *Aeg. Jamesoni* have been found in the region, so that the fossils of this zone have not been separated from the *fimbriatum*-beds, as in other localities. In the Department of the Rhone M. Dumortier has studied the fossils of the Middle Lias with great care, and has shown that this division of the formation attains a considerable development in the Basin of the Rhone. He observes, "Considered in relation to its fossils the Middle Lias may be regarded as the reign of Belemnites, for in no other division of the Secondary strata do we recognise the remains of these Cephalopods accumulated in such considerable numbers and appertaining to so many species. The Ammonites also furnish always in lower portions of the stage a very remarkable contingent of large species, and all characteristic of special horizons. The Acephala, Gastropods, and Brachiopods also give a considerable number of species." This author divides the Middle Lias of the Basin of the Rhone into two great zones, very unequal otherwise in their thickness.

The lower is much more developed vertically, and comprises an assemblage of marly limestones and marls, having a total thickness often exceeding eighty mètres = 260 feet, and forming the zone of *Belemnites clavatus*. The upper zone is very clearly separated from the lower by its mineralogical composition and by its fossils; and is characterised by the presence of *Pecten æquivalvis*. The limestones which compose it are throughout very hard, of various colours, very badly stratified, and form a thickness which, in the centre of the basin, does not appear to exceed from six to eight mètres = 20 to 26 feet.

TABLE OF THE MIDDLE LIAS IN THE BASIN OF THE RHONE.

UPPER LIAS.

Zone of Pecten æquivalvis.

PETROLOGY.	THICKNESS.	FOSSILS.
Calcareous "lumachelle," yellowish or reddish Heavy limestone, sublamellar, very hard, yellowish-brown, with large, ferruginous, oolitic grains	Mètres. 2 to 3 2 to 5	<i>Limea acuticosta</i> , Goldfuss. <i>Ostrea sportella</i> , Dumort.

<i>Zone of Belemnites clavatus.</i>		
PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	FOSSILS.
Grey-bluish marls, tender, plastic, without interposed calcareous layers	Mètres. 5 to 10	<i>Tisooa siphonalis</i> , Marcel de Serres.
A thin layer of bluish "lumachelle," very hard, charged with pyrites, forming very resisting plaquettes.....		<i>Lingula Voltzii.</i>
Greyish-blue marls, without hard beds.....	60 to 70	<i>Tisooa siphonalis</i> , Marcel de Serres.
Marly limestones, alternating with yellowish marls and greyish ferruginous nodules.....	2 to 3	<i>Belemnites paxillosus</i> , Schloth.
Greyish marly limestone, coarse, hard, and earthy, very often coloured blood-red	2 to 3	<i>Aegoceras armatum</i> , Sow.
Total thickness	{ 73 to 94 in the two zones.	
LOWER LIAS.		

It was not possible in this region to correlate the beds by the Ammonites as he had done in other Departments of the Rhone basin, so M. Dumortier selected *Pecten æquivalis* and *Belemnites clavatus* as the organic forms that characterise the different horizons into which he has divided his zone of *Belemnites clavatus*.

9. THE ZONE OF AMALTHEUS IBEX.

Synonyms.—"Upper Marls," pars, De la Beche, "Lias of Lyme Regis," 'Geol. Trans.,' 2nd series, vol. ii, p. 22, 1823. "Ochraceous Lias," Murchison, 'Geol. of Cheltenham,' 2 Ed., p. 42, 1845. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites Ibeæ*," Opper, 'Die Juraformation,' p. 122, 1856. "*Ibeæ*-bed," Wright, 'Quart. Jour. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xiv, p. 25, 1858. "Schicht. des *Ammonites Centaurus*," Emerson, 'Die Liasmulde v. Markoldendorf,' p. 34, 1870. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites Centaurus*," Brauns, 'Untere Jura,' p. 111, 1871.

This zone was originally exposed at Battledown Hill, near Cheltenham, where it was worked for brick-earth: the bed consisted of an unctuous, tenacious, yellowish clay, containing numerous hard ferruginous nodules, many of which enclosed fossil shells. The same stratum was found in Leckhampton, Charlton Kings, and Churchdown to the south, and at Dumbleton, north of Cheltenham; everywhere the nodules yielded many well-preserved Mollusca, and the following list is characteristic of this zone.

CEPHALOPODA.

Amaltheus IbeX, <i>Quenst.</i>		Lytoceras fimbriatum, <i>Sow.</i>
Aegoceras Valdani, <i>d' Orb.</i>		Phylloceras Loscombi, <i>Sow.</i>
— Maugenesti, <i>d' Orb.</i>		Aegoceras striatum, <i>Reinecke.</i>
— Actæon, <i>d' Orb.</i>		Belemnites clavatus, <i>Schloth.</i>
— Centaurus, <i>d' Orb.</i>		— elongatus, <i>Miller.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

Trochus imbricatus, <i>Sow.</i>		Trochus lævis, <i>Schloth.</i>
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LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Cardinia attenuata, <i>Stutch.</i>		Arca truncata, <i>Buck.</i>
Mytilus scalprum, <i>Sow.</i>		— elongata, <i>Buck.</i>
Pinna folium, <i>Young and Bird.</i>		Gryphæa cymbium, <i>Lamk.</i>
Pecten priscus, <i>Schloth.</i>		Inoceramus ventricosus, <i>Sow.</i>
Lima pectinoides, <i>Sow.</i>		Avicula longiaxis, <i>Buck.</i>
Avicula inæqualvis, <i>Sow.</i>		Gervillia lævis, <i>von Buch.</i>
Macrodon Buckmani, <i>Rich.</i>		Hippopodium ponderosum, <i>Sow.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

Spiriferina rostrata, <i>Lamk.</i>		Waldheimia numismalis, <i>Lamk.</i>
Rhynchonella furcillata, <i>Théod.</i>		Rhynchonella rimosa, <i>Buck.</i>

The fossils of this zone in other localities are often catalogued with those from the *Jamesoni*-beds, on which they rest, and it is rare that we are able to define so distinctly the limits of the *IbeX*-beds as formerly we were able to do near Cheltenham.

Mr. E. B. Tawney, F.G.S., has made a careful study of the Lias around Radstock, and embodied his observations in an exhaustive memoir¹ on this subject. From this we learn that the *IbeX*-beds were found by him at Munger, near Radstock, associated with the *Jamesoni*-beds; and that near the top of an old quarry, formerly worked for road-material, he collected *Aegoceras Maugenesti*, *Aegoceras Valdani*, *Aegoceras striatum*, and *Lytoceras fimbriatum*. *Aegoceras brevispina*, *Aegoceras Jamesoni*, and *Amaltheus IbeX* seem to occur throughout, and in the same locality Belemnites were abundant, but not easily extracted. *Belemnites paxillosus* and *B. apicicurvatus*, *Littorinæ* and other minute Gastropods were found in fine preservation with *Cryptænia expansa*. Among the bivalve shells *Astarte striato-sulcata*, *Inoceramus ventricosus*, *Pholadomya ambigua*; and of Brachiopods, *Rhynchonella rimosa* and *Rhyn. furcillata*. We have here a very good account of the *IbeX*-beds of Munger, with the distribution of some of the leading fossils therein.

¹ "Notes on the Lias in the Neighbourhood of Radstock," 'Proc. Bristol Naturalists' Soc.,' vol. i, p. 178, 1875.

This zone appears to extend into Northamptonshire, as the specimens of *Amal. Ibeæ*, and *Aeg. Valdani* in the British Museum, marked from Watford, testify.

In Dorsetshire I have collected at Lyme Regis fragments of the leading fossils of this zone, as, for example, *A. Valdani*, *A. Maugenesti*, in greyish coloured clay beneath a bed with *Aeg. Davæi*, so that the zone of *Amaltheus Ibeæ* appears to maintain an independent position above the *Jamesoni*-beds in the localities I have cited wherever we are able to ascertain the position of its fossils with sufficient accuracy to determine the limits of the zone.

Foreign Correlations.—In South-West Germany this zone was first separated from the *Jamesoni*-beds by Dr. Oppel,¹ as he found in beds of clay and marl a few feet thick, resting upon the *Jamesoni*-beds, a group of Ammonites that were constantly associated together, namely, *Amal. Ibeæ*, *Aeg. Maugenesti*, *Aeg. Valdani*, *Aeg. Actæon*, and *Aeg. Centaurus*, whilst in the *Jamesoni*-beds the group of associates consisted of *Aegoceras Jamesoni*, *Aeg. Masseanum*, *Aeg. submuticum*, *Aeg. Taylori*, and *Aeg. pettos*; and a like distribution of species is found in the two zones in Gloucestershire. The *Ibeæ*-beds are much more easily discovered round Cheltenham than the *Jamesoni*-beds, which are only reached in some deep brick-earth diggings.

In several of the exposures for obtaining ironstone out of the Middle Lias of North Germany some good sections of the *Jamesoni*, *Henleyi*, and *Margaritatus*-zones have been discovered. The following section, made by the late Dr. U. Schlönbach,² of a cutting near Oldershausen shows the relation of the *Ibeæ* and *Jamesoni* zones to each other in that region.

Section near Oldershausen, between Oldenrode and Echte; the beds taken in descending Order.

No.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	A dark red-brown ironstone, with very fine oolitic granules, and containing many petrifications from 4 to	6 0	<i>Phyll. Loscombi</i> , <i>Aeg. hybridum</i> , <i>Aeg. brevispina</i> , <i>Aeg. Jamesoni</i> , <i>Aeg. Valdani</i> , <i>Aeg. Gumbrechtii</i> , <i>Amal. Oppeli</i> , <i>Belemnites clavatus</i> , <i>B. breviformis</i> , <i>B. elongatus</i> , <i>Nautilus intermedius</i> , <i>Pholadomya decorata</i> , <i>P. obliquata</i> , <i>P. ambigua</i> , <i>P. Hausmanni</i> , <i>Avicula Sinemuriensis</i> , <i>Gryphæa obliqua</i> , <i>Pentacrinus basaltiformis</i> .
2	A greenish-brown marly limestone, very crumbly, and containing many petrifications.....	1 8	<i>Lyt. fimbriatum</i> , <i>Aeg. Valdani</i> , <i>Phyll. Loscombi</i> , <i>Belemnites elongatus</i> , <i>B. breviformis</i> , <i>B. clavatus</i> , <i>B. umbilicatus</i> , <i>Cryptænia expansa</i> , <i>Spiriferina rostrata</i> .
3	A hard greyish-yellow limestone, often oolitic	0 10	<i>Aeg. Capricornus</i> , <i>Belemnites elongatus</i> , <i>B. breviformis</i> , <i>B. clavatus</i> , <i>B. umbilicatus</i> , <i>Millericrinus Hausmanni</i> , <i>Pentacrinus nudus</i> .

¹ 'Juraformation,' p. 122, 1856.

² 'Eisenstein des mittleren Lias im N.-W. Deutschland,' p. 493, 1863.

At Markoldendorf,¹ near Einbeck, in a similar exposure for ironstone, he found the above strata with *Aeg. armatum*, *Aeg. Centaurus*, *Aeg. brevispina*, *Aeg. Jamesoni*, *Trochus lævis*, *Pholadomya ambigua*, *Inoceramus ventricosus*, *Gryphæa obliqua*, and many Brachiopods.

Dr. Emerson² states that the beds with *Aeg. Centaurus* in the Markoldendorf district yield the richest ironstones in the Middle Lias, and that they alone afford that beautiful granular oolitic structure which is absent from most of the other ironstone masses of that region. In some parts the *Centaurus*-beds rest upon the *Brevispina*-beds, and contain a great number of Gasteropods. The following Mollusca were obtained by this author from these ironstones.

Fossils from the Aegoceras Centaurus-beds at Hullersen.

<i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> , Sow.	<i>Phasianella phasianoides</i> , d'Orb.
<i>Aegoceras striatum</i> , Rein.	<i>Cemoria costata</i> , Emerson.
— <i>Centaurus</i> , d'Orb.	— <i>punctata</i> , Emerson.
<i>Phylloceras Loscombi</i> , Sow.	<i>Opis Carusensis</i> , d'Orb.
— <i>Herberti</i> , Opp.	<i>Isocardia cingulata</i> , Goldf.
<i>Nautilus intermedius</i> , Sow.	<i>Unicardium Ianthe</i> , d'Orb.
<i>Belemnites elongatus</i> , Mill.	<i>Nucula cordata</i> , Goldf.
— <i>clavatus</i> , Schloth.	<i>Leda subovalis</i> , Goldf.
<i>Trochus lævis</i> , Schloth.	— <i>Galathea</i> , d'Orb.
— <i>Retbergi</i> , Schlön.	<i>Inoceramus Ventricosus</i> , Sow.
— <i>Thetis</i> , Goldf.	<i>Limea acuticosta</i> , Goldf.
<i>Pleurotomaria multicineta</i> , Schüb.	<i>Pecten velatus</i> , Goldf.
— <i>tuberculato-costata</i> , Münst.	<i>Spiriferina rostrata</i> , Schloth.
— <i>granosa</i> , Schloth.	<i>Pentacrinus basaltiformis</i> , Mill.
— <i>solarium</i> , Koch.	— <i>nudus</i> , Schlön.

In Swabia the three zones of the lower half of the Middle Lias—the *Jamesoni*, *Ibex*, and *Davæi* beds—closely resemble each other, and are only distinguished by the characteristic Ammonites they contain, most of their Gastropods and Lamelli-branches having a wider range in the beds than the Cephalopods, a stratigraphical condition which we have seen to prevail in other zones of life. According to Dr. Opperl³ the following section fairly represents the actual state of the lower half of the Middle Lias of Swabia.

¹ 'Eisenstein des mittleren Lias im N.-W. Deutschland,' p. 496, 1863.

² 'Die Liasmulde v. Markoldendorf bei Einbeck,' p. 34, 1870.

³ 'Die Juraformation,' p. 123, 1856.

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Hartmanni, *S. oxyptera*, and *Rhynchonella furcillata*. Other species are found which pass up into higher beds, such as *Terebratula cornuta*, *T. Waterhousei*, *T. subnumismalis*, *Spiriferina rostrata*, *Rhynchonella tetraëdra*, and *Waldheimia numismalis* rarely.

In the Department of the Cher the late Professor Alcide d'Orbigny¹ well defined the presence of this zone in giving the localities of *Am. Boblayei* = *Ibeæ*, *Aeg. Maugenesti*, and *Aeg. Valdani*. These Cephalopods, so characteristic of the stage, were collected from the Middle Lias at Coutards, and in the valley of Saint-Pierre, near Saint-Amand, Cher; by MM. Boblaye, Valdan, Maugenest, and d'Orbigny, in beds a little above those descending order, with *Gryphæa arcuata*.

In the Department of Côte-d'Or the lower portion of the Middle Lias is divided by M. Collenot² into four zones, each designated by a characteristic Ammonite, in descending order as follow :

1. Zone of AEGOCERAS HENLEYI, Sow.
2. Zone of — DAVÆI, d' Orb.
3. Zone of — VENARENSE, Opp.
4. Zone of — VALDANI, d' Orb.

The "zone of *Am. Valdani*" is locally known as "Calcaire à ciment de Venarey," where it is extensively worked for hydraulic lime, and from whence many fossils are obtained. It was at Venarey, near Semur, Côte-d'Or, and in the environs of Avallon and Yonne, that M. d'Orbigny obtained the type specimens of *Aeg. Valdani*. I found several other species of Cephalopods in the Museum at Semur, which had been obtained from the Calcaire à ciment, but they were found in higher beds than those which had yielded *Aeg. Valdani*, *Aeg. brevispina*, *Aeg. Venarense*, *Phyll. Loscombi*, *Amaltheus Boblayei*, and *Amal. Alisiensis*, all of which appear, from the character of their matrix, to have been derived from the *Valdani*-zone. The leading Ammonite of this zone, *Aegoceras Henleyi*, has been mistaken by d'Orbigny for *Aeg. planicosta*, Sow., from the *Obtusus*-beds of the Lower Lias, and figured as such in the 'Paléontologie Française,' pl. 65. The localities therein given for this Ammonite are important, and prove that this stage of the Middle Lias exists in many other Departments, as Calvados, Meurthe, Moselle, Cher, Ain, Ardennes, Meuse. M. Dumortier,³ who has corrected the former error as to the identity of *A. Capricornus*, Schloth., says, "*L'Ammonites Capricornus* est avec *l'Amm. Davæi* l'espèce la plus caractéristique et la plus répandue dans les couches inférieures de la zone à *Bel. clavatus*; on la rencontre partout où ces couches sont abordables." Saint-Fortunat, Rhône, is one of his type localities for this and its other Ammonite associates.

¹ 'Paléontologie Française, Terrains Jurassiques,' tom. i, p. 253, 255, 257, 1842.

² 'Description Géologique de l' Auxois,' p. 260, 1873.

³ 'Études Paléontologiques,' tom. 3, p. 82, 1869.

10. THE ZONE OF AEGOCERAS HENLEYI.

Synonyms.—"Upper Marls" (pars med.), De la Beche, 'Geol. Trans.,' 2nd ser., vol ii, p. 23, pl. iii, 1823. "Der mittlere schwarze Jura," Quenstedt, pars, 'Flötzgebirge Württ.,' p. 172, 1843. "Die Schichten des *Amm. Davæi*," Opperl, 'Juraformation,' p. 126, 1856. "Schiste d'Etche," Dewalque, 'Lias de Luxembourg,' p. 55, 1857. "Lias Gamma" (pars Davœikalk), Quenstedt, "Der Jura Uebersichtstafel," p. 293, 1858. "*Davæi*-bed," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xiv, p. 25, 1858. "Zone of *Am. Capricornus*," Wright, 'Oolitic Asteroidea,' Pal. Soc., vol. for 1861, p. 79, 1863. "Zone de la *Belemnites clavatus*," pars Dumortier, 'Études Paléontologiques sur les Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' 3me partie, Lias Moyen, p. 16, 1869. "Die Schichten des *Ammonites Davæi*," Brauns, 'Der untere Jura,' p. 124, 1871. "Zone of *Ammonites Capricornus*" Tate and Blake, 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 89, 1876.

This zone is very well developed in England; and wherever the Middle Lias is complete it is found beneath the rock-bed forming the "Marlstone" of British Geologists. The beds consist of laminated clays, sometimes containing micaceous particles, or they are largely charged with ferric oxide, whilst in other localities the zone is represented by irregular beds of brown micaceous sandstone. The inconstant stony bands found in the clay contain sometimes an assemblage of fossils, and in a few of the beds several interesting forms of *Asteriadae* and *Ophiuridae* have been found. At Mickelton,¹ Worcestershire, where the shales of this zone were perforated for a railway tunnel, a considerable number of fossils in fine preservation were obtained; the shales, partly arenaceous and partly micaceous, formed thin slabs of fine bluish sandstone, on which many of the Pentacrinites, Brittle-stars, and Starfishes, lay in high relief. There were also large slabs of ironstone, many inches in thickness, composed almost entirely of shells, with many immature specimens of *Aegoceras Henleyi*. All the specimens of *Uraster Gaveyi*, Forb., *Tropidaster pectinatus*, Forb., *Ophioderma Gaveyi*, with *Cidaris Edwardsii*, Wrt., and *Pentacrinus robustus*, Wrt., were found adherent to the under side of a thick slab of ironstone which lay twenty feet below the surface. The *Cidaris*, and its spines attached to the tubercles of the plates and the ossicles, and species of *Uraster*, *Tropidaster*, and *Ophioderma* were as well preserved for anatomical description as if they had been prepared by a taxidermatist for the purpose.

Beds of laminated shales and ferruginous clays, the equivalent in age of those at Mickelton, were exposed in making excavations at Hewlett's Hill for the reservoirs of the Cheltenham water-works; many of the ironstone bands were full of fossils in various stages of decay, from the decomposition of the calcareous matter of the shell. Another exposure on the same contour line was made at Witcombe, and several of the Ammonites

¹ "On the Railway Cuttings at Mickelton Tunnel, &c.," by G. E. Gavey, F.G.S., 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. ix, p. 29, 1853.

and Nautili from that locality, now in my collection, were obtained in fine preservation; the Witcombe shells rivalling those from Mickelton; but no Echinoderms were found with the Mollusca. The following list represents the leading species collected from these beds.

Fossils collected from the Zone of Aegoceras Henleyi, Gloucestershire.

CEPHALOPODA.

Belemnites umbilicatus, <i>Blainv.</i>	Aegoceras Henleyi, <i>Sow.</i>
— elongatus, <i>Mill.</i>	— striatum, <i>Reinecke.</i>
— paxillosus, <i>Schloth.</i>	— Davcei, <i>Sow.</i>
Nautilus striatus, <i>Sow.</i>	Lytoceras fimbriatum, <i>Sow.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

Chemnitzia capricorni, <i>Wrt.</i>	Pleurotomaria similis, <i>Sow.</i>
Cylindrites capricorni, <i>Wrt.</i>	Cryptænia expansa, <i>Sow.</i>
Trochus imbricatus, <i>Sow.</i>	— undosa, <i>Schlüb.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Pholadomya ambigua, <i>Sow.</i>	Arca elongata, <i>Quenst.</i>
— decorata, <i>Hartm.</i>	— truncata, <i>Buck.</i>
Pleuromya unioides, <i>Röm.</i>	Modiola scalprum, <i>Sow.</i>
Leda rostralis, <i>Lamk.</i>	Limea acuticosta, <i>Goldf.</i>
— complanata, <i>Röm.</i>	Avicula longiaxis, <i>Buck.</i>
— acuminata, <i>Goldf.</i>	Monotis inæquivalvis, <i>Sow.</i>
— cordata, <i>Goldf.</i>	Inoceramus Ventricosus, <i>Sow.</i>
— inflexa, <i>Röm.</i>	— substriatus, <i>Goldf.</i>
Astarte capricorni, <i>Wrt.</i>	Pecten æquivalvis, <i>Sow.</i>
Mytilus hippocampus, <i>Young & Bird.</i>	— priscus, <i>Schloth.</i>
Cypricardia cucullata, <i>Goldf.</i>	— diversus, <i>Buck.</i>
Cardinia attenuata, <i>Stutch.</i>	— liasinus, <i>Nyst.</i>
Goniomya capricorni, <i>Wrt.</i>	Gervillia lævis, <i>Buck.</i>
Protocardia truncata, <i>Phil.</i>	Plicatula spinosa, <i>Sow.</i>
Unicardium Ianthe, <i>d' Orb.</i>	Gryphæa cymbium, <i>Lamk.</i>
Cucullæa Münsteri, <i>Ziet.</i>	Ostrea Goldfussi, <i>Bronn.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

Terebratula punctata, <i>Sow.</i>	Rhynchonella variabilis, <i>Schloth.</i>
Spiriferina rostrata, <i>Schloth.</i>	Orbicula scaliformis, <i>Wrt.</i>
Rhynchonella rimosa, <i>von Buch.</i>	Lingula Beanii, <i>Phil.</i>

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III. Grey marls with the green Ammonite nodules are estimated at one hundred feet in thickness, and are overlain by what is locally called "The Three Tiers," consisting of three beds of hard micaceous sandstone, interstratified with sandy micaceous shale and greyish marls. These beds contain few fossils. The bones of Saurians are sometimes found in the rock beds, together with impressions of *Phylloceras Loscombi* and *Lytoceras fimbriatum*. Over "The Three Tiers" are about 160 feet of grey micaceous marls. Two or three thin bands of mudstone and occasional nodules occur in the lower part of the mass, and at rather more than 100 feet above "The Three Tiers" a thicker band, containing shells and calcareous concretions, stands out from the face of the cliff. Underneath this thick band is a curious and persistent layer of small nodules containing chiefly fragments of Ammonites.

The mass of grey marls terminates with a layer made up of shells and fragments of *Pentacrinites*, and this is immediately overlain by a bed of large sandstones, from 4 to 6 feet in thickness, belonging to the zone of *Amaltheus margaritatus*.

Robin Hood's Bay.—The north cheek of this bay presents a fine exposure of the *Henleyi*-beds, consisting of hard marly shales interstratified with oyster-bands, forming strong rock beds, having a thickness of 60 feet, with blue sandy shales, becoming more argillaceous towards the base with fossiliferous nodules containing *Aeg. Henleyi* and *Lytoceras fimbriatum*. Messrs. Tate and Blake¹ have carefully measured these beds and drawn up the following section :

HENLEYI-beds, North Cheek, Robin Hood's Bay.

Base of the *Margaritatus*-beds.

No.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	Series of thin oyster bands with ripple-marked sandstone between	4 5	<i>Gryphæa cymbium</i> , var. <i>depressa</i> .
2	Hard speckled shales	4 8	
3	White hardened band, conspicuous at Castle Chamber	0 6	
4	Brown speckly shales	8 6	Wood.
5	Sandy laminated rock oysters, at base 10—12 in.	0 10	<i>Gryphæa cymbium</i> , var. <i>depressa</i> .
6	Brown speckly shales	1 4	
7	Line of ironstone doggers	0 4	<i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> .
8	Brown speckly shales	7 4	<i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> .
9	Sandy variable bands, occasional patches of oysters	0 10	
10	Brown speckly shales with large doggers irregularly scattered	3 6	<i>Gryphæa cymbium</i> , var. <i>depressa</i> .
11	Thin laminated shale	1 8	

¹ 'The Yorkshire Lias,' p. 91.

No.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
12	Oyster bed (the lowest)	0 5	<i>Gryphæa cymbium</i> , var. <i>depressa</i> .
13	Hard, whitish, slippery shales, irregular doggers.....	4 9	<i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> , <i>Pholadomya Beyrichii</i> .
14	Similar shales, irregular doggers	4 6	
15	Similar shales, irregular bands of doggers... ..	5 0	
16	Similar shales	11 0	<i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> .
17	Small round nodules	0 2	
18	Darker shales, still hard	2 10	
19	Strong ironstone dogger	0 8	
20	Bluish, hard, sandy shale.....	15 6	
21	Ironstone dogger, 6—8 in.	0 6	
22	Similar shale	8 4	
23	Ironstone dogger	4 6	<i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> , <i>Modiola scalprum</i> .
24	Similar shale	5 0	
25	Thin lenticular dogger	0 3	<i>Monotis inæquivalvis</i> .
26	Similar shale	4 5	<i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> , <i>Inoceramus ventricosus</i> , <i>Modiola numismalis</i> .
27	Ironstone dogger, 5—10 in.	0 5	<i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> .
28	Whitish crumbly shale	5 0	
29	Dogger	0 6	
30	Shale and irregular dogger	11 0	<i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> .
31	Shale.....	4 0	<i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> .
32	Brown shale, hard band of	0 3	
33	Shale.....	5 3	
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The base of the <i>Henleyi</i> -beds.			

Foreign Correlations.—The *Henleyi* = *Capricornus*-beds are found in different regions of North Germany, where they have been discovered in cuttings for railroads and in mining for ironstone, which appears to abound in the lower portion of the Middle Lias of that country; in proof, I may state that *Ammonites Capricornus* has been found in forty different localities in North Germany.

In Brunswick this zone has been described by H. von Strombeck;¹ in the province of Saxony, by Ewald;² near Göttingen, by Bornemann;³ at Harzburg, Oldershausen, Markoldendorf, and in other ironstone districts, by Dr. U. Schlönbach;⁴ and from these and other localities Dr. Brauns⁵ has been able to make out the following list of species forming the Molluscan Fauna of the *Davæi*-beds = *Henleyi*-beds of North Germany.

¹ 'Zeitschrift der Deutschen geol. Gesellsch.,' vol. iv., p. 65, 1852; 'Sitzungber. der Berliner Akademie,' 1859, p. 354.

² 'Über die Jurassischen Bildungen der Provinz Sachsen;' 'Verh. d. Kön. Akad. d. Wissensch. Berlin,' p. 347, 1859.

³ 'Liasformation in der Umgegend von Göttingen,' p. 23, 1854.

⁴ 'Den Eisenstein des mittleren Lias im N.-W. Deutschland,' p. 487—496, 1863.

⁵ 'Der untere Jura im N.-W. Deutschland,' p. 133, 1871.

Palæontology of the Davæi-beds of North-West Germany.

CEPHALAPODA.

<i>Aegoceras striatum</i> , <i>Reinecke</i> .	<i>Amaltheus Normanianus</i> , <i>d' Orb.</i>
— <i>Henleyi</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	<i>Nautilus intermedius</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
— <i>Davæi</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	<i>Belemnites umbilicatus</i> , <i>Blainv.</i>
<i>Lytoceras fimbriatum</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	— <i>compressus</i> , <i>Stahl.</i>
<i>Phylloceras Loscombi</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	— <i>clavatus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>
<i>Amaltheus margaritatus</i> , <i>Mont.</i>	— <i>paxillosus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

<i>Actæonina variabilis</i> , <i>Brauns.</i>	<i>Trochus limbatus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>
<i>Cryptænia expansa</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	— <i>imbricatus</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
— <i>helicinoïdes</i> , <i>Röm.</i>	— <i>umbilicatus</i> , <i>Koch and Dunk.</i>
<i>Pleurotomaria similis</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	<i>Rotella turbilina</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>
— <i>granosa</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>	<i>Turbo paludinæformis</i> , <i>Schlüb.</i>
<i>Discohelix calculiformis</i> , <i>Dunkr.</i>	— <i>Nicias</i> , <i>d' Orbig.</i>
<i>Trochus lævis</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>	— <i>marginatus</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>
— <i>turriciformis</i> , <i>Koch and Dunk.</i>	<i>Turritella undulata</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

<i>Gryphæa cymbium</i> , <i>Lamk.</i>	<i>Cucullæa Münsteri</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>
<i>Ostrea semiplicata</i> , <i>Münst.</i>	<i>Macrodon Buckmani</i> , <i>Rich.</i>
<i>Anomia numismalis</i> , <i>Quenst.</i>	<i>Inoceramus ventricosus</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
<i>Plicatula spinosa</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	<i>Avicula inæquivalvis</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
<i>Hinnites tumidus</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>	— <i>calva</i> , <i>Schlüb.</i>
<i>Pecten priscus</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>	— <i>cygnipes</i> , <i>Young and Bird.</i>
— <i>æquivalvis</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	<i>Pinna folium</i> , <i>Young and Bird.</i>
— <i>substriatus</i> , <i>Röm.</i>	<i>Modiola elongata</i> , <i>Koch and Dunk.</i>
— <i>lunularis</i> , <i>Röm.</i>	<i>Astarte striatosulcata</i> , <i>Röm.</i>
<i>Lima Hermanni</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>	<i>Myoconcha decorata</i> , <i>Munst.</i>
<i>Limea acuticosta</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>	<i>Cardium cingulatum</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>
<i>Leda complanata</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>	<i>Protocardia truncata</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
— <i>Galathea</i> , <i>d' Orb.</i>	<i>Thracia Grotriani</i> , <i>Brauns.</i>
— <i>subovalis</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>	<i>Pholadomya decorata</i> , <i>Ziet.</i>
<i>Nucula cordata</i> , <i>Goldf.</i>	

BRACHIOPODA.

<i>Rhynchonella variabilis</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>	<i>Waldheimia cornuta</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
— <i>tetraëdra</i> , <i>Sow.</i>	— <i>Waterhousei</i> , <i>Dav.</i>
— <i>rimosa</i> , <i>Buch.</i>	— <i>Heyseana</i> , <i>Dunk.</i>
— <i>furcillata</i> , <i>Théod.</i>	— <i>punctata</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
<i>Spiriferina rostrata</i> , <i>Schloth.</i>	— <i>subvoides</i> , <i>Röm.</i>
<i>Waldheimia numismalis</i> , <i>Lamk.</i>	<i>Terebratella subpentagona</i> , <i>Koch and Dunk.</i>

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The "Marlstone" of English Geologists forms a marked division of the Middle Lias. In the Midland Counties it consists of a lower portion, composed of yellowish-brown sandy beds, with thin bands of limestone and ferruginous nodules, and of an upper portion or rock-bed, formed of impure limestone containing many fossil shells in good preservation; it weathers brown externally from the oxidation of the iron it contains, whilst it is blue internally when broken with the hammer. This rock-bed forms a solid capping to the lower arenaceous beds, the more rapid erosion of which along their outcrop in Marlstone districts produces those terraces and tabulated promontories, as at Gretton, Alderton, Dumbleton, Churchdown, and Stinchcombe Hills, which impart such a picturesque effect to the physiographic features of the western escarpment of the Cotteswolds; whilst the steep slopes descending from the edges of the platforms to the Lower Lias plain below are composed of softer beds of Liassic sands and clay that have undergone a greater amount of atmospheric erosion.

North of Cheltenham the Marlstone is exposed in large quarries at Bredon, Alderton, Dumbleton, and Gretton Hills, where it was formerly worked for road-material. From Gretton I collected a large number of fossil shells, many of which had their tests in good preservation. In these localities, however, it is difficult to separate the *Margaritatus*- from the *Spinatus*-bed. South of Cheltenham the Marlstone is found at the summit of Churchdown Hill, a remarkable circumdenuded outlier of the Cotteswolds, and on the western slope of Robin's Wood Hill, another outlier of the same; at Frocester Hill it forms a terrace of hard calcareo-siliceous limestone, which rests upon brown and greyish sands, containing bands and nodules of ferruginous ironstone; the whole of the Middle Lias here measuring about 150 feet in thickness, and divisible into *Jamesoni*, *Ibex*, *Henleyi*, and *Margaritatus* beds very similar in their petrological characters to those already described. The fine mass of Stinchcombe Hill, which projects like a bold headland into the valley, exhibits a greater thickness of Marlstone than any other section in the Cotteswolds; the Newent quarry near the village of Stinchcombe has twenty feet of Marlstone, covered by five feet of Upper Lias clay. At Wotton-under-Edge the Middle Lias is 186 feet thick, as measured by my old esteemed friend Professor A. Ramsay, F.R.S., Director-General of the Geological Survey, who many years ago surveyed this district, and was kind enough to draw for me the following profile of this interesting bit of the Cotteswold range.

Turnpike Road.

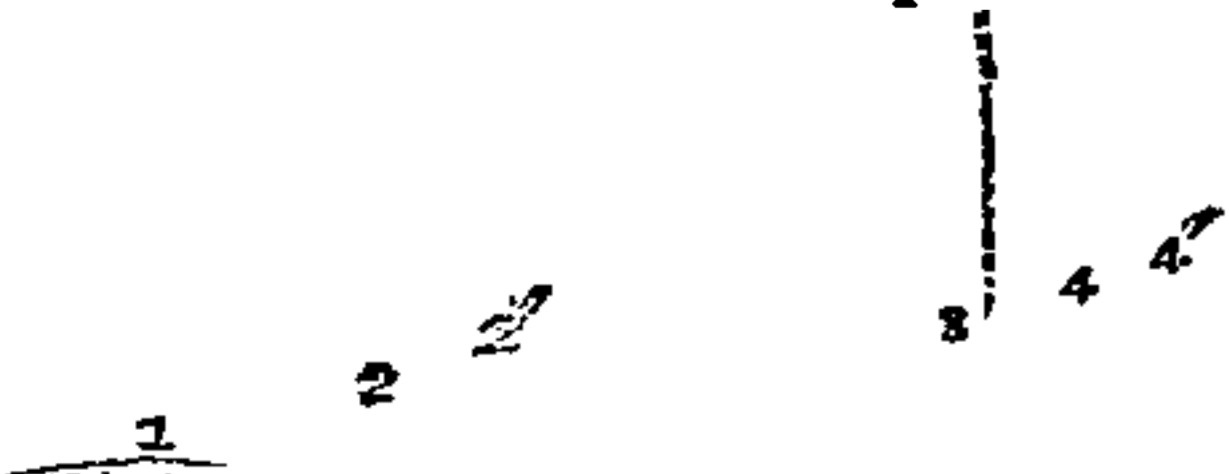


Diagram showing the Strata between Symond's Hall Hill and Wotton-under-Edge ('Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, p. 307.

This section shows the succession of Jurassic strata from Symond's Hall Hill to the Vale of Gloucester, and which, read in ascending order, includes—

1. The Lower Lias shale and limestone of the Valley of the Severn; thickness unknown.
2. The sands, shales, and clays of the Middle Lias; 186 feet in thickness.
- 2'. The hard, brown, fossiliferous Rock-bed, or Marlstone capping the terrace; 12 feet.
3. The Upper Lias shales in thin beds, with nodules of limestone at the top; 10 feet thick.
4. The Upper Lias sands, containing hard sandy nodules and lenticular concretions in the upper part, and brown, ferruginous, loose sand in the lower portion; 123 feet thick.
- 4'. Hard, brown, calcareous, sandy bands, freely speckled with granules of ferri-silicate, and interstratified with layers of softer sand containing *Ammonites*, *Belemnites*, *Nautili*, &c., in considerable numbers, and forming a *Cephalopoda*-bed, sixteen feet thick; this is correlative with the one to be described at Frocester Hill.
5. The Inferior Oolite Limestone, similar to the Frocester and Painswick rocks, forming the freestone or building-stone of the district. Eighty feet thick.
6. The Fullers Earth; 128 feet thick.
7. The Great Oolite, forming the summit of Symond's Hall Hill and the plateaux of the Cotteswolds in this region.

At South Petherton in Somersetshire the Marlstone was formerly extensively worked for road-material; the beds are thin but very fossiliferous, and many fine specimens were obtained therefrom. All my finest *Amaltheus margaritatus* and *Amal. Engelhardti*, and several *Lamellibranchiata* and *Brachiopoda*, with their tests in a beautiful state of preservation, came from this locality.

Fossils from the Marlstone or Margaritatus-zone in Gloucestershire.

VERTEBRATA.

Vertebræ of Ichthyosaurus.

| Teeth and scales of Fishes.

CEPHALOPODA.

Belemnites clavatus, *Blainv.*

— *Milleri*, *Phill.*

Nautilus striatus, *Sow.*

— *truncatus*, *Sow.*

Amaltheus margaritatus, *Montf.*

Amaltheus Englehardti, *d'Orb.*

Harpoceras Normanianum, *d'Orb.*

Phylloceras heterophyllum amalthei,

Quenst. = *zetes*, *d'Orb.*

GASTEROPODA.

Pleurotomaria similis, *Sow.*

— *undosa*, *Deslong.*

— *Sabrina*, *Tate.*

Cryptænia expansa, *Sow.*

Chemnitzia Blainvillei, *Münst.*

Discohelix aratus, *Tate.*

Eucyclus imbricatus, *Sow.*

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Pholadomya ambigua, <i>Sow.</i>	Ceromya lineata, <i>Will</i>
Pleuromya granata, <i>Simp.</i>	Arcomya elongata, <i>Röm.</i>
— concinna, <i>Goldf.</i>	Unicardium cardioides, <i>Phil.</i>
— costata, <i>Young and Bird.</i>	Protocardium truncatum, <i>Phil.</i>
— ovata, <i>Röm.</i>	Cardinia crassiuscula, <i>Sow.</i>
Cardinia crassissima, <i>Sow.</i>	Lima Hermannii, <i>Voltz.</i>
Goniomya capricorni, <i>Wrt.</i>	— duplicata, <i>Sow.</i>
Cucullæa Munsteri, <i>Ziet.</i>	— pectinoides, <i>Sow.</i>
Gresslya intermedia, <i>Simp.</i>	Pecten calvus, <i>Goldf.</i>
Cypricardia cucullata, <i>Münst.</i>	— æquivalvis, <i>Sow.</i>
Modiola scalprum, <i>Sow.</i>	— lunularis, <i>Röm.</i>
Limea acuticosta, <i>Goldf.</i>	Gryphæa cymbium, <i>Lamk.</i>
Monotis inæquivalvis, <i>Sow.</i>	Ostrea margaritacea, <i>Wrt.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

Terebratula punctata, <i>Sow.</i>	Rhynchonella tetraedra, <i>Sow.</i>
Waldheimia resupinata, <i>Sow.</i>	— variabilis, <i>Schloth.</i>
— cornuta, <i>Sow.</i>	— acuta, <i>Sow.</i>
— Edwardsii, <i>David.</i>	Lingula Beanii, <i>Phil.</i>

ECHINODERMATA.

Cidaris Edwardsii, <i>Wrt.</i>	Ophiolepis Murravi, <i>Wright.</i>
Hemipedina Jardinii, <i>Wrt.</i>	Extracrinus subangularis, <i>Mill.</i>
Ophioderma Milleri.	Pentacrinus gracilis, <i>Charlesworth.</i>

The Marlstone attains a great development in Yorkshire, and is fully exposed in the coast sections near Staithes, Colborn Nab, and Boulby. "The sandy, conchiferous marlstone beds," says Prof. Phillips,¹ "which in Colborn Nab cover the Lower Lias shale, are seen rising with it and contributing to swell the altitude of Boulby and Rock-cliff. The lower part of this series is generally the most solid, and projects in broad, compact floors above the Lias. On the surfaces of such beds lie innumerable multitudes of Oysters, Dentalia, Pectens, *Protocardium truncatum*, *Monotis inæquivalvis*, and more rarely, about Staithes, beautiful fossil Star-fishes of the genus *Ophioderma*." In Boulby Cliffs² the ironstone and Marlstone series consist of—

a. The ironstone bands, which are numerous layers of firmly connected nodules of ironstone, often septariate, and enclosing coniferous wood, Pectines, Aviculæ, Terebratulæ, and from twenty to forty feet thick.

b. The Marlstone series, consisting of alternations of sandy Lias shale and sandstones, which are frequently calcareous, and generally full of shells. The lower beds are usually more solid, and project from the cliffs in broad floors, covered with Pectens, Cardia, Dentalia, Aviculæ, Gryphææ, &c. The thickness variable from forty to 120 feet.

The molluscan fauna of these beds closely resembles the list already given from the Marlstone of Gloucestershire. Among the Echinodermata, however, are found species

¹ 'Geology of Yorkshire,' p. 101.

² Ibid., p. 102.

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Sandy shales, impure limestone bands, grey marly sandstone, blue micaceous sandstone; about ten feet thick, containing *Protocardium truncatum*, *Pecten æquivalvis*, *Belemnites virgatus*.

My friend Professor Judd, in his able and exhaustive 'Memoir on the Geology of Rutland,' gives the following account of the Marlstone or Middle Lias in that county. "The upper part is a mass of ferruginous limestone, known as the Rock-bed; the lower, a series of sandy and micaceous clays and iron-stone with some beds of sand. The succession of beds in the Marlstone is as follows in ascending order, beginning at the base:

"*a.* Soft, yellowish-brown, sandy, and micaceous ironstone, crowded with casts of shells and alternating with light blue clays. These ferruginous bands vary very greatly in number and thickness, and are sometimes nodular. They are especially characterised by the abundance of several small varieties of *Ammonites margaritatus*, Montf., and *Protocardium truncatum*, Sow.

"*b.* Beds of blue, highly micaceous clay, with large septaria crowded with fossils." Only in two brick-yards. "The most abundant species in these beds are *Ammonites margaritatus*, Mont. (the large typical form), *Belemnites elongatus* Mill., *Cryptænia expansa*, Sow., *Avicula inæquivalvis*, Sow., *Mytilus hippocampus*, Young and Bird, *Modiola scalprum*, Sow. (very abundant), *Protocardium truncatum*, Sow., *Pleuromya unioides*, Röm., and *Pentacrinus subangularis*, Mill.

"*c.* Beds of blue clay, with septaria, the latter not unfrequently containing Specular Iron, and weathering to a red colour. They contain many of the fossils recorded from the preceding beds, but less abundantly.

"*d.* Light blue clays, with bands of ironstone balls of concentric structure, and usually very unfossiliferous. These beds are exposed in some brick-yards." At some places they contain beds of green and brown sands, as near Horninghold.

"*e.* 'The Rock-bed.' This is a mass of limestone, more or less ferruginous, and occasionally passing into a good ironstone. When unweathered it is a hard crystalline rock, of a blue or green colour, but as usually seen it is brown and moderately soft. It is usually crowded with fossils, its mass being often made up of fragments of crinoids, spines of Echinoderms, Serpulæ, and fragments of shells, whilst certain beds in it consist of an agglomeration of shells of *Rhynchonella tetrahedra*, Sow., and *Terebratula punctata*, Sow., often filled with finely crystallized calc-spar. *Belemnites paxillosus*, Schloth., and *B. elongatus*, Mill., are extremely abundant in the Marlstone Rock-bed, and serve to distinguish it from the Northampton Sand, which often resembles it in mineralogical characters, but in which *Belemnites* are exceedingly rare. *Ammonites* are not abundant in the Rock-bed in this district, but at some points, as Edmondthorpe, Loddington, and Horninghold, *Ammonites communis*, Sow., and *Am. annulatus*, Sow., occur in considerable numbers; *Am. spinatus*, Brug., and some varieties of *Am. margaritatus*, Montf., are also found in it, but much more rarely, in this district. Large specimens of *Pecten*

¹ "The Geology of Rutland," 'Memoirs of the Geological Survey,' p. 64, 1875.

æquivalvis, Sow., with the highly characteristic *P. dentatus*, Sow., also *P. sublævis*, Phil., *Hinnites abjectus*, Phil., and *Avicula inæquivalvis*, Sow., are among the most abundant forms in the Rock-bed.

“The Marlstone Rock-bed is very variable, both in thickness and mineralogical character; it is finely developed in the neighbourhoods of Tilton-on-the-Hill and Somerby, near the former of which places it is seen to measure 18 feet 6 inches in thickness; towards the east and south, however, it attenuates very rapidly. . . . Besides being greatly diminished in thickness, the Rock-bed sometimes loses its calcareous character and becomes sandy. . . . When the junction of the Upper Lias clay and the Marlstone Rock-bed is seen, the latter often presents the appearance of having suffered erosion before the deposition of the former.”

I have given my learned friend's description *in extenso*, as it is a very clear and concise account of the Marlstone Rock-bed of the Middle Lias as it exists throughout the midland district of England. The Lias *a, b, c, d*, according to the classification I have followed in this work, would belong to the zone of *Amaltheus margaritatus*, and *e*, the Rock-bed, would fairly represent the zone of *Amaltheus spinatus*. It is noteworthy in passing that both in this section, and in another which I shall give of Down Cliff when describing the *spinatus*-beds in Dorsetshire, we shall find that the Ammonites of the upper Lias, *Stephanoceras commune* and *Steph. annulatum*, are sometimes found side by side with *Amaltheus spinatus*, which dies out in the upper part of this zone.

I must refer the student for ample details about these two zones to Professor Judd's memoir, as it is replete with instructive sections of the *Margaritatus*-beds and their fossils from the different brick-yards examined, and of the *Spinatus*-bed or Marlstone Rock-bed at Robin-a-Tiptoes.

In Warwickshire this zone is very well developed near Banbury, where it has been long and carefully studied by Mr. Beesley, F.C.S., who has given a very good account of the formation.¹ According to this author the *Margaritatus*-beds form the base of the Upper Middle Lias, and consist of blue micaceous marly clay, with nodules of hard marl or claystone; above this are hard bluish calcareous sandstone embedded in sand, and overlain by sandy marl or clay, containing the usual fauna of the *Margaritatus*-beds of Rutland, with many additional species collected through several years by local geologists.

The Marlstone Rock-bed, or *Ammonites spinatus* zone forms the top of the Upper Middle Lias, and is its most characteristic feature, being largely spread over the district, and forming a broad table-land. On the west and south, and a terrace on the east side of the valley, the disintegration of its friable stone has produced the rich red land so well adapted for wheat-growing.² The Rock-bed is a ferruginous often sandy limestone, externally brown, but of a greenish-blue colour in the interior of the blocks, and is usually separated by thin partings of sandy loam or clay into two or three beds,

¹ 'Sketch of the Geology of the Neighbourhood of Banbury,' p. 5, 1872.

² *Ibid.*, p. 6.

containing flattened concretionary nodules, which are rich in phosphates, the decomposition of which contributes to the fertility of the soil. Silicate of iron in small, rounded, highly polished, often hollow grains, is sometimes so abundant as to give almost an oolitic structure to the rock.

At Adderbury and at King's Sutton extensive workings for ironstone are now carried on in these beds, which are the correlative series in the midland districts of the great ironstone beds of Yorkshire, and are estimated to yield from 18 to 24 per cent. of iron.

Mr. Beesley has collected eighty species of Mollusca from the *Spinatus*-beds; and in this list are included, with *Amaltheus spinatus* and *Amal. margaritatus*, two Ammonites which belong to the Upper Lias. It would appear that here, as in other localities, it is extremely difficult to separate certain forms from each other along the confine lines of these zones, and hence we learn how the *Spinatus*- and *Margaritatus*-beds have been united and considered as one by most British geologists.

The Middle Lias zones above the *Jamesoni*-beds are exposed in the Island of Raasay, along the stream-courses on the Hallaig Mocr; and, according to Professor Tate,¹ form a grand section on the east side of the island, displaying a gradual passage from argillaceous sediments into the calcareo-arenaceous rocks which constitute so striking a feature in the lithology of the Middle Lias of this area. A section of 150 feet shows the following beds:

I. *Spinatus*-beds: 1, yellow calciferous sandstone with ferruginous nodules.

II. *Margaritatus*-beds consisting of, 2, fissile sandstone; 3, shelly, ferruginous sandstone; 4, marly sandstone; 5, grey marls; 6, greenish-yellow sandstone, with shaly partings; 7, yellow sandstone; 8, greenish marly sand beds.

III. *Henleyi*-beds: 9, greenish-yellow calcareous sandstone; 10, greenish calcareous sandstone, with indurated tops.

In the cliff section on the east coast of Skye these three zones are repeated with similar petrological conditions; and from the *Henleyi*-beds the following fossils were collected by Messrs. Tate and Bryce, near Portree, Isle of Skye.

Fossils from the Henleyi-zone, Skye.

Aegoceras Henleyi, Sow.

— *Davœi*, Sow.

— *striatum*, Reinecke.

Pecten æquivalvis, Sow.

— *liasinus*, Nyst.

Avicula novemcostæ, Brown.

Limea acuticosta, Münster.

Unicardium Janthe, d'Orb.

Protocardium truncatum, Phil.

Pholadomya ambigua, Sow.

— *decorata*, Ziet.

Pleuromya ovata, Rom.

Mytilus scalprum, Sow.

Arca Stricklandi, Tate.

Cypricardia cucullata, Goldf.

Inoceramus Ventricosus, Sow.

Gryphæa cymbium, Lamk.

— *obliqua*, Sow.

Hippopodium ponderosum, Sow.

Pinna folium, Young & Bird.

Cucullæa Münsteri, Ziet.

Rhynchonella tetraedra, Sow.

— *variabilis*, Sow.

¹ 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' p. 343, vol. xxix, 1873.

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and *Lyt. lineatum*, and in the upper zone *Amal. margaritatus* is associated with *Amal. spinatus*. It would appear that *Amal. margaritatus* has a considerable vertical range, both in Germany and France, and thereby links together the *Henleyi* and *Spinatus* horizons in these countries by a persistent Cephalopodous type. *Amaltheus margaritatus* is thus remarkable alike for its zoological characters, and its wide distribution in time and space.

In France the *Margaritatus*-beds are exposed at Vieux-Pont, Calvados. Professor Deslongchamps¹ has given a section of this, which evidently represents the English Marlstone; it consists of a Rock-bed about five feet in thickness, enclosing a large assemblage of fossils, of which the most characteristic are *Amal. margaritatus*, *Amal. spinatus*, *Belemnites niger*, *Pecten æquivalvis*, *Pecten disciformis*, *Lima punctata*, *Terebratula quadrifida*, *Ter. cornuta*, *Ter. punctata*, *Ter. Edwardsii*, *Rhynchonella acuta*, *Rhyn. tetraedra*, *Spiriferina rostrata*. Its upper portion is characterised by a particular stratum charged with small Gastropods of the genera *Turbo*, *Cerithium*, *Tornatella*, *Actæonina*, and sometimes *Pleurotomaria precatória*. In the adjoining region, as at Évrecy, Landes, Curcy, and Croisilles, the same bed is found maintaining its lithological and palæontological characters with a remarkable constancy. This zone has an extensive distribution in other Departments of France, and the characteristic Ammonites are found near Nancy, Meurthe; Saint-Rambert, Ain; Venarey, near Semur, and Pouilly in Auxois Côte d'Or; St. Amand, Cher; Metz, Moselle; Avallon, Yonne; near Lyons, Rhône; Clapier and Bosc, Aveyron; where it is associated with a number of new Ammonite forms that appear to be special to the Mediterranean area.

The late Dr. Reynès, of Marseilles, collected, figured, and described these Cephalopods, which were chiefly obtained from the *Margaritatus*-beds at Clapier, Bosc, Rivière, Tournemire; and has given the following remarkable list² from this portion of the Department of the Aveyron:

CEPHALOPODA.

<i>Belemnites elongatus</i> , Mill.	<i>Ammonites Algovianus</i> , Oppel.
— <i>niger</i> , Mill.	— <i>Alberti</i> , Rey.
— <i>breviformis</i> , Voltz.	— <i>Herbeti</i> , Rey.
<i>Nautilus</i> , sp.	— <i>ruthenensis</i> , Rey.
<i>Ammonites spinatus</i> , Brug.	— <i>Partschii</i> , Stur.
— <i>margaritatus</i> , Montf.	— <i>Boscensis</i> , Rey.
— <i>mimatensis</i> , d'Orb.	— <i>Loscombi</i> , Sow.
— <i>Ægion</i> , d'Orb.	— <i>Kurrianus</i> , Oppel.
— <i>Ragazzonii</i> , Hauer.	— <i>instabilis</i> , Rey.
— <i>acanthoides</i> , Reynès.	— <i>Fieldingi</i> , Rey.
— <i>pseudoradians</i> , Rey.	— <i>plainspira</i> , Rey.
— <i>Nilssoni</i> , Hébert.	— <i>disciformis</i> , Rey.

¹ 'Études sur les Étages Jurass. infér. de la Normandie,' p. 51, 1864.

² 'Géologie et de Paléontologie Aveyronnaises,' p. 50, 1868.

Ammonites frondosus, *Rey.*
 — Coquandi, *Rey.*
 — Maresi, *Rey.*
 — Woodwardi, *Rey.*

Ammonites Spinelli, *Hauer.*
 — lineatus, *Quenst.*
 — globosus, *Ziet.*
 — Phillipsi, *Hauer.*

GASTEROPODA.

Turritella Zieteni, *Quenst.*
 Chemnitzia undulata, *Benz.*
 Cryptænia expansa, *Sow.*

Pleurotomaria Amalthei, *Quenst.*
 Turbo Dunkeri, *Goldf.*
 Trochus imbricatus, *Sow.*

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Pholadomya Heberti, *Rey.*
 Nucula Palmæ, *Sow.*
 — Bruni, *Rey.*
 — complanata, *Phil.*
 — variabilis, *Ziet.*
 — acuminata, *v. Buch.*
 Venus bombax, *Quenst.*
 Arca strigillata, *Münst.*
 — Sauvairei, *Rey.*

Cucullæa Münsteri, *Goldf.*
 Avicula cygnipes, *Phill.*
 Cardium cucullatum, *Goldf.*
 Plicatula Parkinsoni, *Deslong.*
 — pectinoides, *Lamk.*
 Pecten æquivalvis, *Sow.*
 Lima Hermanni, *Goldf.*
 Ostrea Maccullochii, *Sow.*

BRACHIOPODA.

Terebratula Ruthenensis, *Rey.*
 — perforata, *Piette.*
 — Heyseana, *Deslong.*
 Rhynchonella Boscensis, *Rey.*

Rhynchonella liasica, *Rey.*
 — rimosa, *von Buch.*
 Spiriferina verrucosa, *von Buch.*
 — rostrata, *Schloth.*

ECHINODERMATA.

Diademopsis Cotteaui, *Rey.*
 Eugeniocrinus, *sp.*

Pentacrinus basaltiformis, *Mill.*

12. THE ZONE OF AMALTHEUS SPINATUS.

Synonyms.—“Upper portion of the Micaceous Marls,” De la Beche, ‘Geol. Trans.,’ 2nd ser., vol. ii, 1829. “Amaltheenthone” (pars sup.), Quenstedt, ‘Flözgebirge,’ p. 540, 1843. “Marnes à Plicatules,” Marcou, ‘Jura Salinois,’ p. 51, 1846. “Region des *Amm. costatus*,” Opper, ‘Mittl. Lias Schwabens,’ p. 23, 1853. “Die Schichten des *Amm. spinatus*,” Opper, ‘Juraformation,’ p. 138, 1856. “*Spinatus*-bed,” Wright, ‘Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,’ vol. xiv, p. 25, 1858. “Thone mit *Amm. spinatus*,” Ewald, ‘Sitz. d. Berl. Akad.,’ p. 349, 1859. “Horizont von *Amm. spinatus*,” Wagener, ‘Lias von Falkenhagen,’ 1860. “Zone of *Amm. spinatus*,” Wright, ‘Fossil Asteroidea, Palæont. Soc.,’

vol. 1862. "Zone des *Am. spinatus*," Schlönbach, 'Eisenstein des mittl. Lias.,' p. 489. 1863. "Schichten des *Am. spinatus*," Emerson, 'Die Liasmulde von Markoldendorf,' p. 35, 1870. "Zone à *Pecten æquivalvis*" (pars sup.), Dumortier, 'Études Pal. Bassin du Rhône,' tom. iii, p. 213, 1869. "Marlstone Rock-bed" (pars), Judd, "Mem. on the Geol. of Rutland," 'Mem. of Geol. Survey,' 1875. "Zone of *Am. spinatus*," Tate and Blake, 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 118, 1876. "*The spinatus zone*," Rev. Dr. Fred. Smithe, 'Trans. Cotteswold Nat. Club for 1876,' p. 349.

The bed with *Amaltheus spinatus* is so closely united with the zone of *Amal. margaritatus* that it appears to form the upper part of the Marlstone Rock-bed in the Midland Counties. It in general consists of a light-coloured, friable, sandy marlstone, containing many nodules, rock fragments, and fossiliferous concretions which form inconstant bands in the mass of the strata, and yield a considerable number of organic remains at Grettan, Alderton, and Churchdown Hills. I have collected *Amaltheus spinatus*, *Belemnites breviformis*, *Lima Hermannii*, *Terebratula punctata*, and *Spiriferina rostrata* from these nodules.

At Down Cliff, on the coast of Dorset, the *Spinatus*-beds form the uppermost portion of the Micaceous Marls of De la Beche. They consist of brown sands and sandstones in which *Amaltheus spinatus* is the characteristic Cephalopod, and with it many Gastropods and other fossils; the light-brown sands are overlain by non-fossiliferous clay, on which rests a remarkable bed of Marlstone containing a great number of Gastropods, with their shells in a fine state of preservation; as the rock is very hard and ferruginous these beautiful fossils are extracted with difficulty. I have collected from this bed *Amaltheus spinatus*, Brug., *Belemnites breviformis*, Voltz., *Pleurotomaria precatória*, Deslong. *P. bitorquata*, Deslong., *P. rustica*, Deslong., *P. mirabilis*, Deslong., *P. procera*, d'Orb., *Cryptænia expansa*, Sow., *Straparollus sinister*, d'Orb.; and resting on this remarkable conglomerate of well-preserved shells are beds of Upper Lias Limestone, with *Harpoceras serpentinum*, Rein., *Harp. radians*, Rein., and *Harp. Holandrei*, d'Orb. So closely do these strata repose upon the Middle Lias fauna of the *Spinatus*-zone that they all appear to belong to the same bed.

In Yorkshire the upper portion of the Middle Lias consists of argillaceous shales with bands of ironstone, some of these belong to the *Margaritatus*, others to the *Spinatus*-beds; the workable beds of liassic ironstone are now ascertained to be found only in these two horizons. The *Spinatus*-beds are well seen at Hawsker bottoms, where *Am. spinatus* = *Hawskerensis*, Simp., is found in beds of red ironstone doggers, the probable equivalent of the Cleveland main seam, as well as in shale interstratified therewith. Another section of the zone is found at Kettlecess, where the beds form the base of the cliff, and at Old Nab, where the strata are very fossiliferous, and exhibit a fine profile of the whole. The following section was carefully measured by MM. Tate and Blake,¹ as it affords a good type of the ironstone series of the Yorkshire coast.

¹ 'Yorkshire Lias,' p. 130.

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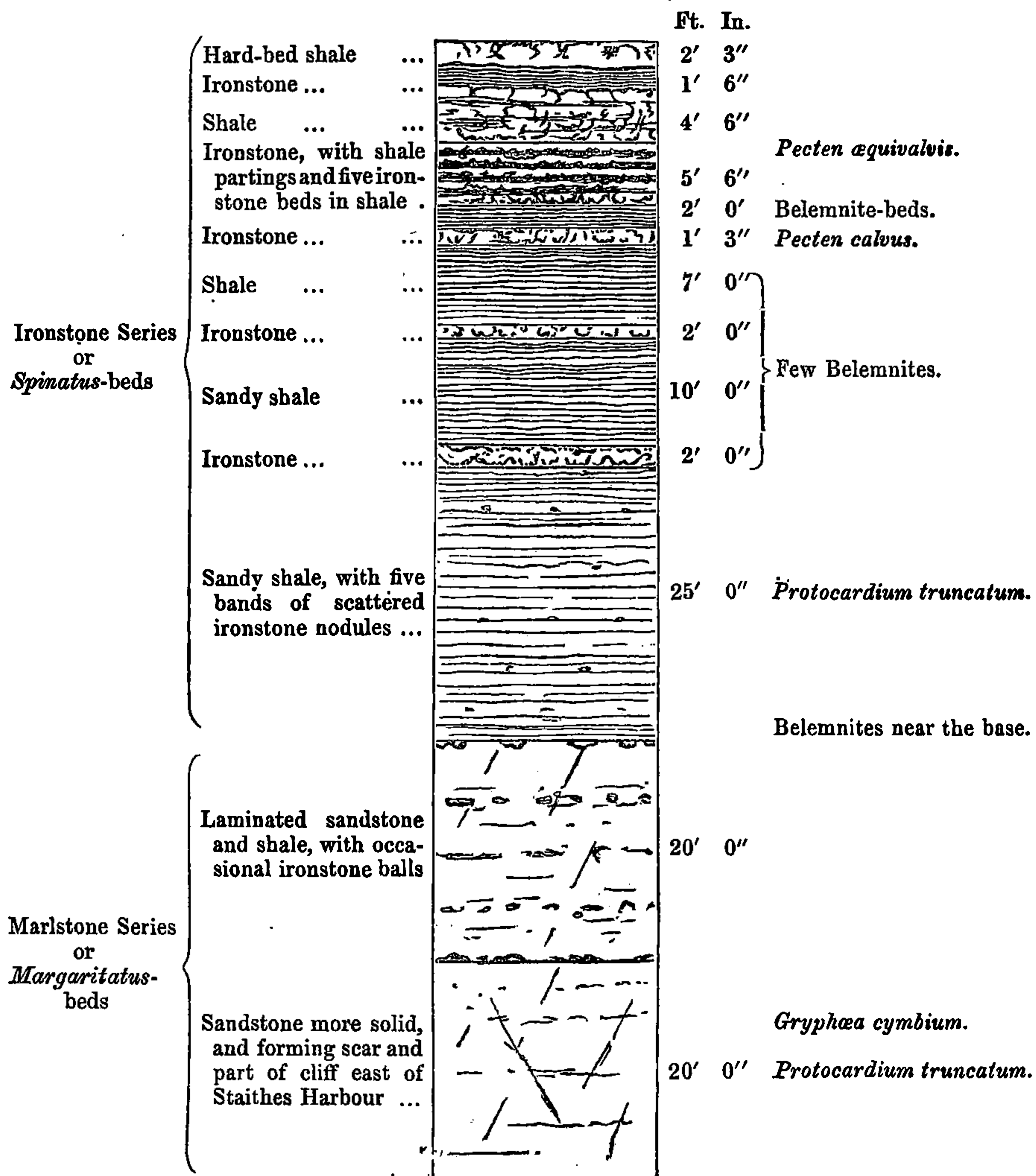
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examined on five different occasions, have presented some local differences, partly laid bare in the working, partly by waste of the coast." The alternations of shale and ironstone, with sandy shale forming the Ironstone series or *Spinatus*-beds, and the laminated sandstone shale, with occasional ironstone balls, forming the Marlstone series or *Margaritatus*-beds, are well seen in this section, which is intended to give a fair average idea of the whole when made in 1867.

FIG. 4.—Section east of Staithes Harbour, Yorkshire Coast.



"In the above section the Ironstone courses above the Marlstone are in all 16 feet 6 inches thick, and the shales above and below them (including the sandy portions below) are 45 feet 6 inches (including the hard-bed shale above the thicker Ironstones, 50 feet 6 inches). Total from 62 to 67 feet. The shales are in some places 8 to 10 feet thicker."¹

¹ 'Yorkshire Coast,' p. 156.

On the south side of Portree Harbour, Isle of Skye, Professor Tate found the *Spinatus*-beds to consist of a hard, calcareous, yellowish-grey, thick-bedded sandstone, about 40 feet in thickness; the uppermost 5 feet of the Rock-bed is more bluish and calcareous, and appears to form the basement-bed of the Upper Lias; from these strata he collected the following Molluscan fauna.

Fossils from the Spinatus-zone at Portree, Skye.

Amaltheus spinatus, <i>Brug.</i>	Astarte Amalthei, <i>Quenst.</i>
— margaritatus, <i>Montf.</i>	Terebratula punctata, <i>Sow.</i>
Belemnites paxillosus, <i>Schloth.</i>	Rhynchonella acuta, <i>Sow.</i>
— elongatus, <i>Sow.</i>	Pecten liassinus, <i>Tate.</i>
— clavatus, <i>Blainv.</i>	Ostrea cymbium, <i>Lamk.</i>
— micrastylus, <i>Phil.</i>	Mytilus scalprum, <i>Sow.</i>
Cryptænia expansa, <i>Sow.</i>	Cypricardia cucullata, <i>Munst.</i>
Pecten æquivalvis, <i>Sow.</i>	Waldheimia resupinata, <i>Sow.</i>
Lima Hermanni, <i>Voltz.</i>	Rhynchonella tetraedra, <i>Sow.</i>
Plicatula spinosa, <i>Sow.</i>	Pentacrinus Amalthei, <i>Quenst.</i>
Avicula novemcostæ, <i>Brown.</i>	Ditrypa quinquedulcata, <i>Münst.</i>
Gresslya Seebachii, <i>Brauns.</i>	

Palæontology of the Zone of Amaltheus spinatus.

VERTEBRATA.

Plesiosaurus, sp.

Ichthyosaurus, sp.

CEPHALOPODA.

Amaltheus spinatus, <i>Brug.</i>	Belemnites cylindricus, <i>Simp.</i>
— Engelhardti, <i>d'Orbig.</i>	— paxillosus, <i>Schlot.</i>
— margaritatus, <i>Mont.</i>	— longiformis, <i>Blake.</i>
Phylloceras zetes, <i>d'Orbig.</i>	— compressus, <i>Stahl.</i>
Stephanoceras Holandrei, <i>d'Orbig.</i>	— breviformis, <i>Voltz.</i>
Belemnites clavatus, <i>Blainv.</i>	— rudis, <i>Phil.</i>
— apicicurvatus, <i>Blainv.</i>	— microstylus, <i>Phil.</i>
— vulgaris, <i>Young & Bird.</i>	

GASTEROPODA.

Cerithium acriculum, <i>Tate.</i>	Dentalium elongatum, <i>Münst.</i>
— liassicum, <i>Moore.</i>	Eucyclus conspersus, <i>Tate.</i>
Chemnitzia Blainvillei, <i>Münst.</i>	— undulatus, <i>Phil.</i>
— semitecta, <i>Tate.</i>	— cingendus, <i>Tate.</i>
— nuda, <i>Münst.</i>	— nireus, <i>d'Orbig.</i>
Cryptænia consobrina, <i>Tate.</i>	Nerita alternans, <i>Tate.</i>
— expansa, <i>Sow.</i>	Pitonnullus turbinatus, <i>Tate.</i>

Pleurotomaria helicinoides, Römer.
 — *rustica*, Deslong.
 — *undosa*, Deslong.
 — *similis*, Sow.
Turbo latilabrus, Stoliczka.

Turbo lineatus, Moore.
 — *cyclostoma*, Benz.
 — *aciculus*, Stoliczka.
Actæonina Ilminsterensis, Moore.
 — *chrysalis*, Tate.

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Ostrea sportella, Dumort.
 — *submargaritacea*, Brauns.
Anomia numismalis, Quenst.
Pecten æquivalvis, Sow.
 — *lunularis*, Römer.
 — *verticillus*, Stoliczka.
 — *substriatus*, Römer.
Hinnites tumidus, Ziet.
Lima eucharis, d'Orbig.
 — *Hermanni*, Voltz.
Limea acuticosta, Münster.
 — *Juliana*, Dumort.
Plicatula spinosa, Sow.
 — *calva*, Deslong.
Monotis inæquivalvis, Sow.
 — *cygnipes*, Young & Bird.
 — *substriatus*, Münster.
 — *calva*, Schlönb.
 — *papyria*, Quenst.
Inoceramus substriatus, Münster.
Perna Lugdunensis, Dumort.
Pinna spathulata, Tate.
Modiola scalprum, Sow.
 — *Thiollieri*, Dumort.
 — *numismalis*, Oppel.
Mytilus Aviothensis, Buvig.
Nucula cordata, Goldf.
Macrodon Clevelandicus, Tate.
 — *intermedius*, Simp.
 — *Buckmani*, Rich.
Leda subovalis, Goldf.

Leda Galathea, d'Orb.
 — *graphica*, Tate.
Astarte striato-sulcata, Römer.
 — *rugata*, Quenst.
Lucina pumila, Münster.
Cardita multcosta, Phil.
Protocardium truncatum, Sow.
Cardinia lævis, Young & Bird.
Cypricardia cucullata, Münster.
Myoconcha decorata, Münster.
Hippopodium gigas, Tate.
Trigonia Lingonensis, Dumort.
Tancredia Broliensis, Buvig.
 — *lucida*, Terq.
 — *longicostata*, Buvig.
Tellina Lingonensis, Dumort.
 — *fabulis*, Simp.
Unicardium subglobosum, Tate.
Pholadomya ambigua, Sow.
 — *Simpsoni*, Tate.
 — *lunata*, Simp.
Goniomya hybrida, Münster.
Pleuromya costata, Young & Bird.
Gresslya intermedia, Simp.
Arcomya areacea, Seebach.
 — *concinna*, Tate.
 — *longa*, Buvig.
Ceromya bombax, Quenst.
 — *petricosa*, Simp.
 — *sublævis*, Tate.
Thoracia Grotiana, Brauns.

BRACHIOPODA.

Lingula sacculus, Chapuis.
Spiriferina Walcottii, Sow.
 — *Signiensis*, Buvig.
Waldheimia punctata, Sow.
 — *resupinata*, Sow.
Rhynchonella tetraedra, Sow.

Rhynchonella lineata, Young & Bird.
 — *acuta*, Sow.
 — *capitula*, Tate.
 — *fodinalis*, Tate.
 — *calcicosta*, Quenst.

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HILS-EISENSTEIN, MIDDLE LIAS, NEAR LIEBENBERG.

HORIZONS.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
SPINATUS bed.	Thick grey and brownish clay, with ironstone no- dules and "Nagelkalk Schichten." Greyish-blue clay	feet. 15	Appears to be non-fossiliferous. <i>Amaltheus spinatus</i> only, and very abundant in upper half.
Upper MARGARITATUS bed	Greyish-blue clay	15	<i>Amal. margaritatus</i> abundant; <i>Belemnites com- pressus</i> in the lower part.
Lower MARGARITATUS and HENLEYI beds	Grey, somewhat oolitic limestone, not very hard, half a mètre thick	1 8	<i>Amal. margaritatus</i> , <i>Phylloceras Loscombi</i> , <i>Lyt. fimbriatum</i> , <i>Aeg. Henleyi</i> , <i>Belemnites paxillosus</i> , <i>Bel. clavatus</i> , <i>Pleurotomaria granosa</i> , <i>Rhyn- chonella triplicata</i> , <i>Terebratulula numismalis</i> .
RARICOSTATUS and OBTUSUS beds	Thick blue clay, with sepa- rate rocky bands laid close on one another	?	<i>Aegoceras planicosta</i> , <i>Aeg. Ziphus</i> , <i>Aeg. lacu- natum</i> , <i>Arietites raricostatus</i> , <i>Belemnites acutus</i> .
	Marly limestone band	?	
SEMICOSTATUS beds	Thick blue clay, in parts speckled with reddish points	?	<i>Arietites semicostatus</i> , = <i>geometricus</i> , <i>Led. Ro- mani</i> .
BUCKLANDI beds	Thick bluish-grey clay with geodes, above alternating with reddish-brown clay	?	
ANGULATUM beds	Small compact limestone bed with <i>Cardinias</i> and other Mollusca	?	<i>Aegoceras angulatum</i> , <i>Cardinia concinna</i> .
ANGULATUM beds	Sandy clays and shales, passing downwards into blue clay	?	<i>Aegoceras angulatum</i> .
PLANORBIS beds .	Greyish-blue sandy lime- stone	?	<i>Aegoceras Johnstoni</i> , <i>Pecten Hehli</i> , <i>Lima suc- cincta</i> , <i>Pinna Hartmanni</i> .

The entire thickness of the Lias in this section attains at least from 110 to 120 mètres.

Dr. Emerson found the *Spinatus*-Schichten well exposed at Lüthorst, near Markoldendorf, and in a soft, greyish, shaley clay he collected *Amaltheus spinatus*, Brug., *Belemnites clavatus*, Mill., *Turbo paludinæformis*, Schüb. The rich Ammonite-ironstone, which was formerly worked between Lüthorst and Hünnesrück, probably belonged to this zone.

A. von Strombeck² described the upper beds of the Amaltheenthone with *Amal. spinatus* in the Helmsted Jura; and Senator H. Römer found the same in his garden near Hildesheim with *Amal. spinatus*, *Gresslya ventricosa*, *Limea acuticosta*, and *Pecten æquivalvis*. Other localities described in the works of Ewald, Bornemann, and Wagener, might be enumerated to show that this upper portion of the Amaltheenthone is widely distributed in North Germany.

In France Professor E. Deslongchamps³ gives a good profile of the Lias à Belemnites near Caen, in which we find (No. 4) the thick limestone separated by thin argilocalcareous layers with *Aegoceras Bechei*, *Lytoceras fimbriatum*, *Belemnites clavatus*, *Gryphæa cymbium*, *Terebratula subovoides*, *Wald. punctata*, *Rhyn. tetraedra*, *Rhyn. rimosa*, and *Spiriferina rostrata*. This bed is overlain by (No. 5) a bank of sandy limestone, in part finely oolitic, containing *Amal. spinatus*, *Amal. margaritatus*, *Belemnites niger*, *B. arcuarius*, *Pleurotomaria suturalis*, *Pecten æquivalvis*, *P. disciformis*, *Gryphæa cymbium*, *Terebratula quadrifida*, *T. punctata*, *T. Edwardsii*, *Rhyn. tetraedra*, and *Spiriferina rostrata*. This appears to be the equivalent of the Marlstone rock-bed of English authors, as it is overlain by (No. 6) the Couche à Leptæna, which, as we shall presently learn, forms the lower bed of the Upper Lias. *Amaltheus spinatus* is collected in other localities in Calvados; and is found likewise at Avesnes, Doubs, at Saint-Amand Cher; at Grundershofen and Selzbrunnen, Bas Rhin; in the Departments of Meurthe, Moselle, Lozere, Haute-Saône, and Aveyron. In the Jura Department Marcou separated his "Marnes à Plicatules," with *Amal. spinatus*, *Belemnites Bruguerianus*, *Lima Hermannii*, *Plicatula spinosa*, *Gryphæa cymbium*, from the underlying beds containing *Amal. margaritatus*, and was the first to point out the important differences which exist between these two zones.

In Luxembourg *Amal. spinatus* has been collected from the "Macigno d'Aubange," near Athus, which is considered by Chapuis and Dewalque⁴ as the equivalent of the Marlstone and ironstone of English authors.

Dumortier⁵ says that *Amal. spinatus* is found only in the uppermost portion of the Middle Lias, in the horizon of *Limea acuticosta*, where it is accompanied by *Avicula*

¹ "Die Liasmulde von Markoldendorf;" 'Zeitsch. d. Deutschen geol. Gessellsch.' Jahrg., 1870, p. 303, vol. xxii.

² 'Geognost. Karte des Herzog. Braunschweig,' 1856.

³ 'Études Jurassiques Infér. de Normandie,' pp. 59—60, 1864.

⁴ 'Fossiles des Terr. second. de Luxembourg,' p. 12, 1853.

⁵ 'Études Paléont. du Bassin du Rhône,' tom. iii, p. 213, 1869.

cygnipes and *Cardinia crassissima*; and he observes that the appearance of this beautiful species has only an instant of duration in time, for in all the Basin of the Rhone it occupies only a very limited vertical space, whilst the remains of *Amaltheus margaritatus* fills nearly all the enormous thickness of the Middle Lias.

*Table showing the extension of the Middle Lias in the British Islands, Belgium, France, Switzerland, Germany, Austria, and Italy, with indications of the Liasian Ammonite-zones found in some typical regions of the European area.*¹

Ammonite-zones of the Middle Lias.	British Islands.			Belgium.	France, Departments of.						Switzerland.		Germany.		Austria.	Italy.
	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	Luxemburg.	Normandy.	Côte-d'Or.	Yonne.	Cher.	Jura.	Aveyron.	Basel.	Argau.	Hanover.	Württemberg.	N. E. Alps.	Lombardy.
SPINATUS	*	...	*	*	*	*	..	*	*	*	*	*	..	*
MARGARITATUS	*	...	*	..	*	*	*	*	*	*	..	*	*	*	*	*
HENLEYI	*	...	*	..	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
IBEX	*	*	*	*	*	*	...	*	...	*	*	*	*	..
JAMESONI	*	*	*	*	*	*	...	*	...	*	...	*	*	*	*	*
ARMATUM	*	*	*	*	...	*	*	*

In the above table I have separated the *Armatum* from the *Jamesoni* zone, although united with it in the text, because the stratum with *Aegoceras armatum* forms a good Ammonite-zone, although most of its other Molluscan Fauna ascend into higher beds. When the *Armatum*-group is described and figured it will be shown that a most interesting series of forms range themselves around the original Sowerbyan type, although differing in many specific characters from that Ammonite; the whole forming a remarkable assemblage of the AEGOCERATIDÆ, which appeared with the dawn of the Middle Lias, and had, it would seem, a very limited life in time.

¹ In addition to the works already cited in the description of the different zones of the Middle Lias on the European Continent I have to add 'Géologie der Schweiz,' by Professor B. Studer, Zurich, 1851; 'Die Cephalopoden aus dem Lias der Nordöstlichen Alpen,' by Franz Ritter von Hauer, Wien, 1856; 'Studii geologici et paleontologici sulla Lombardia,' by Stoppani, Milan, 1857; 'Der Jura in Franken, Schwaben, und der Schweiz, verglichen nach seinen palæontologischen Horizonten,' by Dr. W. Waagen, Munich, 1864.

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THE UPPER LIAS.

I include in the Upper Lias all the argillaceous, shaley, laminated, marly, and arenaceous deposits interposed between the *Spinatus*-beds of the Middle Lias, and the basement-beds of the Inferior Oolite, containing *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*. This group of strata nearly corresponds to the “*Posidonienschiefer mit Stinksteinen*” and “*Lichtgraue Kalkmergel mit Ammonites jurensis*” of Professor Quenstedt,¹ and the “*Neuvième Étage ; Toarcien*” of the late Professor Alcide d’Orbigny.²

The Upper Lias exhibits great differences in thickness as we follow the beds northwards through the midland districts of England, in some parts of which it measures 300 feet, but rapidly diminishes in North Oxfordshire to 30, and disappears entirely in the south of that county. In South Lincolnshire it attains 200 feet, and thins away entirely in South Yorkshire, whilst in North-East Yorkshire it thickens out again, and forms some fine bold instructive sections on the Yorkshire coast.

The Petrology of this group, which in some parts of Gloucestershire is upwards of 300 feet in thickness, enables us to subdivide it into a lower portion, consisting of dark argillaceous, shaley, or thinly laminated beds, and an upper portion composed of marly, ferruginous strata, or fine yellowish and brownish sands.

By a careful study of the Palæontology of the Upper Lias I have been able to distinguish among the numerous organisms contained therein four faunas, having several well-defined species characteristic of each. The details of each of these zones will be given in the sequel.

It is very difficult to find a section in which all the zones are present and exposed in their natural sequence, so I select that of Frocester Hill, near Stonehouse, between Gloucester and Bristol, on the Midland Railway, as the best I know.

All the divisions of the Upper Lias are here seen *in situ*, and may be satisfactorily studied in one day’s work; and this instructive section may be afterwards advantageously compared with other exposures of the Liassic sands forming the *Jurensis*-zone at Haresfield Beacon, a mile and a half from the railway-station, and at an elevation of 700 feet above the sea; in lane cuttings near Nailsworth; in sections at Uley Bury; Stinchcombe Hill; Wotton-under-Edge; and along Ozleworth Bottom; all localities of easy access, in which are well displayed the Liassic sands, and at the same time affording magnificent pictures of the vale scenery of Gloucestershire.

¹ ‘Flötzgebirge Würtembergs,’ pp. 213 and 267, 1843.

² ‘Cours Élément. de Paléontologie et de Géologie stratigraphiques,’ tom. ii, p. 463, 1852.

Fig. 5.—Section of Frocester Hill, near Stonehouse, between Gloucester and Bristol, Midland Railway.



- a, b, c. Inferior Oolite ; 70 feet = zone of *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*.
- d, e. Calcareo-ferruginous sandstone (Cephalopoda bed) ; 6 feet { zones of *Harpoceras opalinum* and *Lytoceras jurense*.
- f. Grey, yellow and brown sands, with inconstant and concretionary bands of calcareous sandstone ; 150 feet? = zone of *Harpoceras bifrons*.
- g. Upper Lias shale ; 80 feet = zone of *Harpoceras serpentinum*.
- h. Marlstone ; hard calcareous sandstone, resting on brown and grey sands, with bands and nodules of ferruginous sandstone ; 150 feet = zone of *Amaltheus margaritatus*.
- i. Middle Lias shale = zone of *Aegoceras Henleyi*.

Inferior Oolite.

- | | Ft. | in. |
|---|---------|-----|
| a. A fine-grained oolitic limestone, similar to the freestones of Birdlip, Painswick, and Leckhampton Hills ; the upper beds exhibit a most remarkable example of oblique bedding, the flaggy layers of which rest horizontally on inclined beds of freestone ; thickness about | 50 | 0 |
| b. A coarse, light, cream-coloured, gritty, crystalline oolite, traversed at intervals by extremely crystalline shelly layers ; a great part of the rock appears to be composed of fragments and plates of Crinoidal plates and spines of <i>Echinidæ</i> , and comminuted fragments of the shells of <i>Mollusca</i> . This white rock has a most remarkable lithological character, and glistens brilliantly when lit up by the sun's rays. The shelly and pisolitic seams which traverse this bed resemble those in the Pea-grit. The surface of weathered slabs exposes numerous microscopic objects ; the rock, in fact, is almost entirely composed of organic <i>débris</i> , and measures about | 10 | 0 |
| c. A hard, fine-grained, oolitic, sandy limestone, of a light brown colour, lithologically different from b. It contains many fossil shells, which are extracted with difficulty, and passes into a hard yellow oolite with few fossils, attaining a thickness of from | 8 to 10 | 0 |

[The lithological character of this rock is very different to that of d, on which it rests.]

The Cephalopoda Bed—Upper Lias.

ZONES OF HARPOCERAS OPALINUM AND LYTOCERAS JURENSE.

Ft. in.

- D. A coarse, dark-brown, calcareo-siliceous rock, full of small, dark, flattened grains of hydrate of iron. It contains an immense quantity of fossils, but *Ammonites* and *Belemnites* are the dominant forms; some of the bivalve shells are well preserved; the matrix adheres to their surfaces with such tenacity that they can seldom be cleaned without injury. The *Ammonites* and *Nautili*, for the most part, want the shell. *Harpoceras opalinum* and *Rhynchonella cynocephala* lie in the upper part of the bed, and *Lytoceras jurense*, *Harpoceras insigne*, *Harp. variabile*, *Harp. striatulum*, *Belemnites*, *Nautili*, and other *Mollusca* in the middle part; the lower part is not so fossiliferous; this bed measures

4 0

ZONE OF HARPOCERAS BIFRONS.

- E. A hard, coarse, brown mudstone, with hard irregular nodules of a calcareo-siliceous sandstone, highly micaceous and ferruginous, and passing downwards into the sands
- F. Fine, brown and yellowish, micaceous sands, passing into greyish coloured micaceous sands, with inconstant and concretionary bands of highly calcareous sandstone; nodules of various sizes occur in these bands, which are sometimes fossiliferous, containing chiefly *Harpoceras bifrons* in nodules with *Belemnites*

0 9

150?

ZONE OF HARPOCERAS SERPENTINUM.

- G. Blue clay and shale, marked by the outburst of springs and by pools of water on the terrace formed by the Upper Lias Clay

80 0

Middle Lias.

ZONE OF AMALTHEUS MARGARITATUS.

- H. Marlstone; a hard calcareous sandstone, resting on brown and grey sands, with bands and nodules of ferruginous sandstone

150 0

ZONE OF AEGOCERAS HENLEYI.

- I. The shales of the Middle and Lower Lias, sloping down into the valley.

13.¹ THE ZONE OF HARPOCERAS SERPENTINUM.

Synonyms.—"Alum shale," Young and Bird, 'Geol. of York.,' p. 133, 1822. "Upper Lias," part, of English authors. "Posidonien-Schiefer," Römer, 'Oolit. Geb.,' p. 5, 1836. "Lias-Schiefer," von Buch, 'Jura Deutsch.,' "Berl. Akadem.," 1837. "Posidonien-Schiefer," Quenst., 'Flötzgebirge,' p. 538, 1843. "9^e Étage, Toarcien (pars infér.)," d'Orbigny, 'Cours. Élément. de Paléontol.,' p. 463, 1852. "Die Schichten der *Posidonomya Bronni*," pars, Opper, 'Juraformation,' p. 197, 1856. "Communis-bed," Wright, 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol xiv, p. 25, 1858. "Communis Zone," Rev. Dr. Smithe, 'Cots. Club Trans.,' Aug., 1861. 'Serpentinus-bed,' Judd, 'Geology

¹ The zone of *Stephanoceras commune*, named in p. 3, may be advantageously divided into the zones of *Harpoceras serpentinum*, and *Harpoceras bifrons*.

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5th. A thin band of blue and yellow clay, containing many *Harpoceras falciferum*, Sow., *Belemnites acuarius*, Schloth., and *Rhynchonella pygmæa*, Moore. This bed rests upon the light-coloured marls of the *Spinatus*-stage.

From a railway cutting near Stroud, I obtained many fine specimens of *Harpoceras serpentinum*, Rein., and during the execution of works for drainage, and the formation of a new road near Nailsworth, good sections of the Upper Lias were exposed; from the bands of limestone numerous fossils were obtained, as *Stephanoceras commune*, Sow., *Harpoceras bifrons*, Brug., *Harp. falciferum*, Sow., *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, Sow., *Lytoceras cornucopiæ*, Young., *Harp. Lythense*, Young., *Belemnites compressus*, Voltz., *Nautilus latidorsatus*, d'Orbig., *Turbo capitaneus*, Münst., *Pleurotomaria sub-decorata*, Münst., *Astarte lurida*, Sow., *Posidonomya Bronni*, Voltz., *Nucula Hausmanni*, Roem., *Gresslya gregaria*, Roem., *Lima bellula*, Mor. and Lyc., *Lima gigantea*, Sow., *Tancredia læviuscula*, Lyc., and several undescribed forms.

The Rev. Dr. Smithe,¹ F.G.S., has given an interesting account of two quarries of Upper Lias, on the top of Churchdown Hill, and known as north and south, the latter being the larger and better of the two for its section. The beds are nearly horizontal, and exhibit only slight traces of disturbance.

Stephanoceras commune Zone at Churchdown.

No.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	Alluvial soil	1 6	
2	Brown marly soil.....	2 0	Fish, Crustacea, and all the fossils of list.
3	Concretionary argillaceous limestone...	0 4-6	"Fish bed," <i>Leptolepis concentricus</i> , <i>Thrissops</i> , sp., <i>Stephanoceras commune</i> , <i>Posidonomya Bronni</i> , <i>Mytilus gryphoides</i> .
4	Blue and drab mottled clay.....	6 0	"Alga bed," fossils of No. 2, with <i>Algæ</i> , <i>Aptychi</i> , &c.
5	Brown marly shale	1 0	"Leptæna bed," <i>Spiriferina</i> , <i>Leptæna</i> , <i>Terebratula</i> , and <i>Rhynchonella</i> , with <i>Nucula</i> and other Lamellibranchs.
6	Blue and yellow clay	1 0	<i>Stephan. commune</i> , <i>Bel. acuarius</i> , <i>Rhyn. pygmæa</i> , <i>Terebrat. globulina</i> .
Light-coloured "nodular bed," <i>Spinatus</i> -zone, containing Belemnites.			

We have in the above a replica of the Upper-Lias section so well shown at Ilminster, Somerset, and of that at Curcy, la Caine, Calvados, described by Professor Deslongchamps.²

¹ "The Geology of Churchdown Hill," 'Cotteswold Club,' August, 1861.

² 'Études sur les Étages Jurassiques Infer. de Normandie,' p. 75, 1864

The Upper Lias at Ilminster, Somerset, has become famous for the large number of species it has yielded to the long, patient, and careful investigations of Mr. Charles Moore, F.G.S., now of Bath, but formerly a resident in Ilminster, where he availed himself of exceptional advantages for making his collection. The following is the succession of the beds at Strawberry Bank, near Ilminster, described in descending order.¹

Section of the Upper Lias at Strawberry Bank, Ilminster.

- a. Yellow micaceous sands of the Inferior Oolite, unfossiliferous.
- b. Eight bands of clay and stone, containing *Harpoceras Moorei* = *opalinum*, *Harp. variabile*, *Lytoceras insigne* = Zone of *Lytoceras jurense*.
- c. Light blue clay, 4' 6", with *Crania Moorei*.
- d. Three layers of drab-coloured clay and stone, *Belemnites Ilminsterensis*.
- e. Alternate layers of light-grey clay and rubbly stone; containing *Harpoceras bifrons*, *Harp. radians*, *Harp. falciferum* = Zone of *Harpoceras bifrons*.
- f. Blue mottled clay, with many Foraminifera.
- g. Beds of rubbly stone and light-coloured clays, with *Harpoceras serpentinum*, *Stephanoceras commune*, *Stephan. fibulatum* = Zone of *Harp. serpentinum*.
- h. Concretionary blue clay, with Foraminifera, and a layer of sandy stone, with *Rhynchonella Bouchardii*. These form the upper Cephalopoda-beds which overlie—
- i. "The Saurian" and "Fish Beds" about twelve inches thick, which consist of a yellow septarian limestone, including Fishes in fine preservation, as *Pachycormus*, *Eugnathus*, *Lepidotus*, *Pholidophorus*, *Leptolepis*, *Dapedium*, and *Hybodus*. The Saurian remains are, *Ichthyosaurus acutirostris*, Owen, *Teleosaurus temporalis*, Blainville, *Teleosaurus Moorei*, Deslongchamps.
- j. "The Leptæna-beds" consist of thin layers of yellowish clay, resting immediately on the Middle Lias, and forming the basement bed of the Upper Lias. They measure about eighteen inches in thickness, and contain *Leptæna Bouchardii*, *L. Moorei*, *Thecidium rusticum*, *Spiriferina Ilminsterensis*, *Zellania liassica*, *Leptæna granulosa*, *Alaria unispinosa*, and other Gastropods.

Mr. Moore's museum in the Philosophical Institution, Bath, contains *Teleosaurus*, *Ichthyosaurus*, and other Reptiles, and a magnificent collection of Fishes, representing many new species of *Pachycormus*, *Lepidotus*, and other Upper-Lias forms, in the finest possible preservation; the brown, enamelled scales of the fish beautifully contrasting with the pale yellow rock in which they are entombed. It was here likewise that the Leptæna-bed was first discovered in England, which contained so many interesting ancient forms of

¹ "Middle and Upper Lias of the South-west of England," 'Proc. of the Somerset Archæol. Soc.,' p. 16, vol. xiii, 1865-6.

small Brachiopods belonging to the genera *Leptæna*, *Spiriferina*, *Thecidium*, *Rhynchonella*, and *Terebratula*, together with a number of Gastropods and Lamellibranchs, amounting to upwards of 150 species. The *Leptæna*-bed forms a remarkable stratum, and was found by Professor E. Deslongchamps to occupy the same stratigraphical position at Curcy, la Caine, and other localities in Normandy, as it does in Somersetshire and Gloucestershire. The following note, January, 1862, from my learned friend Thomas Davidson, Esq., F.R.S., explains the discovery of the Lias *Leptæna*: "When at Boulogne, in 1847, M. Bouchard received a parcel of fossils from the Lias of Pic de St. Loup, among which were several specimens of a small *Leptæna*, and about the same time I received a small parcel from Mr. C. Moore, among which I recognised two or three species of Lias *Leptæna*, which M. Bouchard and myself described, for the first time, in the 'Annals and Mag. of Natural History' for October, 1847. The discovery of the Lias *Leptæna* is therefore due to M. Bouchard and Mr. Moore. It was my description and publication of these species which first directed public attention to the subject."

In Yorkshire the lower zones of the Upper Lias attain a remarkable development, and have long been found to contain jet-rock and alum-shale, and an immense number of organic remains in a fine state of preservation. I shall select two from among the coast sections which afford the most instructive exposures of these beds. The first is the cliffs and scars at Saltwick, south of Whitby. My old and esteemed friend, the late Professor John Phillips,¹ made a sketch of this locality, which I introduce with a few additions, as a faithful outline of this instructive bay, whose bold promontory and conspicuous island, formed of dark Lias, offer uncommon facilities for examining the whole section, and collecting from each bed its characteristic fossils. In descending from the encircling cliffs to the great hollow below, in which the alum-works were situated, we pass over—(1 and 2) the thick capping of the lower shales and sandstones, with remains of plants; (3) the dogger, a rough, uneven rock, with much ferruginous material in the mass, overlying (4) the *Leda ovum*-bed, which characterises the top of the alum-shale, and in which *Harpoceras bifrons*, *Harp. Lythense*, *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, *Phyll. subcarinatum*, *Stephanoceras commune*, *Stephan. fibulatum*, *Stephan. subarmatum*, and several other species of our list are found. This bed is about 34 feet thick, and overlies (5) a lumpy irregular band of nodules; beneath this (6) another bed of dark-grey alum-shale, containing an irregular band of nodules, but not many fossils, about 34 feet thick, and forming the lowest stratum worked for alum. It rests upon (7) a flat bed of ironstone, 4 inches thick, and very persistent in its character. Beneath the ironstone is (8) a bed of hard, dark alum-shale, 16 to 18 feet in thickness, which contains a great number of Belemnites entombed in two seams of shale, the one three feet below the ironstone, the second a foot from the bottom of the bed. *Belemnites vulgaris*, *Bel. subtenuis*, *Bel. tubularis*, *Bel. lævis*. Then follows (9) an irregular band of calcareous nodules, lumpy, spheroidal, or flattened, one foot thick. Beneath this (10) a dark, firm shale, with some

¹ 'Yorkshire Coast,' 3rd edit., p. 144, 1875.

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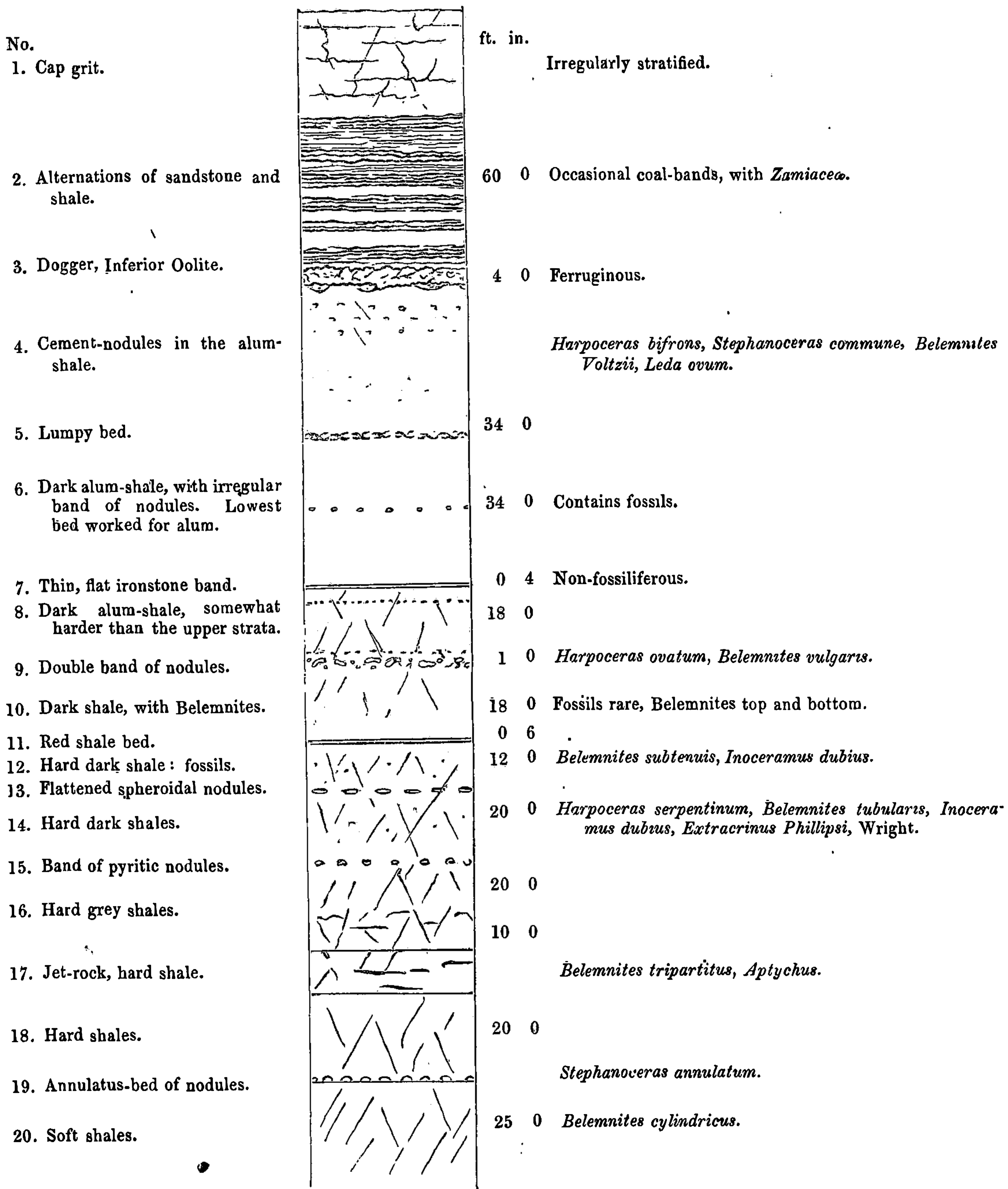
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FIG. 7.—Profile of Saltwick Nab, south of Whitby.



Detailed description of the Saltwick Section.

- No. 1. Sandstone rock belonging to the Lower Sandstone series. } 60 feet.
 2. Alternating beds of sandstone and shales, with remains of plants, chiefly *Zamiaceæ*. }
 3. Rough ferruginous Dogger in Inferior Oolite, with inconstant bands formed of harder, more ferruginous, irregular, spheroidal masses of rock, 4 feet thick.
 4. Grey alum-shale, the upper part a little sandy, with few or no fossils. At about 5 feet in depth layers of small limestone nodules appear, and continue for about that space in sufficient plenty to be worked for the making of "cement." Lower down the nodules are fewer, and admit of a larger proportion of carbonate of iron, alumina, and silica. The shale is pyritous, and abounds with fossils, as *Harpoceras bifrons*, *Stephanoceras commune*, *Belemnites Voltzii*, *Leda ovum*, *Gresslya donaciformis*. Thickness 34 feet.
 5. A conspicuous, irregular band, occasionally swelling out into lumpy masses, more calcareous than most of the hard layers that occur below.
 6. Dark alum-shale, 34 feet thick, with an irregular band of nodules. This bed is not rich in fossils, and appears to be the lowest bed worked for alum.
 7. Is a thin flat bed of ironstone, somewhat remarkable for its continuity, 4 inches thick.
 8. Dark alum-shale, 16 to 18 feet thick, somewhat harder than the strata above. The fossils are chiefly Belemnites, of which a kind of bed is formed 3 feet below No. 7. There is also another bed of Belemnites 1 foot from the bottom; both are of limited extent. *Monotis substratus*.
 9. An irregular, frequently double band of subcalcareous nodules, large and small, lumpy, spheroidal, or flattened, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 foot.
 10. Dark firm shale, 16 to 18 feet thick, poor in fossils; Belemnites occur near the top and bottom.
 11. Hard, dark, reddened shale bed, occasionally changing to a ferruginous band, 3 to 6 inches thick.
 12. Hard dark shales, 12 feet thick, containing *Belemnites subtenuis*, *Inoceramus dubius*.
 13. Band of remarkable flattened spheroidal balls.
 14. Hard dark shales, 20 feet thick, with numerous fossils, often pyritized, *Harpoceras Mulgravium*, *Belemnites tubularis*, *Inoceramus dubius*, *Extracrinus Phillipsii*, Wright.
 15. Band of irregular balls, pyritized.
 16. Hard grey shales, 20 feet.
 17. Jet-rock, hard shale, 10 feet thick, with calcareous concretions and considerable portions of Jet. *Belemnites tripartitus*, *Aptychus*, &c.
 18. Hard shales, with large nodules in the upper part, 20 feet.
 19. *Stephanoceras annulatum* bed of nodules.
 20. Soft shales, 20 to 30 feet thick, and containing *Belemnites cylindricus*.

*Section of the Upper Lias at Rockliff, Easington Heights, north of Whitby,
altitude 681 feet above the level of the sea.¹*

No.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
1	Sandstone beds with plant-seams		<i>Zamiaceæ.</i>
2	Inferior Oolite, the Dogger		<i>Trigonia costata</i> and other Inferior-Oolite fossils.
ALUM-SHALE. Zone of <i>Harpoceras bifrons</i> .			
3	Dark grey shale	10 0	<i>Harpoceras bifrons, Harp. Lythense.</i>
4	HARD OR CEMENT-STONE SEAM, numerous calcareous nodules, exclusively manufactured into Roman cement . .	25 0	<i>Stephanoceras commune, Steph. fibulatum, Steph. subarmatum, Lytoceras cornucopiæ, Phylloceras heterophyllum, Leda ovum, Trigonia literata, Gresslya donaciformis, Discina reflexa.</i>
5	Nodules in these and succeeding beds, highly ferruginous	150 0	<i>Belemnites subtenuis, Bel. vulgaris, Leda ovum.</i>
6	Lowest level worked for alum, 90 feet from the surface		
JET-ROCK. Zone of <i>Harpoceras serpentinum</i> .			
7	Many pyritous nodules, very much flattened	20 0	<i>Harpoceras serpentinum, Harpo. exaratum, Harpo. ovatum.</i>
8	Hard compact shale, very sandy, a few small nodules mostly barren in fossils	30 0	<i>Lepidotus, Pachychormus, Ptycholepis, Leptolepis, Gyrosteus mirabilis.</i>
MIDDLE LIAS. Zone of <i>Amaltheus margaritatus</i> .			

Professor Judd² describes the Upper Lias of Rutland as occupying a large area in Sheet 64 of the 'Geological Survey.' This division of the Lias is usually concealed by Drift except on the steep slopes of the Oolitic escarpments, where it attains a thickness of about 200 feet, and consists almost entirely of clays, which Prof. Judd divides into the following beds. The section is in a descending order.

1. *The Leda-ovum Beds* form the highest beds of the Upper Lias, and consist of clays, with numerous layers of septaria, everywhere distinguished by the abundance of *Leda ovum*, Sow. The prevailing Ammonite is *Harpoceras bifrons*, which occurs in great numbers. Here are also *Stephanoceras commune, Steph. annulatum, Steph. crassum, Steph. fibulatum, Steph. Holandrei.* *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, is tolerably abundant, but

¹ Louis Hunton, 'Trans. Geol. Soc.,' vol. v, second series, p. 215, 1836.

² "Geology of Rutland," 'Memoirs of the Geological Survey,' p. 79, 1875.

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The fossils collected here show that the *Serpentinum*- and *Bifrons*-beds are those divisions of the Upper Lias which are best developed in Rutland, as the following list demonstrates :

CEPHALOPODA.

Harpoceras serpentinum, <i>Rein.</i>	Stephanoceras crassum, <i>Phil.</i>
— bifrons, <i>Brug.</i>	— Holandrei, <i>d'Orb.</i>
— elegans, <i>Sow.</i>	— annulatum, <i>Sow.</i>
— falciferum, <i>Sow.</i>	Phylloceras heterophyllum, <i>Sow.</i>
— radians, <i>Rein.</i>	Belemnites compressus, <i>Voltz.</i>
Stephanoceras commune, <i>Sow.</i>	— tenuis, <i>Phill.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Leda ovum, <i>Sow.</i>	Posidonomya Bronni, <i>Voltz.</i>
Inocramus dubius, <i>Sow.</i>	Nucula cordata, <i>Goldf.</i>
Ostrea subauricularis, <i>d'Orb.</i>	Astarte striatosulcata, <i>Röm.</i>

From the above list it appears that the *Serpentinum*- and *Bifrons*-beds are so blended together in the Upper Lias of Rutlandshire that they have not yet been separated from each other, and that these two lower zones of the Upper Lias are the most persistent and widely developed of the upper division of the Lias formation in this County.

List of Fossils from the Zone of Harpoceras serpentinum (Gloucestershire).

REPTILIA.

Teleosaurus temporalis, <i>Blainv.</i>	Plesiosaurus (vertebræ).
Ichthyosaurus acutirostris, <i>Owen.</i>	Pterodactylus (coracoid of).

FISHES.

Pachycormus latirostris, <i>Agass.</i>	Tetragonolepis discus, <i>Egert.</i>
Leptolepis concentricus, <i>Egert.</i>	Dapedius, sp.

CRUSTACEA.

Coleia, sp.

INSECTA.

Libellula Brodiei, <i>Buck.</i>	Agrion Buckmanni, <i>Brod.</i>
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CEPHALOPODA.

Belemnites tripartitus, <i>Sow.</i>	Harpoceras bifrons, <i>Brug.</i>
— Voltzii.	— falciferum, <i>Sow.</i>
— subtenuis, <i>Phil.</i>	— Lythense, <i>Young and Bird.</i>
Nautilus astacoides, <i>Young and Bird.</i>	— Raquinianum, <i>d'Orbig.</i>
Stephanoceras commune, <i>Sow.</i>	Lytoceras cornucopiæ, <i>Young and Bird.</i>
— annulatum, <i>Sow.</i>	Phylloceras heterophyllum, <i>Sow.</i>
Harpoceras serpentinum, <i>Reinecke.</i>	Belemnosepia (ink-bag and osselets).

GASTEROPODA.

Eucyclus capitaneus, *Münst.*
Trochus bisertus, *Phil.*
Cerithium, sp.

Pleurotomaria subdecorata, *Münst.*
Rostellaria, sp.
Natica, sp.

14. ZONE OF HARPOCERAS BIFRONS.

Synonyms.—“*A. communis*-bed,” part, Wright, ‘Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,’ vol. xiv, p. 25, 1858. “Zone of *Am. communis*,” part, Wright, ‘Oolitic Asteroidea,’ Palæont. Soc., p. 38, 1862. “Zone à *Am. bifrons*,” Reynès, ‘Géol. et Paléont. Aveyron,’ p. 65, 1868. “*Leda-ovum*-beds,” Judd, “Geol. of Rutland,” ‘Mem. Geol. Surv.,’ p. 80, 1876. “Zone of *Am. communis* or *Alum-shale*,” Tate and Blake, ‘Yorkshire Lias,’ p. 181, 1876.

This zone at Frocester Hill consists of fine sandy marls, with inconstant bands of a harder sand rock, which form several layers of nodules in the bank, and many of these contain fossils. I have found sometimes clusters of *Harpoceras bifrons* in some of these masses when broken up—a fact which first taught me the true stratigraphical position of *Harp. bifrons*. Along other escarpments of the Cotteswolds I have collected *Harp. bifrons* in brownish marl at the southern base of Crickley Hill, and in soft grey clays above the *Serpentinum*-bed at Stinchcombe Hill.

In the Saltwick profile near Whitby, and at Rock Cliff, near Staithes, on the Yorkshire coast, we have already seen that *Harp. bifrons* belongs to the alum-shale, and has for its associates *Stephan. commune*, *Belemnites Voltzii*, *Leda ovum*, and *Gresslya donaciformis*, and that it there forms a well-marked horizon of life resting upon the Jet-rock, with *Harpoceras serpentinum*, and *Harp. falciferum*.

On cutting the eastern portion of the Banbury and Cheltenham Direct Railway some instructive sections of the Upper Lias have been exposed on nearing Bloxam, Oxfordshire. Mr. Beesley¹ notes, “about 300 yards before reaching the Barford-road Bridge, a small fault brings down the Upper Lias about four feet against the *Spinatus*-beds. For 100 yards further the banks are all Marlstone of this zone; then comes another fault, dipping to the east, which throws down the Upper Lias to the base of the section, a depth of fifteen feet; the white marly limestone of the *Serpentinum*-beds, crowded with *Harpoceras bifrons*, *Stephanoceras commune*, *Lytoceras cornucopiæ*, *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, *Phyll. subcarinatum*, and species of the *Serpentinum* group, with *Belemnites Ilminsterensis* and *B. regularis* and *Nautili*, now forming the floor of the line, and over it blue or green shale fifteen feet thick. The faults pass obliquely across the line from north-west to south-east.”

¹ “Geology of the Banbury and Cheltenham Railway,” ‘Proc. Geol. Assoc.,’ vol. v, 1877.

*Fossils from Bloxam Railway-Cutting.*¹

CEPHALOPODA.

Harpoceras bifrons, <i>Brug.</i>	Phylloceras subcarinatum, <i>Young & Bird.</i>
— latescens, <i>Simp.</i>	Nautilus astacoides, <i>Young & Bird.</i>
— subplanatum, <i>Oppel.</i>	— Jourdani, <i>Dumort.</i>
— Levisoni, <i>Simp.</i>	Belemnites Ilminsterensis.
Stephanoceras commune, <i>Sow.</i>	— striolatus, <i>Phil.</i>
— crassum, <i>Young.</i>	— pyramidalis, <i>Ziet.</i>
— Holandrei, <i>d' Orb.</i>	— quadricanaliculatus, <i>Quenst.</i>
— fonticulum, <i>Simp.</i>	— regularis, <i>Phil.</i>
— gracile, <i>Simp.</i>	— subaduncatus, <i>Voltz.</i>
Lytoceras cornucopiæ, <i>Young & Bird.</i>	— subtenuis, <i>Simp.</i>
Phylloceras heterophyllum, <i>Sow.</i>	— tripartitus, <i>Schloth.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

Alaria angulata, <i>Moore.</i>	Pleurotomaria Joannis, <i>Dumort.</i>
Cerithium, sp.	— Theresæ, <i>Dumort.</i>
Chemnitzia Blainvillei, <i>Münst.</i>	Purpurina armata, <i>Tate.</i>
Eucyclus capitaneus, <i>Münst.</i>	Solarium, sp.
Natica Pelops, <i>d' Orb.</i>	Actæonina, sp.
Neritopsis transversa, <i>Moore.</i>	Trochus, sp.

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Astarte subtetragona, <i>Goldf.</i>	Lima Elea, <i>d' Orbig.</i>
Monotis inæquivalvis, <i>Sow.</i>	— eucharis, <i>d' Orbig.</i>
— Münsteri, <i>Goldf.</i>	— Galathea, <i>d' Orbig.</i>
— substriatus, <i>Münst.</i>	— punctata, <i>Sow.</i>
Cucullæa, sp.	Nucula cordata, <i>Goldf.</i>
Cypricardia Dumortieri, <i>Jaubert.</i>	— subglobosa, <i>Röm.</i>
Exogyra Berthandi, <i>Dumort.</i>	Pecten pumilus, <i>Lamk.</i>
Hinnites tumidus, <i>Ziet.</i>	— textorius, <i>Schloth.</i>
Inoceramus cinctus, <i>Goldfuss.</i>	Pholadomya Zieteni, <i>Agas.</i>
— dubius, <i>Sow.</i>	Pleuromya, sp.
— undulatus, <i>Ziet.</i>	Posidonomya Bronni, <i>Voltz.</i>
Leda, sp.	Plicatula catinus, <i>Deslong.</i>
Limea acuticosta, <i>Goldf.</i>	Unicardium subglobosum, <i>Tate.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

Discina reflexa, <i>Sow.</i>	Waldheimia punctata, <i>Sow.</i>
Rhynchonella amalthei, <i>Quenst.</i>	— Lycetti, <i>Dav.</i>
— jurensis, <i>Quenst.</i>	Thecidium, sp.
— Moorei, <i>Dav.</i>	

¹ This list has been prepared and most kindly communicated to me at my request by Mr. Beesley, F.C.S., from his unpublished notes on the interesting and instructive section at the Bloxam Railway-Cutting, Oxfordshire; and for his courtesy I beg to record my best thanks.

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cornus, *Thrissops*, *Leptolepis*. Saurians, as *Ichthyosaurus*, *Plesiosaurus*, and *Teleosaurus*. Cephalopods, as *Harpoceras serpentinum*, *bifrons*, *Lythense*, *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, *Lytoceras cornucopiæ*, *Belemnites acuarius*. Lamellibranchs, as *Inoceramus dubius*, *Posidonia Bronni*, *Minotis substriatus*, *Leda ovum*; and Brachiopods, as *Discina reflexa*, and others. The "*Jurensis-Mergel*" is characterised by the absence of Fish remains and the appearance of a new suite of Cephalopods, as *Lytoceras jurense*, *Harpoceras insigne*, *variabile*, *striatulum*, *radians*, *Aatense*, and many others.

At Pliensbach, north-west of Boll, and Holzmaden, south-west of Kirchheim, the following section by Dr. Opper may be considered as typical of the Württemberg Upper Lias.

Upper Lias near Boll, Württemberg.

Torulosis-bed.

PETROLOGY.		THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		ft. in.	
Zone of LYTOCERAS JURENSE	Two or three light grey, hard, marl beds, with clays between 8 to	10 0	<i>Am. jurensis</i> , <i>discoides</i> , <i>insignis</i> , <i>radians</i> , <i>hircinus</i> , <i>Belemnites tricanaliculatus</i> , <i>exilis</i> , <i>longisulcatus</i> , <i>irregularis</i> .
	Efflorescent slaty shales, replaced in many places by the so-called " <i>Leberboden</i> "	8 0	<i>Am. bifrons</i> , <i>fibulatus</i> , <i>serpentinus</i> , <i>falcifer</i> , <i>heterophyllum</i> , <i>cornucopiæ</i> , <i>communis</i> , <i>crassus</i> , <i>Holandrei</i> , <i>subarmatus</i> , <i>Bel. irregularis</i> , <i>Bel. tripartitus</i> .
	Monotis bed	0 2	<i>Monotis substriatus</i> , Münst.
	Slaty beds, abounding with saurian and fishes' remains	0 2	<i>Belemnites acuarius</i> .
	Slaty beds with <i>Teleosaurus</i> , <i>Pterodactyle</i> , and fishes' remains	0 5	<i>Teleosaurus Chapmani</i> , <i>Pterodactylus Bantensis</i> , <i>Ptycholepis Bollensis</i> .
	Light-grey slaty clay.....	1 0	<i>Posidonomya</i> , <i>Bronni</i> , <i>Monotis substriatus</i> .
	Upper " <i>Stinkstein</i> "	0 8	
Zone of POSIDONOMYA BRONNI	Slates with fishes and saurians	1 0	
	Hard laminated clay ... 2 to	0 4	
	Light efflorescent laminated slates	2 0	
	Lower " <i>Stinkstein</i> ," with fishes' remains	0 8	
	Laminated slates, with Geodes	5 0	<i>Leptolepis Elvensis</i> .
	" <i>Fleins</i> "	0 8	Saurians, <i>Pentacrinus Bollensis</i> .
	<i>Hainzen</i> pyritic nests	0 2	
	Bluish-grey clay, with Algæ		<i>Spiriferina villosus</i> , <i>Belemnites papillatus</i> .
Blackish <i>Tafelfleins</i>	0 3-5	Saurians and <i>Sepiæ</i> .	
" <i>Algäschicht</i> "	1 6	<i>Acrosalenia crinifera</i> , Quenst.	

The Middle Lias.—Zone of *Am. spinatus*.²

¹ 'Juraformation,' p. 201, 1856.

Dr. Waggen states that the Upper Lias in Franconia closely resembles that of Swabia,¹ and that the zone of *Posidonomya Bronni* is very well developed there.

Professor Quenstedt² has given a good account of the palæontology of the Lias *Epsilon* at Boll, and has described in detail *Teleosaurus Chapmani*, König, *T. Bollensis*, Quenst., *Pelagosaurus*, sp. *Plesiosaurus Suevicus*, *Ichthyosaurus longirostris*, *Ichthyo. triscissus*, *Ichthyo. quadriscissi*, *Ichthyo. trigonodon*, and added the following list of fossils :

Palæontology of the Lias Upper "Epsilon" at Boll, Württemberg.

FISHES.

Hybodus pyramidalis, <i>Agass.</i>	Ptycholepis Bollensis, <i>Agass.</i>
— reticulatus, <i>Ag.</i>	Pholidophorus Germanicus, <i>Quenst.</i>
Acrodus nobilis, <i>Ag.</i>	Belonostomus acutus, <i>Agass.</i>
Lepidotus Elvensis, <i>Blainv.</i>	Pachycormus curtus, <i>Ag.</i>
Dapedius cælatus, <i>Quenst.</i>	— macropterus, <i>Ag.</i>
— punctatus, <i>Ag.</i>	— Bollensis, <i>Quenst.</i>
— Leachii, <i>Ag.</i>	Thrissops micropodius, <i>Ag.</i>
— pholidotus, <i>Ag.</i>	Leptolepis Bronnii, <i>Ag.</i>
Tetragonolepis semicinctus, <i>Bronn.</i>	Lycodus gigas, <i>Quenst.</i>
— cinctus, <i>Quenst.</i>	Pachylepis, sp.

CEPHALOPODA.

Loliginites Schubleri, <i>Quenst.</i>	Belemnites incurvatus, <i>Ziet.</i>
— Bollensis, <i>Ziet.</i>	Ammonites Lythensis, <i>Young & Bird.</i>
— simplex, <i>Voltz.</i>	— capellinus, <i>Quenst.</i>
— coriaceus, <i>Quenst.</i>	— serpentinus, <i>Reinecke.</i>
— sagittatus, <i>Münst.</i>	— bifrons, <i>Brug. = Walcotti, Sow.</i>
Onychoteuthis conocauda, <i>Quenst.</i>	— communis, <i>Sow.</i>
Onychites uncus, <i>Quenst.</i>	— crassus, <i>Phill.</i>
— runcinatus, <i>Quenst.</i>	— Bollensis, <i>Quenst.</i>
Belemnites acuarius, <i>Schloth.</i>	— heterophyllus, <i>Sow.</i>
— digitalis, <i>Quenst.</i>	— cornucopiæ, <i>Sow.</i>
— tripartitus, <i>Schloth.</i>	— anguinus, <i>Reinecke.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

Chemnitzia repeliana, <i>d'Orb.</i>	Pleurotomaria subdecorata, <i>Münst.</i>
Natica Pelops, <i>d'Orb.</i>	— intermedia, <i>Münst.</i>
Turbo Sedgwicki, <i>d'Orb.</i>	

¹ 'Der Jura in Franken, Schwaben und der Schweiz,' p. 47, 1864.

² 'Der Jura,' p. 210, 1858.

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Ostrea subauricularis, <i>d'Orb.</i>	Posidonomya Bronni, <i>Voltz.</i>
Pecten incrustatus, <i>DeFrance.</i>	— radiata, <i>Goldf.</i>
Gervillia Eseri, <i>Oppel.</i>	— orbicularis, <i>Münst.</i>
Avicula striata, <i>Ziet.</i>	Inoceramus undulatus, <i>Ziet.</i>
Lima galatea, <i>d'Orb.</i>	— cinctus, <i>Goldf.</i>
Trigonia literata, <i>Phill.</i>	— dubius, <i>Sow.</i>
Leda ovum, <i>Sow.</i>	Solemya Voltzi, <i>Romer.</i>
Goniomya rhombifera, <i>Goldf.</i>	

BRACHIOPODA.

Discina papyracea, <i>Münst.</i>	Spiriferina villosa, <i>Quenst.</i>
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ECHINODERMATA

Acrosalenia crinifera, <i>Quenst.</i>	Pentacrinus fasciculosus, <i>Schlöth.</i>
Pentacrinus Bollensis, <i>Schlöth.</i>	— Quenstedti, <i>Oppel.</i>

In France the *Posidonomya*-beds attain a considerable development and are found in many Departments; they have been described in the Moselle by M. Terquem,¹ where they consist of (a) "*Marnes bitumineuses*," (b) "*Calcaire noduleux*," and (c) "*Calcaire gréseux*." The petrology of these divisions is certainly distinct, but several of the species of organic remains are common to the three, and all are characteristic of the lower portion of the Upper Lias.

In Luxembourg these beds have been described by Drs. Chapuis and Dewalque² as "*Marne de Grand-Cour*," which consists of a bituminous schist at the base and bluish marls with calcareous nodules in the upper part. The Marne de Grand-Cour has been worked at Aubange for the preparation of bitumen, and from these exposures the remains of Reptiles, Fishes, Crustacea, and Cephalopods have been collected. The following Ammonites from the lower zone have been figured by these authors:—*Harpoceras serpentinum*, *Harp. Lythense*, *Harp. complanatum*, *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, *Lytoceras cornucopiæ*, *Stephanoceras Raquinianum*, *Steph. Holandrei*, *Steph. mucronatum*, *Steph. Braunianum*. And from the upper zone: *Harp. radians*, *Harp. Levesquei*, *Harp. variable*, *Harp. Comense*.

In the Department of the Ardennes it has been described by Buvignier as the upper marls of the Upper Lias; here, likewise, a bituminous schist forms the base, and marls the upper portion, of the series.

In the Meurthe M. Lavallois describes these strata as "*Marnes schisto-bitumineuses*."

¹ 'Paléontologie du Départ. de la Moselle, Ext. de Satist. de la Moselle,' p. 20, 1855.

² 'Lias de la Province de Luxembourg,' p. 60, 1857.

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horizon with *Hellispongia fasciculata*. The fourth zone, composed of compact marls with few fossils, is characterised by the presence of *Steph. mucronatum*.

In the Isère at Verpillière and St. Quentin the *Posidonomya*-beds are formed of ferruginous layers with very fine fossil shells in a high state of preservation; and the relation of the *Posidonomya* to the *Jurensis*-zone is likewise very well displayed. The following species are characteristic of the *Posidonomya*-beds at Verpillière :

Belemnites acuarius, <i>Schlöth.</i>	Stephanoceras Holandrei, <i>d'Orb.</i>
Harpoceras bifrons, <i>Brug.</i>	— crassum, <i>Phil.</i>
Lytoceras cornucopiæ, <i>Young & Bird.</i>	— fibulatum, <i>Sow.</i>
Stephanoceras annulatum, <i>Sow.</i>	— subarmatum, <i>Sow.</i>
— commune, <i>Sow.</i>	— anguinum, <i>Rein.</i>

In the Loère and the Aveyron the Upper Lias is well developed, and both the *Posidonomya*- and *Jurensis*-beds are here found in natural superposition. The late Dr. Reynès,¹ after carefully studying these beds in the Aveyronnaise, divided them into four zones, and observed that the faunas have very little affinity with each other,—“we only ascertain but very rarely the appearance of a species beyond the zone in which it has taken its entire development, and it is still more rare that we see isolated examples ever appearing in beds of a later horizon.” To facilitate the stratigraphical and palæontological study of the Upper Lias this author divided the Upper Lias into four parts:—1. The zone of *Harp. serpentinum*; 2, the zone of *Harp. bifrons*; 3, the zone of *Lyto. jurensis*; and 4, the zone of *Harp. opalinum*.

1. The schists with *Posidonia Bronni* are from 3 to 30 mètres in thickness; they split into thin laminæ, on which are impressed the marks of fossils, as *Aptychus Lythensis*, *Harp. serpentinum*, *Posidonia Bronni*, and others. The shells are so much compressed that it is difficult to restore their former character; fortunately, however, these laminated shales contain many large, hard, calcareous, fossiliferous nodules, which contain uncrushed shells in good preservation. On breaking up the nodules the following species were collected :

Harpoceras serpentinum, <i>Rein.</i>	Aptychus Lythensis.
— Levisoni, <i>Simp.</i>	Posidonia Bronni, <i>Voltz.</i>
Stephanoceras commune, <i>Sow.</i>	Anodonta Bollensis, <i>Quenst.</i>

“The fauna is not numerous, and none of the species of this list ascend into the zone of *Harp. bifrons*. It is true that some palæontologists have considered *Harp. Levisoni* as the prototype of *Harp. bifrons*. In this case they are under the necessity of recognising two distinct varieties, the one having a lateral groove, and the other deprived of that canal; they are also forced to admit that these two varieties have lived at two distinct epochs and without any intermixture, and that this modification is made in a sudden manner with the appearance of the fauna of *Harp. bifrons*. These diverse

¹ ‘Éssai de Géologie et de Paléontologie Aveyronnaises,’ p. 63, 1868.

considerations have led me to regard the supposed varieties as distinct species, whatever may be the affinities or the minglings they have had in common in other countries."

2. The zone of *Harp. bifrons*. "This zone is marly, and the change which has taken place permits us to assign to it a precise lower limit. But it is not so easy to find the upper boundary, and it is even necessary to make the palæontological characters intervene; but we often meet at the base of the zone following with *Lyto. jurensis*, a bed of *Tissoa*—the compressed condition of which gives it the aspect of a true limestone. It is this bed, the thickness of which is 10—15 centimètres, entirely enclosed in the marls of the two zones, which appears to form the upper limit of the zone of *Harp. bifrons*; it is, in fact, above and below this bed that we observe a considerable change in the two faunas. The marls are black and entirely argillaceous; and enclose a large number of species, of which the representatives are distributed according to fixed laws in different levels of that zone."

"a. At the base we find *Stephan. Braunianum*. It is in this horizon that we discover that fauna so curious and so new, and which is enclosed in a marly bed immediately in contact with the *Posidonia*-shales. The marls in which this fauna is enclosed do not exceed a mètre and a half in thickness, and the principal species found here are :

Stephanoceras Braunianum, <i>d'Orb.</i>	Lytoceras Argelliezi, <i>Rey.</i>
— crassum, <i>Phill.</i>	Aegoceras acanthopse, <i>d'Orb.</i>
— Zitteli, <i>Oppel.</i>	Harpoceras falciferum, <i>Sow.</i>
Phylloceras subcarinatum, <i>Sow.</i>	Nucula Paulæ.
Lytoceras Nilssoni, <i>Hebert.</i>	Cerithium hexagonum.
— cornucopiæ, <i>Sow.</i>	Rhynchonella Julii.

"b. In the middle zone we recognise the true station of *Harp. bifrons*, and the fossils are very numerous.

Belemnites irregularis, <i>Schlöth.</i>	Aegoceras Gervaisi, <i>Rey.</i>
— acuaris, <i>Schloth.</i>	Harpoceras Erbaense, <i>Hauer.</i>
— tripartitus, <i>Schloth.</i>	Plicatula Neptuni.
Nautilus semistriatus, <i>d'Orb.</i>	Lima gigantea.
Harpoceras falciferum, <i>Sow.</i>	— pectinoides.
— bicarinatum, <i>Münst.</i>	Pecten incrustatus.
— bifrons, <i>Brug.</i>	Arca Bixa.
Lytoceras Nilssoni, <i>Hebert.</i>	Nucula ovum.
Stephanoceras crassum, <i>Phil.</i>	— Delila.
— subarmatum, <i>Young.</i>	Avicula Delia.
— Emilianum, <i>Rey.</i>	

"c. The upper part of this zone no longer includes *Harpoceras bifrons*, and we only meet in this horizon with *Lytoceras Nilssoni*, *Harp. bicarinatum*, *Harpoceras falciferum*, *Harp. Erbaense*, *Stephanoceras subarmatum*, and *Phylloceras heterophyllum*.

"This remarkable distribution of the species, according to distinct horizons, is almost general, with rare exceptions, and we are able to assign beforehand to each species the

position which it ought to occupy in the extent of the marls of the Lias. The same species are not equally abundant in all localities; and this proves to us that the species of former times, like those of the present day, did not frequent indiscriminately such and such regions."¹

In Normandy the lower zones of the Upper Lias have been studied with great care by Professor Deslongchamps, and many of the remarkable fossils they contain have been figured and described in his interesting '*Mémoire sur la Couche à Leptæna du Lias,*' already referred to, p. 119, in correlation with similar beds in the Upper Lias of Gloucestershire and Somersetshire. The quarries of Curcy, d'Évrecy, May, &c., near Caen, are good localities for the study of this zone, and the following section at Curcy affords a clear exposure of the Upper and Middle Lias in natural position there.

SECTION AT CURCY, CALVADOS.

UPPER LIAS.

No.	PETROLOGY.	THICK- NESS.	ORGANIC REMAINS.
		mètres.	
1	A Very ferruginous, yellowish or reddish clay, containing rolled Oolitic blocks and fossils.....	?	The fossils belong to the Oolitic beds, and resemble a like deposit of Drift at Moutiers.
2	Alternate beds of limestone and thin bands of clay, containing many fossils	?	<i>Harp. serpentinum</i> , <i>Harp. bifrons</i> , <i>Stephan. Holandrei</i> .
3	Thick masses of Very tenacious, greyish, yellowish or blackish clay, with a band of calcareous nodules containing Fishes.....	—	<i>Posidonomya Bronni</i> , <i>Geotheutis Agassizii</i> , <i>Aptychus</i> .
4	" <i>Couche à Leptæna</i> ," a Very thin bed of reddish marl, formed of the fragments of Various fossils, and a singular assemblage of organic remains ...	7 to 8 1 to 2 decimètres	<i>Ter. globulina</i> , <i>Rhyn. pygmæa</i> , <i>Leptæna Moorei</i> , <i>Lep. liasiana</i> , <i>Lep. Davidsoni</i> , <i>Lep. Bouchardi</i> , <i>Thecidea Mayalis</i> , <i>sinuata</i> , <i>rustica</i> , <i>Eugenicrinus</i> , <i>Plicatocrinus</i> , <i>Cotylederma</i> , spines and plates of <i>Echinidæ</i> .

MIDDLE LIAS.

5	" <i>The Roc</i> ," a sandy saccharoid limestone, containing many fossils, and forming a good horizon	mètres. 1 to 2	<i>Am. spinatus</i> , <i>Am. margaritatus</i> , <i>Lyt. fimbriatum</i> , <i>Belem. niger</i> , <i>Gryphæa cymbium</i> , <i>Spiriferina rostrata</i> , <i>Terebratula quadrifida</i> .
6	Alternate beds of marl and limestone, of variable thickness, and containing many fossils	?	<i>Rhyn. tetraedra</i> , <i>Rhyn. acuta</i> , <i>Gryphæa cymbium</i> , <i>Harpax Parkinsoni</i> , <i>Terebratula numismalis</i> , <i>Rhyn. variabilis</i> , <i>Spiriferina verrucosa</i> , <i>Spirif. rostrata</i> .

¹ Ibid., p. 66.

² 'Bulletin de la Société Linnéenne de Normandie,' vol. iii, 1859.

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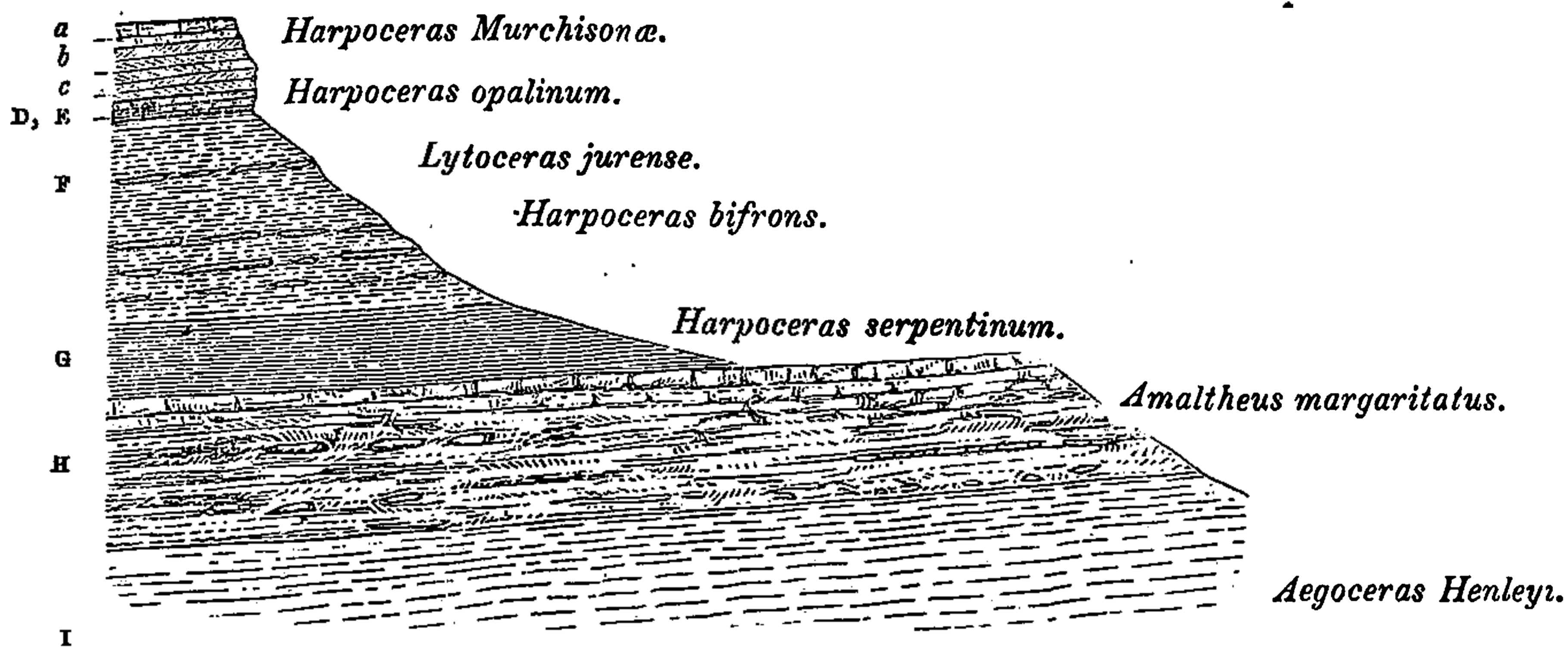
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of Gloucester, Somerset, Dorset, and at Blue Wick, or Blea-Wyke, near Robin Hood's Bay, on the Yorkshire coast. It may be most advantageously studied in the fine section at Frocester Hill, and in other smaller exposures in the Nailsworth and Brimscombe Valleys in Gloucestershire. The following section of Frocester Hill, near Stonehouse, affords one of the best types of the zone of *Lytoceras Jurense* in the county of Gloucester.

FIG. 8.—Section of Frocester Hill, near Stonehouse.



a, b, c. Inferior Oolite; 70 feet. Zone of *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*.

d, e. Calcareo-ferruginous sandstone (Cephalopoda bed); 6 feet. { Zones of *Harpoceras opalinum* and *Lytoceras jurense*.

f. Grey, yellow, and brown sands, with inconstant, concretionary bands of calcareous sandstone; 150 feet? Zone of *Harpoceras bifrons*.

g. Upper Lias shale; 80 feet. Zone of *Harpoceras serpentinum*.

h. Marlstone; hard calcareous sandstone, resting on brown and grey sands, with bands and nodules of ferruginous sandstone; 150 feet. Zone of *Amaltheus margaritatus*.

i. Middle Lias shale. Zone of *Aegoceras Henleyi*.

In very few localities, where the sands are exposed along the escarpments of the Cotswolds or in the beautiful valleys intersecting these hills, are they found to contain organic remains; but fossiliferous seams have, however, been discovered at Frocester, Brimscombe, Nailsworth, Uley Bury, North Nibley, and Ozleworth, and doubtless will be detected in other localities in this neighbourhood when the strata are exposed.

The fossiliferous bed at Nailsworth lies near the base of the sands 4 or 5 feet above the Upper Lias clay, and consists of a fine soft ferruginous marly sandstone, of a rich brown colour, containing much peroxide of iron, with many shells, mostly of the same species found in the Cephalopoda-bed at Frocester. The difference between these two beds is important, and deserves to be noted, as the Cephalopoda-bed at Frocester overlies the sands, whilst the fossiliferous bed at Nailsworth underlies them near their base, clearly proving that the sands and Cephalopoda-bed form one stage.

In Somersetshire the *Jurense*-zone is met with in several sections south of the Mendips, resting upon the *Crania*-clays of the Upper Lias, as in the section at Straw-

berry Bank, Ilminster, already described at p. 119; where the rock consists of alternate strata of clay and stone, in which are found *Harpoceras insigne*, *Harpoceras variable*, and *H. opalinum*, var. *Moorei*. These Ammonites have not migrated, as some geologists state, from the Upper Lias sea into the Cephalopoda-bed of the sands above, inasmuch as neither of the species are ever found in the *Serpentinum* and *Bifrons* zones, but are truly characteristic forms of the *Jurensis*-zone, of which they form the leading species.

South of the Mendips the sands attain a thickness of 160 feet, whilst north of that range they diminish much, are extremely variable, and are absent in several localities. Near Bath they are about 40 feet thick, and are well exposed in the railway tunnel under Combe Down; also at Midford, near the late Dr. William Smith's house, hence the origin of the name, "Midford Sands."

In Dorsetshire this zone is found in several localities. I have carefully examined it in the following; at Chideock Hill, between Bridport and Charmouth, it is exposed near the summit, and consists of a very fine sandy rock of a light yellow colour, sometimes micaceous, in which I found good specimens of the following Ammonites, *Harpoceras insigne*, *Harp. variable*, and *Harp. opalinum*, all characteristic species in good preservation. From Burton Bradstock I have obtained some large *Harp. opalinum* and *Harp. variable* in a fine yellow sandy matrix; the sands here attain a considerable thickness, and have several inconstant bands of sandstone intersecting the deposit. At the east side of Bridport Harbour there is a magnificent coast section of the sands, estimated at upwards of 200 feet in thickness; and between Bridport Harbour and Burton Bradstock there are several good quarry sections, which show the upper rag-stones of the Inferior Oolite resting upon the Cephalopoda-bed. These two rocks so closely resemble each other in their petrology, that, but for the organic remains they contain, it would be impossible to separate them. Fortunately, however, the Inferior Oolite contains many Ammonites, Bivalve shells, Echinides, and Corals, which are typical of the Lower Oolitic beds, so that the divisional line between them can be surely drawn by palæontological evidence where lithology fails to do so. At the west side a fault has depressed the sands, which are here overlain by thin beds of Inferior Oolite and Fuller's Earth. Near Yeovil several instructive sections of the sands are exposed in the railway-cuttings around that town, and in the neighbourhood of Sherborne the sands are about 140 feet thick.

My friend Dr. Lycett, in his notes on the Ammonites of the sands intermediate to the Upper Lias and Inferior Oolite, intending to afford a concise analytic examination of their natural-history, characters, and geological distribution, assumed that it had been generally considered that all the species belonged to the lower horizons of the Upper Lias, but this was not the teaching of my Memoir, in which, by many sections and carefully prepared lists of the palæontology of the Upper-Lias sands¹ in the counties of

¹ "Notes on the Ammonites of the Sands intermediate to the Upper Lias and Inferior Oolite," 'Trans. Cotteswold Naturalists' Club,' p. 3, 1862.

Gloucester, Somerset, Dorset, and York, the Cephalopoda-bed and its underlying sands were shown to represent a well-marked horizon with specific forms of Ammonoids that were found neither in the Alum-shale or *Bifrons*-bed below, nor in the Inferior Oolite or *Murchisonæ*-zone above, and certainly represented a horizon of life, the correlative of the *Jurensis-Mergel* of Quenstedt.

The late Professor John Phillips¹ proposed the name "Midford Sands" for "the last of the Liassic strata to which the Inferior Oolite had not quite relinquished its ancient claim. . . . They are covered in many districts of the south of England by calcareous and shelly beds, which on first view appear naturally associated with the Oolitic rocks above; but they contain many fossils which are frequent in the Sands and not common in the Oolites. . . . If we wish to draw a hard limit of mineral deposits it should probably be between the sand and its calcareous cover (which is often absent), but if we desire to study organic sequence we shall unite the sands and their shelly cap into a transition group. In this point of view the facts which have come out by inquiry are very instructive. Taking first the group Cephalopoda, we find some of the well-known species of the Upper Lias to be continued through the sands into the shelly bed above, as *Ammonites bifrons*, *A. opalinus*, *A. striatulus*, *A. concavus*, *Belemnites compressus*, *B. irregularis*, *B. tripartitus*. On the other hand several Conchiferous Molluscs, which occur with these Cephalopoda, have decided Oolitic and not Liassic affinity. Such are *Hinnites abjectus*, *Trigonia striata*, *Modiola Sowerbii*, *Pholadomya fidicula*. Before the Liassic life has come to an end the Oolitic life has begun; a point of great importance in the reasoning on the causes of successive variation in the oceanic population, and one which will come before us again on several occasions while following the course of Oolitic time. The Cephalopoda-bed . . . is not known in the valleys of the Cherwell or Evenlode, and very partially in any of the branches of the Windrush, Coln, or Churn. But on the western front of the Cotteswold cliffs it extends from Gleeve-Cloud to Wotton-under-Edge, appears on the Dorsetshire coast, near Bridport, and is recognised in France."

In the palæontological table which accompanies this section it will be shown that *Harp. striatulum* and *Harp. opalinum* are not found in the Upper Lias properly so called, but appertain to the *Jurensis*-bed, and that *Harp. bifrons* is a leading fossil of the clay bed of the Upper Lias, but is not found in the *Jurensis*-zone unless as a fossil washed out of an older bed and redeposited in a newer formation.

Dundry Hill, near Bristol, 769 feet in altitude above sea-level, is the most westerly outlier of the Cotteswold range, from which it is nine miles distant; this is a locality of great interest to the naturalist, as it affords capital sections of the Jurassic strata, admirable examples of rock-sculpture by denudation, and a commanding point for surveying the grand panorama in the midst of which it stands. The following profiles of this hill show its structure very clearly.

¹ 'Geology of Oxford and the Valley of the Thames,' p. 118, 1871.

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beds of the Inferior Oolite. The Ragstones rest on them, and here appear for the first time small *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni*, *Pleurotomaria proteus*, *Pholadomya Heraulti*, *P. ovulum*, *Ceromya Bajociana*, *Terebratula perovalis*, *Ter. spheroidalis*, *Ter. globata*, *Rhynchonella spinosa*, *Rhyn. plicatella*, with Echinoderms, as *Magnotia Forbesii*, *Stomechinus intermedius*, *Echinobrissus clunicularis*, and *Holactypus depressus*, all forms of Echinidæ found for the first time in the *Parkinsoni*-beds.

The fine-grained oolite or building-stone, No. 6, resting upon the preceding, which much resembles Portland stone, is extensively raised as a valuable building material.

The coarse oolite or Freestone beds are the highest set of strata observable at Dundry Hill. Shells are not common in these rocks, but several Corals are here located, as *Isastræa explanata*, *Stylina solida*, *Thamnastræa Defranciana*, *Latomæandra Flemingii*, *Isastræa tenuistriata*, with Crinoids as *Pentacrinus Milleri*.

The Oolitic rocks rest upon the Upper-Lias Sands, *a*, or zone of *Lytoceras jurense*, which is seen at the western side of the hill. The sands are only from 2 to 3 feet in thickness, and contain dwarfed specimens of *Modiola plicata*, *Pholadomya fidicula*, *Lima bellula*, *Belemnites irregularis*, *Bel. compressus*, and small *Harp. insigne*, so that this arenaceous deposit, which attained 80 feet in thickness at Frocester and 125 feet at Wootton-under-Edge, has almost disappeared at Dundry.

The zone of *Harpoceras bifrons* is feebly developed at Dundry, only a few small, dwarfed specimens of *Harp. bifrons*, *Stephan. commune*, *Belemnites tripartitus*, with a *Pholadomya*, and a *Modiola*, have been found in these Upper Lias clays.¹

The Middle Lias is here feebly represented, and in this respect presents a remarkable contrast to the great development this division attains in the escarpments of the Cotteswold Hills, and in the country around Bath.

The Lower Lias in the Dundry district is well seen at Bedminster Down, Keynsham, Whitchurch, Queen Charlton, Norton Malreward, Winford, and Barrow; in ascending from all these localities to the summit of the Hill we pass in succession from the Red Marl at Bedminster, over the *Avicula contorta*, *Planorbis*, *Bucklandi*, *Turneri*, and *Obtusius*-beds, which have a collective thickness of 450 feet.

I beg to refer the student to the section of the *Bucklandi*-beds at Saltford, near Bath, pp. 36 and 37, and of the *Planorbis*, and *Avicula-contorta*-beds in the same cutting, as affording all the details of these strata yet known on the subject in this district.

Those readers who may be interested in the Palæontology of the Dundry district will find in the 'Proceedings of the Bristol Naturalists' Society,' vol. i, p. 9, new series, 1874, a most valuable memoir by Mr. E. B. Tawney, F.G.S., entitled "Museum Notes—Dundry Gasteropoda." This paper contains a list of sixty-four species, many of which are beautifully figured for the first time, and the whole are most minutely and accurately described. It is an important addition to British Jurassic palæontology.

¹ For full details on the Dundry Hill section, I beg to refer to my friend Mr. R. Etheridge, F.R.S., notes on Dundry Hill, in my Memoir on the "Subdivisions of the Inferior Oolite," 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' p. 21, vol. xvi, 1860.

Whilst this sheet was passing through the press my esteemed friend Mr. W. W. Stoddart, F.G.S., of Bristol, kindly sent me a detailed section of Dundry Hill, measured by himself, with the vertical thickness and barometrical height of the chief beds in the section in feet. This I have endeavoured to embody in the form adopted in this work; and I thank my friend for the same.

Section of Dundry Hill. Dip 20° N.N.E.

PERIOD.	ZONE.	No.	STRATA.	VERTICAL THICKNESS.		BAROMETRICAL HEIGHT.			
				ft.	in.	ft.			
INFERIOR OOLITE	PARKINSONI about 23 feet	{	1	Freestone	16	9	769		
			2	Ragstone	6	0			
	HUMPHRIESIANUM about 20 feet	{	3	Coral.....	1	0	614		
			4	Echinus.....	1	6			
			5	Brachiopoda	4	8			
			6	Conchifera	8	0			
			7	Cephalopoda.....	3	0			
			8	Ironshot	2	0			
LIAS	JURENSE about 2 feet	{	9	Midford Sands	2	0	523		
			BIFRONS 4 feet	{	10	Upper Lias		4	0
	HENLEYI 1 foot	{			11	Middle Lias		1	0
					OBTUSUS about 80 feet	{		12	Limestone and Marls
	TURNERI about 26 feet	{	13	Limestones and Marls				24	0
			14	Limestone				2	3
	BUCKLANDI about 120 feet	{	15	Limestones and Marls				120	0
PLANORBIS about 143 feet					{	16	Limestones and Marls		
	RHÆTIC	AVICULA CONTORTA about 65 feet	{	17				Argillaceous Limestones and Clays.....	65
TRIAS	KEUPER about 78 feet	{	18	Variegated Marls					

It is now twenty years ago since I discovered the *Jurensis*-zone at Blue Wick, near Robin Hood's Bay, on the Yorkshire coast,¹ beneath a rock which I considered the equivalent of the basement bed of the Dogger or Inferior Oolite. It was a yellowish sandstone, containing several seams of small round pebbles, which lie near the bottom. The pebbly conglomerate is about 4 inches in thickness, and occurs at intervals. The sandstone contains fragments of Belemnites, *Cerithia*, and *Monotis nitescens*, Simp. The bed is about 5 feet thick, and lies on No. 1, a band of dark friable shale, resting on a hard ironstone band full of fossils. This bed is very micaceous in parts, and many of the shells are stained with ferric oxide. I found *Terebratula trilineata*, Young and Bird, in clusters in the sandstone, with *Belemnites compressus*, Voltz, *Bel. irregularis*, Schloth., *Trigonia Ramsayi*, Wright, and *Rhynchonella cynocephala*, Rich. These species occur also in a ferruginous seam of sandstone at Glaizedale. This bed is 18 inches thick, and rests on No. 2, the *Yellow Sandstone*, which is well exposed at Blue Wick. It consists of irregular layers of soft yellow sandstone, unequally indurated; some portions weather out and leave hollows in the cliff, whilst others are fine-grained, yellowish, highly micaceous, thick-bedded, and variously jointed. The upper part of this rock is ochraceous, and contains fossiliferous seams. Here I found in one large block *Harpoceras Comense*, von Buch, *Harp. insigne*, Schübl., *Goniomya angulifera*, Sow., *Monotis inæquivalvis*, Sow., *Trigonia Ramsayi*, *Cerithium* sp., *Turritella* sp., *Astarte* sp., *Gresslya pinguis*, *Glyphæa Birdii*, Bean. This bed is about 20 feet in thickness.

No 3, the *Serpula*-bed, a fine-grained greyish-yellow sandstone, which forms a reef, dips gently to the south-east, and presents a low escarpment to the north; it is regularly jointed, and the exposed upper surface contains masses of *Serpula diplexa*, Bean, *Vermetus compressus*, Will., *Pecten intercostatus*, Wright, *Harpoceras Aalense*, Ziet. (var. *Moorei*, Lyc.), and *Heterocidaris Wickensis*, Wright. This bed is 10 feet in thickness; the upper 4 feet are most fossiliferous; in the lower six feet the same species of shells are sparsely distributed.

No. 4, the *Lingula*-bed or grey sandstone is a soft argillo-micaceous sandstone of a bluish-grey colour, and partly fissile. This rock is divided by long joints, and forms "scars" at Blue Wick. Its upper, fissile portion is fossiliferous, and contains *Lingula Beanii*, Phil., *Discina reflexa*, Sow., and *Monotis nitescens*, Simp. About the middle of the bed a layer of small nodules occurs, fragments of Crustacea, *Glyphæa Birdii*, Bean, and *Glyphæa*, n. sp., allied to *rostrata*, are found in these nodules. The lower portion is rough and sandy, and passes into hard, argillaceous, nodular layers: I collected the following species from the sand:

Harpoceras Aalense, Ziet.
 — *variabile*, d'Orb.
Belemnites compressus, Voltz.
 — *irregularis*, Schloth.

Alaria Leckenbi, n. sp., Wright.
Cerithium quinque-punctatum, Deslong.
 — *vetustum*, Phil.
Mytilus Wickensis, Wright.

¹ 'Quart. Journ. Geol. Soc.,' vol. xvi, pp. 3 and 4.

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GASTEROPODA.

Pleurotomaria subdecorata, *d' Orb.*
 Chemnitzia lineata, *Sow.*
 *Turbo capitaneus, *Münst.*

Trochus duplicatus, *Sow.*
 *Natica adducta, *Phil.*
 — Oppelensis, *Lyc.*

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

*Lima bellula, var., *Lyc. & Mor.*
 *Modiola plicata, *Sow.*
 *Perna rugosa, *Münst.*
 *Hinnites abjectus, *Phil.*
 *Pecten articulatus, *Goldf.*
 *Gresslya abducta, *Phil.*
 * — conformis, *Agass.*
 Myacites arenacea, *Lyc.*
 *Homomya crassiuscula, *Lyc.*
 Goniomya angulifera, *Sow.*
 *Myoconcha crassa, *Sow.*
 *Cypricardia cordiformis, *Desh.*
 *Pecten comatus, *Münst.*
 Opis carinatus, *Wright.*
 * — lunulatus, *Sow.*
 Cypricardia brevis, *Wright.*
 Cardium Hullii, *Wright.*
 — Oppelii, *Wright.*
 Cucullæa ferruginea, *Lyc.*

Cucullæa olivæformis, *Lyc.*
 *Lima electra, *d' Orb.*
 Unicardium, nov. sp.
 Tancredia, nov. sp.
 Trigonía Ramsayii, *Wright.*
 * — striata, *Sow.*
 * — costata, *Sow.*
 Pecten textorius, *Goldf.*
 *Pholadomya fidicula, *Sow.*
 — arenacea, *Lyc.*
 Lima ornata, *Lyc. MS.*, nov. sp.
 Astarte lurida, *Sow.*
 * — excavata, *Sow.*
 — detrita, *Goldf.*
 — complanata, *Roemer.*
 — rugulosa, *Lyc.*
 Gervillia fornicata, *Lyc.*, *MS.*
 * — Hartmanni, *Goldf.*
 Nucula Jurensis, *Quenst.*

BRACHIOPODA.

Terebratula subpunctata, *Dav.*
 — trilineata, *Young.*

Rhynchonella cynocephala, *Rich.*
 — Jurensis, *Quenst.*

In the above list the species marked with an asterisk are found likewise in the Inferior Oolite; but the specimens from the sands are nearly all dwarfed forms, showing that the physical conditions under which they lived were unfavorable to their development. The stunted growth of the stationary Lamellibranchs forms a striking contrast to the size, number, and variety of the locomotive Cephalopods interred with them in the same bed; the dawning existence of the former appears to have been a struggle for life, whilst the conditions under which the Cephalopods existed were favorable to their continuance in time, as shown by the number of species and individuals found in the Frocester beds; their life, however, was abruptly brought to a termination by some great physical change which took place about the commencement of the deposition of the Oolitic formations.

Foreign correlations. — The Jurensis-mergel was first pointed out by Professor Quenstedt¹ as the uppermost member of the "Shwarzer Jura," its importance in

¹ 'Flözgebirge Würtembergs,' pp. 267 and 539, 1843.

Württemberg as a distinct horizon demonstrated, and its leading fossils, *Lyt. Jurense*, *Harp. insigne*, *Harp. radians*, *Bel. digitalis*, and many others special to this zone, found at Balingen, Heiningen, Wasseralfingen, and other localities, were described. Upon the hard grey marls with *Lyt. Jurense* follow in Swabia beds of dark clay with *Lyt. torulosum*, as at Laufen and Metzingen. In Baden,¹ as at Langenbrücken and Mingolsheim, light grey calcareous marls with *Lyt. Jurense*, *Harp. radians*, *Bel. irregularis*, *Bel. tripartitus*, and *Bel. acuarius*, rest upon the Posidonomya-clays and form the uppermost beds of the Lias in this region.

In North Germany the *Jurense*-zone has been described by von Strombeck, Ewald, and Credner as found in the Helmstedt, Halberstadt, and Harzburg Jura, and in all these yielding its leading fossils as *Lyt. Jurense*, *Harp. insigne*, *Lyt. hircinum*, *Harp. variable*, *Harp. striatulum*, and *Bel. irregularis*.

M. Terquem² has described a "Grès supra-liassique ou marly sandstone," near Metz, Moselle, which appears to represent this zone, as he has collected therefrom, in the environs of Thionville and at Longwy, several of the characteristic fossils of the *Jurense*-bed, as *Harp. insigne*, *Harp. radians*, *Bel. tripartitus*, together with Gastropods and Lamellibranchs belonging to this horizon.

At Silzbrunnen, Lower Elsass, my friend Professor R. Lepsius³ has described the *Jurensis-Mergel*. The fossils he found were in very good condition, and the Ammonites had their shells well preserved. In the marl the group of *Harpoceras radians* was the most abundant. Here he collected likewise *Lyt. Jurense*, *Lyt. hircinum*, *Harp. insigne*, *Harp. Aalense*, *Harp. subplanatum*, *Harp. discoides*, with *Nucula Hammeri*, *Lima Galatea*, *Lima duplicata*, *Pecten textorius*, *Pentacrinus Jurensis*, and *Diastopora liasica*.

On the right bank of the Drôme, in the quarries of Suble, near Bayeux, above the calcareous and argillaceous strata, with *Harp. bifrons* and *Stephan. commune*, M. H. Harlé⁴ discovered marly beds, two mètres thick, containing *Harp. opalinum*, *Harp. radians*, *Harp. Comense*, *Harp. variable*, *Bel. tripartitus*, *Bel. abbreviatus*, *Bel. longisulcatus*, and *Rhyn. ringens*, which evidently represent the *Opalinum*- and *Jurense*-zones in Calvados.

At Thouars, Deux Sèvres, it will be seen (p. 137) that the strata Nos. 1—6 represent the *Jurense*-zone, which here rests conformably on the *Serpentinum*-beds. At Verpillière and St. Quentin (Isère) Dr. Opper⁵ collected *Harp. radians*, *Harp. costula*, *Harp. Thouarsense*, *Harp. Comense*, *Harp. insigne*, *Harp. Aalense*, *Harp. comptum*, *Harp. variable*, *Lyt. Jurense*, and *Lyt. hircinum*.

¹ Leonhard, 'Geognost. Skizze des Grossherzog Baden,' p. 98, 1861.

² 'Paléontol. du Départ. de la Moselle,' p. 23, 1855.

³ 'Beiträge zur Kenntniss der Juraformation in Unter-Elsass,' p. 13, 1875.

⁴ 'Aperçu de la const. géologique du Dép. Calvados,' Annuaire, 1853.

⁵ 'Juraformation Englands, Frankreichs, und des S.-W. Deutschlands,' p. 233, 1856.

M. Marcou,¹ in his 'Jura Salinois,' has described some beds as "Marnes à Trochus ou de Pinperdu," which contain the leading fossils of the "*Jurensis-Mergel*." In other Departments of France the same species of Ammonites have been collected, as, for example, near Fontenay (Vendée); Charolles, Saône-et-Loire; Mont d'Or, near Lyons, Rhône; Semur, Côte d'Or; &c., so that the *Jurensis*-zone forms a well-defined horizon of life in the uppermost portion of the Upper Lias of France.

16. ZONE OF HARPOCERAS OPALINUM.

"Opalinus-Thone," Quenstedt, 'Flözgeb. Würtemb.,' pp. 281, 539, 1843. "Schicht. des *Am. torulosus*," pars, Opper, 'Jura-Formation,' p. 306, 1855. "Zone à *Am. opalinus*," Reynés, 'Géol. et Pal. Aveyron,' p. 63, 1868. "Zone à *Am. opalinus*," pars, Dumortier, 'Bassin du Rhône,' tom. iv, p. 278, 1874. "Thone der *Trigonia navis*," pars; "Zone des "*Am. torulosus*" Lepsius, 'Jura-Formation Unter-Elsass,' pp. 3, 14, 1875.

This zone was formerly grouped with the Cephalopoda-bed at Frocester; but, as it contains some species which are limited to this horizon and are associates of *Harpoceras opalinum*, it is best to treat it as the highest zone of the Lias. At Haresfield it forms a thin band of hard, ferruginous marl, which lies at the base of the Inferior Oolite in conformable position thereto. From this I have collected *Harpoceras opalinum*, Rein., *Macrodon Hirsonensis*, d'Arch., *Terebratula punctata*, David., var. *Rhynchonella cynocephala*, Rich., *Rhyn. furcillata*, Théod. I have had few Ammonites from this bed, and the other shells are not abundant. At Frocester Hill the upper portion of the Cephalopoda-bed contains several Ammonites, which have been described and figured by my old and esteemed friend Dr. Lycett.² One of these, *Harp. Moorei*, appears to resemble so much several specimens of *Harp. opalinum* from Gmünd, Boll, and Gundershofen, that I have no hesitation in regarding *Harp. Moorei* as a variety of *Harp. opalinum*, the form of the keel and the fine lines on the shell clearly showing the affinities. These localities are the only two I know in Gloucestershire, where this Ammonite is found. In Dorsetshire I have collected large beautiful specimens at Burton Bradstock, and at Chideock Hill, near Bridport, and have always found this species immediately beneath the Inferior Oolite. From the Haresfield bed I have taken a piece of rock having the impression of *Harp. opalinum* on its underside, whilst the block itself contained Inferior Oolite fossils; a fact which may afford an explanation how this Ammonite is considered by some to be an Oolitic species, and the progenitor of *Harp. Murchisonæ*. The *Opalinum*-

¹ 'Jura Salinois,' pp. 54 and 66, 1846.

² 'The Cotteswold Hills Handbook,' p. 122, pl. i, fig. 2, 1857.

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In France *Harp. opalinum* and *Lyt. torulosum*, which may be regarded as the leading fossils of this zone, have been collected at Vassy, Yonne; at Villenote, near Sémur, Côte d'Or; at Salins, Jura; and Besançon, Doubs; at Amende, Lozère; at Fontenay, Vendée; and at Charolles, Saône-et-Loire; and I obtained a number of Ammonites from Milhau, Aveyron; which all belong to the same zone. Dumortier¹ has given a list of several localities in which he has found this zone in the Rhone Valley, and has especially noted la Verpillière, Isère; where the workings for iron-ore in this region bring the many beautiful fossils of this zone into collectors' hands, as *Belemnites exilis*, *Bel. tricanaliculatus*, *Bel. Dorsetensis*, *Bel. pyramidalis*, *Nautilus lineatus*, *Harp. opalinum*, *Harp. Aalense*, *Harp. mactra*, *Harp. costula*, *Harp. fluitans*, *Harp. sub-insigne*, *Harp. crassifulcatum*, *Harp. Briordense*, *Harp. Allconi*, *Harp. Lorteti*, *Harp. fallax*, *Lyt. hircinum*, and *Lyt. torulosum*, all of which Dumortier refers to the *Opalinum*-zone.

THE INFERIOR OOLITE AND ITS AMMONITE-ZONES.

The zone of *Harpoceras opalinum* is so closely related to that of *Harpoceras Murchisonæ* that I consider a short account of the latter a proper complement to my sketch of the Upper Lias. The affinities and differences between these two formations will then be placed fairly before the student, and the reasons be made evident for my definition of the limits of the Lias formation.

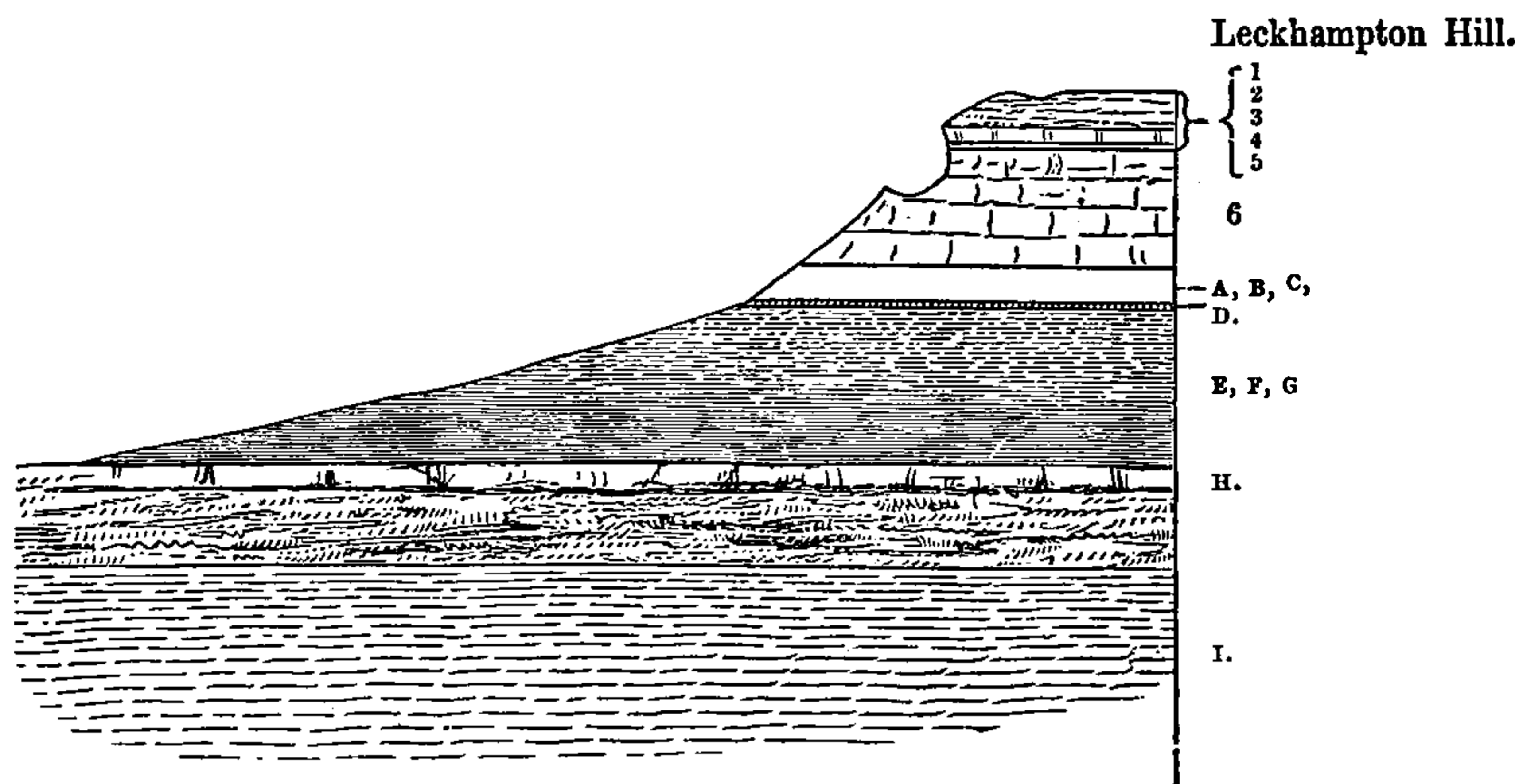
Leckhampton Hill, near Cheltenham, exhibits one of the most typical sections in Gloucestershire of the three sub-divisions of the Inferior Oolite, where the following beds are admirably exposed:—Fig. 11, Nos. 1, 2, and 3 represent the zone of *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni*; No. 4 the zone of *Stephanoceras Humphriesianum*; Nos. 5, 6, and A, B, C, the zone of *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*; those rest conformably on D, the Cephalopoda- or *Jurense*-bed, which is here very thin; E, F, G, is the Upper Lias resting on H, the Marlstone.

No. 1. The *Upper Trigonina-bed* is a coarse brown ragstone, containing many fossils, chiefly as moulds and impressions of *Trigonina costata*, Sow., *T. decorata* Lyc., *Lima cardiiformis*, Sow., *Rhynchonella concinna*, Sow., *Terebratula spinosa*, Schl., *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni*, Sow., *Echinobrissus clunicularis*, Lhywdd, *Holactypus depressus*, Leske, and *Clypeus Plotii*, Klein; in thickness it is about seven feet.

No. 2. The *Gryphæa-bed*, an ancient oyster-bank, is almost entirely composed of *Gryphæa sublobata*, Desh., accompanied with *Pholadomya Heraulti*, Agass., *Terebratula Meriani*, Opp., *Tancredia donaciformis*, Lyc., *Gervillia tortuosa*, Phil., and many other species; but the dominant shell is the *Gryphæa*; this bed is about eight feet in thickness.

¹ 'Depôts Jurass. du Bassin du Rhône,' t. iv, p. 237, 1874.

FIG. 11.—Section of Leckhampton Hill, near Cheltenham.



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| <p>1. <i>Trigonia</i>-bed.
 2. <i>Gryphæa</i>-bed.
 3. Brown rubbly oolite.
 4. Flaggy freestone.
 5. <i>Fimbria</i>-bed or Oolite-marl.
 6. Freestone.</p> | <p>A, B, C. Pea-grit and ferruginous oolite.
 D. Cephalopoda- or <i>Jurensis</i>-zone.
 E, F, G. Upper Lias sand and Upper Lias clay.
 H. Marlstone.
 I. Middle Lias clay; zone of <i>Aegoceras Capricornus</i>.</p> |
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No. 3. The *Lower Trigonia-bed*, a light-coloured, thin-bedded oolitic ragstone, containing a large assemblage of *Lamellibranchiata*, which in general have their shells preserved, with several species of *Echinodermata* and *Anthozoa*.

No. 4. Upper flaggy bastard-freestone, well seen above the Oolite-marl: twenty-six feet thick. It represents the zone of *Stephanoceras Humphriesianum*; this rock is here almost non-fossiliferous, although the equivalent bed at Cleeve Hill contains a rich fauna.

No. 5. The *Fimbria-bed* or Oolite-marl, is a cream-coloured mud-stone, not unlike chalk-marl; the dominant shells are *Terebratula fimbria*, Sow., *Tereb. carinata*, Lamk.; it contains likewise *Lucina Wrighti*, Opper., *Lima punctata*, Phil., *L. Pontonis*, Lyc., *Natica Leckhamptonensis*, Lyc., *Natica adducta*, Phil., *Mytilus pectinatus*, Sow., *Astarte elegans*, Sow., *Nerinea*, sp., *Chemnitzia*, sp., and masses of Coral, chiefly *Thamnastræa Mettensis*, Edw. This bed was deposited under conditions very different to that of the freestone on which it rests; its lower portion is slightly brecciated, and the surface of the freestone on which that breccia was deposited had been for some time exposed to aqueous action and made smooth thereby. The marl measures about seven feet in thickness, and passes upwards into a marly limestone, becoming oolitic in the uppermost layers. This division of the bed is about ten feet thick. The *Fimbria-bed* is a constant feature in the Lower Oolite of the Cheltenham district, and in the northern and middle Cotteswolds, but is absent in the southern parts of the range. It forms the upper part of the zone of *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*.

No. 6. The *Freestone* is a compact light-coloured oolitic limestone; the uppermost

beds are the best for building-purposes; the middle beds are of an inferior quality, and are stained in part with ferric oxide; the lower beds, called "Roestone," contain large oolitic grains; the freestone in all is about 110 feet in thickness.

The Pea-grit (Zone of Harpoceras Murchisonæ), Inferior Oolite.

	Ft.	in.
A. A brown, coarse, rubbly oolite, full of flattened concretions cemented together by a calcareous matrix. When the blocks weather, the concretions, which resemble flattened peas, form a very uneven surface. It contains many fossils in good preservation	12	0
B. A hard, cream-coloured, pisolitic rock, made up of flattened concretions, with a thickness about similar to those in A	10	0
C. A coarse, brown, ferruginous rock, composed of large oolitic grains; it is readily disintegrated by the frost, and is of little economical value. About.....	20	0

The Cephalopoda-bed (Zone of Lytoceras Jurense), Upper Lias.

D. A brown marly rock, full of small dark oolitic grains of the hydrate of iron, which are strewn in profusion in a calcareous paste. About	2	0
D'. A thin seam of yellowish sand	0	1½

Upper Lias Sand and Clay.

E. A dark-grey crystalline limestone, extremely hard, and resembling some beds of the Carboniferous Limestone; it is bored in different places by <i>Fistulana?</i> the shells of which remain in the excavations. Thickness not exposed.....	:	
F. A brown, argillaceous, sandy bed, full of micaceous particles; passing downwards into fine brown and yellow sands. Thickness unknown	?	
G. Upper Lias clay, of a dark blue colour. Thickness probably.....	160	0

Fossils of the Pea-grit and Freestones.

CEPHALOPODA.

Harpoceras Murchisonæ, Sow.
Nautilus truncatus, Sow.

Belemnites spinatus, Quenst.
— abbreviatus, Mill.

GASTEROPODA.

Patella rugosa, Sow.
— inornata, Lyc.
Pileolus lævis, Sow.
Nerita costata, Sow.
— minuta, Sow.
Monodonta Lyelli, d' Arch.
— sulcosa, d' Arch.
Natica adducta, Phil.

Cirrus nodosus, Sow.
Trochotoma carinata, Lyc.
Turbo elaboratus, Lyc.
Trochus monilitectus, Phil.
Solarium Cotswoldiæ, Lyc.
Nerinæa cingenda, Bronn.
Actæonina Sedgwicki, Phil.
Alaria spinifera, Lyc.

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ANTHOZOA.

Montlivaltia Delabechei, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>		Isastræa tenuistriata, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>
— Waterhousei, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>		— limitata, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>
— cupuliformis, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>		Thamnastræa Mettensis, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>
Axosmilia Wrightii, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>		— Defranciana, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>
Latomæandra Flemingii, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>		— fungiformis, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>

The annexed generalised section of Cleeve Hill, Gloucestershire, gives all the Inferior Oolite beds in their relative position, and at the same time shows how they rest conformably on the *Lytoceras Jurense* zone beneath. The beds are described in descending order, commencing with those exposed at the summit of the hill.

I divide the Inferior Oolite in this county into three zones:—

- A. Zone of *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni*.
- B. Zone of *Stephanoceras Humphriesianum*.
- C. Zone of *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*.

DESCRIPTION OF THE CLEEVE HILL SECTION.

A. THE ZONE OF *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni*.

No. 1 in fig. 12, consists of α , rubbly oolite above, hard slabs of ragstone in the middle, and a clayey bed below, passing into β , a sandy oolite of a rich brownish colour, freely specked with ferruginous grains of silicate of iron. I have obtained the following fossils therefrom:—

CEPHALOPODA.

Cosmoceras Parkinsoni, <i>Sow.</i>		Nautilus lineatus, <i>Sow.</i>
Perisphinctes Martinsii, <i>d' Orb.</i>		Belemnites canaliculatus, <i>Schloth.</i>

GASTEROPODA.

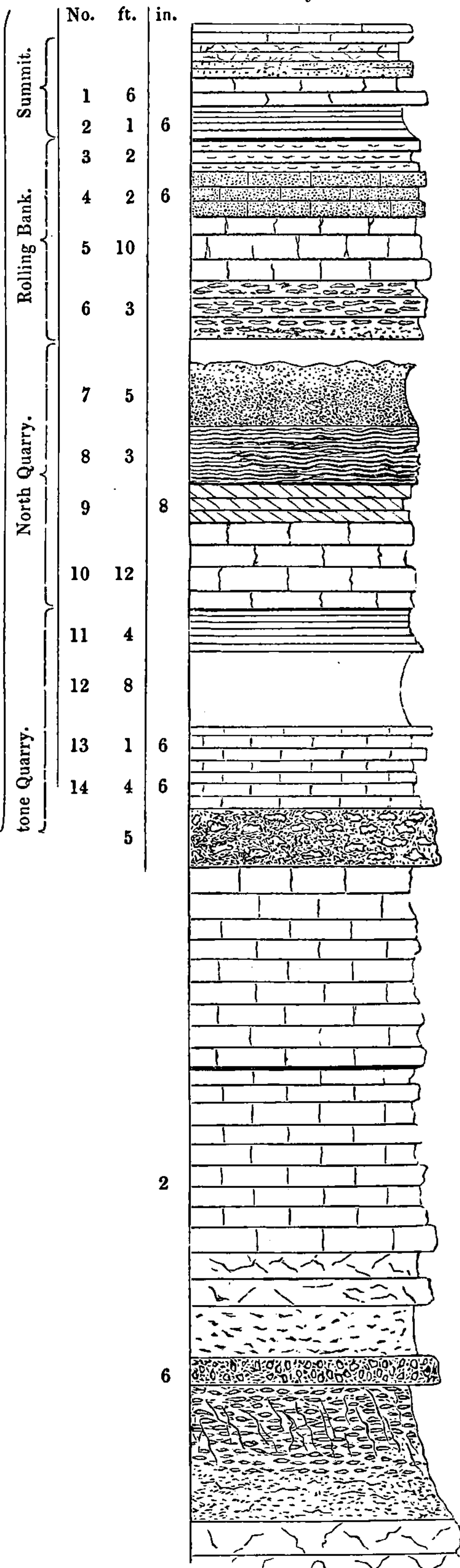
Pleurotomaria fasciata, <i>Sow.</i>		Natica adducta, <i>Phil.</i>
Trochotoma carinata, <i>Lyc.</i>		Monodonta lævigata, <i>Sow.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Trigonia costata, <i>Sow.</i>		Lima compressa, <i>Wright.</i>
Pholadomya ovulum, <i>Agass.</i>		Gryphæa sublobata, <i>Desh.</i>
— fidicula, <i>Sow.</i>		Trichites undulatus, <i>Lyc.</i>
— Heraulti, <i>Agass.</i>		Gervillia Hartmanni, <i>Goldf.</i>
Myopsis dilatata, <i>Phil.</i>		Opis cordiformis, <i>Lyc.</i>
Goniomya angulifera, <i>Sow.</i>		Modiola Sowerbii, <i>d' Orb.</i>
Lima proboscidea, <i>Sow.</i>		— bipartita, <i>Sow.</i>
— gibbosa, <i>Sow.</i>		— imbricata, <i>Sow.</i>

FIG. 12.—Section of the Inferior Oolite at Cleeve Hill, Gloucestershire.

INFERIOR OOLITE.



- TRIGONIA-GRIT.** *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni* and Corals.
Thecosmilia gregaria, *Thamnastræa*, *Isastræa*, &c.
Gryphæa sublobata, *Lima proboscidea*, *Trigonia costata*.
- CHEMNITZIA-GRIT.** *Chemnitzia procera*.
- Rubby Oolite.
- BRACHIOPODA-BED.** *Terebratula Phillipsii*, in clusters.
- ROAD-STONE.** *Stephanoceras Humphriesianum*, *Chemnitzia Sæmanni*.
- OYSTER-BED.** *Ostrea flabelloides*, *Lima Etheridgii*.
- Not known.
- Yellow and brown Sands, with lenticular nodules of Sandstone.
- Hard wavy Sandstone. *Serpula socialis*, abundant.
- Marly Oolite.
- UPPER FREESTONE,** with old *Terebratula fimbria*.
- Thin flaggy Oolite.
- OOLITE-MARL.** *Lucina Wrightii*, *Terebratula fimbria*.
- Thin hard bands of Limestone.
- Thin beds of fine-grained oolitic Limestone.
- Hard rubby oolitic Marl, in broken masses.
- LOWER FREESTONE: the Upper Terrace.**
- LOWER FREESTONE: the Lower Terrace.**
- Hard beds of pisolitic Oolite.
- Buff-coloured pisolitic Limestone.
- ROE-STONE.** *Pseudodiadema depressum*, *Acrosalenia Lycetti*, *Trochotoma carinata*.
- PEA-GRIT.** *Pygaster semisulcatus*, *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*, *Patella rugosa*, *Hennites velatus*, *Avicula complicata*, *Terebratula simplex*, *Terebratula plicata*.
- Coarse ferruginous Oolite.

ANTHOZOA.

Thecosmilia gregaria, *Edw. & Haime*.
Isastræa tenuistriata, *Edw. & Haime*.
Thamnastræa Defranciana, *Michelin*.

Latomæandra Davidsonii, *Edw. & Haime*.
Montlivalentia Wrightii, *Edw. & Haime*.
 — *Delabechei*, *Edw. & Haime*.

No. 2. *Chemnitzia-grit* is a thin band of brownish marl and clay, in which are sometimes found specimens of *Chemnitzia procera*, DESLONG., and moulds of *Nerinæa*. Fishes' teeth are occasionally collected in this band.

No. 3. *Rubby Oolite*.—Consisting of oolitic ragstones, in a fragmentary state, with few fossils. This bed caps the next division.

B. THE ZONE OF *Stephanoceras Humphriesianum*.

No. 4. The *Brachiopoda*-bed is a compact crystalline buff-coloured limestone; many blocks of great hardness are almost entirely composed of the shells of *Terebratula Phillipsii*. It measures two feet six inches, and contains the following species of fossils:

Lima proboscidea, *Sow*.
Terebratula Phillipsii, *Mor*.
 — *perovalis*, *Sow*.
 — *carinata*, *Lamk*.

Terebratula Buckmani, *Dauids*.
Rhynchonella spinosa, *Schloth*.
 — *subtetrahedra*, *Dauids*.
 — *angulata*, *Sow*.

On one occasion, by digging into the floor of the quarry, I found a bed of marly oolite, or mudstone; it contained many fossils, the shells of which were in such a perished condition that I could not determine all the species. I noted, however, the following:—

Chemnitzia.
Nerinæa.
Modiola plicata, *Sow*.
Pecten comatus, *Münst*.

Cypricardia cordiformis, *Desh*.
Terebratula Etheridgii, *Dauids*.
Montlivalentia, species.

No. 5. The *Road-stone* consists of a coarse, brown, ferruginous, oolitic limestone, hard and crystalline in some parts, and in others traversed by sandy layers, containing concretionary masses of calcareo-siliceous rock, having an unequal fracture and crystalline structure. It contains a small assemblage of Mollusca, many of which are specifically distinct from those of the upper beds, as *Chemnitzia Sæmanni*, Opperl, nearly identical with the Coralline-oolite species, *C. striata*, *Sow*., gigantic forms of *Pholadomya Heraluti*, Ag., and very large shells of *Trichites undulatus*, Lyc. This bed varies in thickness from ten to fifteen feet.

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No. 7. *Calcareo-siliceous Sand*.—Of a brown, grey, or yellow colour. It forms the uppermost bed in the North Quarry, and constitutes the subsoil over a considerable area of this part of the hill. It has been much denuded in parts; measures in some places five feet in thickness, and is unfossiliferous. I know of no other bed in our district which presents lithological characters similar to those of this sandy stratum.

No. 8. *Wavy Sandstone*.—This is a hard, brown, thin-bedded rock, with a wavy stratification; it is siliceous in some parts, and calcareous in others. The siliceous portions are unfossiliferous; the calcareous are represented by slabs of thin ragstones, containing many fossils. On some of these I found *Serpula socialis*, Goldf., in great abundance. This bed has a thickness of three feet, and rests on

No. 9. *Marly Oolite*.—Broken up into fragmentary portions. It appears to be the upper portion of the Upper Freestone.

No. 10. *Upper Freestone*.—A thick-bedded, coarse-grained oolitic limestone, used for rough work. This rock was long thought to be unfossiliferous; and considerable doubts were entertained as to the precise position of these beds in the series. During my last visit, however, I succeeded in obtaining from the lower and middle beds a few specimens of large, old, deformed *Terebratula fimbria*, Sow., which enabled me to determine its position as superior to the Oolite-marl, and to identify the rock as the Upper Freestone. It has a thickness of twelve feet.

C. THE ZONE OF *Harpoceras Murchisonæ*.

No. 11. *Thin flaggy Oolite*.—This rock splits into thin layers. Numerous shelly fragments are found in some slabs, but fossils are rare; thickness, four feet.

No. 12. *Fimbria-bed or Oolite-marl*.—This bed is well exposed on the western side of the hill, and consists of a cream-coloured marl, like indurated Chalk, interstratified between two beds of oolitic limestone, resting upon the uppermost bed of the Lower, and overlain by the thin flaggy beds of the Upper Freestone. It forms a very persistent stratum in the Northern and Middle Cotteswolds, extending across this portion of the *plateau*, from the vales of Morton and Bourton on the east, to the mural escarpments of the Inferior Oolite on the west, but thinning out and disappearing in the southern part of the range. In some localities, as at Leckhampton, Sheepscombe, and Swift's Hill, near Stroud, it contains masses of Corals, of the genera *Thamnastræa* and *Isastræa*; in others, as near Nailsworth, it abounds with numerous shells of the genus *Nerinæa*, forming there a "Nerinæan Limestone;" in others, as at Cleeve and Cubberley, the marl is charged with *Brachiopoda*, chiefly *Terebratula fimbria*, Sow., associated with a few *Terebratula carinata*, *T. submaxillata*, and *Rhynchonella Lycetti*. The fauna of the Oolite-marl induced me, in a former paper thereon, to consider this bed as the product of an ancient Coral-bank. "The direct evidence of the existence of *Anthozoa* in

considerable numbers, added to the abundance of” long spiral univalves belonging to the genera *Chemnitzia* and *Nerinæa*, which are known to “nestle in Coral-formations, together with the indirect evidence of a superabundance of *Brachiopoda*, added to the lithological character of the marl itself, which appears to be the product of Coral-mud and other reef *débris*, leads to the conclusion that the *Oolite-marl* is a portion of a Jurassic Coral-bank.”¹

MOLLUSCA.

<i>Chemnitzia procera</i> , <i>Deslong.</i>		<i>Mytilus imbricatus</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
<i>Nerinæa gracilis</i> , <i>Lyc.</i>		<i>Lima punctata</i> , <i>Phil.</i>
<i>Natica adducta</i> , <i>Phil.</i>		— <i>Pontonis</i> , <i>Lyc.</i>
<i>Trochotomia calyx</i> , <i>Lyc.</i>		<i>Arca cancellata</i> , <i>Phil.</i>
<i>Trochus monilitectus</i> , <i>Phil.</i>		<i>Lucina Wrightii</i> , <i>Oppel.</i>
<i>Monodonta lævigata</i> , <i>Sow.</i>		<i>Myopsis punctata</i> , <i>Buck.</i>
<i>Natica macrostoma</i> , <i>Roem.</i>		<i>Ceromya concentrica</i> , <i>Sow.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

<i>Terebratula submaxillata</i> , <i>David.</i>		<i>Rhynchonella Lycetti</i> , <i>David.</i>
— <i>fimbria</i> , <i>Sow.</i>		— <i>concinna</i> , <i>Sow.</i>
— <i>carinata</i> , <i>Lamk.</i>		— <i>angulata</i> , <i>Sow.</i>

ECHINODERMATA.

<i>Stomechinus germinans</i> , <i>Phil.</i>		<i>Pseudodiadema depressum</i> , <i>Agass.</i>
<i>Pedina Smithii</i> , <i>Forb.</i>		<i>Acrosalenia Lycetti</i> , <i>Wright.</i>

No. 13. *Thin hard bands of Oolitic Limestone*, without fossils, eighteen inches.

No. 14. *Thin beds of fine-grained Oolitic Limestone*, four feet six inches.

No. 15. *Hard Rubbly Oolite-marl*.—This occurs in broken masses five feet thick.

These three beds are well exposed in a small escarpment on the western slope of the hill, near the large Freestone Quarry. They contain few fossils, and the rock is much shaken.

No. 16. *The Lower Freestone* attains a considerable thickness in Cleeve Hill, and has long been extensively raised there for building-purposes. It is divisible into two terraces, the upper of which contains the best beds of stone. The rock is a fine-grained thick-bedded oolitic limestone, remarkably free from organic remains and ferruginous stains. The upper terrace is twenty-six feet in thickness.

No. 17. *The Lower Freestone*.—The lower terrace is exposed on the western escarpment of the hill. The rock is not equal in quality to the beds in the upper terrace, and it is therefore not now worked for building-stone. Its exact thickness I have not ascertained, but I estimate it at forty feet.

¹ Wright, “On the Sub-divisions of the Inferior Oolite,” ‘Quart. Journ. of the Geol. Soc.,’ vol. xvi, p. 13, 1860.

No. 18. *Hard beds of Pisolitic Oolite*, and

No. 19. *Buff-coloured Pisolitic Limestone*, forming a kind of transitional lithological condition from the oolitic limestones of the Freestone to the beds of Roestone and Pea-grit.

No. 20. *The Roestone* forms the base of the Freestone series. It consists of a whitish limestone, composed of large oolitic grains, and containing a great variety of small Shells, Corals, and Echinoderms, in very fine preservation. In some respects the general *facies* of the fauna of the Roestone resembles that of the Great Oolite of Minchinhampton. Many of the Mollusca are specifically distinct, and others are identical with those of that formation. The shells are nearly all small, and well preserved. In some the colouring matter of the shell is present, and there are many undescribed species in the series; many beautiful *Alaricæ*, with their long spines, were obtained from this bed at Leckhampton; and my old friends, the Rev. P. B. BRODIE and Dr. LYCETT, collected, determined, and published, in 1850, a full list of these remains. I have not worked this bed at Cleeve Hill with much attention, but in a short time I collected many of the species of my friends' list.

ANTHOZOA.

Caryophyllia.	Thecosmilia.		Montlivaltia.	Isastræa
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ECHINODERMATA.

Pseudodiadema depressum, <i>Ag.</i>		Stomechinus germinans, <i>Phil.</i>
Acrosalenia Lycetti, <i>Wright.</i>		Polycyphus Deslongchampsii, <i>Wr.</i>

LAMELLIBRANCHIATA.

Astarte orbicularis, <i>Sow.</i>		Gervillia costatula, <i>Deslong.</i>
— depressa, <i>Münst.</i>		Cypricardia cordiformis, <i>Desh.</i>
Arca pulchra, <i>Sow.</i>		Limea duplicata, <i>Sow.</i>
Avicula complicata, <i>Buck.</i>		Lucina despecta, <i>Phil.</i>
Cardium cognatum, <i>Phil.</i>		Mytilus asper, <i>Sow.</i>
Cucullæa elongata, <i>Sow.</i>		Nucula variabilis, <i>Sow.</i>
— oblonga, <i>Phil.</i>		Ostrea costata, <i>Sow.</i>
Corbula curtansata, <i>Phil.</i>		Pecten comatus, <i>Münst.</i>
Hinnites velatus, <i>Goldf.</i>		— Dewalquei, <i>Oppel.</i>
Psammobia lævigata, <i>Phil.</i>		Trigonia striata, <i>Sow.</i>

BRACHIOPODA.

Terebratula simplex, <i>Buck.</i>		Terebratula plicata, <i>Buck.</i>
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GASTEROPODA.

Patella rugosa, <i>Sow.</i>		Natica adducta, <i>Phil.</i>
— nitida, <i>Deslong.</i>		Nerita costata, <i>Sow.</i>
Pileolus lævis, <i>Sow.</i>		Alaria (three new species).

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ECHINODERMATA.

Pseudodiadema depressum, <i>Agass.</i>	Hemipedina perforata, <i>Wright.</i>
Cidaris Fowleri, <i>Wright.</i>	— tetragramma, <i>Wright.</i>
— Bouchardii, <i>Wright.</i>	— Waterhousei, <i>Wright.</i>
— Wrightii, <i>Desor.</i>	Polycyphus Deslongchampsii, <i>Wright.</i>
Diplocidaris D sori, <i>Wright.</i>	Pygaster semisulcatus, <i>Phillips.</i>
— Wrightii, <i>Desor.</i>	— conoideus, <i>Wright.</i>
Stomechinus germinans, <i>Phillips.</i>	Galeropygus agariciformis, <i>Forbes.</i>
Acrosalenia Lycetti, <i>Wright.</i>	Goniaster obtusus, <i>Wright.</i>
Hemipedina Bakeriæ, <i>Wright.</i>	Pentacrinus Austenii, <i>Wright.</i>

ANTHOZOA.

Latomæandra Flemingii, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>	Thamnastræa Mettensis, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>
— Davidsonii, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>	— Defranciana, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>
Axosmilia Wrightii, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>	— fungiformis, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>
Thamnastræa Terquemi, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>	Isastræa tenuistriata, <i>Edw. & Haime.</i>

No. 22. *The Coarse Ferruginous Oolite* is composed of large oolitic grains of calcic carbonate, having incorporated therewith a considerable percentage of the ferric oxide. This rock has a fine rich brown colour, and when exposed in the escarpment, and lit by the sun's rays, it imparts a warm colouring to the surrounding landscape, varying in its tones from one hour to another. I know of no part of the Cotteswold range which exhibits more picturesque effects and play of colour than the bold naked escarpment of Cleeve Hill, and to which the beds forming this portion of the section so largely contribute by their deep rich tints. The rock is of little value as a road-stone, because it is readily disintegrated by rain and frost; it might have some economic value for the Iron it contains, if the percentage of that mineral were sufficiently large to be remunerative, but no quantitative analysis has yet been made to ascertain its proportions. I have found few fossils in this bed at Cleeve. Belemnites and Pholodomyæ are occasionally met with.

No. 23. *The Upper Liassic Sands* or zone of *Lytoceras Jurense* so well developed at Cooper's Hill, Haresfield Beacon, Nailsworth, the Long Wood near Frocester, Uley Bury, Stinchcombe, the hills around Dursley, and at Nibley, Wotton-under-Edge, Ozleworth, and all along the chain of the southern Cotteswolds as far as Bath, are only feebly represented at Cleeve. These Sands afford an example of that thinning-out process which is seen to a greater or less extent in all the other beds in our section, if traced in certain directions from the point where they attain their maximum development. As a general rule it may be stated that all the Inferior-Oolitic rocks thin out from their western escarpment in the Cotteswolds when traced eastwards, and that the Liassic Sand or *Jurense* zone gradually thickens when traced from the northern to the southern part of the chain.

A Table showing the Stratigraphical Distribution of the Ammonoida in the Upper Lias of the British Islands.

Families, Genera, and Species.	Serpentinum.	Bifrons.	Jureuse.	Opalinum.
<i>Family—LYTOCERATIDÆ.</i>				
<i>Genus—LYTOCERAS.</i>				
Lytoceras cornucopiæ, <i>Young & Bird</i>	*
hircinum, <i>Schlübler</i>	*	..
Jureuse, <i>Zieten</i>	*	..
torulosum, <i>Schlübler</i>	*	..
<i>Genus—PHYLLOCERAS.</i>				
Phylloceras heterophyllum, <i>Sow</i>	*
subcarinatum, <i>Young & Bird</i>	*
<i>Family—AEGOCERATIDÆ.</i>				
<i>Genus—HARPOCERAS.</i>				
Harpoceras serpentinum, <i>Reinecke</i>	*
elegans, <i>Sow</i>	*
falciferum, <i>Sow</i>	*
exaratum, <i>Young & Bird</i>	*
Lythense, <i>Young & Bird</i>	*
latescens, <i>Simpson</i>	*
ovatum, <i>Young & Bird</i>	*
subplanatum, <i>Oppel</i>	*
primordiale, <i>Schlotheim</i>	*
bifrons, <i>Bruguière = Walcott, Sow</i>	*
Levisoni, <i>Simpson</i>	*
insigne, <i>Schübler</i>	*	..
Comense, <i>Von Buch</i>	*	..
discoides, <i>Zieten</i>	*	..
Thouarsense, <i>d'Orbig</i>	*	..
striatum, <i>Sow</i>	*	..
radians, <i>Reinecke</i>	*	..
Raquinianum, <i>d'Orbig</i>	*	..
undulatum, <i>Stahl</i>	*	..
variable, <i>d'Orbig = var. Beanii</i>	*	..
Aalense, <i>Zieten</i>	*	*
opalinum, <i>Reinecke</i>	*
Moorei, <i>Lycett</i>	*
subinsigne, <i>Oppel</i>	*
<i>Genus—STEPHANOCERAS.</i>				
Stephanoceras annulatum, <i>Sow</i>	*
crassum, <i>Young & Bird</i>	*	*
Holandrei, <i>d'Orbig</i>	*	*
commune, <i>Sow</i>	*
fibulatum, <i>Sow</i>	*
subarmatum, <i>Young & Bird</i>	*

Table showing the extension of the Upper Lias in the British Islands, Belgium, France, Switzerland, Germany, Austria, and Italy, with indications of the Toarcian Ammonite-Zones found in some typical regions of the European area.

Ammonite Zones of the Upper Lias.	BRITISH ISLANDS.			BELGIUM.	FRANCE, DEPARTMENTS OF.						SWITZER- LAND.		GERMANY.		AUSTRIA.	ITALY.
	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	Luxemburg.	Calvados.	Côte-d'Or.	Yonne.	Isère.	Rhône.	Aveyron.	Schaffhausen.	Aargau.	Hanover.	Württemberg.	N.-E. Alps.	Apennines.
OPALINUM	*	::	*	...	::	*	*	*	∩	∩	*	*	::	::
JURENSE	*	...	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BIFRONS	*	...	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERPENTINUM	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

This table concludes our sketch of the Lias formation, so rich in new and varied forms of animal life, which all became extinct with its close. In taking a retrospective glance at this chapter of the Geological Record, probably the most complete of all the Mesozoic formations, one is forcibly struck with the number of new, remarkable, and varied animal forms it contains, of which we find neither traces of ancestry nor natural affinities in any of the older strata. In its basement-bed the teeth of the oldest known Mammal, *Microlestes*, were discovered, and in its different horizons the remains of Reptiles of the most singular structure are found. The *Enaliosaurians* comprise in a single organism the most diverse anatomical characters; the vertebral column of a fish united to the body of a lizard, having the skull, jaws, and teeth of a crocodile, with the paddles of *Cetacea* articulated to the scapular arch of a *Platypus*. The *Pterodactylians* have affinities with birds and bats through the mechanism of their anterior extremities, the phalanges of the fifth finger being enlarged and elongated to form a rod for supporting a wide-spreading membranous wing, whilst the rest of the hand retained the reptilian type. The Ganoid Fishes belong to genera that are nearly all special to the Lias, and they are as remarkable for the beauty and novelty of their forms as for the fine state of preservation in which they are found. The Molluscan Faunas are singularly characteristic of the different zones; and the Cephalopods, above all others, are the most important class, from the certainty with which these divisions of time are characterised by them, each new group making its appearance in succession, and passing away to give place to other generic forms destined to succeed it in time and space.

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The profile on the preceding page was drawn by my friend, Mr. R. Etheridge, F.R.S., to illustrate his lecture on the Rhætic beds of Penarth and Lavernock, delivered at a meeting of the Cardiff Naturalists' Society in July, 1871. Mr. W. Adams, F.G.S., to whom the woodcut belongs, kindly offered the use of the block to illustrate my remarks on this section, and for this courteous act I beg to return him my best thanks.

The zone of *Aegoceras planorbis* (*a, b*) occupies the summit of the cliff, and the Ammonite beds consist of dark grey shales, with hard compact limestones; they are well seen at Lavernock, where they occupy the foreshore. The lowest beds consist of fine-grained argillaceous limestones and shales, with a few Ammonites and remains of *Cidaris Edwardsii*; above these are beds with *Aegoceras planorbis*, *Lima pectinoides*, *Modiola Hillana*, *Pecten textorius*. Then follow two beds of limestone, each six inches, without fossils, which are capped by two feet of shales crowded with *A. planorbis*, and interstratified with a concretionary limestone. The Ammonite beds are about eight feet thick.

The *Lima Shales* (*c*) form the middle portion of the Planorbis zone. They consist of a grey-brownish argillaceous limestone with brown shales; the limestones are concretionary, and inconstant bands of the rock run through the shales, which measure about ten feet. *Lima præcursor*, Quenst., *Lima punctata*, Sow., *Lima pectinoides*, Sow., are found in the Upper beds.

The *Ostrea Beds* (*d, e*) consist of alternate layers of clays and limestones. Many of the beds are very fossiliferous, and contain *Ostrea liassica*, Sow., *Modiola minima*, Sow., *Pleuromya Dunkeri*, Terq., *Plicatula spinosa*, Sow., *Hemipedina Bowerbankii*, Wr.

The *White Lias series* (*f—l*) measures about eighteen feet, and forms the upper portion of the zone of *Avicula contorta*; the strata consist of pale brown, arenaceous shales, with inconstant bands of hard limestone containing a few fossils. The true White Lias limestone of Somersetshire is not found in this locality, but the shells it yields serve to identify the beds with that series. *Monotis decussata*, *Axinus concentricus*, Moore, *Anatina Suessii*, Stopp., *Lima præcursor*, Quenst., *Pecten pollux*, d'Orb., *Modiola minima* Sow., *Leda Titei*, Moore, *Plicatula intusstriata*, Emmr., may fairly be correlated with the contents of the beds in the Garden Cliff profile (fig. 1, p. 7), which contain *Estheria Brodieana*, Jones, and other fossils.

The *Black Shales* (*m—u*) form the lower portion of the *Contorta*-zone, which measures twenty-four feet in thickness. These shales contain a fauna special to the beds, remarkable for the number of small Mollusca abounding in them. There are two shell beds in these shales, both characterised by the presence of innumerable fine large specimens of *Pecten Valoniensis*, DeFrance., *Avicula contorta*, Port., *Cardium Rhæticum*, Mer., *Axinus cloacinus*, Quenst., *Gervillia præcursor*, Quenst., *Pullastra arenicola*, Strick., *Pleurophorus angulatus*, Moore, *Myophoria postera*, Quenst.

The *Bone Bed* (*u*), a dark grey grit, or pyritic limestone, containing many small fragments of fishes' teeth, bones, and scales, forms the Bone-breccia. I have collected *Sauriithys apicalis*, Ag., *Gyrolepis Alberti*, Ag., *Hybodus reticulatus*, Ag., *Acrodus minimus*, Ag.,

and *Nemacanthus filifer*, Ag. The Bone-bed rests upon four feet of black unfossiliferous shales, very fissile and papery; and this bed, parted by a ferruginous band in the middle, rests upon a very irregular bed of grey, earthy, fine-grained sandstone, graduating downwards into a grey earthy limestone, containing lignite and some fishes' scales, marked (*v*) in the section; this is the last trace of life observed in the Marls which lie beneath, consisting of eighteen feet of cream-coloured, grey-green, and pale-red marly limestones, breaking up into unfossiliferous cuboidal masses; which overlie two feet of greenish-grey marls, breaking up like the preceding beds, and having thin seams of gypsum filling some oblique and vertical joints. These rest upon the deep-red marls of the Keuper beds.

This detailed section of the Penarth cliffs¹ may be considered as the complement to my notes on the same at p. 10, and the vertical profile now introduced will enable the reader to make an interesting and instructive comparison between the *Avicula contorta* zone at Garden Cliff (fig. 1, p. 7), Aust Cliff (fig. 2, p. 8), and the fine coast section at St. Andrey's Slip, near Watchett (p. 12). It will be observed that a certain amount of uniformity prevails throughout the series exposed on both banks of the Severn and on the opposite shores of the British Channel, whilst in the Palæontology of the different beds certain differences are noted which deserve study. Thus, the *Estheria-bed* and underlying shales, so characteristic of Garden Cliff, are not found at Penarth, but appear to be represented by a set of strata which occupy the position of the Lower White Lias series of Dorset and Somerset.

The *Pallastra-sandstone*, with its large slabs of ripple-marked ledges, the ripples being parallel to the strike of the bed, and which sandstone is interposed between upper and lower bone beds at Garden Cliff, is absent at Penarth and the other localities.

The *Bone-bed* at Aust, with its large *Ceratodus* teeth, representing several species of fossil fishes, and numbering many hundreds of individuals is unique. I am not aware that the teeth of this genus of fishes are found in any other Rhætic Bone-bed in the British islands. The assemblage in the Bristol Museum was collected through several years by Mr. Higgins, and purchased from him by subscription for the Institution. Professor Miall² has lately figured and described several of these fossils, to which I beg to refer.

¹ See Mr. Etheridge's description and woodcut in the 'Transact. Cardiff Nat. Soc.,' vol. iii, part 2, pp. 48, &c., 1872.

² Palæontographical Society's vol. for 1878, 'On Sirenoid and Crossopterygian Ganoids,' pp. 27—32, Pl. II—V, 1878.

SYSTEMATIC PART.

THE STRUCTURE AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE CEPHALOPODA.

THE CEPHALOPODA form the highest class of the MOLLUSCA, in which the head is situated between the trunk and the arms, hence the name (*κεφαλή*, head, *ποῦς*, foot). The existing forms are nearly all naked animals without shells, whilst the extinct groups were with a few exceptions the inhabitants of polythalamous shells, fashioned after the structure of the many-chambered shell possessed by the Pearly Nautilus.

The trunk or body is symmetrical, thick, and soft, and has a spherical, oblong, elongated, or cylindrical form, enclosed in a fleshy muscular sheath or mantle, which envelopes all the viscera, furnishes a pair of lateral fins or appendages for locomotion, and in the naked species lodges in its substance the rudiments of an internal skeleton.

The head, more or less distinct from the trunk by a contraction or neck, is large and round; it contains the organs of sense, mastication, and deglutition, and gives off from its anterior circumference a number of long fleshy processes or arms, which are either short hollow sheaths with retractile tentacles, as in the Pearly Nautilus, forming the order TENTACULIFERA (fig. 24), or form eight or ten solid arms, more or less elongated and flexible in all directions, supporting on their internal surface numerous suckers, by which the arms become powerful instruments for adhesion, prehension, and locomotion, hence the name ACETABULIFERA for this order (fig. 14).

The mouth, situated at the bottom of a conical cavity formed at the base of the arms, is provided with two horny or calcareous mandibles, resembling in form those of a parrot, and like them playing vertically upon each other, and enclosing a large fleshy tongue, partly covered with short, recurved, horny spines.

The two eyes are very large and placed on each side of the head; they are comparable in their structure with those of the Vertebrata; and are sessile in the ACETABULIFERA, pedunculated in the TENTACULIFERA.

A fleshy tube, the infundibulum or locomotive pipe, forms the passage through which the respiratory currents of water to and from the branchial chamber, and the excrement from the intestine, are discharged; it is a musculo-mucous organ situated at the anterior part of the neck, like an inverted funnel, with a pipe projecting from the visceral cavity and directed forwards and outwards.

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Order I.—DIBRANCHIATA, Owen, 1832.

ACETABULIFERA, d'Orbigny, 1840.

Body naked, built for swimming. Head distinct, eyes large, sessile, prominent. Mandibles horny, moving in a vertical direction, arms eight to ten, provided with acetabula. Branchiæ two: Heart with three chambers, one systemic and two branchial. Ink-bag always present. Funnel parietes entire. Shell in one family monothalamous external, and not adherent to the body of the animal. Other families have an internal siphoniferous polythalamous shell, or the rudiments of an internal skeleton in various stages of development are found in the substance of the mantle.

With the exception of the *Nautilus* all the living Cephalopods belong to this order; they appeared, as far as we at present know, for the first time in the Trias. One family only, the *Belemnitidæ*, is entirely extinct.

Section A.—OCTOPODA, Leach, 1817.

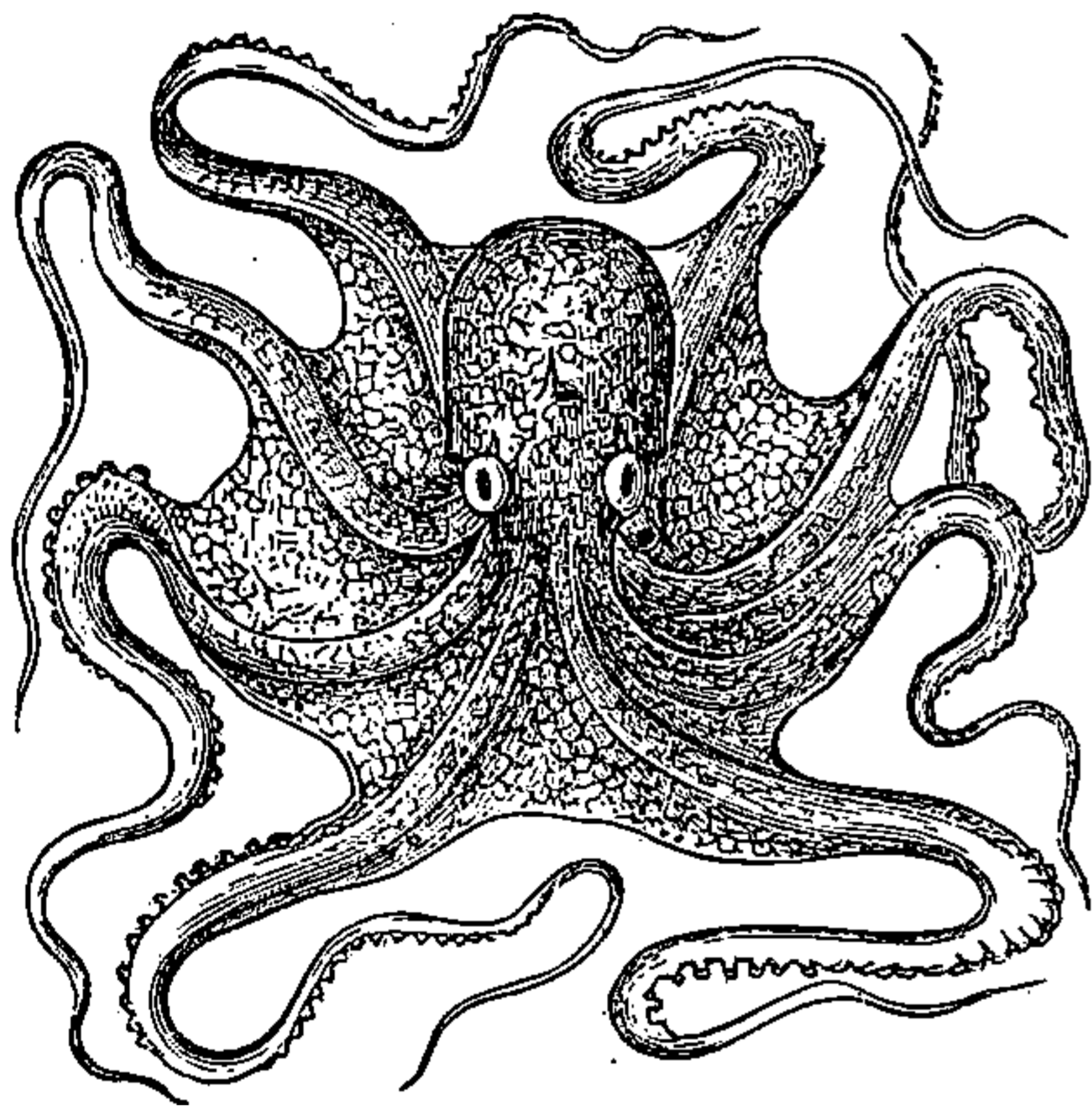


FIG. 14.—*Octopus vulgaris*, Lamarck.

Arms eight, suckers sessile. Eyes fixed, incapable of rotation. Nuchal band between the head and mantle broad. Funnel without a valve. No distinct nidamental gland. Shell external, one-celled, and non-adherent. Internal shell, when present, consisting of rudimentary pieces.

1. *Family* OCTOPODIDÆ, Gray, 1847. — Arms similar, elongated, and united at their base by a membrane; the eight arms are each provided with a double series of sessile acetabula, without bony circles. Shell represented by two short styles, according to Owen, embedded in the substance of the mantle.

The *Octopus vulgaris*, Lam. (fig. 14), is the type of this family.

2. *Family* ARGONAUTIDÆ, Reeve, 1841.—The two dorsal arms of the female Argonaut

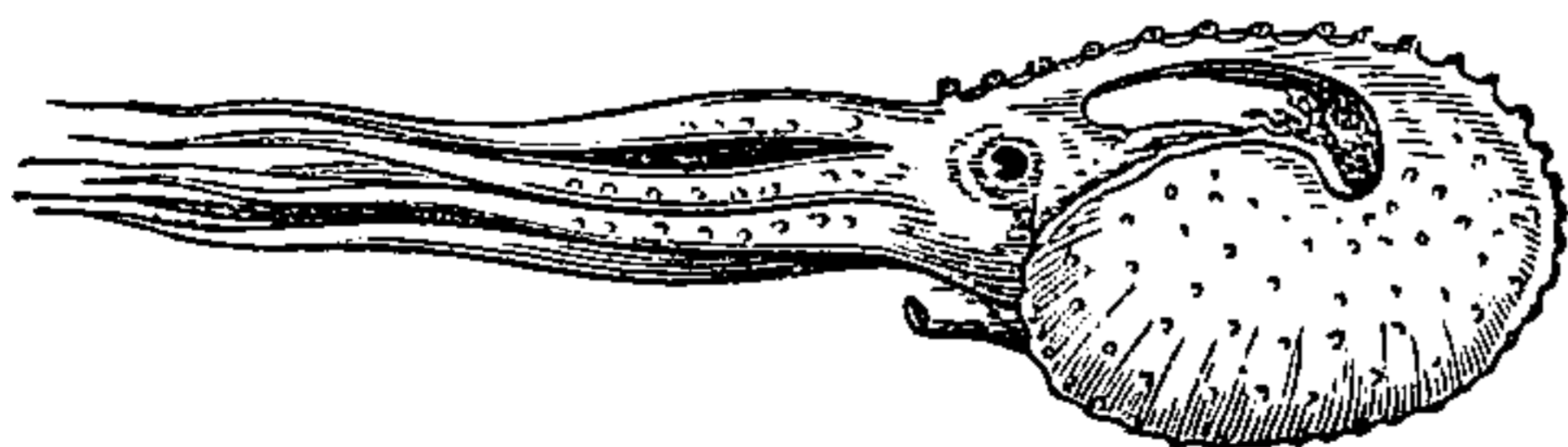


FIG. 15.—*Argonauta argo*, Linn.

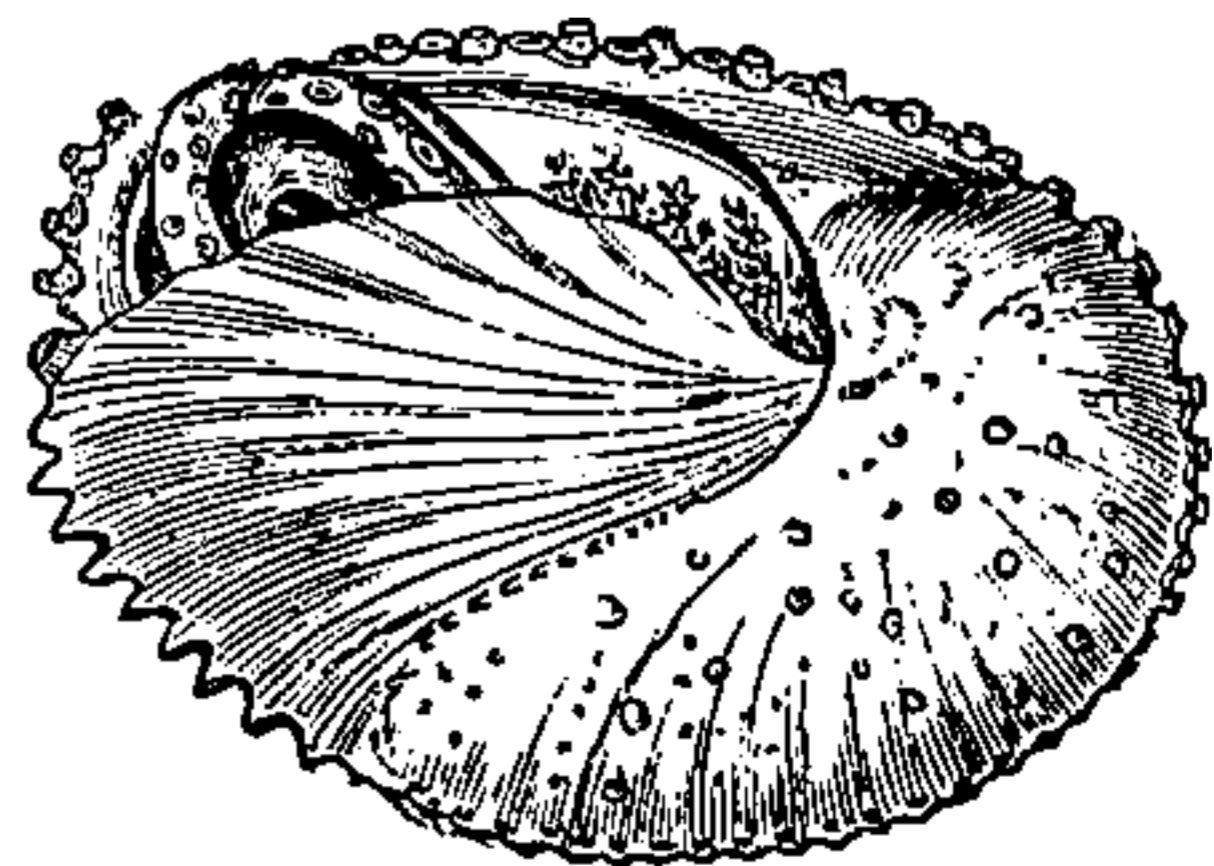


FIG. 16.—*Argonauta argo*, Linn.

are expanded at their extremities, and secrete a symmetrical involuted shell, which is thin and translucent, and not moulded on the body of the animal, nor attached to it either by muscles or a siphonal tube. The coil of the spire is occupied by clusters of ova (fig. 16).

According to Madame Power and M. Rang, the Argonaut sits in its boat with its siphon towards the keel, as in figs. 15 and 16, swimming by the aid of its funnel action only, its dorsal arms being closely applied to the sides of the shell. It swims backwards by ejecting water from its funnel, and crawls at the bed of the sea in a reversed position, carrying its shell over its back. The Argonaut, like other testaceous Mollusca, secretes and forms the shell which it inhabits, although it does not adhere at any point to the shell, an observation long ago made and recorded by Aristotle.

Section B.—DECAPODA, *Leach*, 1817.

Naked Cephalopods, with an ovoid, cylindrical, or elongated body, having eight symmetrical arms provided with pedunculated suckers, surrounded with horny rings, and two long tentacular arms, proceeding from near the third and fourth pair of arms, and expanded at their extremity, as in *Sepia elegans*, d'Orb. (fig. 17). The body has a pair of lateral fins, and the funnel is usually provided with an internal valve. The eyes are large, movable in their orbits, and without lids. The nidamental gland is largely developed. The shell is calcareous and internal, and loosely lodged in the dorsal portion of the mantle in the Sepias. The style is formed of a cartilaginous blade or horny pen in the Calamaries. It is an internal siphoniferous polythalamous shell in the SPIRULIDÆ, (fig. 23); and a phragmacone divided by numerous concave septa fitted upon a style or pen, in the extinct BELEMNITIDÆ; and in other fossil genera it varies from these types.

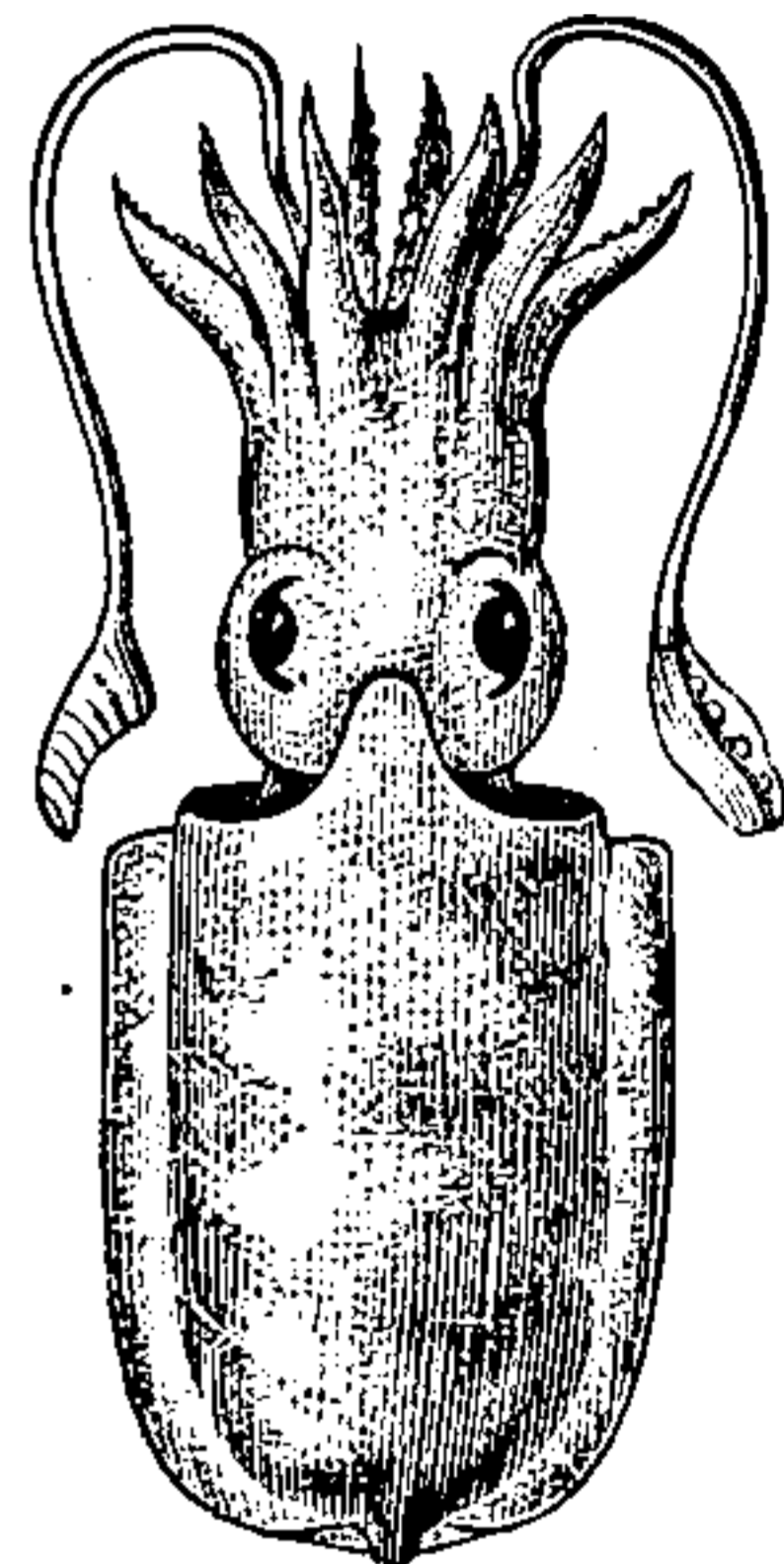
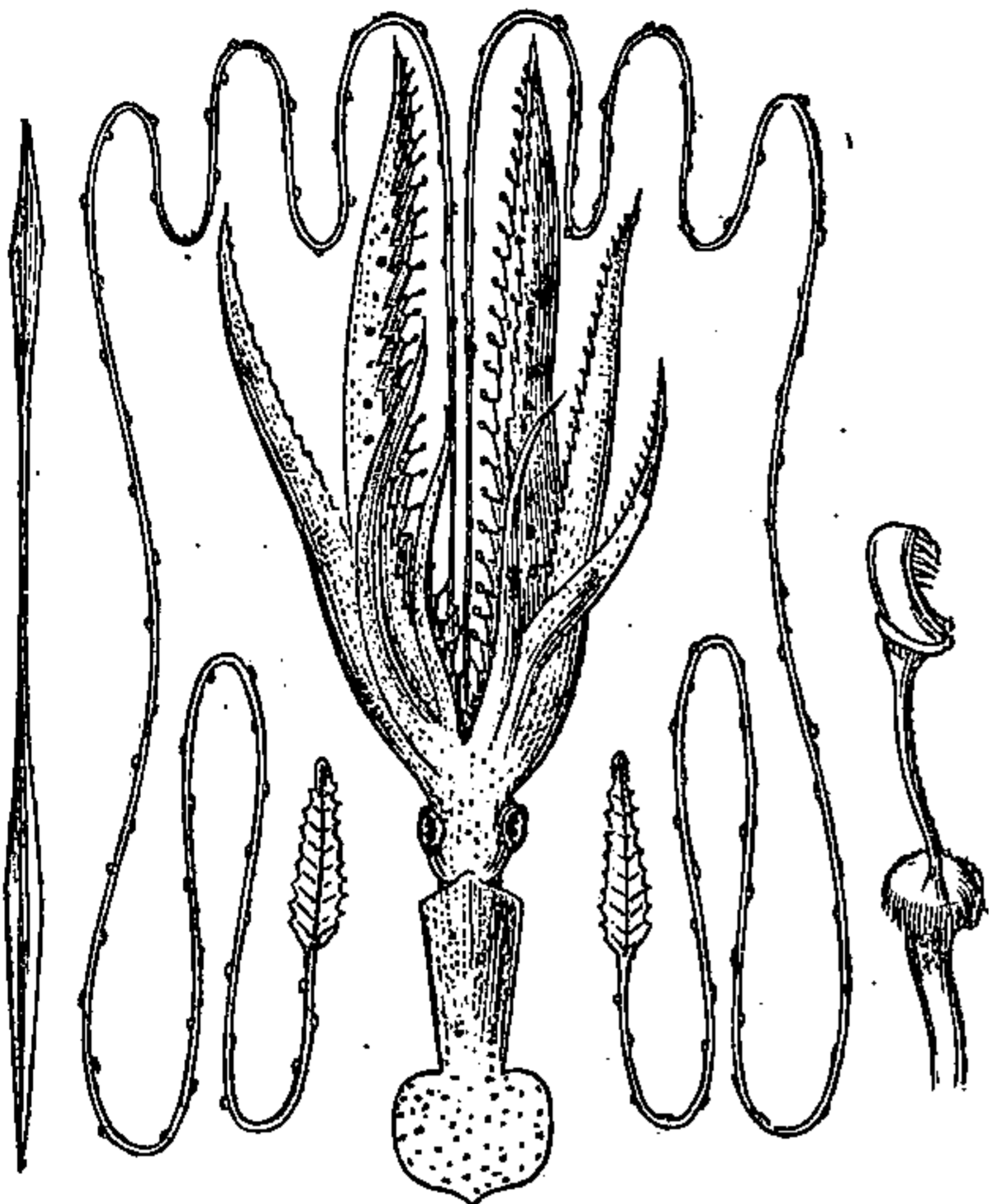
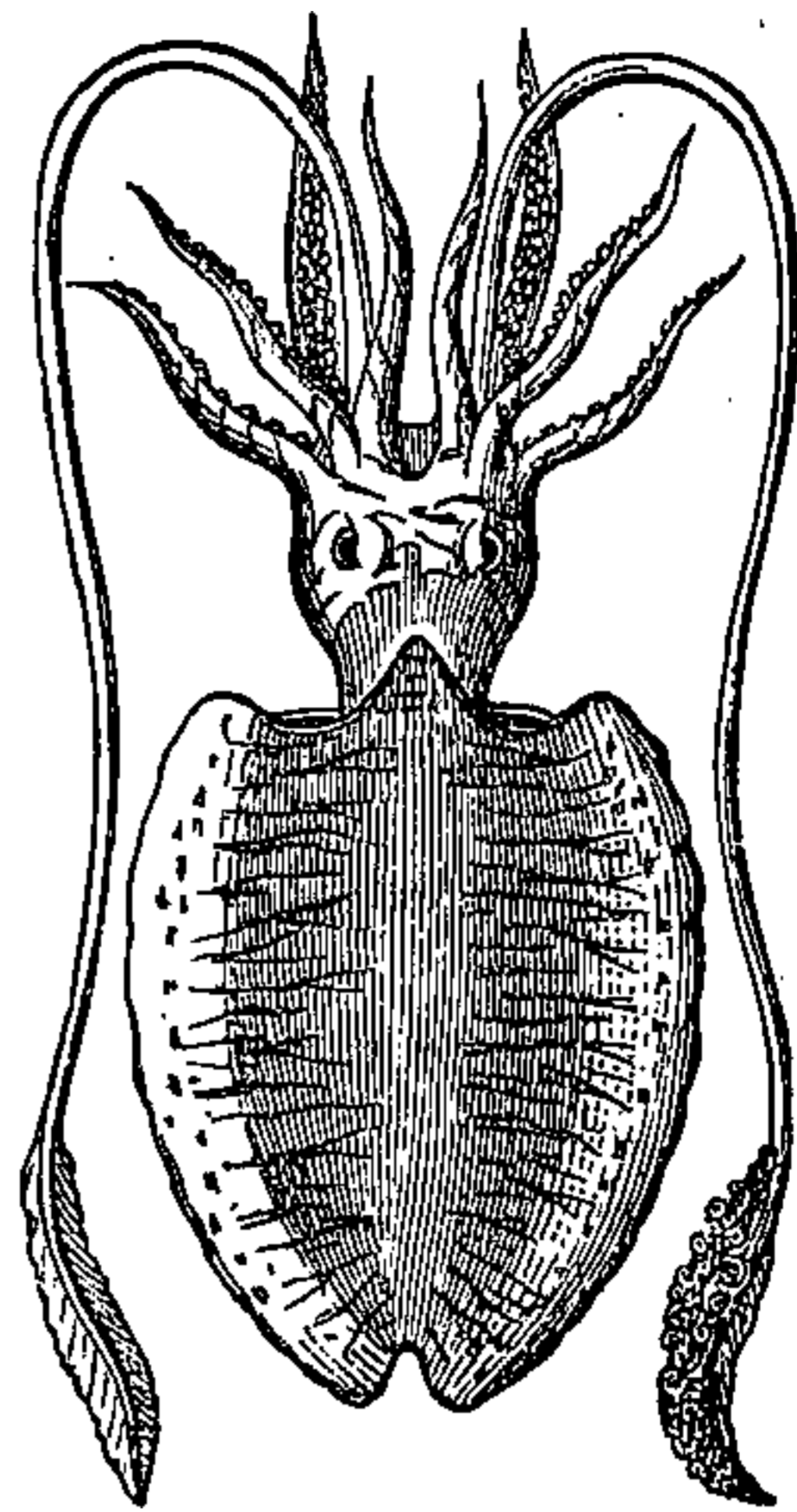


FIG. 17.
Sepia elegans, d'Orbig.

1. *Family* LOLIGOPSIDÆ, *Gray*, 1840.—Body elongated and tapering posteriorly; fins large, broad, and mostly terminal. Shell an internal pen or gladius of horny structure, and consisting of a shaft and two lateral expansions. The Calamaries swim well, and crawl head downwards on their oval disc.

2. *Family* CHIROTEUTHIDÆ, *Gray*, 1849.—Body resembles preceding, but differs in the unequal length of the arms, which are six times as long as the animal itself. The subjoined (fig. 18) *Chiroteuthis Veranyi*, Ferussac, shows the external development of the acetabular and tentacular arms. The gladius is elongated, enlarged at each end and tapers in the middle.

3. *Family* SEPIADÆ, d'Orbigny, 1835.—Body oval, fins lateral, as long as the mantle. Head large, united to the body by a broad nuchal band. Tentacular arms long, wholly retractile. Sessile arms having four rows of acetabula, with horny circles. Funnel with an internal valve. Shell long and wide, thick in front, concave internally behind, and terminating in a prominent *muco*, composed of calcareous laminae, with intervening spaces

FIG. 18.—*Chroteuthis Veranyi*, *Ferussac*.FIG. 19.—*Sepia vermiculata*, *d'Orb*.

filled with air and supported by columns, but not perforated by a siphon (figs. 17 and 19).

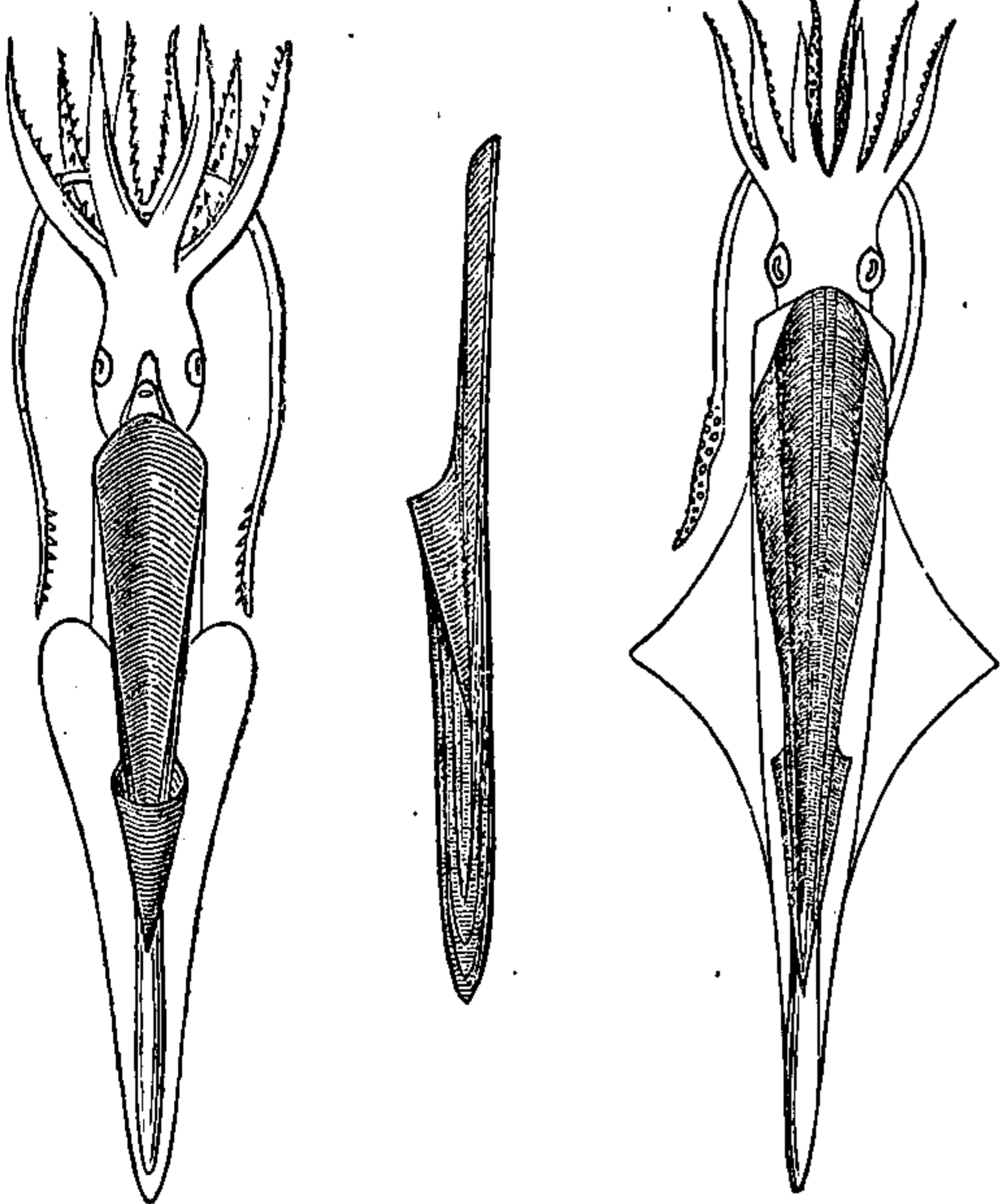
4. *Family* BELEMNITIDÆ, *Owen*, 1836.—An extinct family. Shell consisting of a pen, terminating posteriorly in a chambered cone, sometimes inclosed in a sheath or guard.

The air-cells of the phragmacone are connected by a siphuncle close to the ventral side. The animal possessed an ink-bag, which is often found fossil *in situ*. The arms were provided with recurved hooklets, seen *in situ* in specimens found in the Oxford Clay. The figures 20, 21, 22, on the margin are ideal restorations of the animal of the Belemnites, and drawn by the late Professor Alcide d'Orbigny, who considered that the complete test of Belemnites was composed of four parts intimately united together. These parts are—1st. Anteriorly a horny spatuliform blade, enlarged before and contracted behind. 2nd. A deep cup or conical alveolus containing a series of air-chambers. 3rd. An inferior siphon traversing the whole series of chambers. 4th. A calcareous sheath, more or less elongated, covering and protecting the alveolus, and constituting a true terminal rostrum, all which parts are shown *in situ* in the above figures of the restored forms.

FIG. 20.

FIG. 21.

FIG. 22.



Figs. 20—22.—Belemnites restored by d'Orbigny.

of the restored forms.

5. *Family* SPIRULIDÆ, *d'Orbigny*, 1837.—Body oblong, with small terminal fins;

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short conical processes, and the two superior or dorsal pair are conjoined and dilated into a muscular disk covering the whole upper part of the head; the remaining thirty-eight are disposed nineteen on either side, closely overlapping one another, and all are directed forwards towards the mandibles. The *labial* tentacles, forty-eight in number, extend from orifices situated on the anterior margins of four broad flattened processes arising opposite the base of the mandibles. The *ophthalmic* tentacles, four in number, project laterally, one before and one behind each eye; they appear to be sensory instruments, and resemble the cephalic tentacles in *Doris* and *Aphysia*. The eyes are pedunculated, and of a simple structure: the organ of hearing was not detected.

The branchiæ, four in number (fig. 25 *b*, *b'*), are inclosed in the respiratory sac, without branchial hearts.

The circulating system is provided with one ventricle which is systemic, and propels arterial blood throughout the body (fig. 25 *d*). There is no ink-bag in the animals inhabiting these camerated shells. The funnel, which occupies the floor of the body-chamber, is divided by a longitudinal slit, and inside there is a valve-like fold (fig. 25 *s*).

A large dilatable and contractile tube is continued from the posterior part of the animal through all the partitions and chambers of the shell, as shown in fig. 24; this is the siphuncle, which is a vascular tube that opens into the cavity of the pericardium containing the heart, and is probably filled with sea water from the branchial (fig. 25 *c*) chamber.

Soon after the appearance of Dr. Buckland's "Bridgwater Treatise," I published, in the 'Philosophical Magazine,'¹ a paper on the action of the siphuncle in the Pearly Nautilus, in which I pointed out what appeared to me, as an anatomist, the discrepancy between the structure of the animal and the explanation given by the author, who observed, "The last contrivance, which I shall here notice, is that which regulates the ascent and descent of the animal [the Nautilus] by the mechanism of the *Siphuncle*. The use of this organ has never yet been satisfactorily made out; even Mr. Owen's most important Memoir leaves its manner of operation uncertain; but the appearances which it occasionally presents in a fossil state, supply evidence, which taken in conjunction with Mr. Owen's representation of its termination in a large sac surrounding the heart of the animal, appears sufficient to decide this long disputed question. If we suppose this sac to contain a *pericardial fluid*, the place of which is alternately changed from the pericardium to the siphuncle; we shall find in this shifting fluid an hydraulic balance, or adjusting power, causing the shell to sink when the pericardial fluid is forced into the siphuncle, and to become buoyant whenever this fluid returns to the pericardium. On this hypothesis also the chambers would be continually filled with air alone, the elasticity of which would readily admit of the alternate expansion and contraction of the siphuncle in the act of admitting or rejecting the pericardial fluid."²

¹ 'The London and Edinburgh Philosophical Magazine,' vol. xii, p. 503, 1838.

² Bridgwater Treatise, 'Geology and Mineralogy,' vol. i, p. 325, 1836.

The Nautilus passes the greatest portion of its life at the bed of the sea, but it has been seen occasionally at the surface, and the question naturally arises, What are the conditions necessary to accomplish its ascent and descent, so that the animal should possess the will and power of rendering itself specifically lighter and heavier than the ambient element? Dr. Buckland's theory allows only of a change of place in the adjusting fluid from the pericardial cavity into the siphuncle, and *vice versa*. The accompanying outline, fig. 25, from Prof. Owen's dissections, shows the relative position of the internal organs:—*a a* is the enveloping fleshy mantle, dissected off to expose *b b*, the branchiæ, floating in *c*, the branchial chamber for the reception of the water; *d* is the heart, with its large vascular canals surrounded by clusters of glandular follicles, *e e*; the capacious pericardium, *f f*, is laid open to show its boundary and relation to the central organs of the circulation; it is partially divided internally by thin muscular septa, *g g*. From the posterior wall of the musculo-membranous bag there proceeds the siphuncle, *s s*, destined to traverse all the chambers of the shell, and the arrow shows the direction of this aquiferous tube. Anteriorly the pericardium communicates with the branchial chamber, *c*, by two apertures, *h h*, through each of which a bristle is passed to indicate the channels of communication. From this arrangement it is evident that the pericardial bag has three openings, one behind, which conducts the water into the siphon, and two before, which open into the branchial chamber, into which sea water is constantly flowing to bathe the respiratory organs, so that water alone is the ballast by which the Nautilus is retained at the bottom, and its ejection the means by which it lightens its shell and is enabled to rise to the surface at pleasure. Thus, by relaxing the anterior orifices, *h h*, that communicate with the branchial chamber, the water will flow into the pericardial sac, and thence into the siphuncle, *s*. During this distension the animal and shell will be specifically heavier, and the Nautilus, without any other muscular effort, remains at the bottom, whilst by emptying the tube it becomes specifically lighter and floats up to the surface.

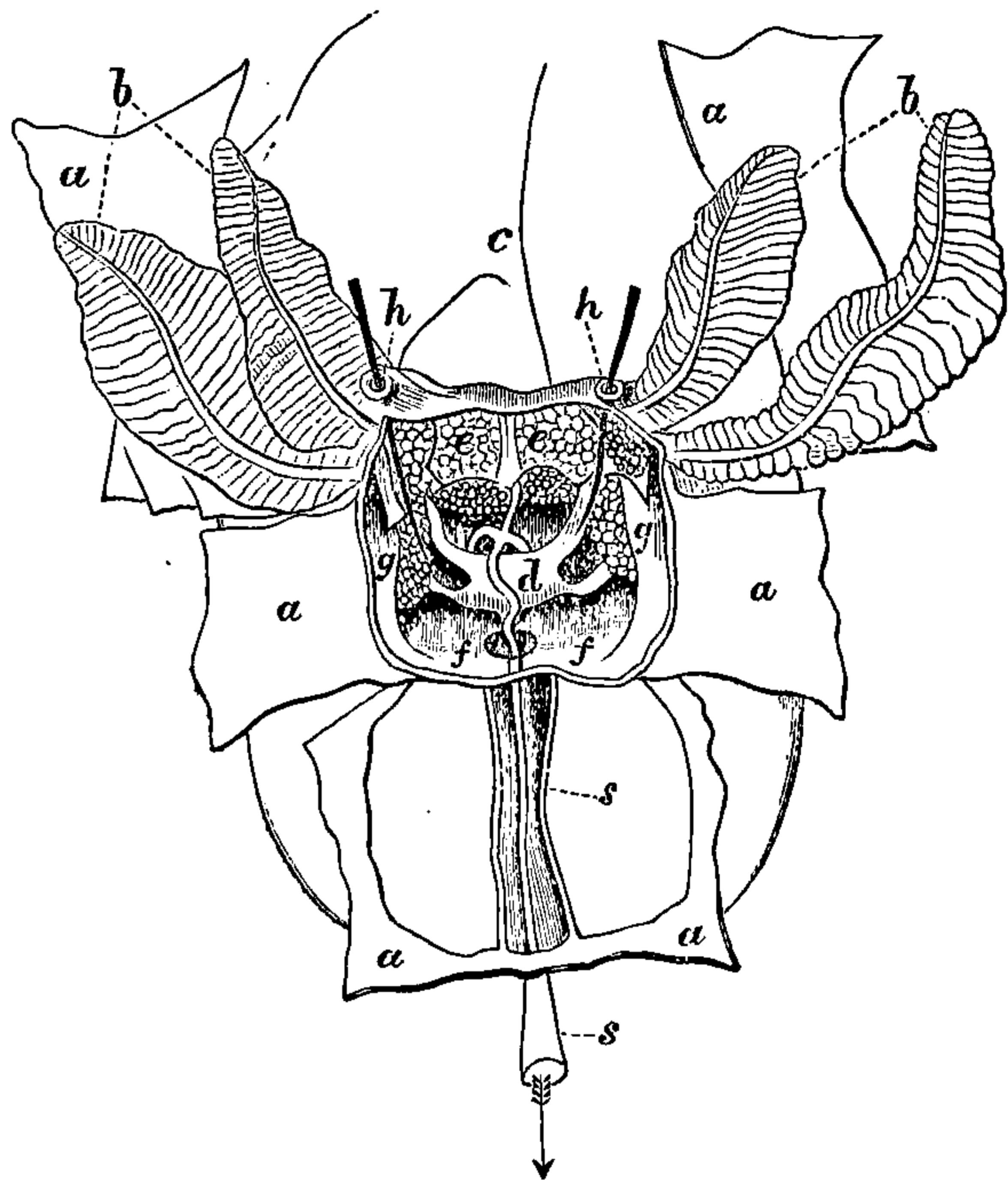


FIG. 25.—Animal of the *Nautilus pompilius*, dissected by Prof. Owen to show the manner in which the siphuncle terminates in the pericardium, and how the pericardium opens by two orifices into the branchial chamber.

The body of the Nautilus is firmly attached to the shell by two lateral muscles which are inserted into the walls of the last or dwelling chamber.

The head is provided with a large ligamento-muscular plate, or flattened disk, formed by the junction and dilatation of a pair of dorsal tentacles, which, besides acting as a defence to the opening of the shell, serves probably for creeping along the bed of the sea, like the foot of a Gasteropod, as the Nautilus has neither fins nor natatory organs, and moves through the ocean by the ejection of the sea water out of its locomotory funnel.

The mandibles are strengthened by a dense external calcareous coating, which forms a dentated margin on the jaws.

The shell is involute or discoidal, few-whorled, and many-chambered, as seen in the shell of *Nautilus umbilicatus*, Lam. (fig. 26), and in the section of *Nautilus pompilius* (fig. 27), as well as in the section of the fossil species *Nautilus striatus* (fig. 28) from

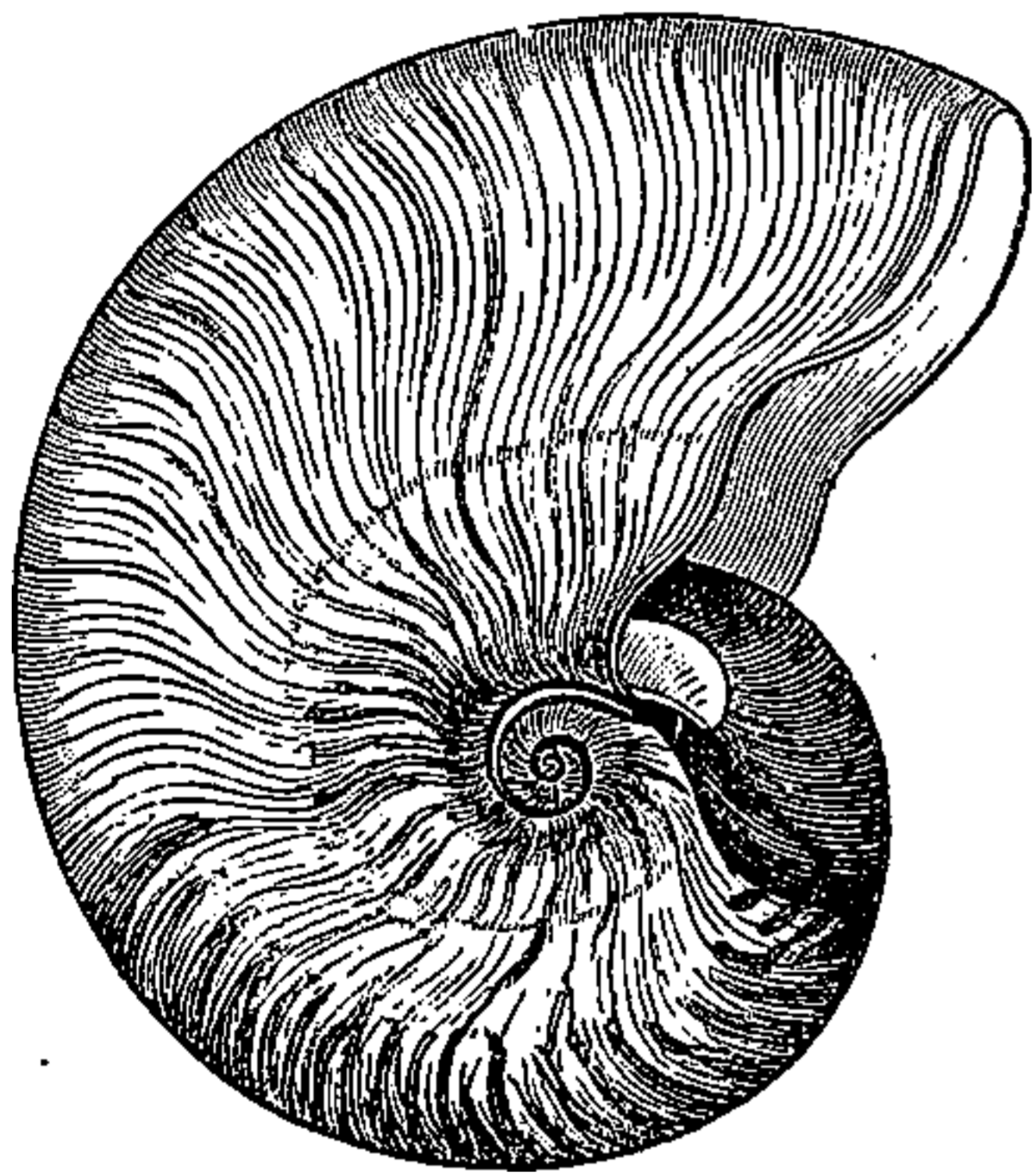


FIG. 26.—*Nautilus umbilicatus*, Lam.

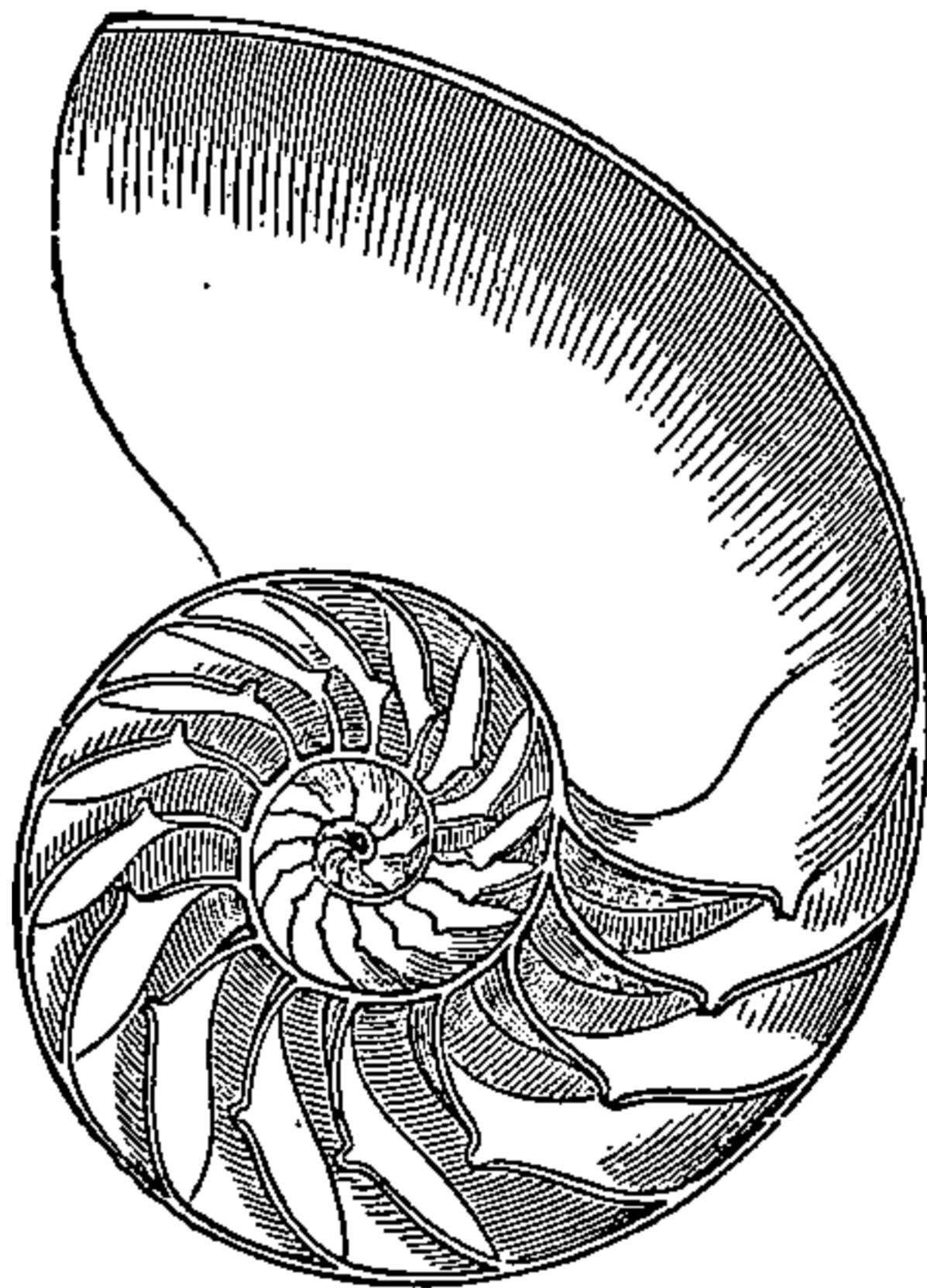


FIG. 27.—Section of the shell of *Nautilus pompilius*, Linn.

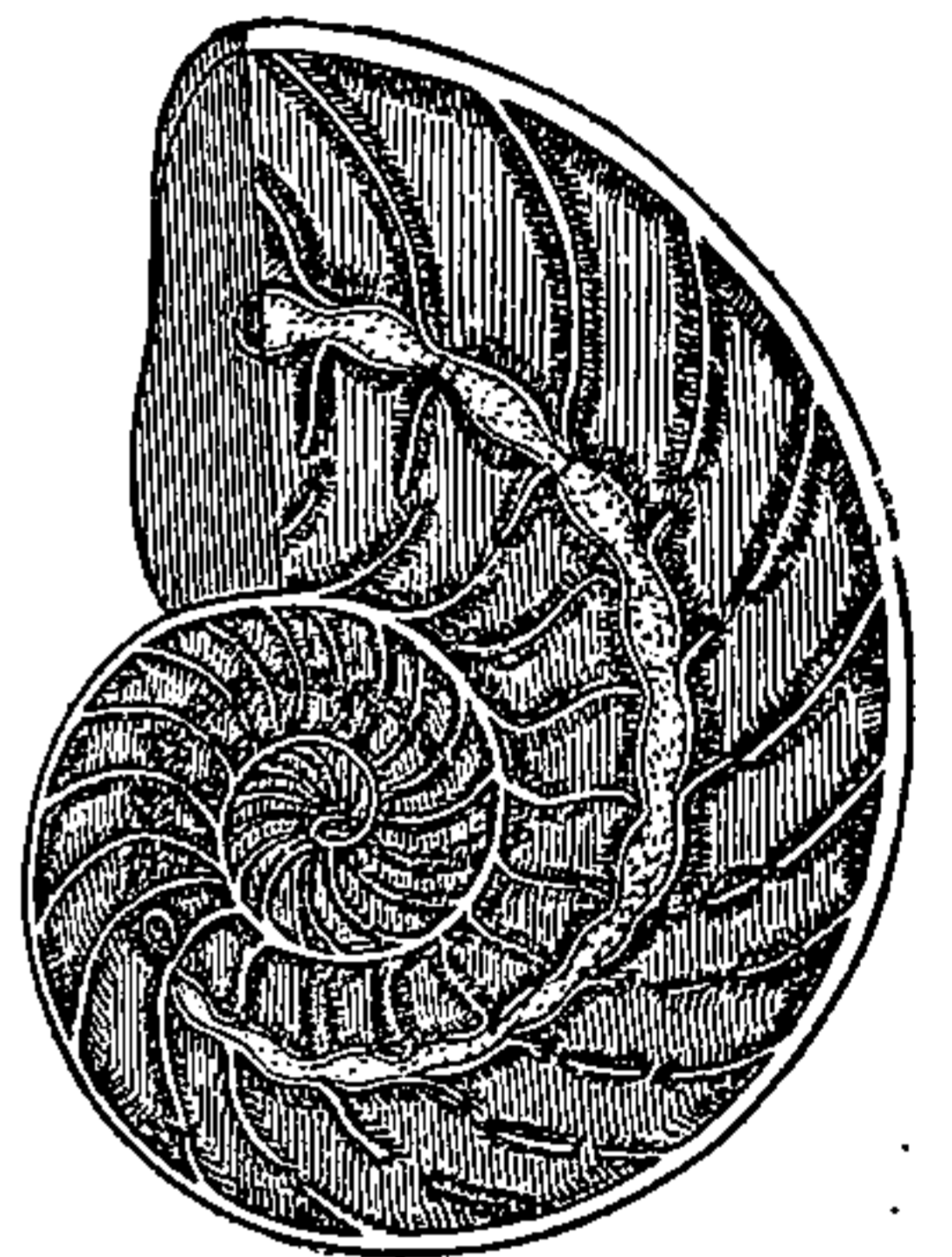


FIG. 28.—*Nautilus striatus*, Sow.
Section of a fossil Nautilus, showing the position of the siphuncle.

the Lias Formation. The septa are here seen to be concave towards the aperture, and convex towards the spire; near the centre of each septum a short funnel-shaped process projects backwards (fig. 27); around this the membranous siphuncular tube is firmly attached, by which a continuous pipe extends from the pericardium to the first chamber of this polythalamous shell (fig. 24). The outer laminæ of the shell are porcellaneous, and the inner nacreous; and the Chinese and others carve a variety of patterns out of the opaque porcellaneous portion of the Nautilus shell, which are relieved by the pearly layer beneath, which forms the background of the object. The living Nautili have the external surface of the shell smooth, but among the fossil forms many of the species are variously sculptured. The aperture of the shell in the Pearly Nautilus is closed by a disc or hood formed by the union of the two dorsal arms which are homologous to the shell-secreting "sails" of the Argonaut (figs. 15, 16). In the AMMONITIDÆ we shall sometimes find the dwelling-chamber provided with a singular body, the *Trigonellites*, Park., or *Aptychus*, Von Meyer, which played an important part in the organic functions of this large extinct group of tetrabranchiate Cephalopods.

This order is divided into two sub-orders, the NAUTILOIDA and the AMMONOIDA.

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straight, elongated, conical, camerated in the greatest portion of its length. Septa transverse, simple, concave forwards. Siphuncle complicated, central or subcentral. Aperture simple, circular, sometimes banded. A very extensive genus; some of the species attained large dimensions; and, from fragments, it is estimated that *O. giganteum* might have been six feet long and above a foot in diameter. From Silurian to Triassic strata. The *Orthoceratidæ* now form a family composed of many genera that have been dismembered from Breynius' group.

Genus.—CAMEROCERAS, *Conrad*, 1842; MELIA, *Fischer*, 1829. Shell straight, elongated, conical; siphuncle lateral, sometimes large. Moulds of these large siphuncles were called *Hyolites* by Eichwald. L. Silurian to Trias.

Genus.—ACTINOCERAS, *Bronn*, 1835. Siphuncle very large, inflated between the chambers, and connected with a central tube by numerous radiating plates. Silurian, Devonian, Carboniferous; North America, Baltic, and British Islands.

Genus.—ORMOCERAS, *Stokes*, 1838. Siphuncular beads constricted in the middle, making the septa appear as if united to the centre of each. They are essentially the same as *Actinoceras*. Lower Silurian; North America.

Genus.—HURONIA, *Bigsby*, 1824. Shell very thin. Siphuncle very large and central, the upper part of each joint inflated, connected with a small central tube by radiating plates. Lower Silurian; Drummond Island, Lake Huron. Dr. Bigsby saw some specimens in the Limestone of Drummond Island six feet in length.

Genus.—ENDOCERAS, *Hall*, 1847. Shell straight, elongated, conical. Siphuncle large and marginal, thickened internally by repeated layers of shell, or partitioned off by a series of funnel-shaped diaphragms. Lower Silurian; North America.

5. *Family* TROCHOCERATIDÆ, *Wright*, 1880.—Shells bent into a turbinated form.

Genus.—TROCHOCERAS, *Barrande*, 1847. Shell spiral, helicoidal. Position of siphuncle unknown. Lower Silurian, Bohemia.

6. *Family* GOMPHOCERATIDÆ, *Pictet*, 1855.—Shell fusiform, narrower before than in the middle, and with a contracted aperture.

Genus.—GOMPHOCERAS, *Sowerby*, 1839. APIOCERAS, *Fischer*, 1844, POTERICERAS, 1844, *M' Coy*. Shell fusiform or globular, with a tapering apex. Aperture contracted in the middle. Siphuncle moniliform, subcentral. Silurian, Devonian, Carboniferous; North America and Europe.

Genus.—ONCOCERAS, *Hall*, 1847. Shell like *Gomphoceras*, but curved. Siphuncle external. Silurian; North America.

Genus.—SYCOCERAS, *Pictet*, 1844. Shell short, straight, oviform. Septa transverse, numerous, simple. Silurian to Devonian.

Genus.—PHRAGMOCERAS, *Broderip*, 1834; CAMPULITES, in part, *Deshayes*, 1830; PHRAGMOLITHES, *Conrad*, 1838. Shell compressed laterally, conical, regularly bent in its length, but not spiral. Septa simple, transverse. Siphuncle very large, subcentral, near the internal margin. The outer chamber large, expanded, terminated by a longitudinal aperture contracted into a fissure, the posterior extremity of which is dilated into a large transverse sinus; and the anterior extremity is prolonged into a smaller subcircular sinus, forming a tube. Upper Silurian and Devonian.

7. *Family* GYROCERATIDÆ, *Pictet*, 1854.—Shell spiral; septa simple; siphuncle external; aperture large.

Genus.—CRYPTOCERAS, *d'Orbigny*, 1847. Shell spiral, discoidal; whorls contiguous, embracing. Septa simple, arched, without lobes and sinuosities. Siphuncle dorsal. The species are found in the Devonian and Carboniferous formations.

Ex. *C. subtuberculatum*, *d'Orb.* (fig. 29).

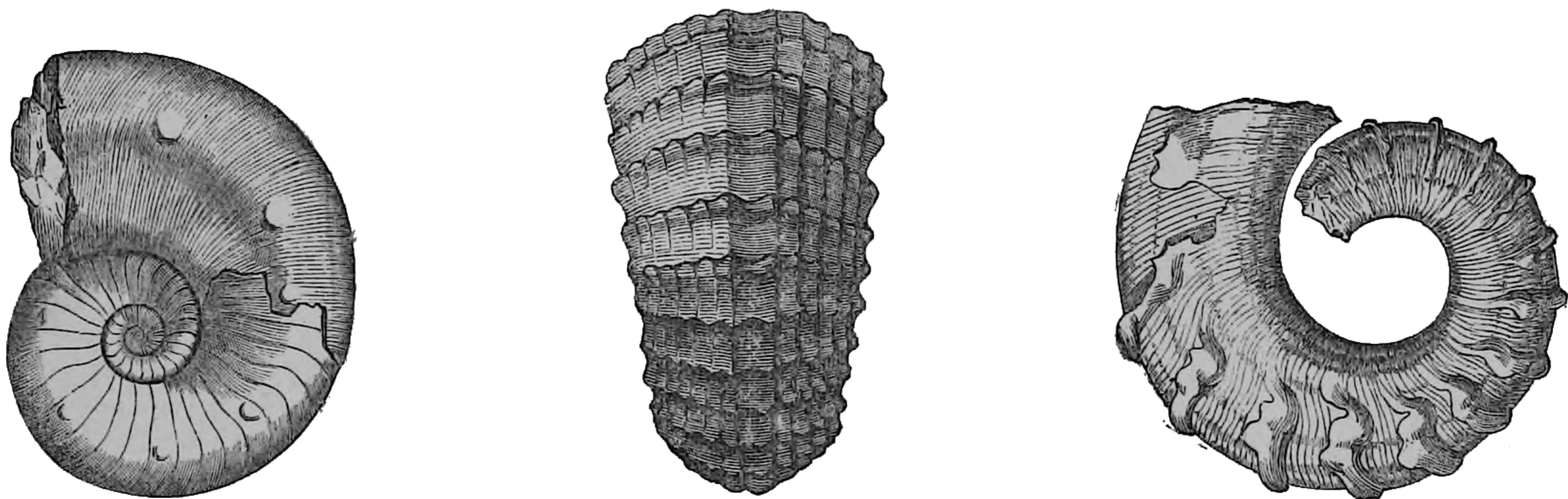


FIG. 29.—*Cryptoceras subtuberculatum*, *d'Orb.* FIG. 30.—*Gyroceras Eifeilense*, *d'Orb.* FIG. 31.—*Gyroceras ornatum*, *d'Orb.*

Genus.—GYROCERAS, *von Meyer*, 1829. INACHUS, *Hisinger*, 1837. Shell multilocular, discoidal, with a regular spire, composed of non-contiguous whorls, rolled on the same plane. Septa regular, with simple and symmetrical margins; the last chamber very large, occupying a third of the last whorl. Siphuncle thin, subdorsal. Aperture oval or angular. *Gyroceras* is to the *Nautilus* what *Crioceras* is to the *Ammonite*. Upper Silurian and Devonian. Ex. *G. ornatum*, *d'Orb.* (fig. 31):

Genus.—CYRTOCERAS, *Goldfuss*, 1833. CAMPYLOCERAS and TRIGONOCERAS, *M'Coy*, 1844. Shell multilocular, not spiral, representing an oblique horn more or less bent. Septa transverse, oblique, with simple borders. Aperture in general oval and compressed. Siphuncle continuous, often dorsal; the last chamber much larger than the others. Found in Silurian, Devonian, and Carboniferous formations.

8. *Family* CLYMENIDÆ, *Edwards*, 1849.—Shell discoidal, more or less involute; septa simple or slightly lobed; siphuncle internal or columellar.

Genus.—CLYMENIA, *Münster*, 1832. ENDOSIPHONITES, *Ansted*, 1840. Shell spiral, discoidal, with contiguous whorls, more or less involute; septa form a distinct lobe on the sides, with angles more or less acute; siphon small, internal, situated against the turns of the spire. Species numerous in the Devonian of Europe and N. America. Ex. *Clymenia Sedgwickii*, *Münster* (fig. 32); *C. striata*, *Münst.* (fig. 33).

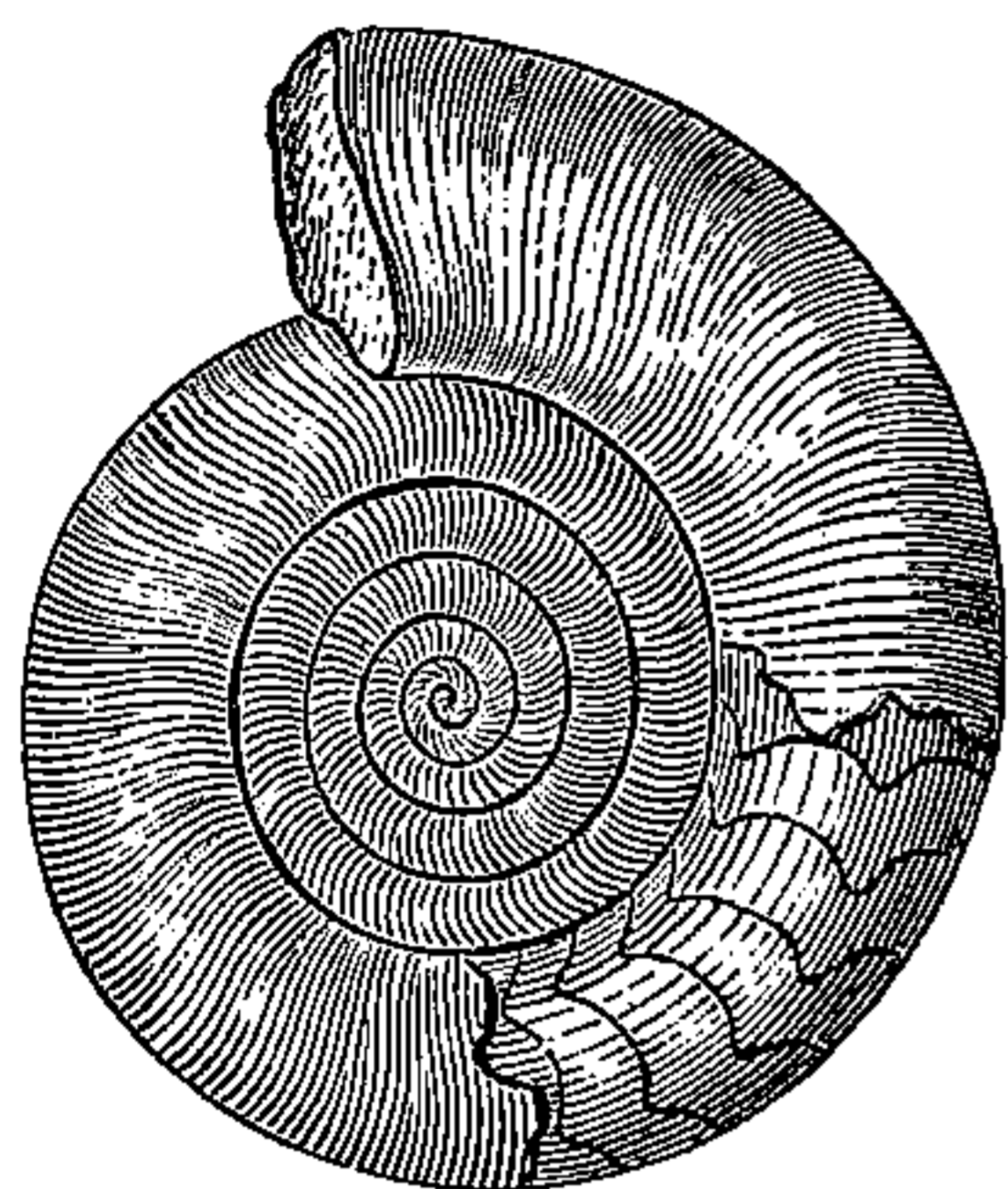


FIG. 32.—*Clymenia Sedgwickii*, *Münst.*

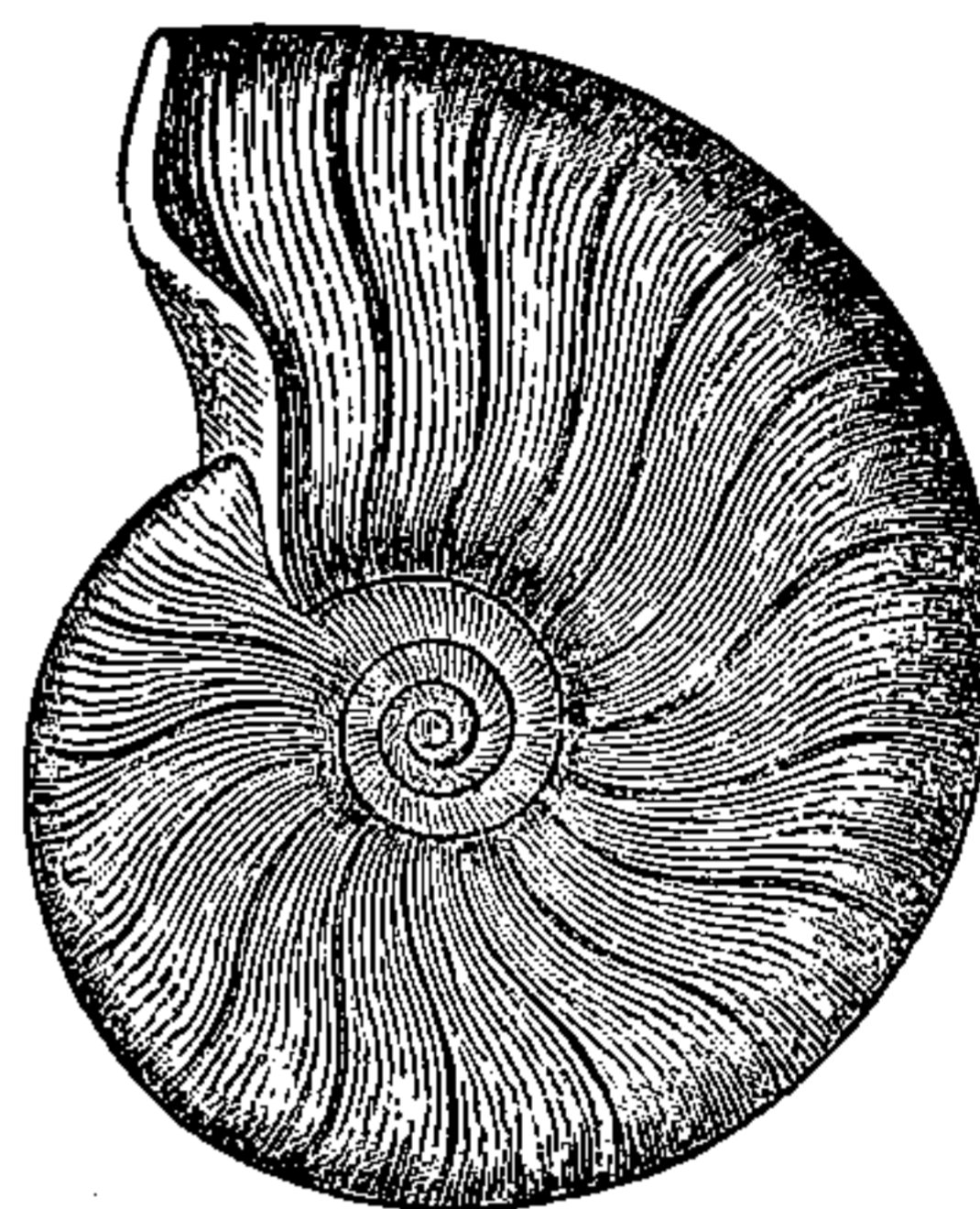


FIG. 33.—*Clymenia striata*, *Münst.*

Sub-order B.—AMMONOIDA, *Wright*, 1880.

Shell spiral, bent, or straight, with a capacious dwelling-chamber. Margins of the septa angular, digitate, or much ramified, forming large lobes. Siphuncle marginal, external with regard to the shell, or anti-columellar. This section is divided into three Families, the *Goniatites*, the *Ceratites*, and the *Ammonites*.

1. *Family* GONIATITIDÆ, *Wright*, 1880.—Shell rolled into a close spiral; septa with angular margins.

Genus.—GONIATITES, *De Haan*, 1825. AGANIDES, *Montfort*, 1808. Shell spiral, regularly rolled on the same plane, with convolute contiguous whorls. Septa transverse,

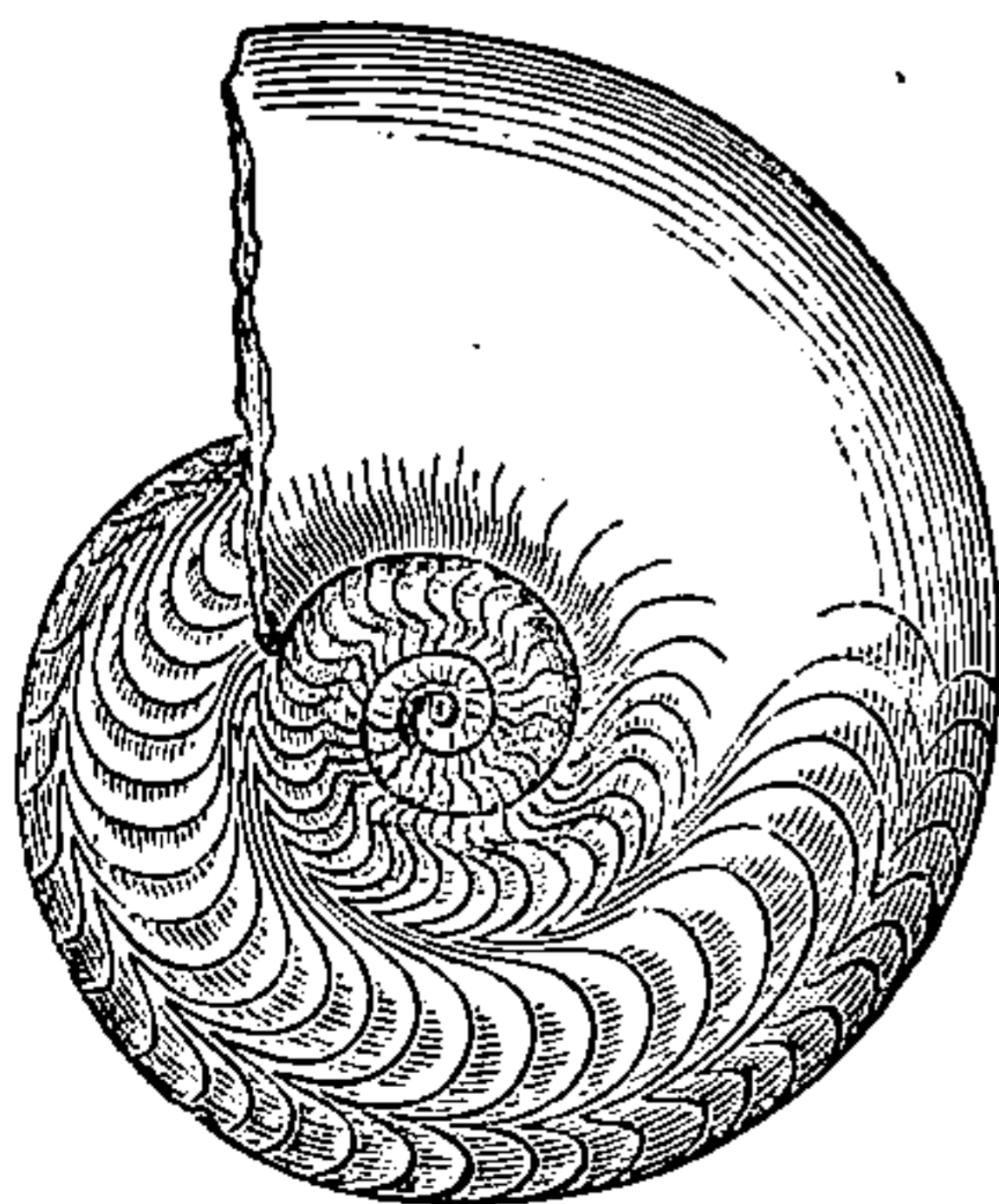


FIG. 34.—*Goniatites Hoeninghausi*, *Bronn.*

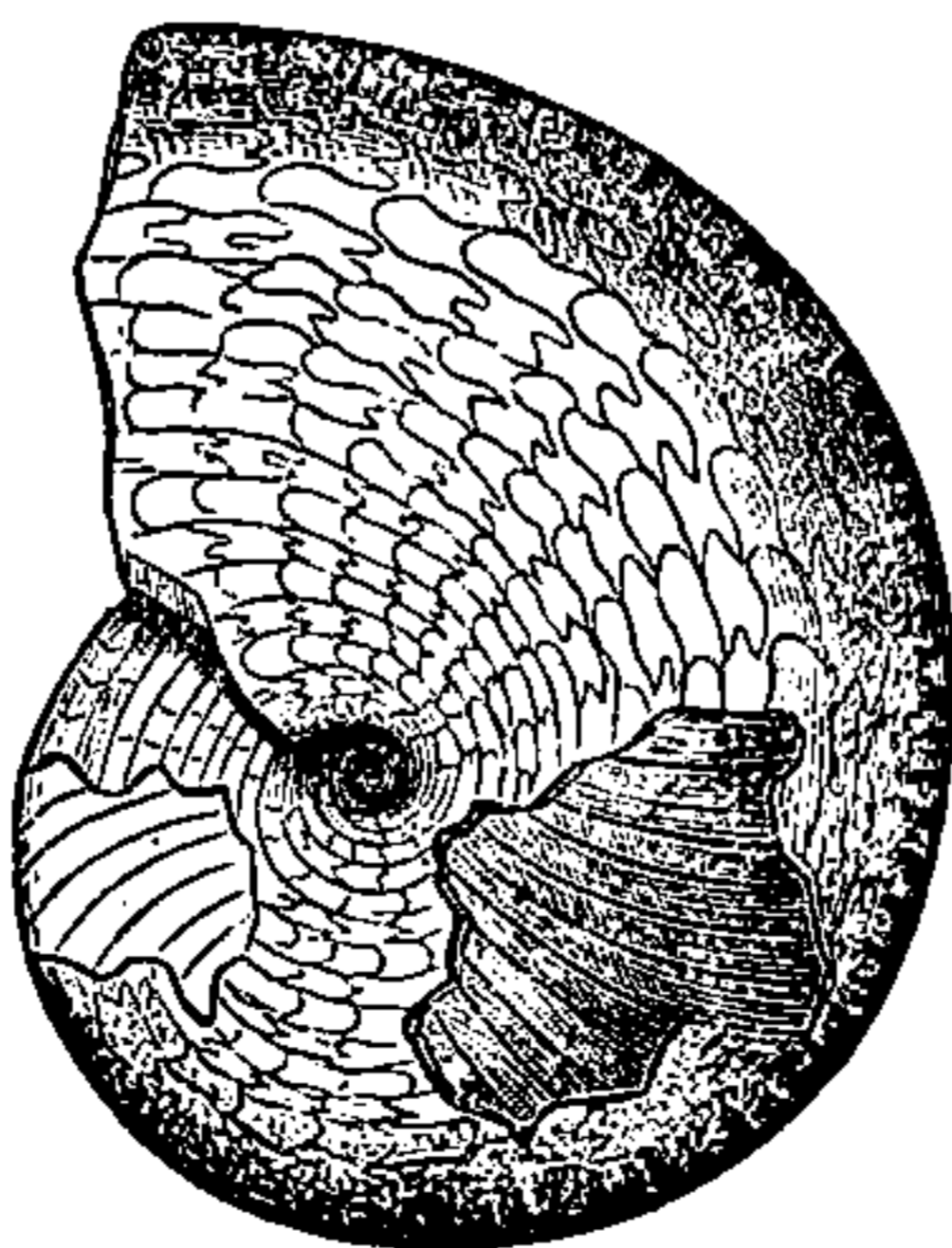


FIG. 35.—*Goniatites Orbignyanus*, *d'Archiac.*

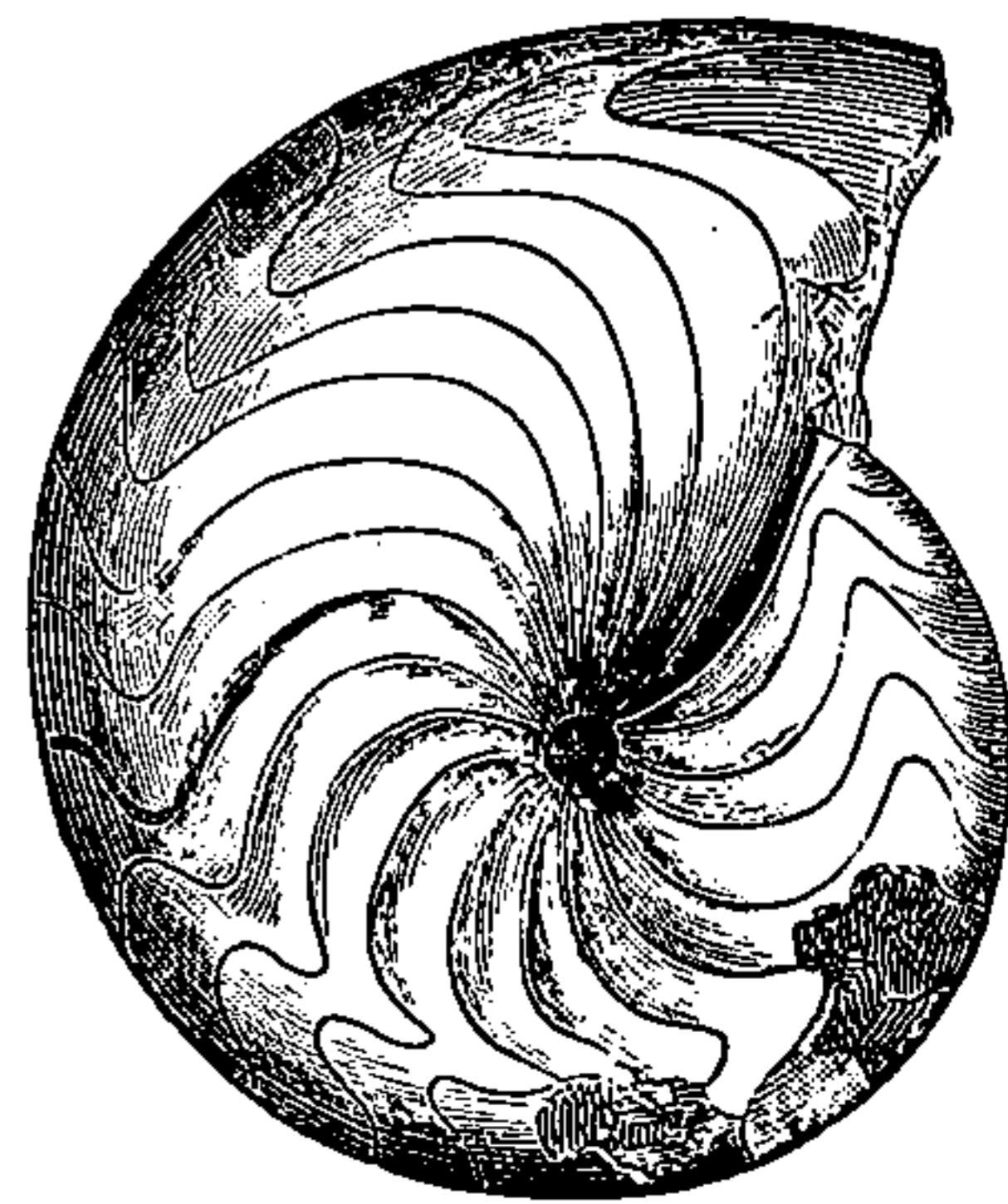


FIG. 36.—*Goniatites rotatorius*, *de Koninck.*

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marginal septal foliations are well shown, we observe that all their points are directed away from the aperture (figs. 41 and 43), and the concavities or rounded parts are directed towards the aperture (fig. 45). The outlines of the septa are termed

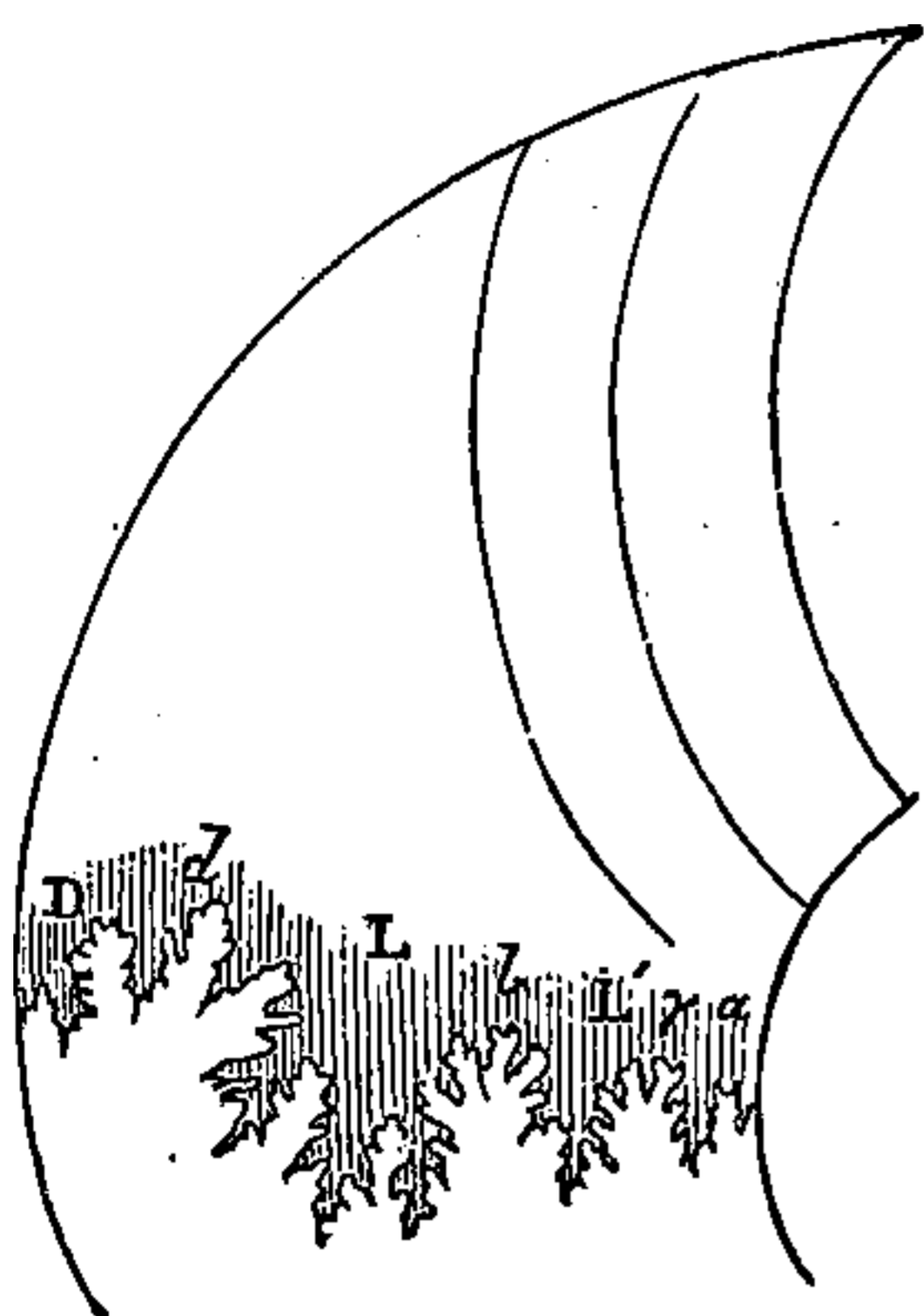


FIG. 41.—Disposition of the lobes in *Amaltheus margaritatus*, Montf.

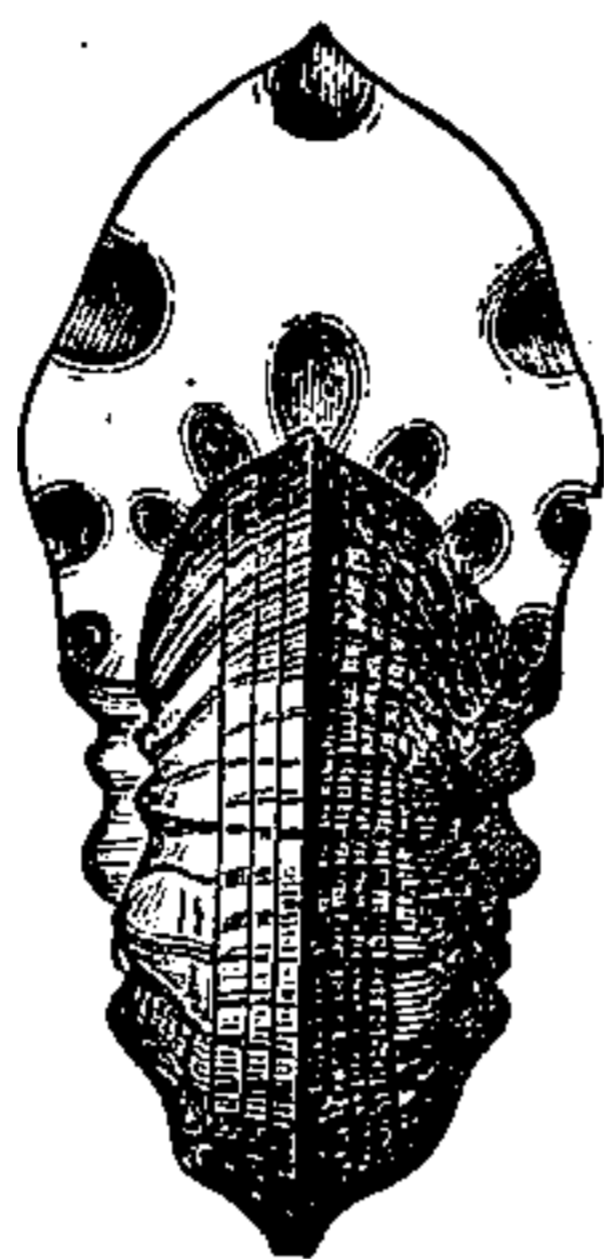


FIG. 42.—Mould of the lobes in *Amaltheus pustulatus*, Münt.

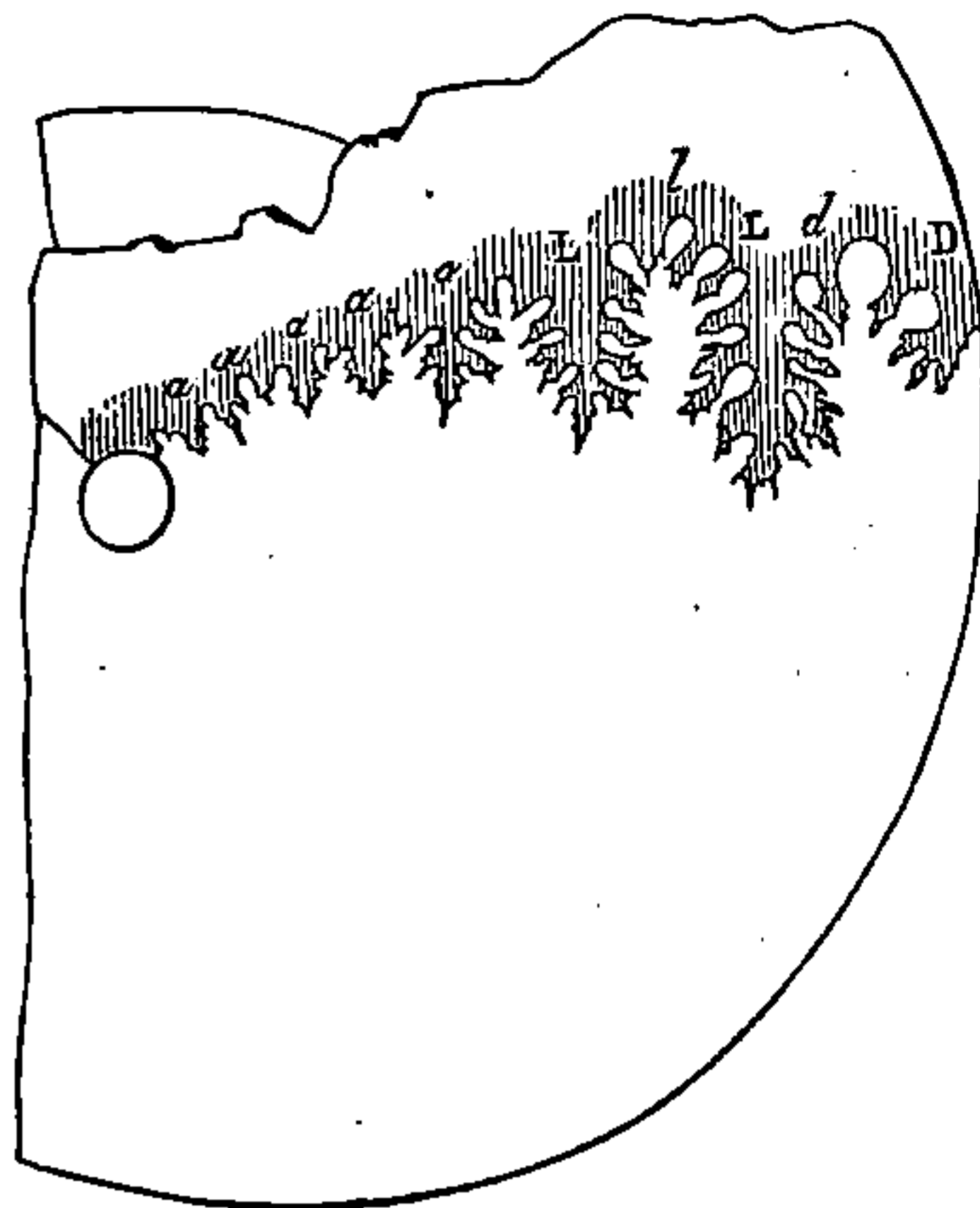


FIG. 43.—Disposition of the lobes in *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, Sow.

sutures; when they are folded, the elevations are called *saddles*, and the intervening depressions *lobes*. In the *Ceratites* (figs. 37—40, and 44) these parts are very

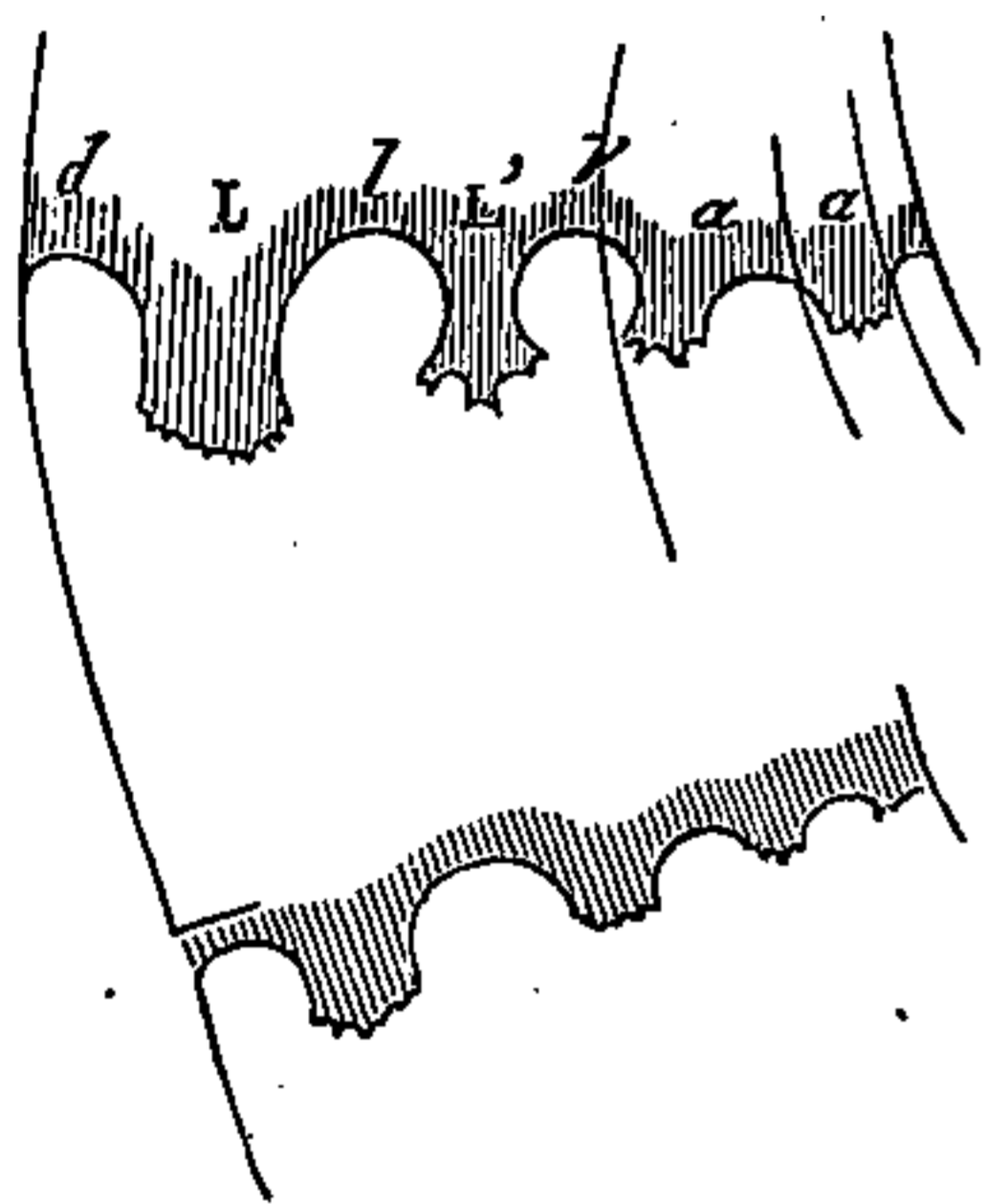


FIG. 44.—Disposition of the lobes in *Ceratites nodosus*, De Haan.

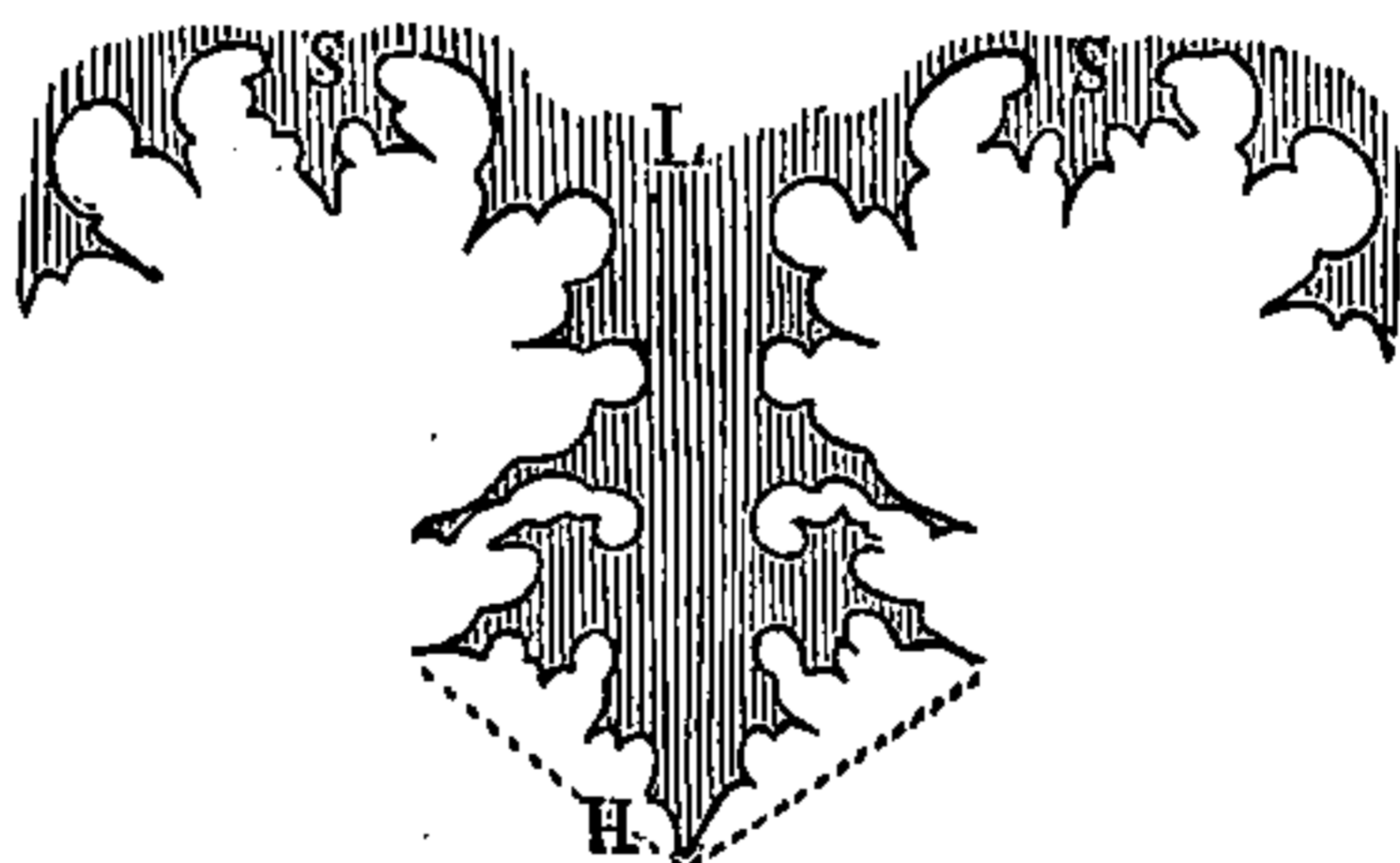


FIG. 45.—Form of the subdivisions of the lobes in Ammonitidæ.

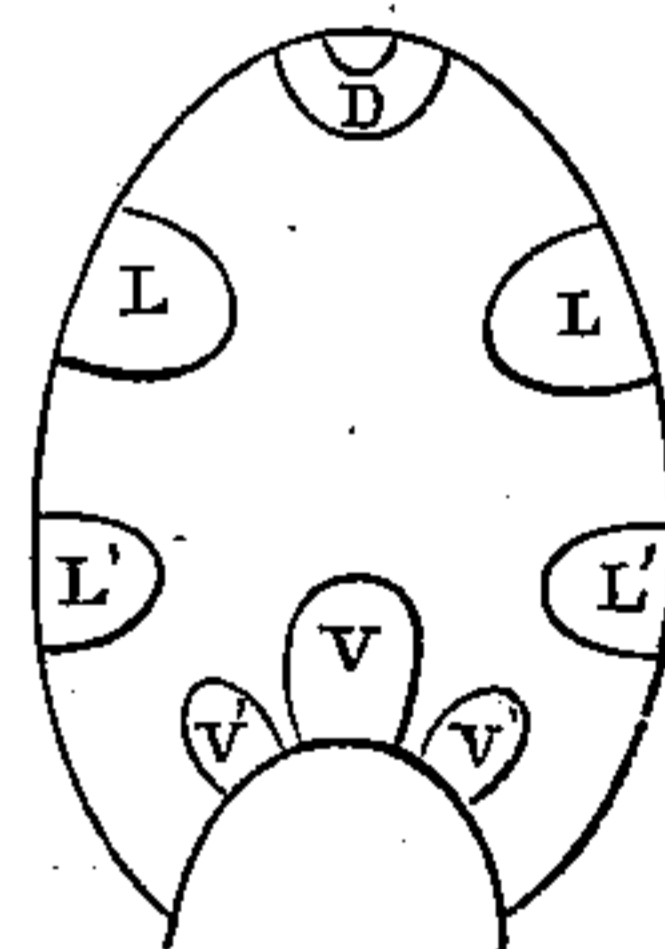


FIG. 46.—Mould of the disposition of the lobes of *Phylloceras*.

simple, and here we see the rounded saddles directed forwards and the dentated lobes turned backwards; the same is the case in *Amaltheus margaritatus* (fig. 41), and *Phylloceras heterophyllum* (fig. 43), with this difference, that in all the Ammonitidæ the sutures are very long, and the lobes and saddles highly complicated accordingly:

In the dwelling-chamber of *Ammonitidæ* we sometimes find a remarkable body, having some resemblance to a bivalve shell widely opened; this is called the *Aptychus*, which has been the subject of much speculation and difference of opinion as to what it is and what it did in the economy of the Ammonite. Its form and structure differ materially in the different species, so that whenever the *Aptychus* of an Ammonite is found in position it ought to be correctly drawn and accurately described. In the plates of this work several authenticated forms in connection with their shells are figured, and will be

described in the sequel. My late friend, Dr. Oppel, in his 'Mittheilungen,'¹ figured and described many species of Ammonites from the "Malm" or upper Jurassic of Germany

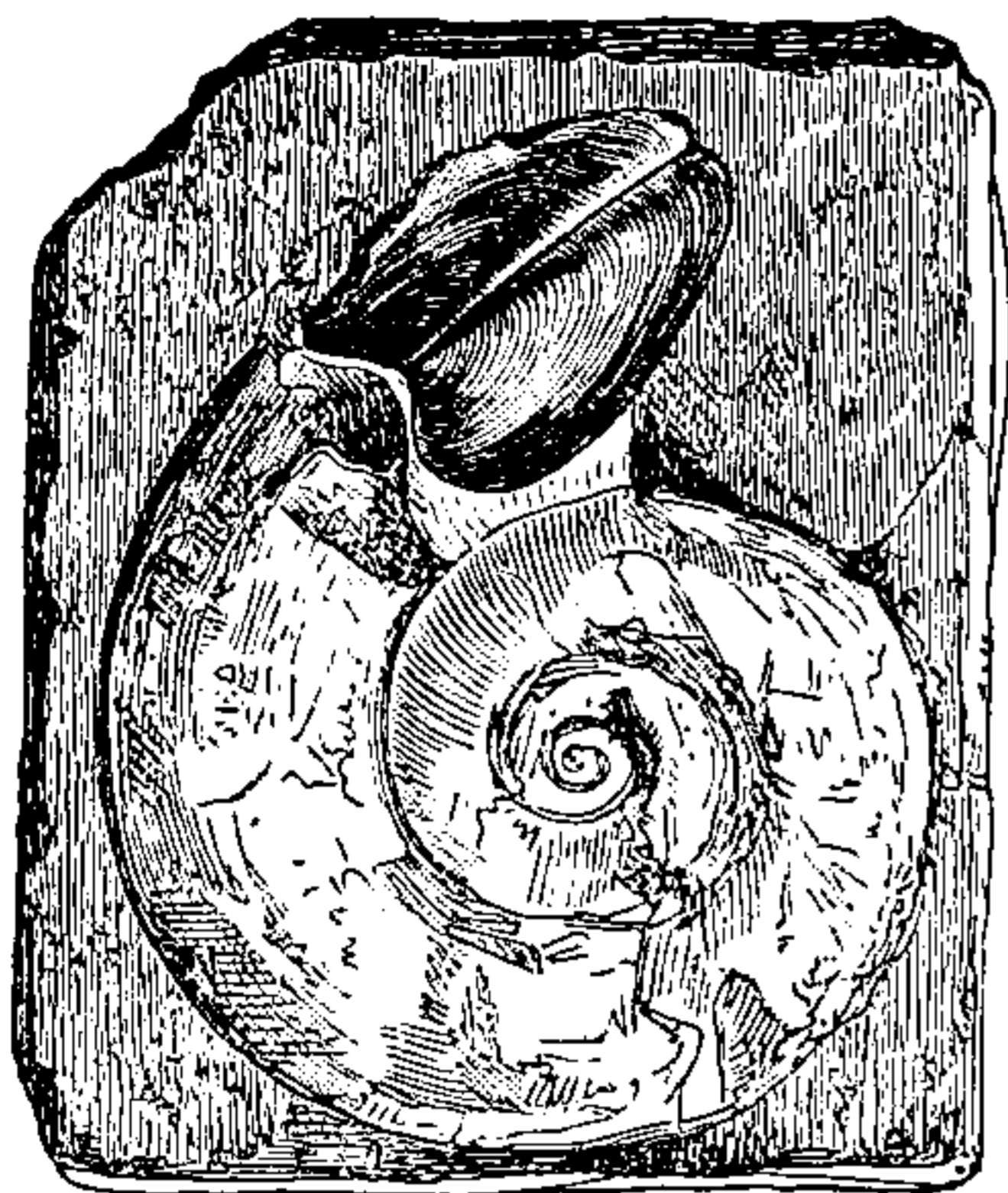


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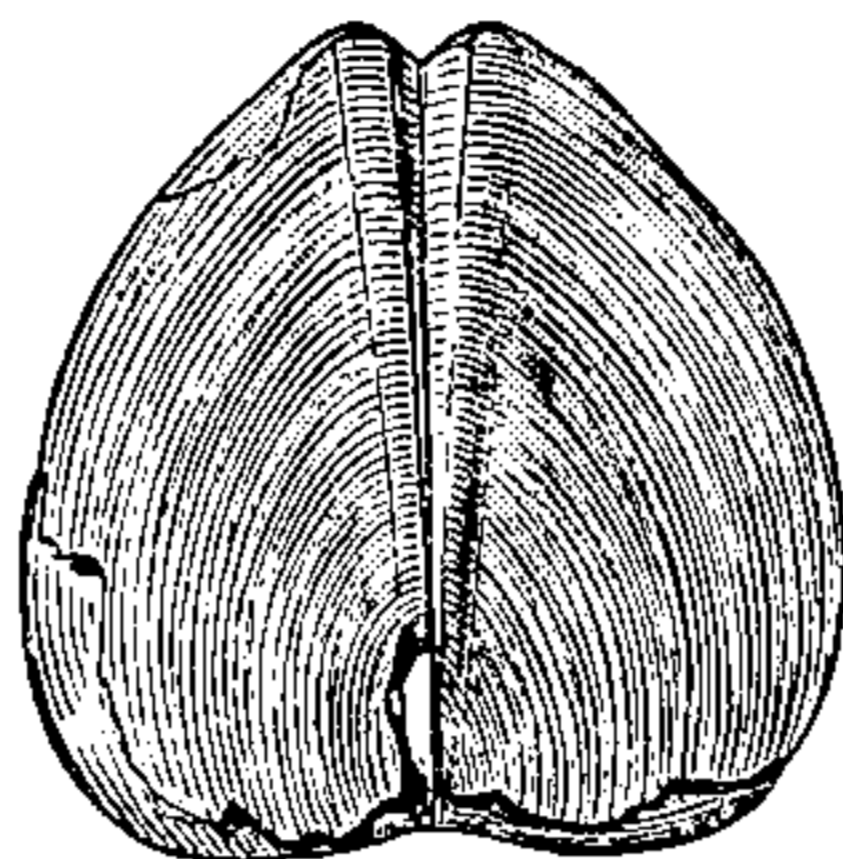


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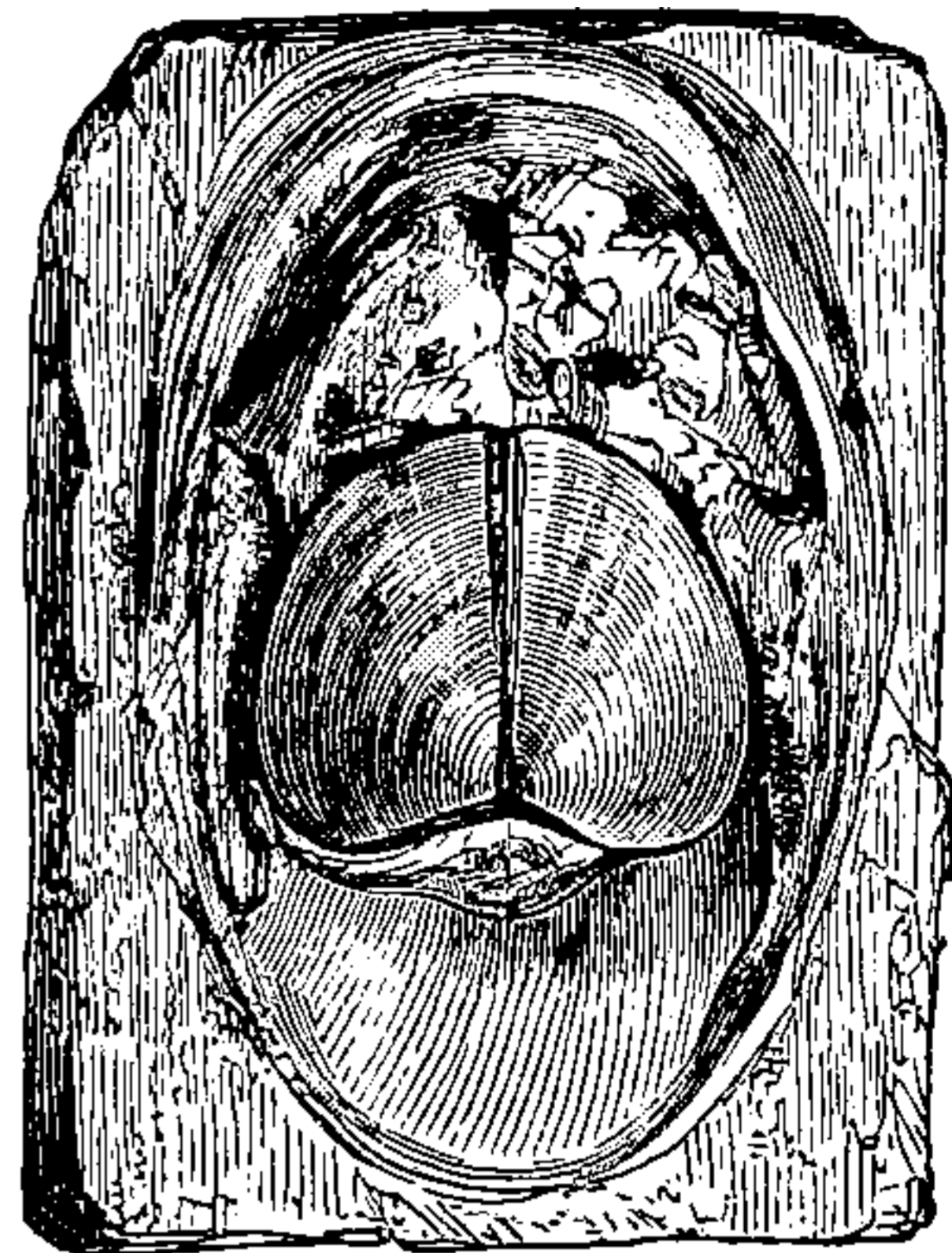


FIG. 49.

and Switzerland, in the outer chamber of which the *Aptychi* are preserved. These fossils are very instructive, and teach us that each species had its own special form of *Aptychus* just as it had its own form of aperture and ornamentation (figs. 47, 48, and 49).

It is interesting and curious to note the various ideas that have prevailed about these bodies. Dr. Scheuchzer² first noticed the *Aptychus*, and described it as *Concha fossilis tellinoides porosa laevis*. Dr. Knorr³ considered the *Aptychus* as the valves of *Lepas anatifera*, with which it has some resemblance in form, but differs in structure. Parkinson⁴ called it *Trigonellites*, and described it "as a slightly rounded, trigonal, thick shell, gaping on each side. The anterior margin nearly on a straight line, the posterior in a gently waving, and the upper side in nearly a circular direction. The outer surface of each valve thickly pierced by foramina, which passing nearly through its substance gives it the cancellous appearance of bone, the inner surface smooth, but marked with striæ, concentric with the upper margin. The hinge completely linear without teeth, there being only an appropriate surface on the anterior margin of each valve for the attachment of the cartilage externally. No appearance of muscular attachment." Bourdet,⁵ of Nièvre, considered *Aptychi* to be the palatine teeth of fishes, and proposed the name *Ichthyosagones* for these fossils. H. von Meyer,⁶ in his 'Memoir on the *Aptychus*,' described the form structure of *Aptychus laevis* as essentially cellular and entirely different from that of the ordinary bivalve shells of Mollusca, inasmuch as the lines of growth are never visible on

¹ 'Palaeontologische Mittheilungen aus dem Museum des Koenigl., Bayer Staates, 1862, see plates lxxviii to lxxiv.

² 'Specimen Lithogr. Helvet.,' p. 21, 1718.

³ 'Lapides diluvii universalis testes,' 1755.

⁴ 'Organic Remains,' vol. iii, p. 184, pl. xiii, figs. 9—12, 1811.

⁵ 'Notice sur des Fossiles inconnus,' Paris, 1822.

⁶ 'Nov. Act. Acad. Coes. Leop.-Car. Nat. Cur.,' xv, 2, p. 125, 1831.

the internal surface of the valve, that surface being covered with a nacreous layer, which retains the muscular and pallial impressions of the animal. In the *Aptychus* we never see these impressions on the inner, whilst the lines of growth are visible on the external surface. M. Voltz¹ attempted to prove that the *Aptychus* was the operculum of an Ammonite, because it resembled the opercula of Gastropods in the structure of its shelly laminae, and the style of its lines of growth, and likewise because it was frequently found in the last chamber of the shell; and this opinion was held by Professors Rüppel, Quenstedt, and Deslongchamps, on the Continent, and by Professors Owen, Morris,² and Dr. Woodward,³ in England. M. Deshayes⁴ contended that the *Aptychus* was not the operculum of an Ammonite, but belonged to some of the internal organs of the animal, probably the inner walls of the stomach. M. Coquand⁵ regarded the *Aptychus* as the analogue of the internal osselets of some Dibranchiate Cephalopods, as the *Teudopsis*, and thought the two genera ought to be grouped in the same family. This author had found specimens where the two halves of the *Aptychus* were united and formed a single bilobed body, traversed in the middle by a carina, and this he compared to the stem of the osselets or pen of the *Teudopsis* (figs. 47 and 49). The lines of growth and absence of muscular impressions M. Coquand considered to be important analogies in support of his views.

Professor Pictet,⁶ after reviewing the opinions expressed in the different works already cited, and giving the results of his own studies on the *Aptychus*, avowed that amidst all these diverse opinions it was difficult to pronounce upon the true affinities of these singular fossils, which he grouped into three sections:

1st. The CORNEI, with a thin, smooth, horny shell; all from the Lias and Inferior Oolite.

2nd. The IMBRICATI having the same horny plate, but covered by a calcareous test, with large folds representing an imbrication; these are found from the Lias up to the *Craie marneuse* (*étage turonien*) of the Cretaceous Formation.

3rd. The CELLULOSI the thickest of all. The horny lamina is covered by a cellular layer, which resembles the structure of certain Madreporae, and this cellular portion is again covered by a smooth compact deposit. This group is found in the Oxfordian stages of the Jurassic Rocks, and extends upwards into the Upper Greensand of the Cretaceous Formation.

Keferstein⁷ thought these bodies were sexual characters, and suggested that the *Aptychus* formed the protector to the nidamentary gland in the female Ammonite; and

¹ 'Mém. de la Soc. d'Hist. Nat. de Strasbourg,' t. ii, 1836.

² Note on *Aptychus* in 'Ann. and Mag. Nat. Hist.,' vol. x (2nd series), p. 356, pl. v D, fig. 1, 1852.

³ 'Manual of Mollusca,' p. 80, 1851.

⁴ 'Mém. Soc. Géol. de France,' t. iii, p. 31, 1838.

⁵ 'Bull. de la Soc. Géol. de France,' t. xii, p. 376, 1841.

⁶ 'Traité Élément. de Paléontologie,' t. ii, p. 385, 1845.

⁷ 'Bronn's Klassen und Ordnungen des Thier.,' III b, tab. 113, 1860.

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reasonable. That the fibrous basis of the hood was retained in different degrees in the Ammonites is indicated by the simply corneous or chitinous condition of the *Aptychus* which has been preserved in some examples of " *Harpoceras Levisoni*, *Aegoceras planorbis*, Sow., Pl. XIV, fig. 3, and many other forms from the Lias, and *Oppelia subradiata*, Sow., from the Inferior Oolite of which a beautiful specimen with its *Aptychus in situ* is to be seen in the British Museum.¹

"The conjoined plates of the *Aptychus* (figs. 47, 48, 49) form a triangular disc, of which the base is backward, excavated to receive the involute part of the shell, with the sides of the base, like the corresponding lobes of the hood, bent down to cover the laterally extended parts of the wider terminal coil of the shell. Even in the contrast between the papillose wrinkled outer surface and the smooth inner surface of the 'hood' of *Nautilus* the resemblance to the 'Aptychus' of the Ammonite is carried out."

Leopold von Buch,² in 1830, introduced an important reform in the grouping of Ammonites by showing how the foliations of the septa retained certain fixed forms in the species, and considerable differences in each of the twelve groups into which he classified these fossils, and which he thus defined :

I. ARIETES.—Upon the sides of the whorls a large number of thick simple ribs or radii are developed, which all bend forward near the back. The siphuncle projects outwards from a channel which extends on each side of it, and this bisulcation of the siphonal area separates the ribs on the sides from each other (fig. 52). The lobes of the division wall of the chambers have the following form :—The *siphonal* is almost as deep

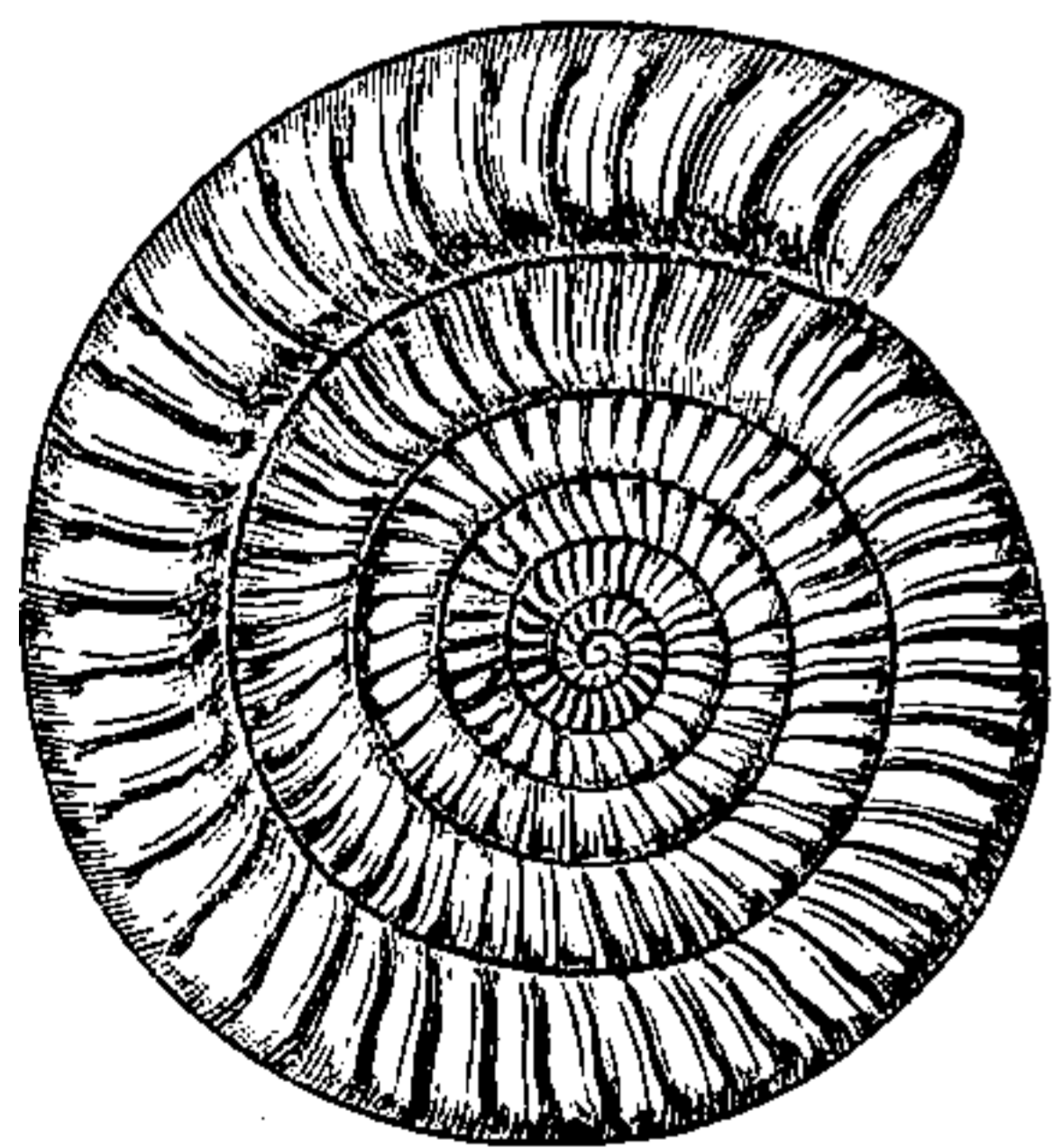


FIG. 50.—*Arietites rotiformis*, Sow. Side view.

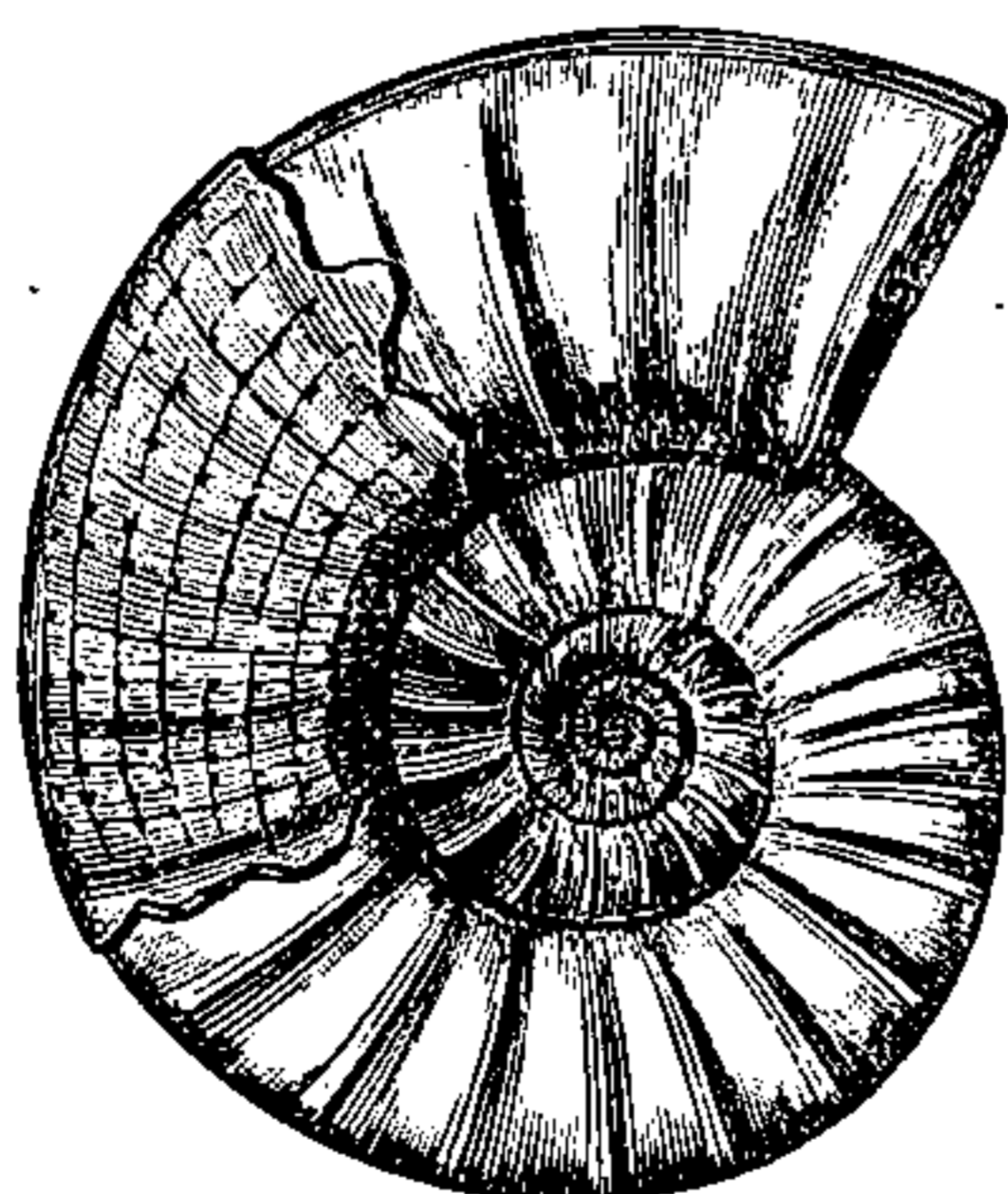


FIG. 51.—*Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Side view.

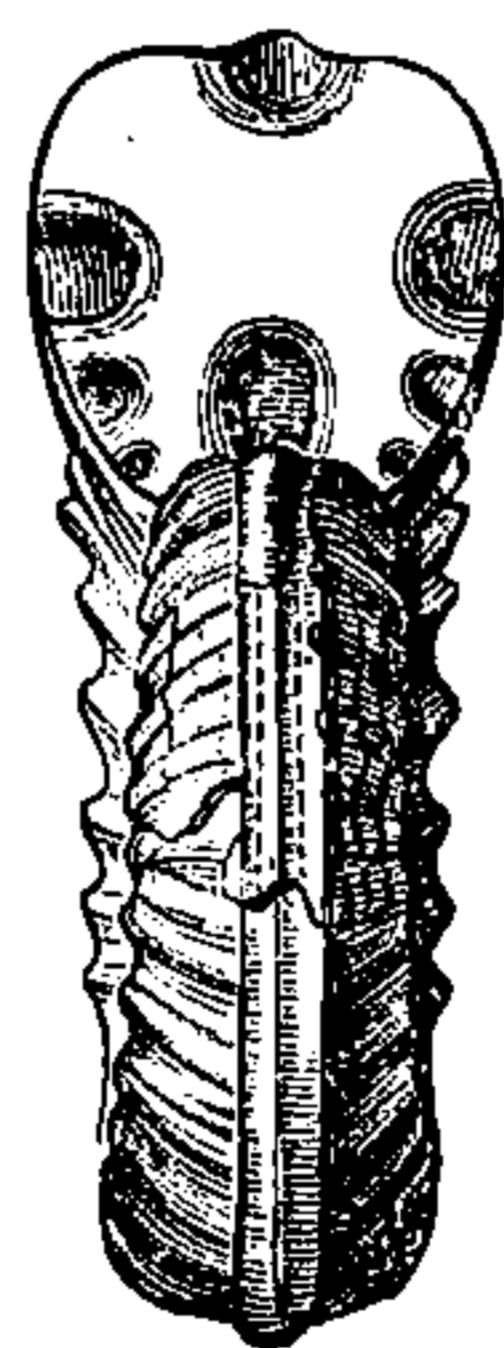


FIG. 52.
Back view.

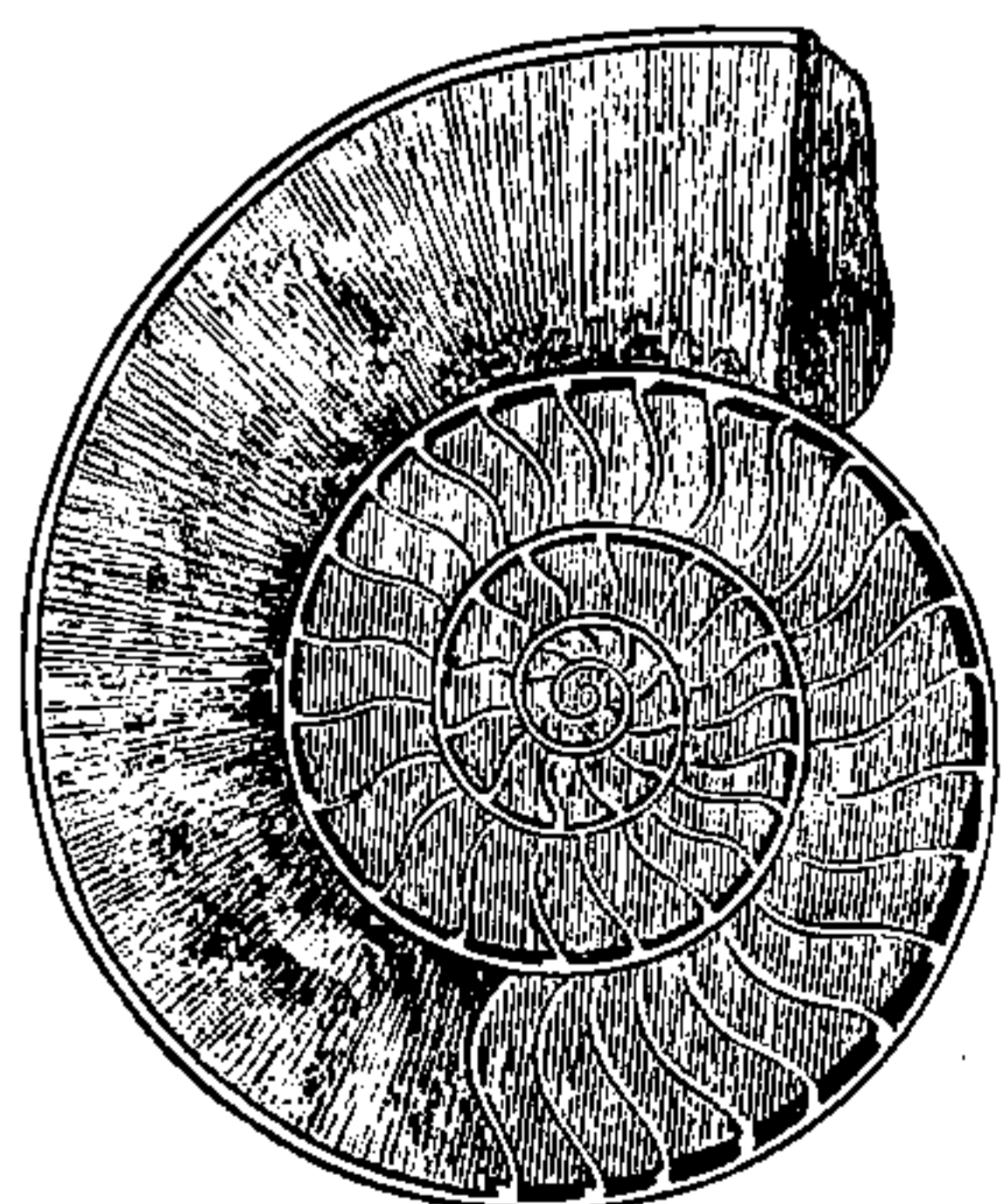


FIG. 53.—Section of *Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Showing the size of the dwelling chamber.

as it is broad. The point of adhesion to the sheath of the siphuncle is exactly in the middle of its depth. The *upper lateral* does not extend to half its depth, and is sometimes

¹ Described by Dr. S. P. Woodward in a short memoir on "An Ammonite from the Inferior Oolite with its operculum *in situ*," 'Geologist,' vol. iii, p. 328, 1860.

² 'Ueber die Ammoniten in den älteren Gebirgs-Schichten,' p. 135; Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Berlin, ausdem Jahre 1830.

even as broad as it is deep. The *lateral saddle* rises far above all the others, and stands upon the ground of the upper lateral, in general twice the height of the *siphonal saddle*. The *lower lateral* is likewise much broader than deep; and the *columellar saddle* is so small that it does not reach to half the height or breadth of the *lateral saddle*. This remarkable disposition of the lobes is constant in all the species, and occurs in no other group.

The Ammonites of this family are in general found in great numbers together. Whole strata are sometimes composed of them; and they often grow to a very large size, from one to two feet in diameter. They are exclusively and only special to the Lias formation, and particularly in the lower beds thereof, where we find many different species. It is still remarkable that this group stands wholly isolated from all the others. The following are typical forms, and for the structure of the foliations of the septa see Pl. III and IV.

Arietites Bucklandi, Sow.
— Conybeari, Sow.
— bisulcatus, Brug.

Arietites rotiformis, Sow (fig. 50).
— stellaris, Sow.
— semicostatus, Young.

II. FALCIFERI.—In this group it appears that the mantle which formed the lobes and radii had been capable of a certain amount of pliability, for all rigidity among these forms vanishes. The extremely ramified lobes surprise us through their digitations, always more or less dependent, by which the lobes in their deepest part appear not only pointed, but of considerable breadth, scarcely narrower than at their mouth. The less incised are especially flat and lie almost all at the side of the lateral saddle, in a line behind one another, which is almost also the radius of the whorl. The siphonal lobe, much shorter than the upper lateral, pushes the pointed ends of both its arms obliquely against the lateral, so that both arms diverge considerably, and its walls do not ascend vertically, but obliquely towards the siphonal saddle. (Fig. 54.)

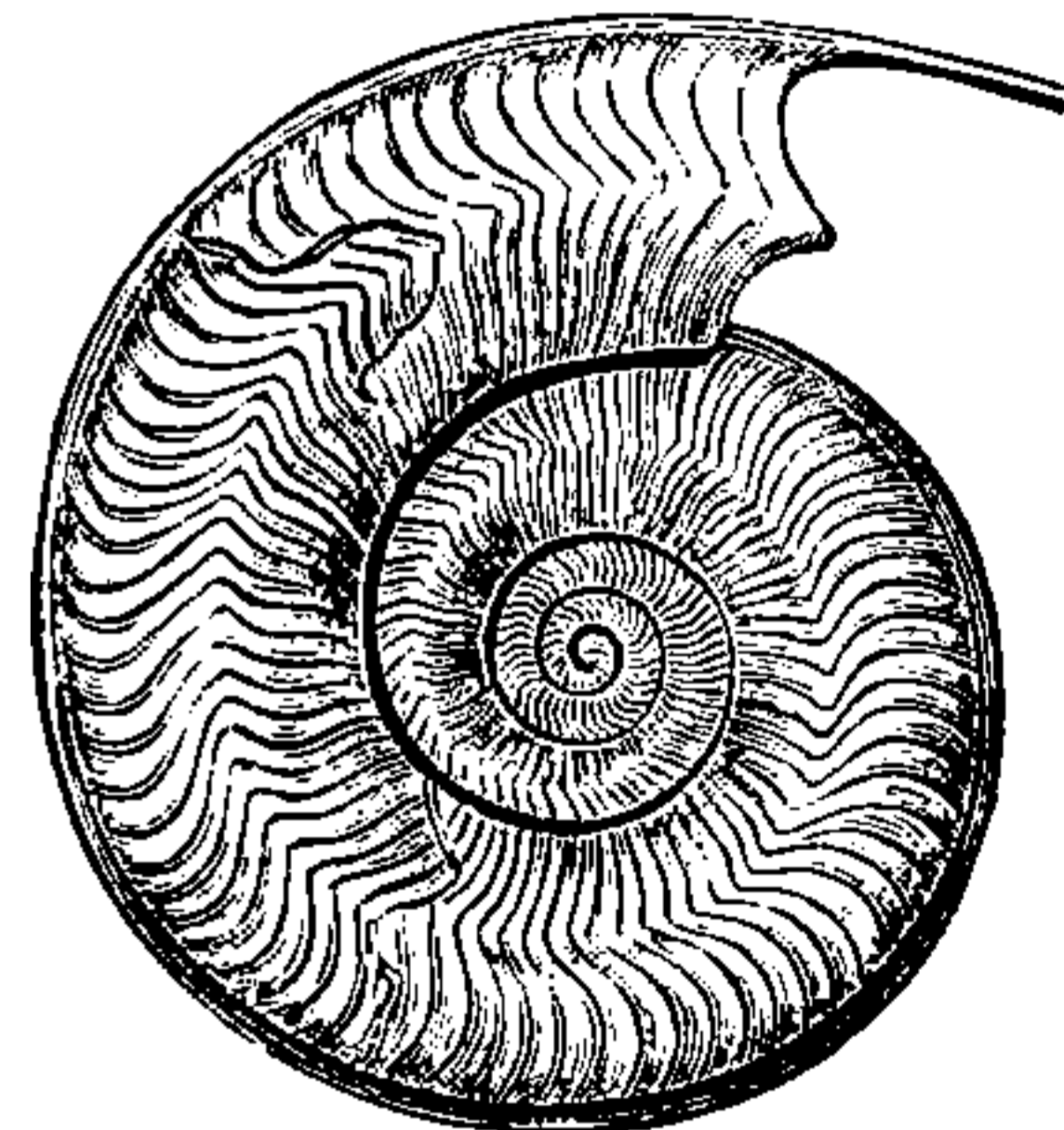


FIG. 54.—*Harpoceras serpentinum*, Schloth.

When the shell is complete the radii and folds upon the sides are in the highest degree fine and delicate. It is the external layer of the shell, which fills in all unevenness between the thickness and divisions of the folds of the under layer. All these folds and radii first bend forward, then turn backward, and near the back again turn towards the mouth opening, so that a well-marked, strongly-bent sickle is formed thereby. The inner border of the whorl is always blunted by an especial sharp plane surface. The siphonal area in most cases runs out into a sharp ridge, which consists of the siphuncle. This family is extremely rich in species, most of which are special to the Upper Lias, some are found in the Middle Lias and others in the Lower Oolite. The Falcifers never occur in the upper members of the Oolitic series. The following are good types of the genus *Harpoceras*, which comprehends the FALCIFERI, von Buch.

Harpoceras serpentinum, Schlotheim (fig. 54).

— *radians*, Reinecke.

— *bifrons*, Bruguière.

Harpoceras insigne, Schübler.

— *thouarsense*, d'Orbigny.

— *opalinum*, Reinecke.

III. AMALTHEI.—The sickle vanishes, the radii have a very long stem, which bends only near the siphonal area, becoming here very prominent. The margin is sharp, the keel often divided by the folds as if into scales.

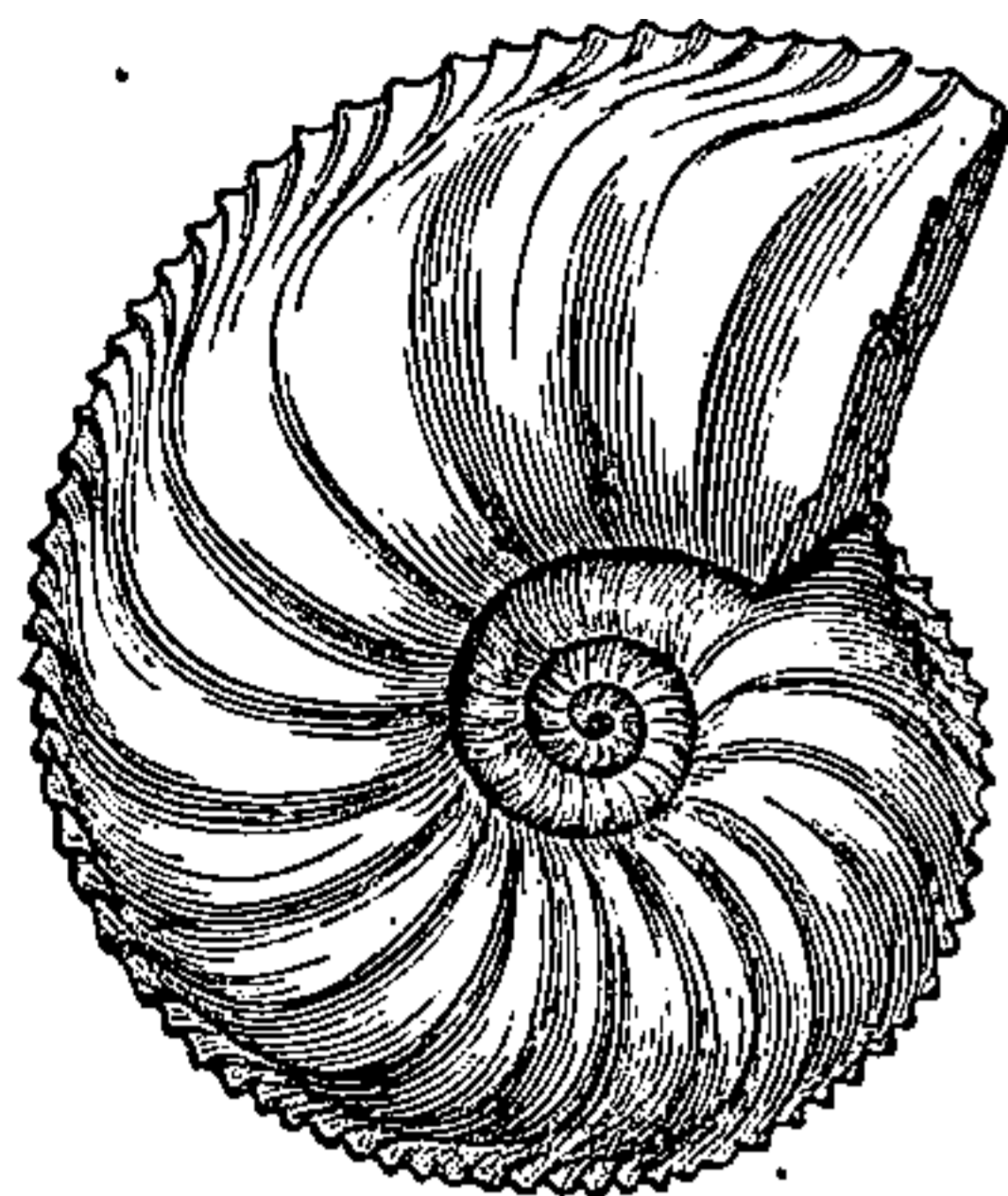


FIG. 55.—*Amaltheus cordatus*, Sow.

The siphonal lobe is here also much shorter than the upper lateral, and its wall ascends obliquely up to the siphonal saddle, but not by any means so obliquely as in the *Falciferi*. The upper lateral is very broad, almost as broad as it is deep, so also is the under lateral. The saddles, as well as the lobes, are extensively foliated, so that in these lobes large and wide outstretched processes are formed in the middle of the saddles, with very deep secondary lobes. The points of the dentations do not hang down, but in

general stand perpendicularly upon the axis of the lobes. By this means the sides of *Amaltheus* in all the species, even when the shell is wanting, have an especially foliated, incised appearance, in which great intricacy appears to prevail. Notwithstanding, with some attention we easily, even to the least detail, find the ever-repeated symmetry as well in the individual points as in both sides of the whorls. These Ammonites are much inclined to become involute. The family ascends from the Lias up to the Coralline Limestone of the Middle Oolite, and each intermediate formation possesses its own special forms. The following are typical species from the Lias and Coral rag.

Amaltheus margaritatus, Montfort.

— *Guibalianus*, d'Orbigny.

— *Greenhoughi*, Sowerby.

Amaltheus oxynotus, Quenstedt.

— *spinatus*, Bruguière.

— *cordatus*, Sowerby (fig. 55):

IV. CAPRICORNI.—This group connects itself very closely with the AMALTHEI. From *Amaltheus margaritatus*, through *Amal. cordatus*, *Amal. Lamberti*, and *Amal. omphaloides*, we arrive at *Aeg. capricornum*. The scales upon the keel of these

Ammonites have even raised themselves higher, and are first bent forward, then become broad folds with a point before. The siphonal area of the CAPRICORNI is broad, often broader than the sides. The siphuncle is not specially prominent, the ribbing of the folds on the sides is in general unusually strong, always single, even on the back; without much flexion, and rarely with knobs or spines upon the sides. The siphonal lobe in general goes out perpendicular with vertical walls. The lateral lobes are, as in the AMALTHEI, less deep than broad, and often at their bases are broader than at the mouth, they are all very slightly or almost not at all involute. The following species are typical forms.

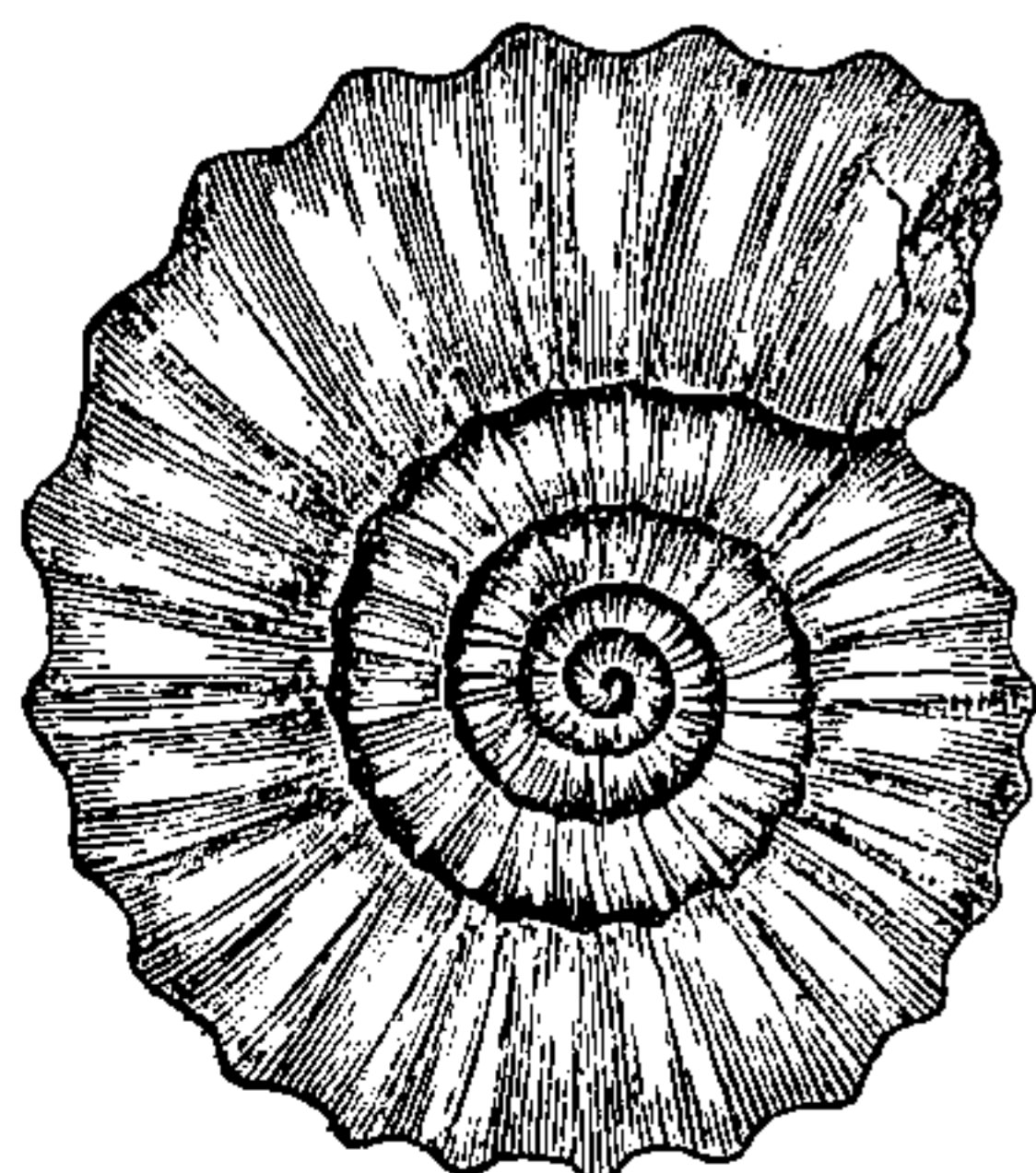


FIG. 56.—*Aegoceras capricornum*, Schloth.

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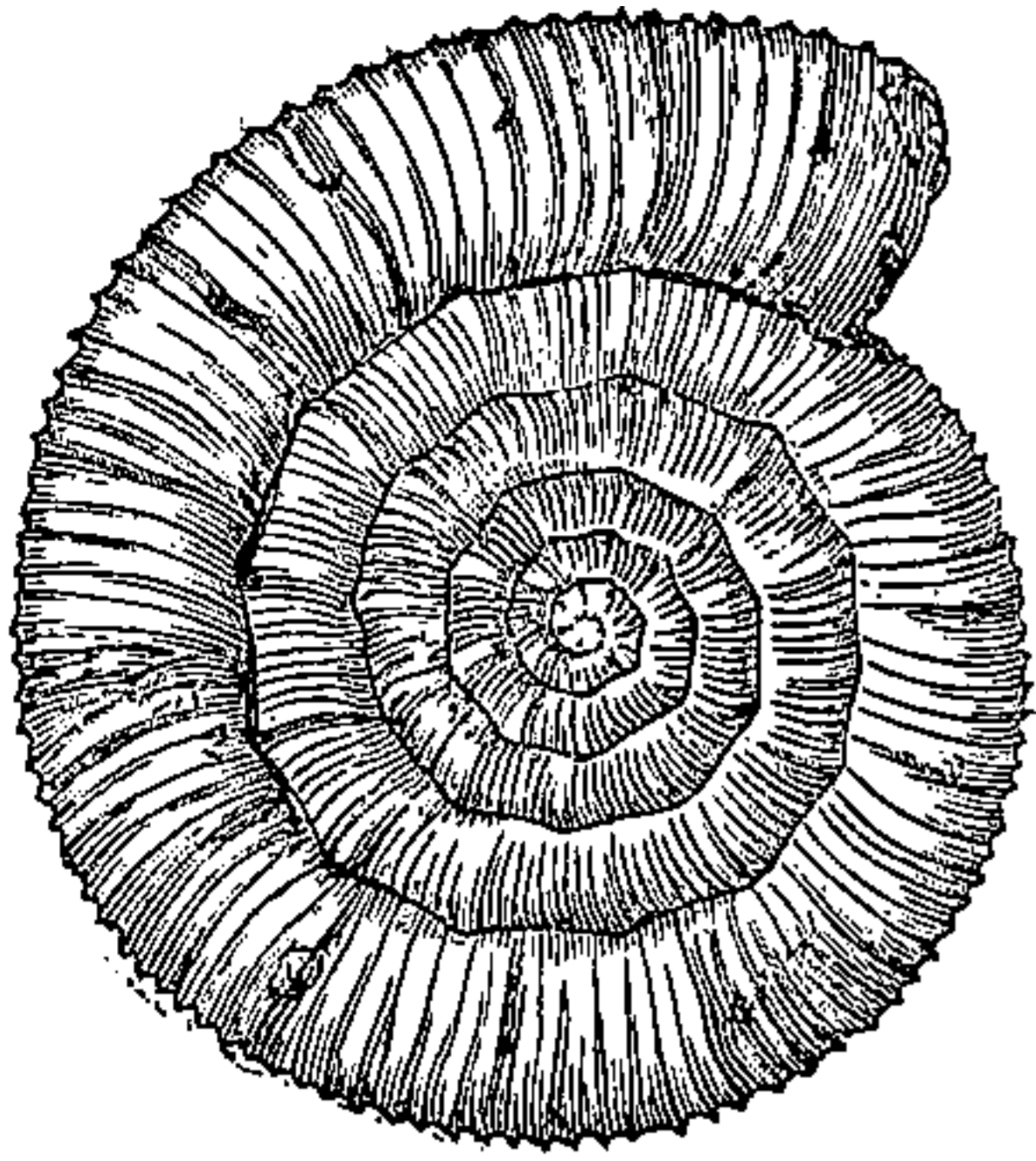
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FIG. 59.—*Aegoceras Davcei*, Sow.

Aegoceras Davcei, Sow. (fig. 59).
— *armatum*, Sow.

Stephanoceras fibulatum, Sow.
— *Brocchii*, Sow.

VII. CORONARII.—A well-marked series of tubercles so widens the siphonal area that it becomes wholly flat, and a good deal broader than the sides. The sharp, wide, forward-directed folds become divided by the tubercles, the whorls are much involuted and

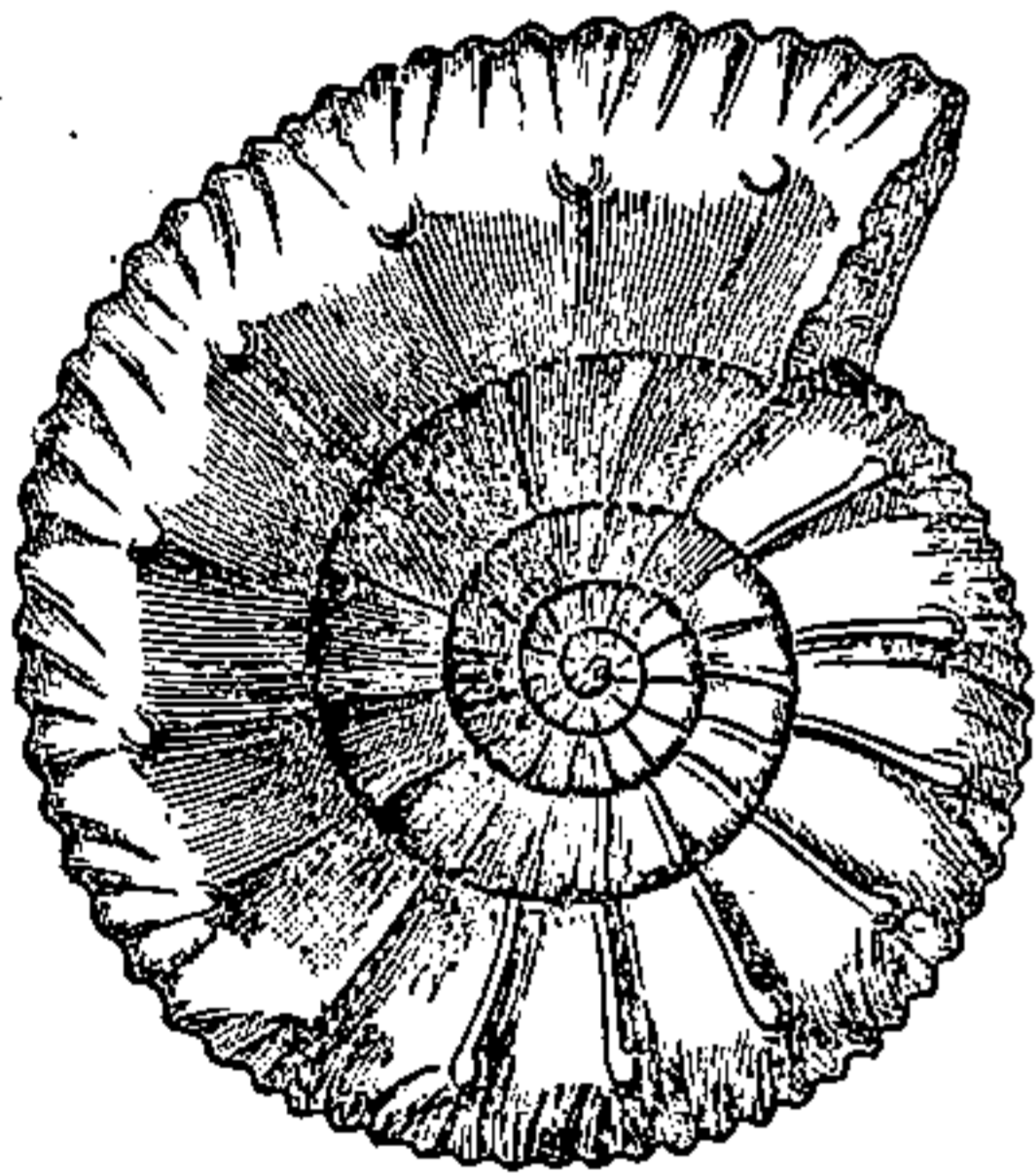


FIG. 60.
Stephanoceras Blagdeni, Sow.
Side view.

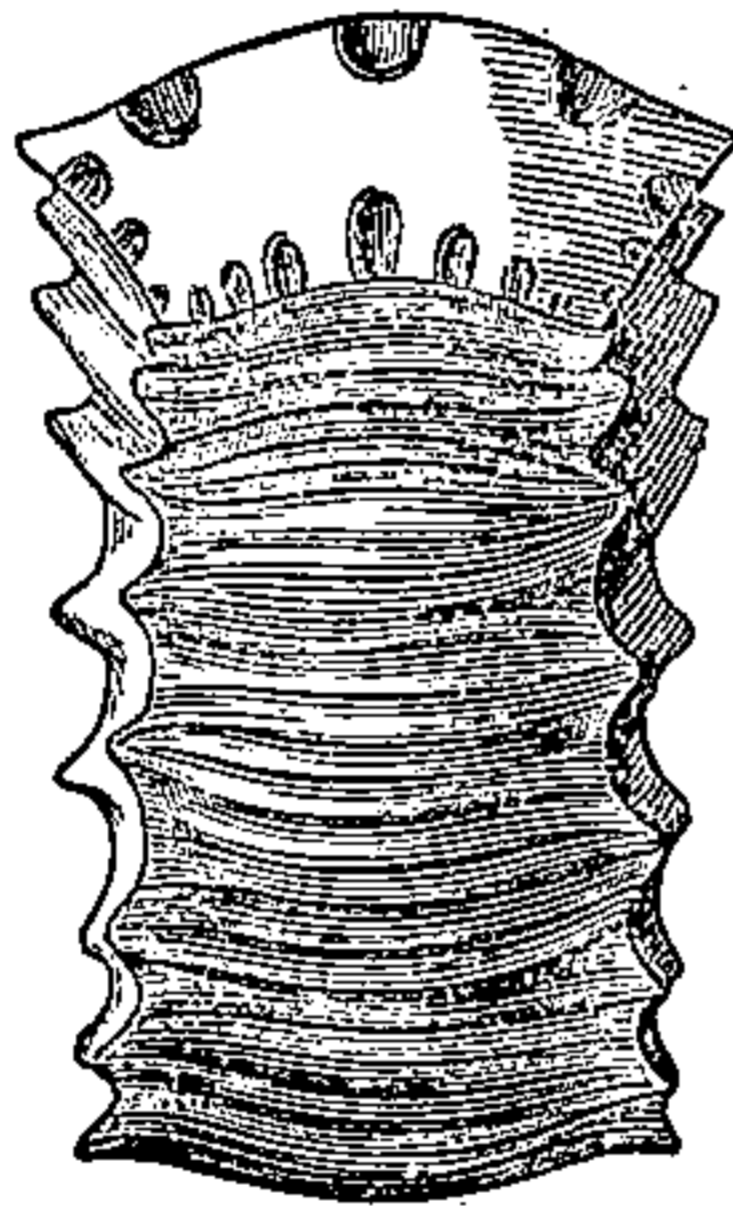


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Front view.

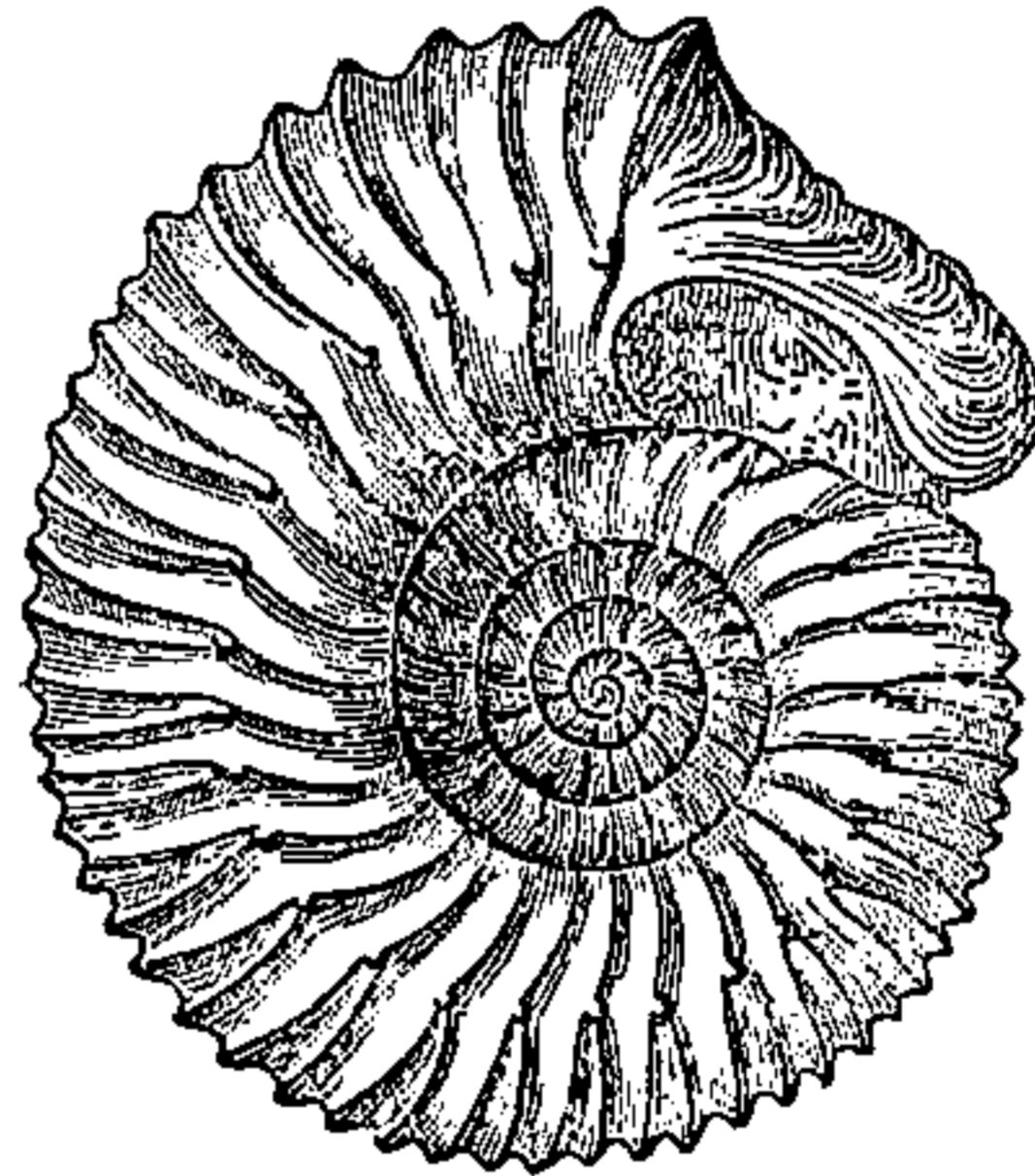


FIG. 62.
Stephanoceras Braikenridgii, showing labial prolongation.
Side view.

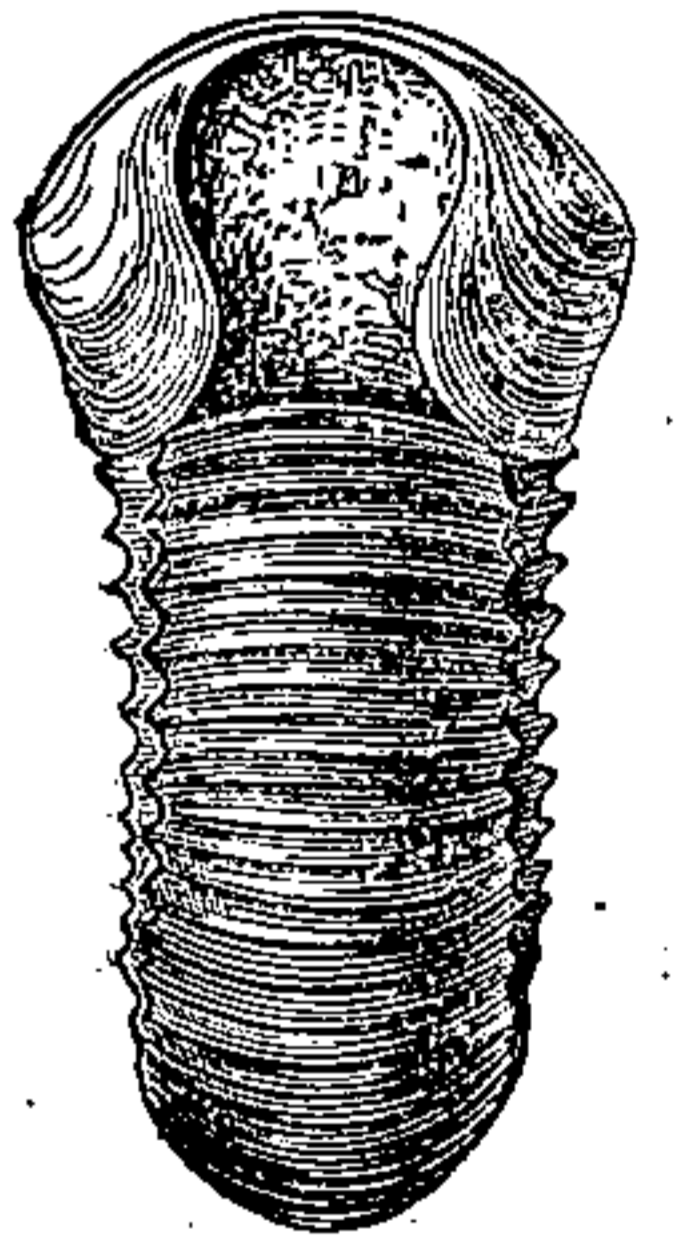


FIG. 63.
Front view.

proportionally short, and form a deep umbilicus. The upper lateral lobe stands always above the tubercles, the under lateral beneath. By this character they are readily, and with greater certainty, distinguished from other forms. The siphonal lobe is longer than the upper lateral; and there are several auxiliary lobes, which in their form and position entirely resemble those of the PLANULATI. This group is very characteristic of the middle division of the Inferior Oolite as the following species demonstrates.

Stephanoceras Humphriesianum, Sow.
— *Brongniartii*, Sow.
— *Brocchii*, Sow.

Stephanoceras Gervillii, Sow.
— *Blagdeni*, Sow. (fig. 60).
— *Braikenridgii*, Sow. (fig. 62).

VIII. MACROCEPHALI.—The increase of the whorls is unusually rapid, especially in the breadth of the mouth. The siphonal area and sides are joined imperceptibly together

in a complete half circle; and the sides fall off towards the suture, which have often a sharper border, and sometimes a perpendicular surface.

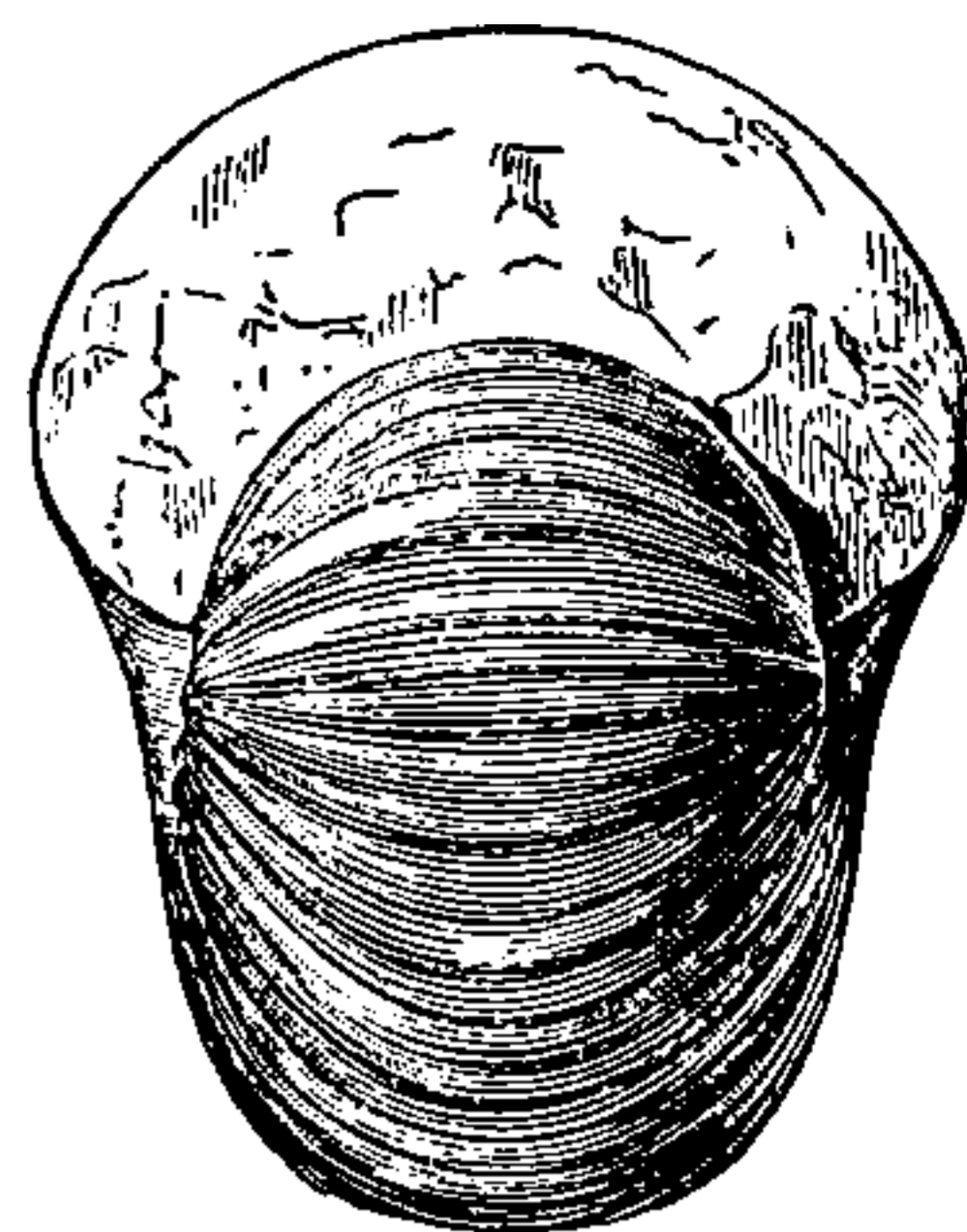
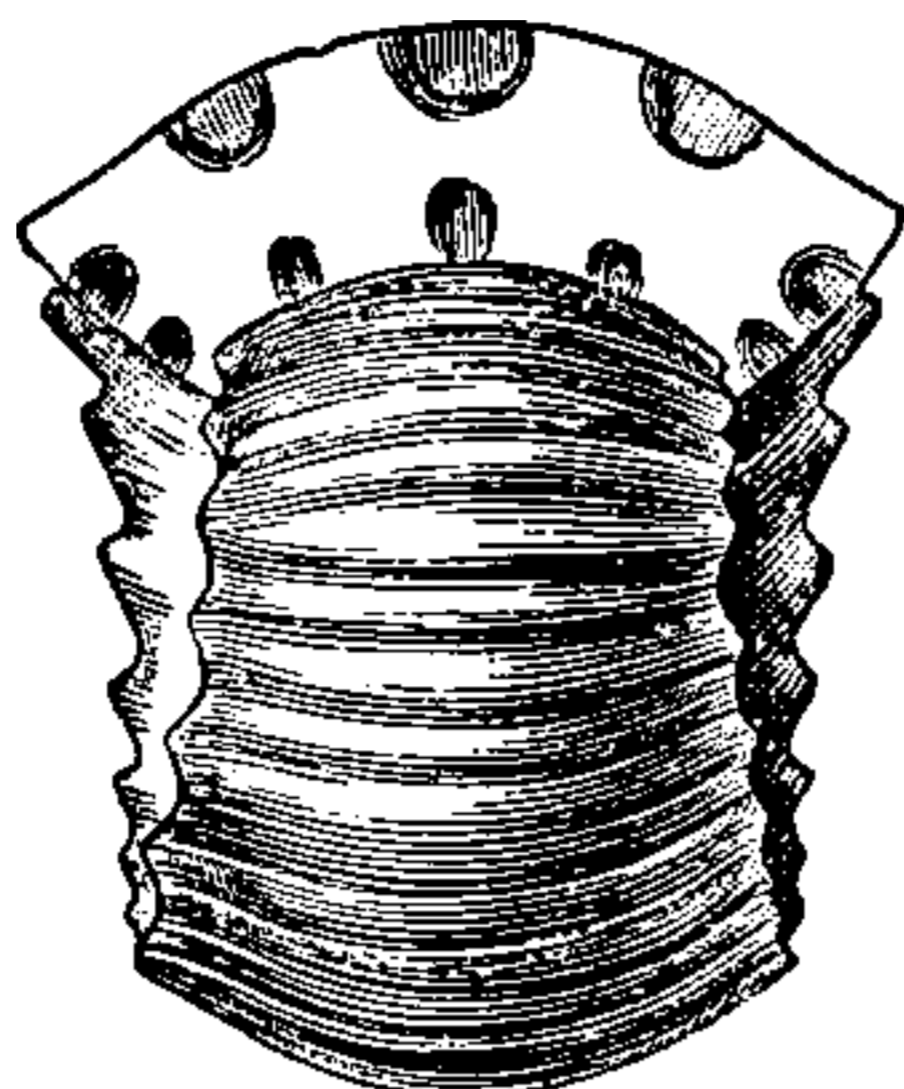
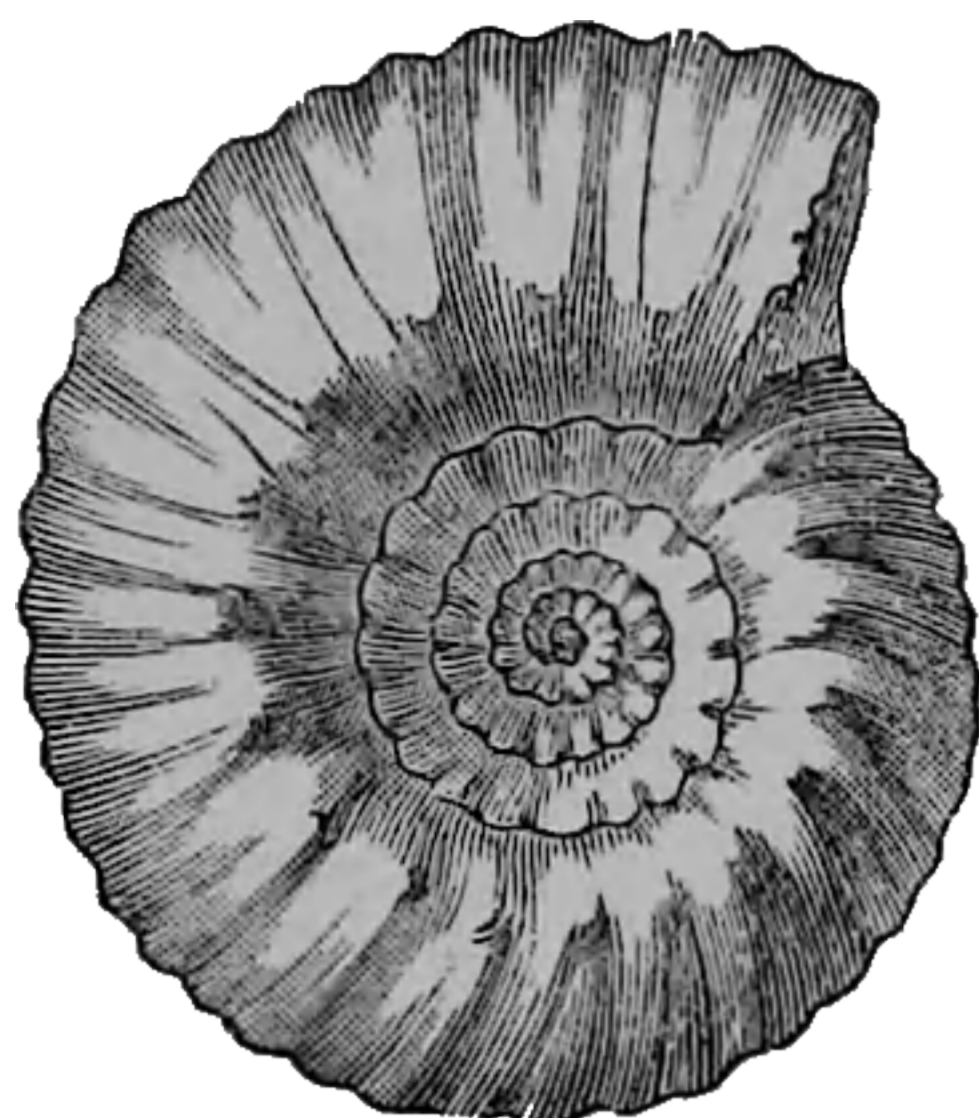


FIG. 64.—*Stephanoceras coronatum*, Brug.
Side view.

FIG. 65.—*Steph. coronatum*, Brug.
Front view.

FIG. 66.—*Stephanoceras tumidum*, Ziet.
Front view.

The lower lateral stands always above the inner border, not under it, as in the CORONARI. The very large ventral lobe is accompanied by two extended arms, and besides by two auxiliary lobes. The upper lateral stands always directly opposite the arms of the columellar, the under lateral directly opposite the lower auxiliary.

Stephanoceras coronatum, Brugière (fig. 64).
— *modiolare*, Lhwyd.

Stephanoceras macrocephalum, Schloth.
— *tumidum*, Zieten (fig. 66).

IX. ARMATI.—Two or more rows of tubercles form a longitudinal parallel series upon the sides, but rarely on the siphonal area, which is flat, often broader than the sides, and joined to them by an almost right-angled border. The upper row of tubercles stand upon the border; then follows a vacant space between them and the lower series, in which the upper lateral lobe comes in; then follows either one or more rows of tubercles. The siphonal lobe is somewhat deeper than the upper lateral, which is sometimes almost three times as deep as it is broad. The siphonal saddle is always of a remarkable breadth, more than double that of the upper lateral, with a deep secondary lobe in the middle and quite even above. The lower lateral, on the other hand, is not larger than the secondary lobes of the siphonal saddle. This is a remarkable group, and very rich in species, found chiefly in the uppermost strata of the Oolitic series and the Cretaceous formation. *Aegoceras Birchii* and *Aeg. Henleyi* occur in the Middle Lias, and *Aspidoceras longispinum* (fig. 67) in the Oxford clay. *Hoplites mammillaris* (fig. 69, 70), *H. Rhotomagensis*, *H. Mantelli*, and *H. Woolgari* represent Cretaceous forms. The following are typical species:



FIG. 67.—*Aspidoceras longispinum*, Sow.

Aegoceras Birchii, Sow.

Aspidoceras perarmatum, Sow.

— *longispinum*, Sow. (fig. 67).

Hoplites mammillaris, Schloth (fig. 69).

Hoplites Deverianus, d'Orbig. (fig. 79).

— *Rhotomagensis*, Sow.

— *Mantelli*, Sow.

— *Woolgari*, Mant.

X. *DENTATI*.—In the *Argonauts* the tubercles which border the narrow margin of their shell are probably formed by the rising of the mantle in the shape of folds, due to the sucking discs of the dorsal or back-folding arms of the female (fig. 68). So probably in the

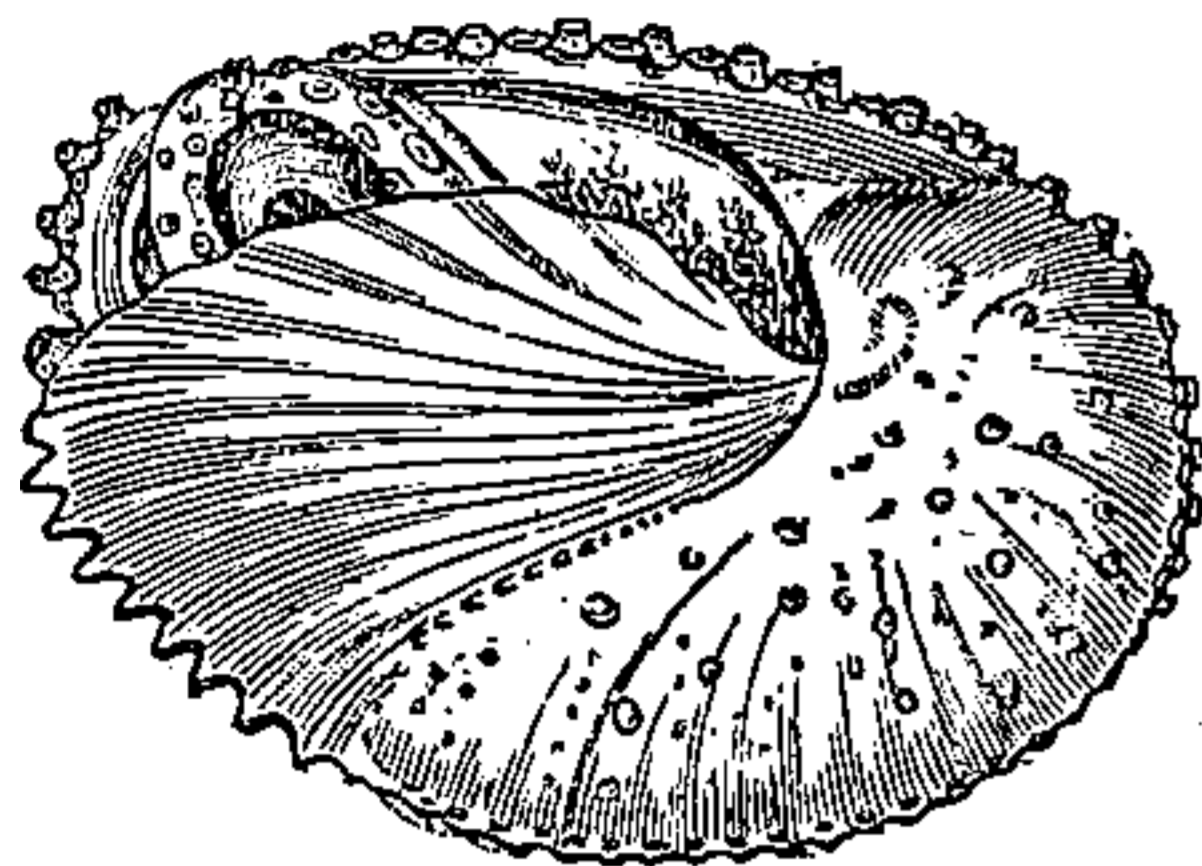


FIG. 68.
Argonauta argo, Linn.

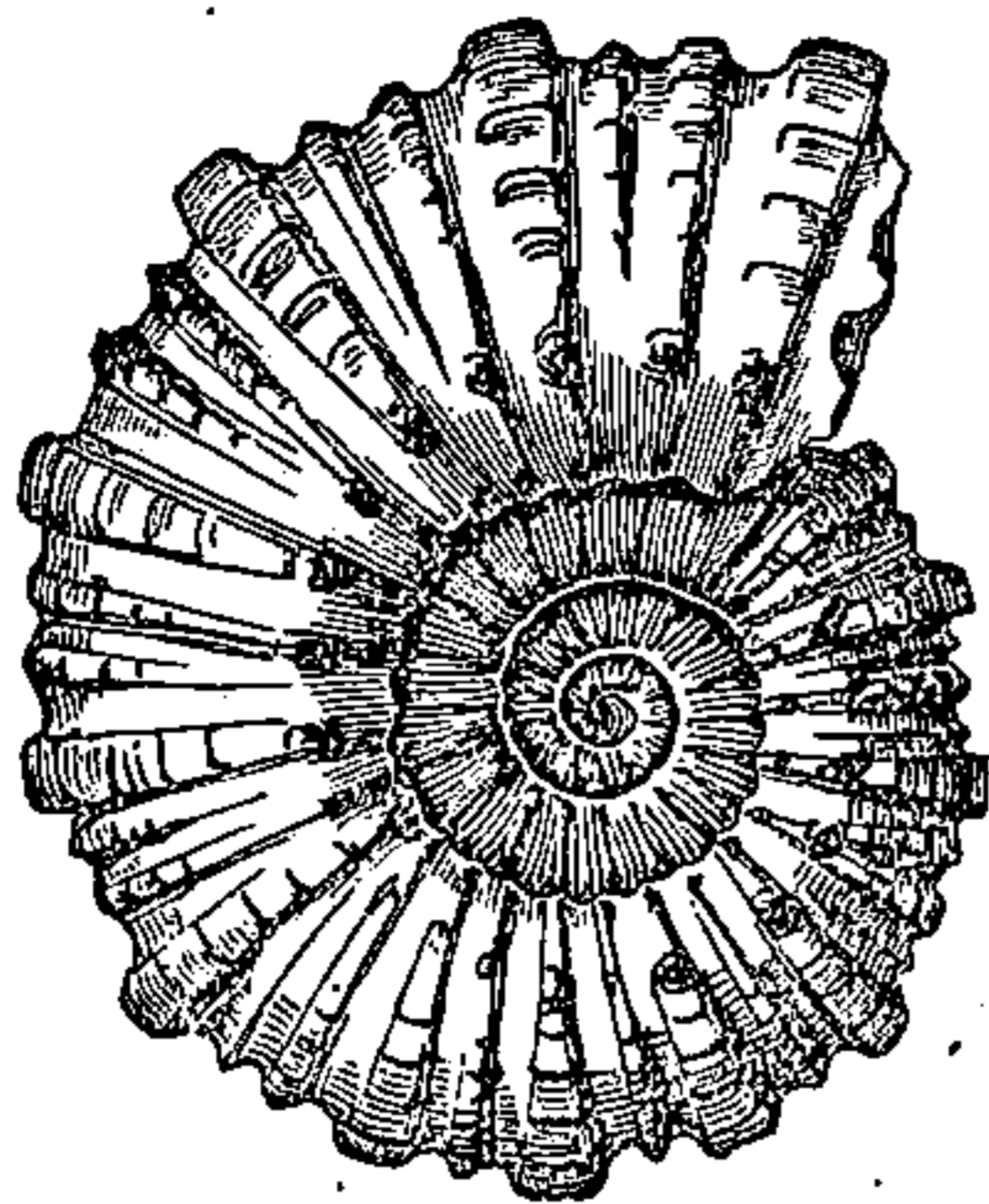


FIG. 69.
Hoplites mammillaris, Schloth.

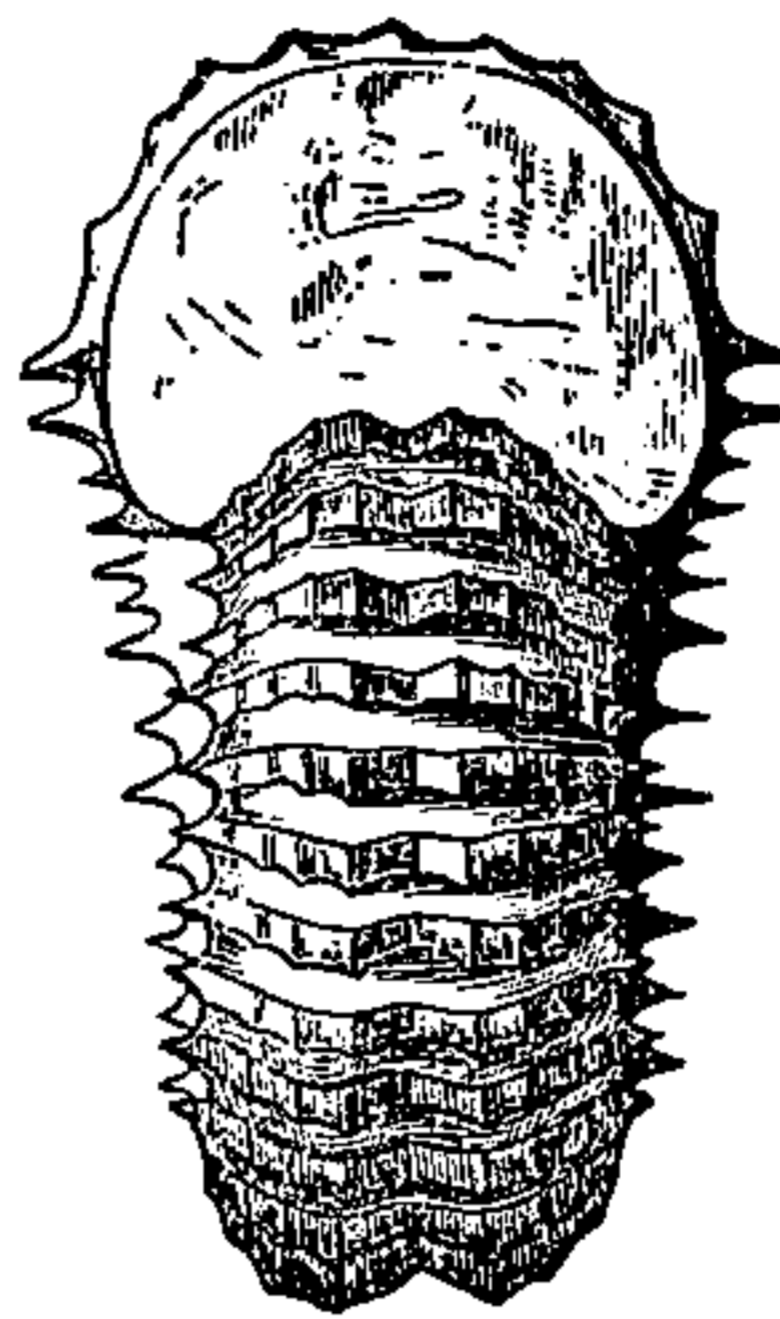


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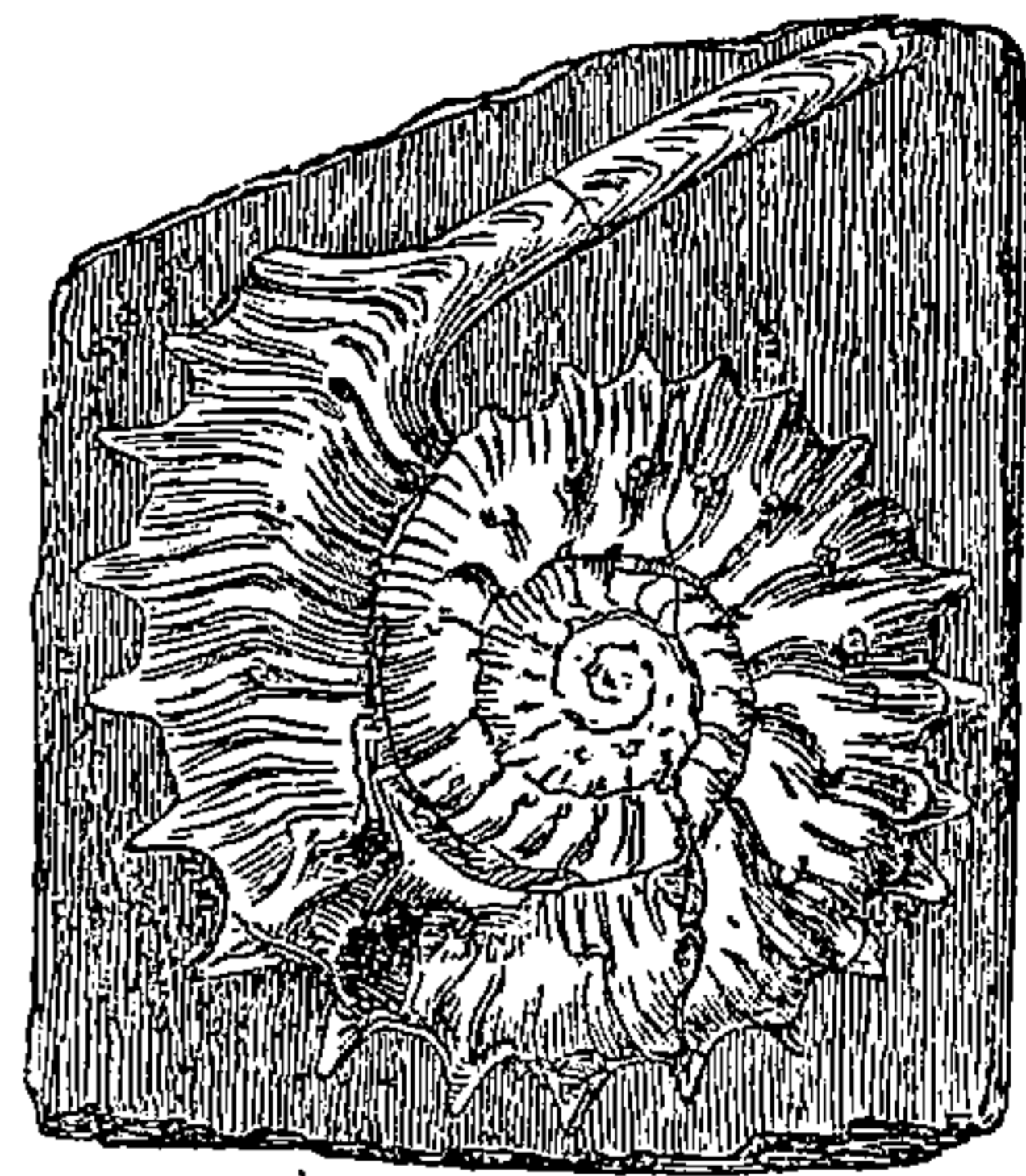


FIG. 71.
Cosmoceras Jason, Reinecke.

same manner might the decoration of the shell of the *DENTATI* have been formed. The tubercles grow on both sides of a flat, narrow siphonal area like a double projecting wreath. They do not always stand in the direction of the radii, whereby they are especially distinguished from other prominences and tubercles showing the back folding, which are only strongly elevated folds or arms stretched over the shell. The lateral surfaces are moderately parallel and very large, because the whorls increase, in general, very rapidly in height; at other times they are, in general, without any wider elevation or important processes and points. From the lower part many folds ascend, which, upon half of the sides, are divided, and then, sometimes, a pearl-like series of small tubercles rise up. They are very elegant forms, which are peculiar to the Upper Oolitic formations. The siphonal lobe is much less deep than the upper lateral one. This less depth distinguishes the *DENTATI* from the *ARMATI*. The following species are typical forms of the group:

Cosmoceras dentatus, Sow.

— *Jason*, Reinecke (fig. 71).

Cosmoceras Duncani, Sow. (fig. 72).

— *Calloviense*, Sow.

XI. *ORNATI*.—Spines or tubercles bound the narrow siphonal area, as in the *DENTATI*. Another series of tubercles are developed upon the middle of the sides. In the flat interspace between these two rows of tubercles the upper lateral lobe is sunk, as in the *ARMATI*. This plain surface is not, as in the latter, the side itself, but only a truncation of the border between the margin of the area and sides. The lower lateral lobe is also separated by a series of tubercles from the suture, and by a surface which converges towards the columellar. The mouth-opening thereby acquires an almost regular hexagonal form. These beautiful Ammonites are in general small, and peculiar to the Oxford Clay and Upper Oolites.

Cosmoceras pollux, Reinecke

Cosmoceras castor, Reinecke.

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But the Ammonites of the St. Cassian (Triassic) beds with *Ammonites Aon*, Münster, were not comprehended in a distinct group.

M. Alcide d'Orbigny divided the Ammonites into twenty-one sections;¹ in these he included the groups established by von Buch, and added others to receive the many new forms which he had discovered among the very rich materials he had assembled for his great work on the Terrains Crétacée and Terrains Jurassique of France.

a. Species with a siphonal keel entire.

1st Section. *ARIETES*, von Buch. See page 186.

2nd Section. *FALCIFERI*, von Buch. See page 187.

3rd Section. *CRISTATI*, d'Orbigny. Shell compressed, sides ornamented with ribs, bifurcated and bent forwards without forming an angle; with or without prominent tubercles. Siphonal area prominent in the keel, which contains the siphuncle. *Mouth*, when

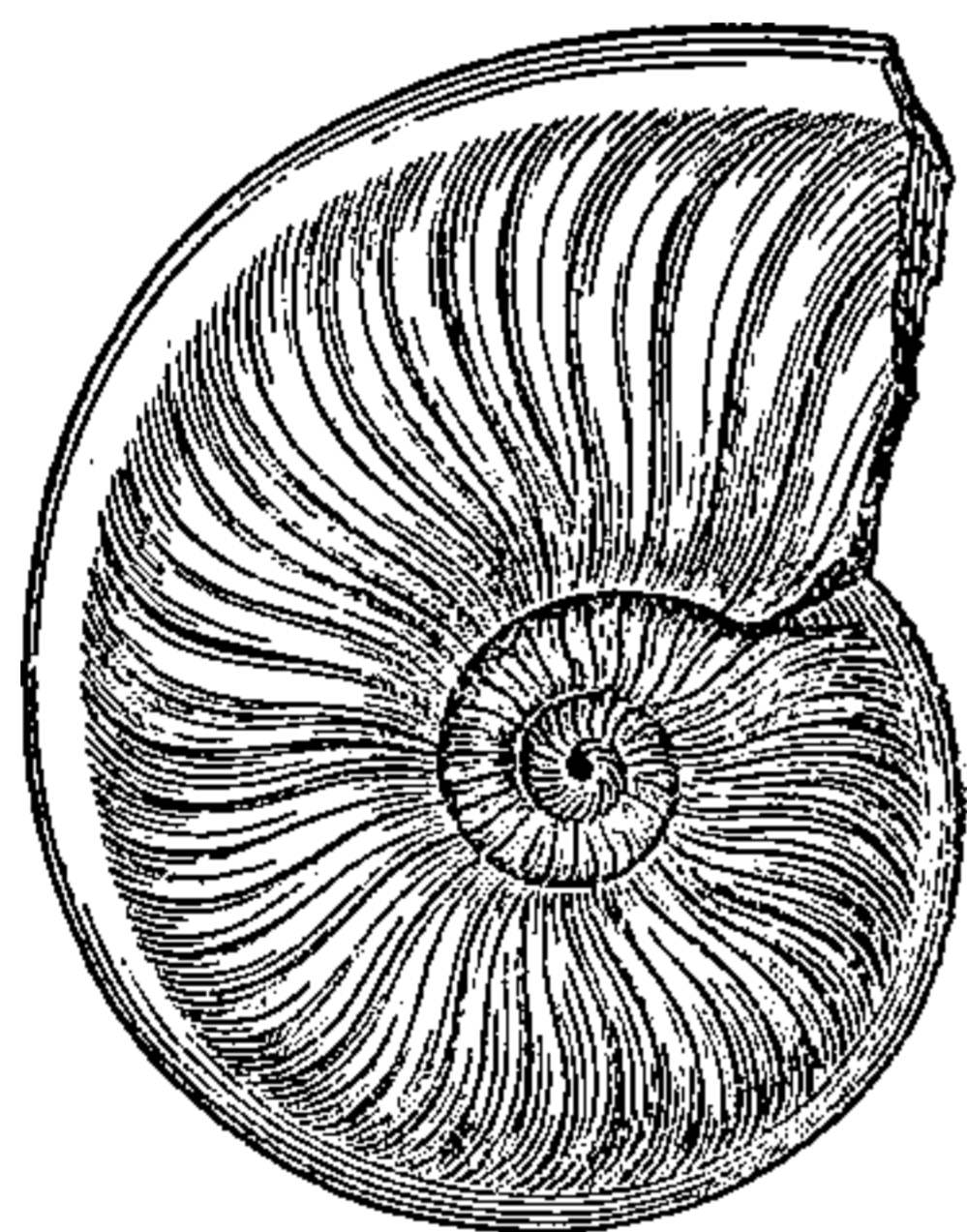


FIG. 74.—*Schloenbachia Roissyana*, d'Orb.

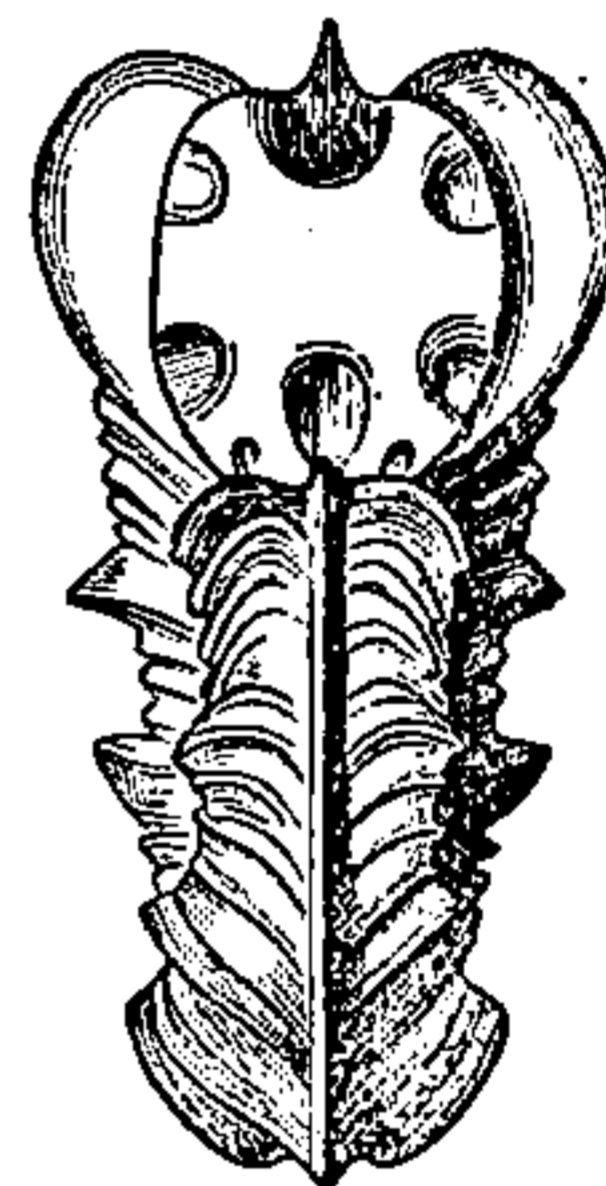


FIG. 75.—*Schloenbachia cristata*, Deluc.

perfect, prolonged into a prominent rostrum upon the median line of the margin. *Septa* formed of lobes, in general divided into unequal parts and into equal saddles: Siphonal lobe longer than the superior lateral. The lateral saddle less elevated than the others: The siphonal saddle very high. The best types are *Schloenbachia cristata*, Deluc (fig. 75), and *Schloenbachia Roissyana*, d'Orb. (fig. 74), both from the Cretaceous Formations.

b. Species with the siphonal area canaliculated.

4th Section. *TUBERCULATI*, d'Orbigny. The sides of the shell ornamented with ribs and tubercles. Siphonal area provided in the middle with a deep well-defined channel. *Mouth*, when complete, representing an elongated rostrum corresponding to the siphonal

¹ 'Paléontologie Française; Terrains crétacés,' tom. i, p. 405, 1840.

canal. *Septa* formed of lobes and saddles divided into single parts. Siphonal lobe shorter than the superior lateral lobe. *Hoplites falcatus*, Mantell (fig. 76), from the Chalk Marl, and *H. auritus*, Sow., from the Gault, are good types of TUBERCULATI.

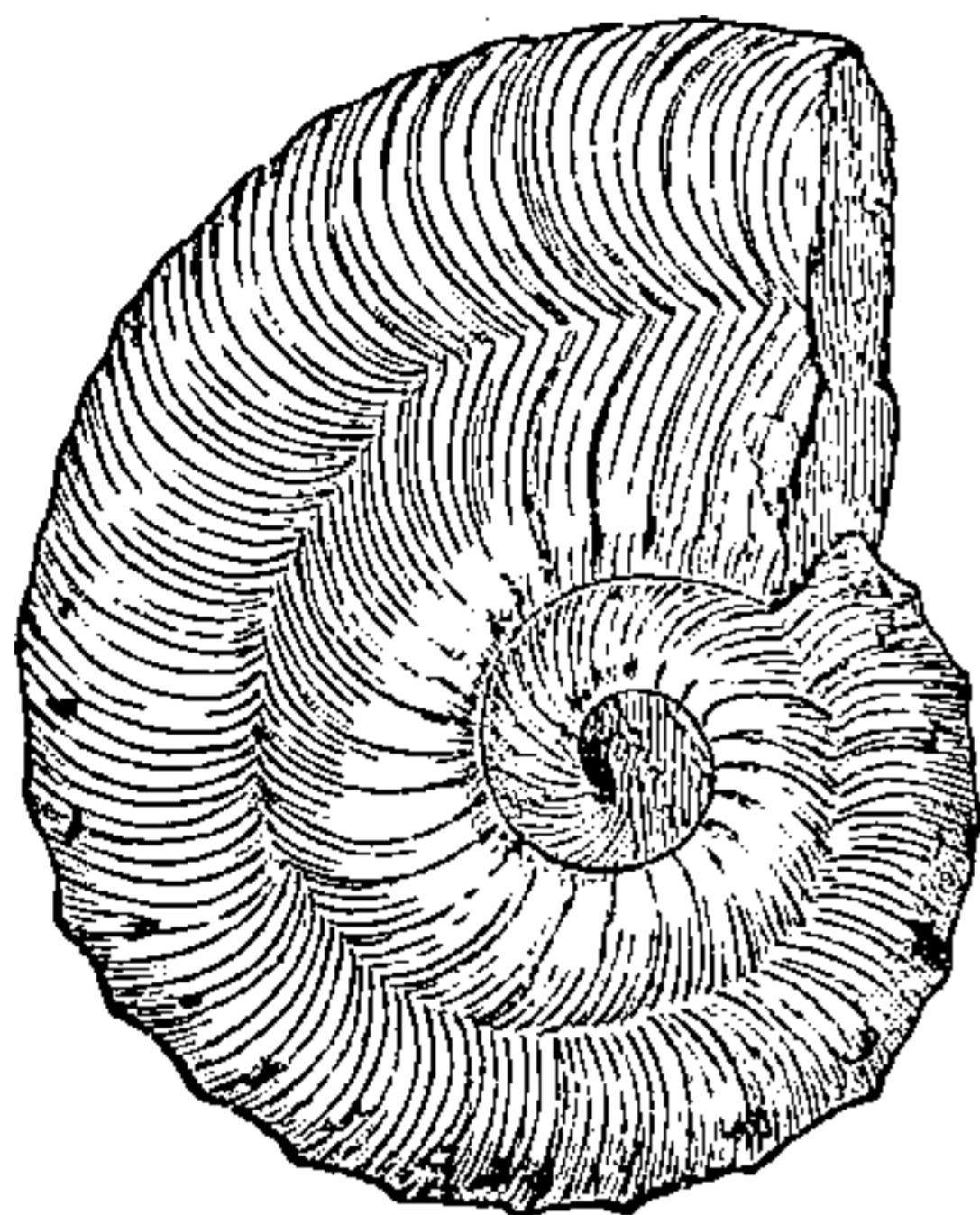


FIG. 76.—*Hoplites falcatus*, Mantell.

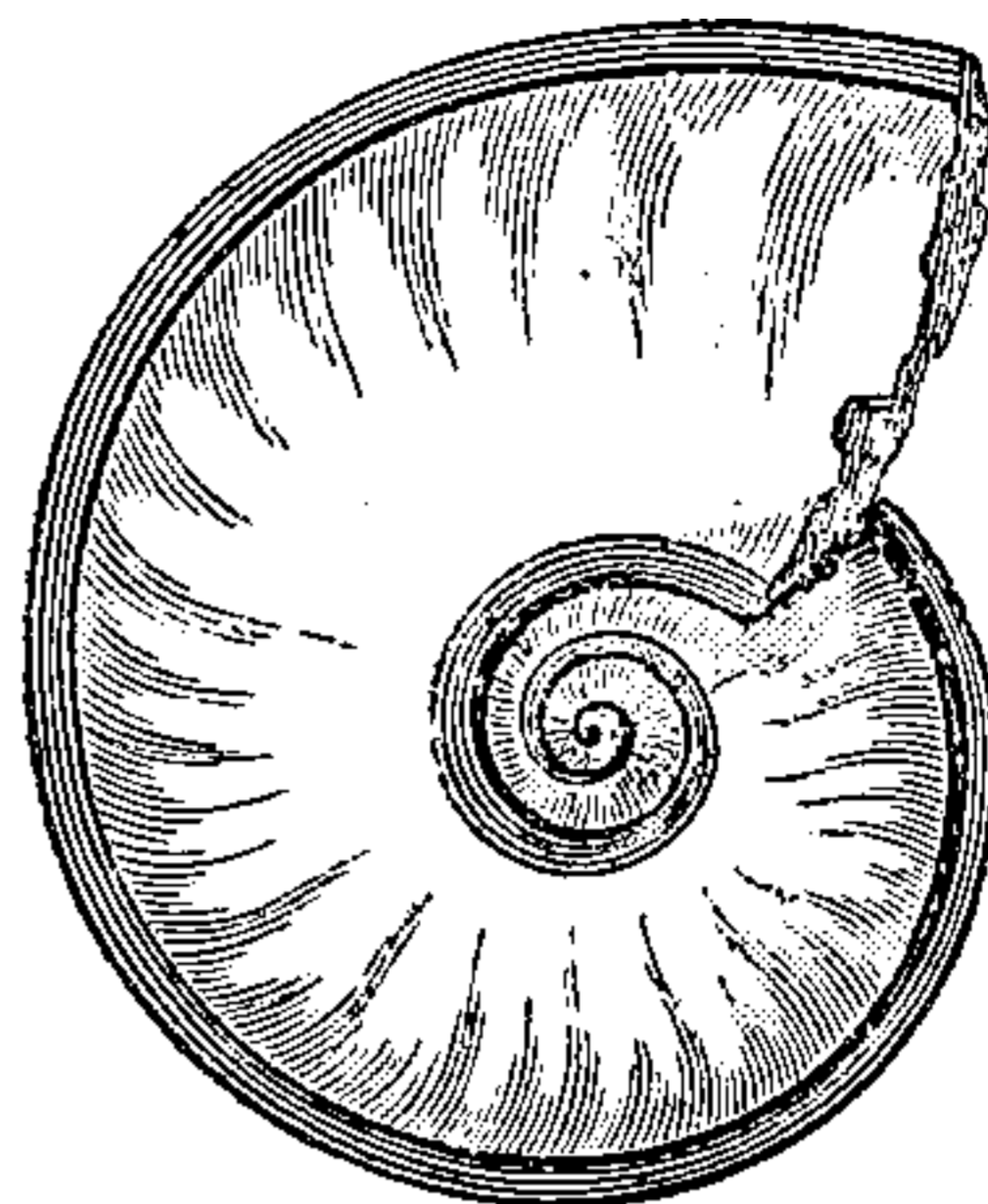


FIG. 77.—*Schloenbachia Goupiliana*, d'Orb.

c. Species with the siphonal area trenchant without forming a keel.

5th Section. CLYPEIFORMI, d'Orbigny. *Shell* compressed, generally smooth or little ornamented with undulating folds or radii. Siphonal area sharply bevelled, without a keel. *Spire* with large whorls mostly much involuted. *Septa* divided into a great number of lobes formed of single parts, and of saddles partly in pairs and partly single. Siphonal lobe shorter than the superior lateral lobe; the saddles and the lobes large and short. *S. Goupiliana*, d'Orb. (fig. 77), from the Upper Greensand, is a good type of this section.

d. Species with the siphonal area prominent and crenulated on the median line.

6th Section. AMALTHEI, von Buch. See page 188.

7th Section. PULCHELLI, d'Orbigny. *Shell* elegantly divided on the sides by prominent ribs, straight and not flexed, which passing from one side to the other leave upon

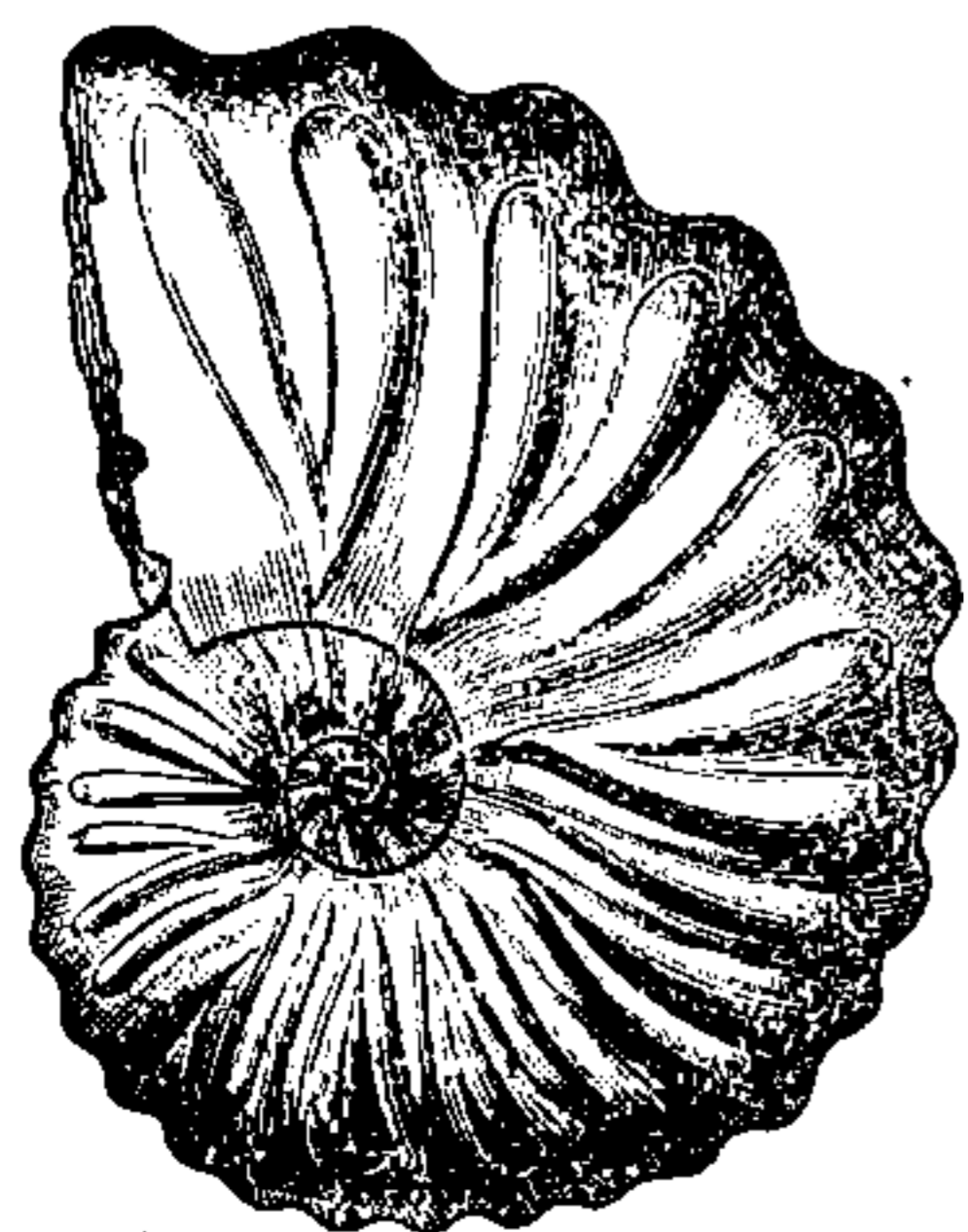


FIG. 78.—*Hoplites Brottianus*, d'Orb.

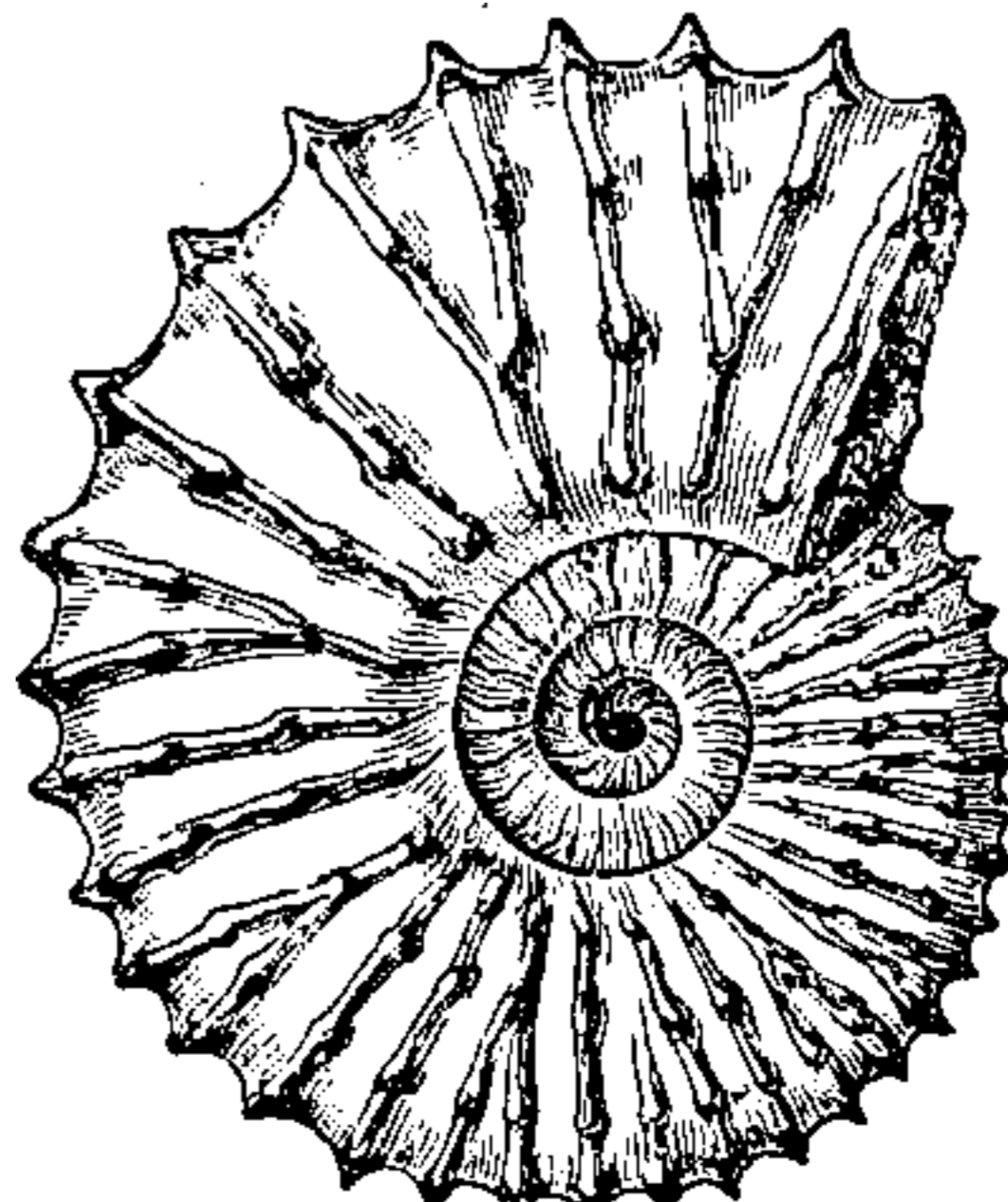


FIG. 79.—*Hoplites Deverianus*, d'Orb.

the siphonal area compressed tubercles, which collectively represent a series of crests. *Septa* formed of lobes divided into single parts, and of saddles divided into pairs of parts. Siphonal lobe nearly equal in length to the inferior lateral lobe. *Hoplites Brottianus*, d'Orb. (fig. 78), from the Lower Cretaceous Rocks, is a good type of this section.

8th Section. RHOTOMAGENSES, d'Orbigny. *Shell* with inflated whorls, square or oval, ornamented with prominent ribs, more or less tuberculated upon four or five lines, one of which runs along the median line of the area, and renders it more or less angular. *Septa* formed of lobes and saddles partly divided into pairs. The siphonal lobe longer than the superior lateral. The species characterise the Middle Cretaceous Formation, and *Hoplites Deverianus*, d'Orb. (fig. 79), from the Upper Greensand, is a good type of this section.

e. Species with the siphonal area excavated, and provided with tubercles on the sides.

9th Section. DENTATI, von Buch. See p. 192.

10th Section. ORNATI, von Buch. See p. 192.

f. Species with the siphonal area more or less square.

11th Section. FLEXUOSI, von Buch. See p. 193.

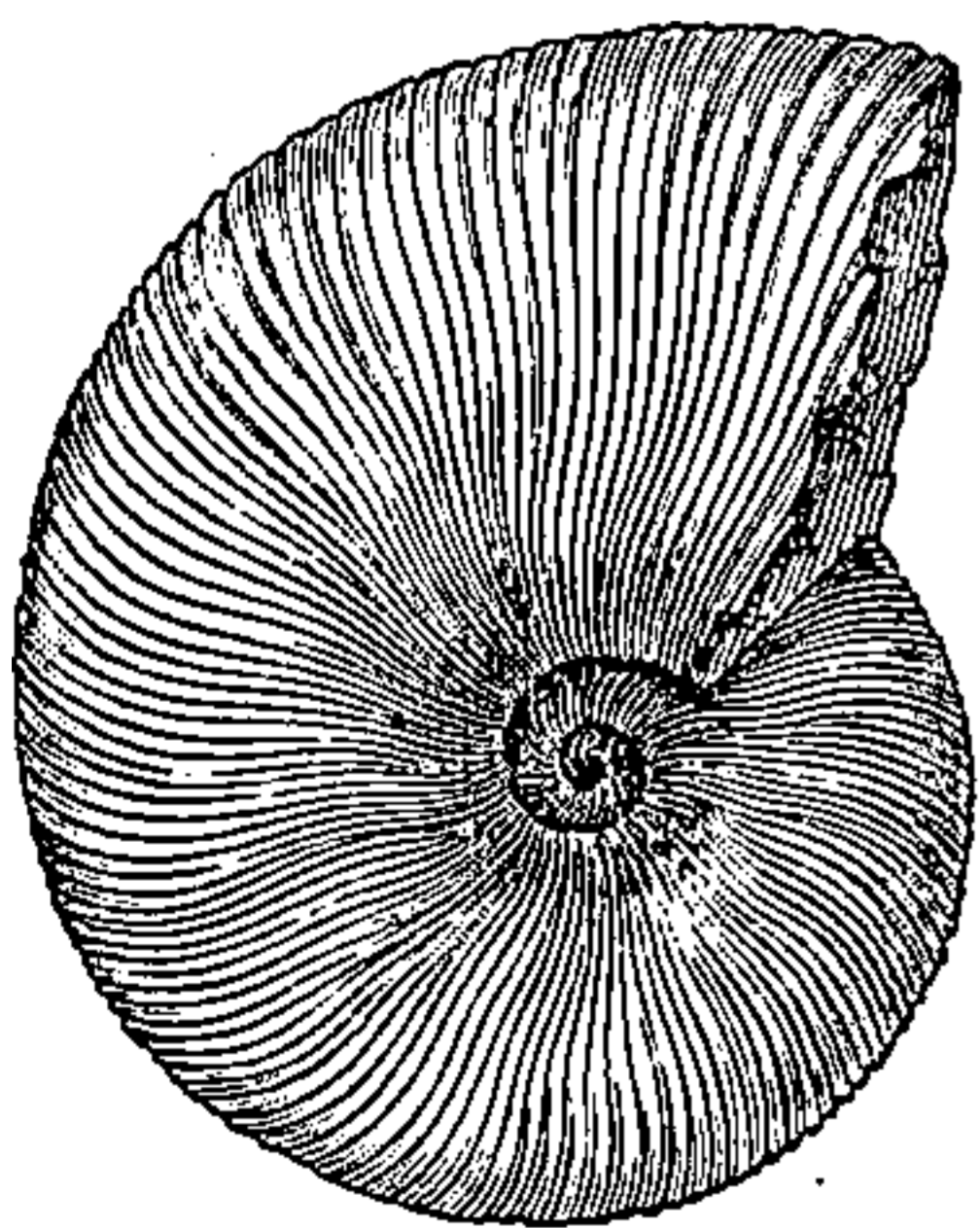


FIG. 80.

Cos. Beaumontianum, d'Orb.

12th Section. COMPRESSI, d'Orbigny. *Shell* in general very much compressed, composed of large whorls, highly involute. Sides provided with radii or fine striæ, all slightly flexed, and passing on to the margin of the siphonal area, where they develop small tubercles. Siphonal area narrow and squarely truncated. *Septa* composed of a great number of lobes formed of single parts, and of saddles often formed of pairs of parts. Siphonal lobe very large, much longer than the superior lateral. These Ammonites all appertain to the different divisions of the Cretaceous Formation, *Cos. Beaumontianum*, d'Orb. (fig. 80), from the Lower Chalk, is a good type.

13th Section. ARMATI, von Buch. See p. 191.

14th Section. ANGULICOSTATI, d'Orbigny. *Shell* thick, with whorls almost round, each side of the siphonal area ornamented throughout with slight ribs which make this part

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foliated. The LIGATI are all Cretaceous forms, and *Haploceras ligatum*, d'Orb. (fig. 84), from the Neocomian, is a typical species.

18th Section. PLANULATI, von Buch. See p. 189

19th Section. CORONARII, von Buch. See p. 190.

20th Section. MACROCEPHALI, von Buch. See p. 190.

21st Section. FIMBRIATI, d'Orbigny. Shell discoidal; formed of cylindrical whorls; often contiguous and without involution; smooth, or ornamented transversely at regular distances apart; with prominent ribs or grooves, which are the remains of a portion of the mouth appendages of the species. Mouth circular. *Septa* symmetrical, formed of lobes and saddles divided in part into pairs, always enlarged at their extremity and narrow at the base; siphonal lobe often the longest. *Aegoceras fimbriatum*, Sow. (fig. 85), of the Middle Lias, is a good type of this group. The FIMBRIATI are found in the Jurassic rocks and Lower Cretaceous strata.

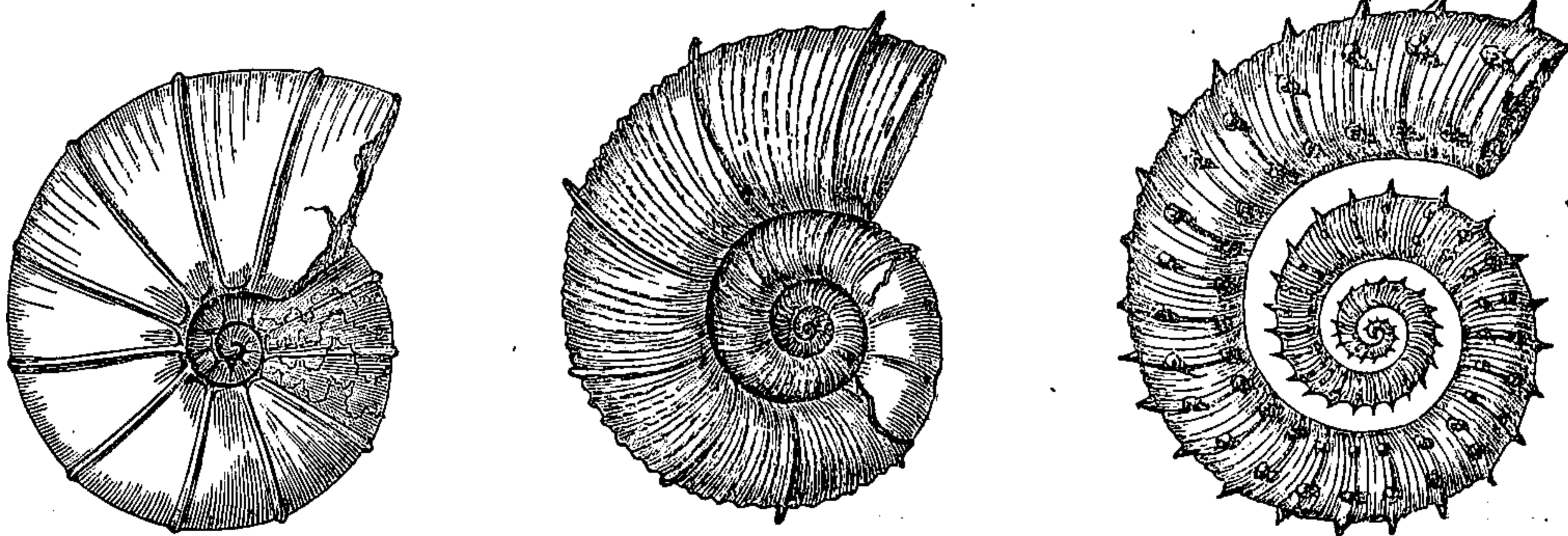


FIG. 84.—*Haploceras ligatum*, d'Orb. FIG. 85.—*Aegoceras fimbriatum*, Sow. FIG. 86.—*Crioceras Emerici*, Léveillé.

h. Species with ramified septa; whorls coiled spirally on the same plane, not contiguous.

Genus CRIOCERAS, Léveillé. Animal unknown. Shell discoidal, rolled on the same plane, whorls round or oval, and not contiguous. Septa transverse, divided regularly into six lobes, mostly formed of single parts, the siphonal lobe excepted, and the saddles formed of parts nearly always in pairs. The superior lateral lobe is longer than the siphonal lobe. The lobes and the saddles are narrow at the base and much enlarged at their extremity. Siphuncle continuous, always marginal. Two thirds of the last whorl formed the dwelling chamber of the animal. Found in the lower strata of the Cretaceous formation. *Crioceras Emerici* (fig. 86) is a typical form.

Genus SCAPHITES, Parkinson. Shell spiral, rolled on the same plane; whorls at

first contiguous, then separated from the others and projected in nearly a straight line, afterwards bent upwards and forwards, forming a horse-shoe curve. Septa transverse, symmetrical, divided regularly into unequal lobes. The recurved portion always without

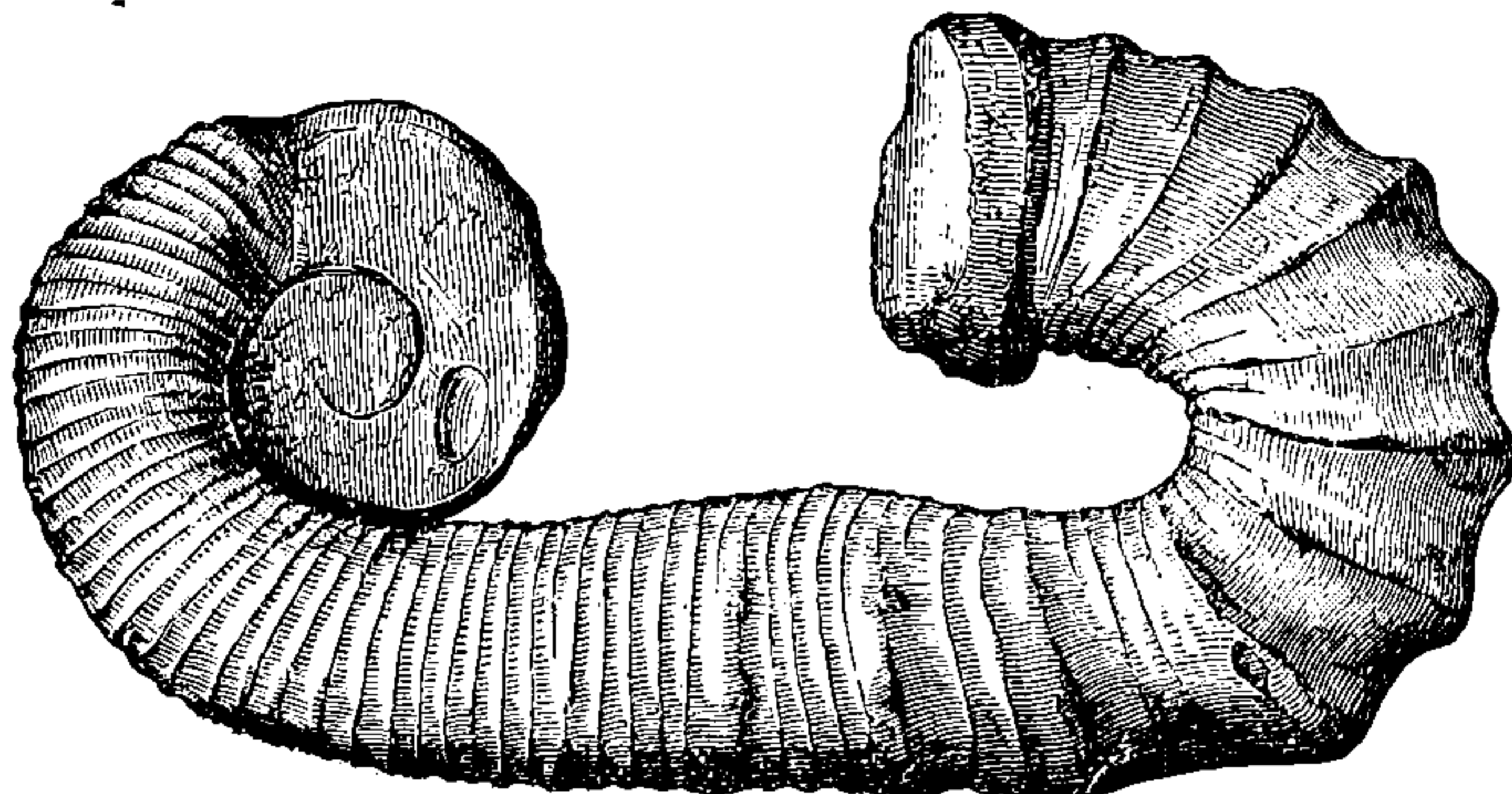


FIG. 87.—*Scaphites gigas*, Sowerby.

septa, formed the dwelling chamber of the animal. Siphuncle continuous and marginal. Mouth oval, provided with large protuberent bands, more or less prominent. All the species are obtained from the Cretaceous formation, and very large forms are obtained from the Neocomian strata. *Scaphites gigas*, Sow. (fig. 87), and *Scaphites Ivanii*, Puzos. (fig. 88), are typical forms of this group.

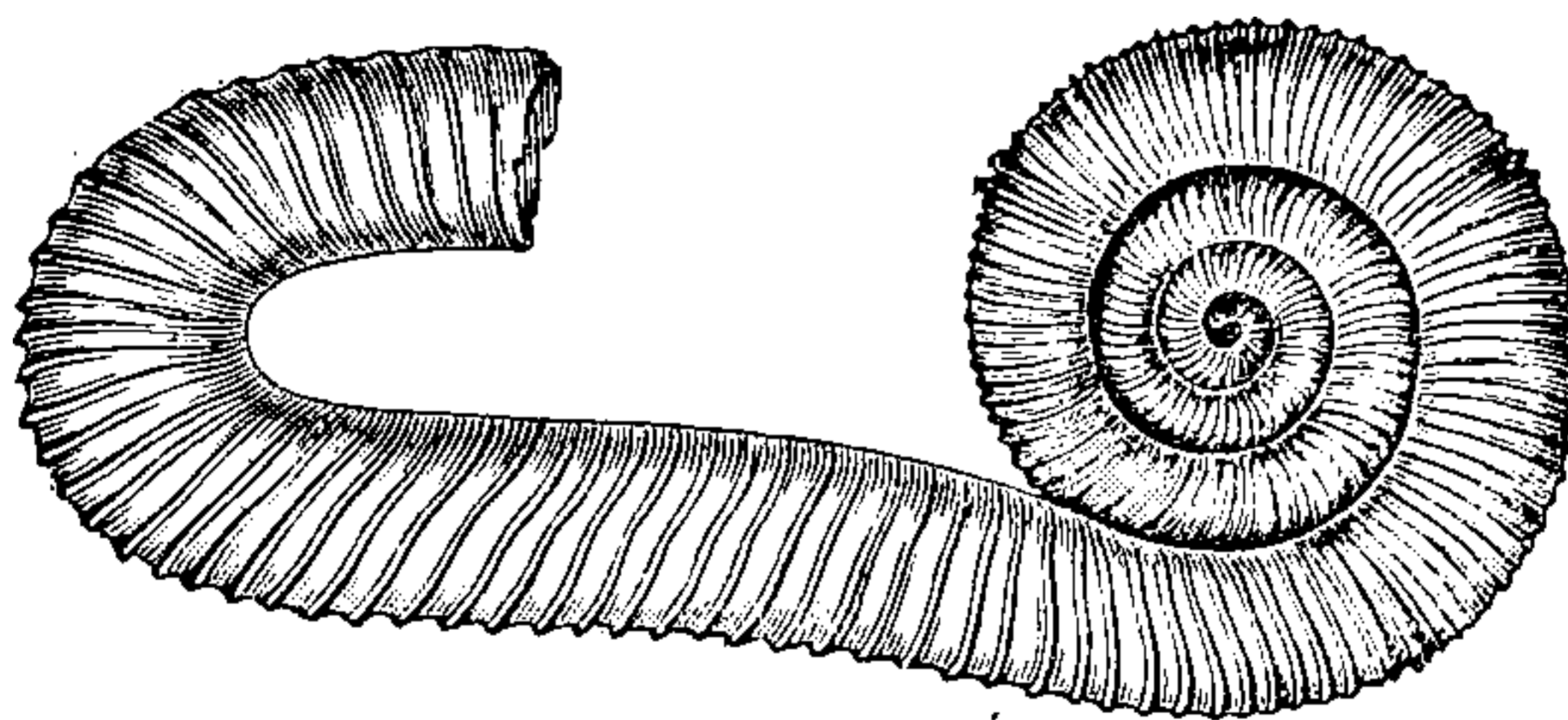


FIG. 88.—*Scaphites Ivanii*, Puzos.

Genus ANCYLOCERAS, *d'Orbigny*. Shell spiral, rolled on the same plane, with very few whorls perfect, and not contiguous; the last separated from the others and projected

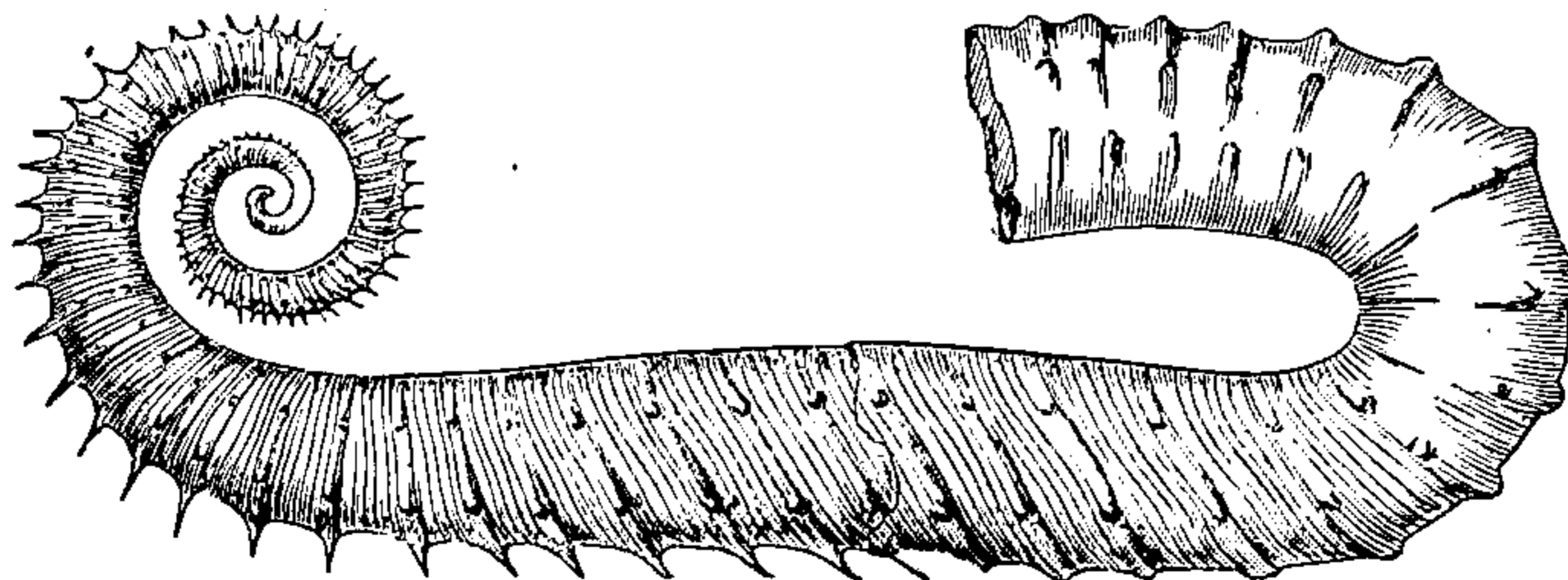


FIG. 89.—*Ancyloceras Matheronianum*, d'Orb.

outwards in a horizontal line, then turned upwards and inwards, forming an arch opposed to the turns of the spine, the recurved portion without septa formed the dwelling chamber.

Septa symmetrical, divided into unequal lobes. Mouth round or oval, and provided with tubercles at the circumference. Siphuncle marginal. This genus ranges from the Inferior Oolite to the upper strata of the Chalk, and *Ancyloceras Matheronianum*, d'Orb. (fig. 89), from the Upper Neocomian, and *Ancyloceras Puzosianum*, d'Orb. (fig. 90), from the lower Neocomian, are typical of the genus.

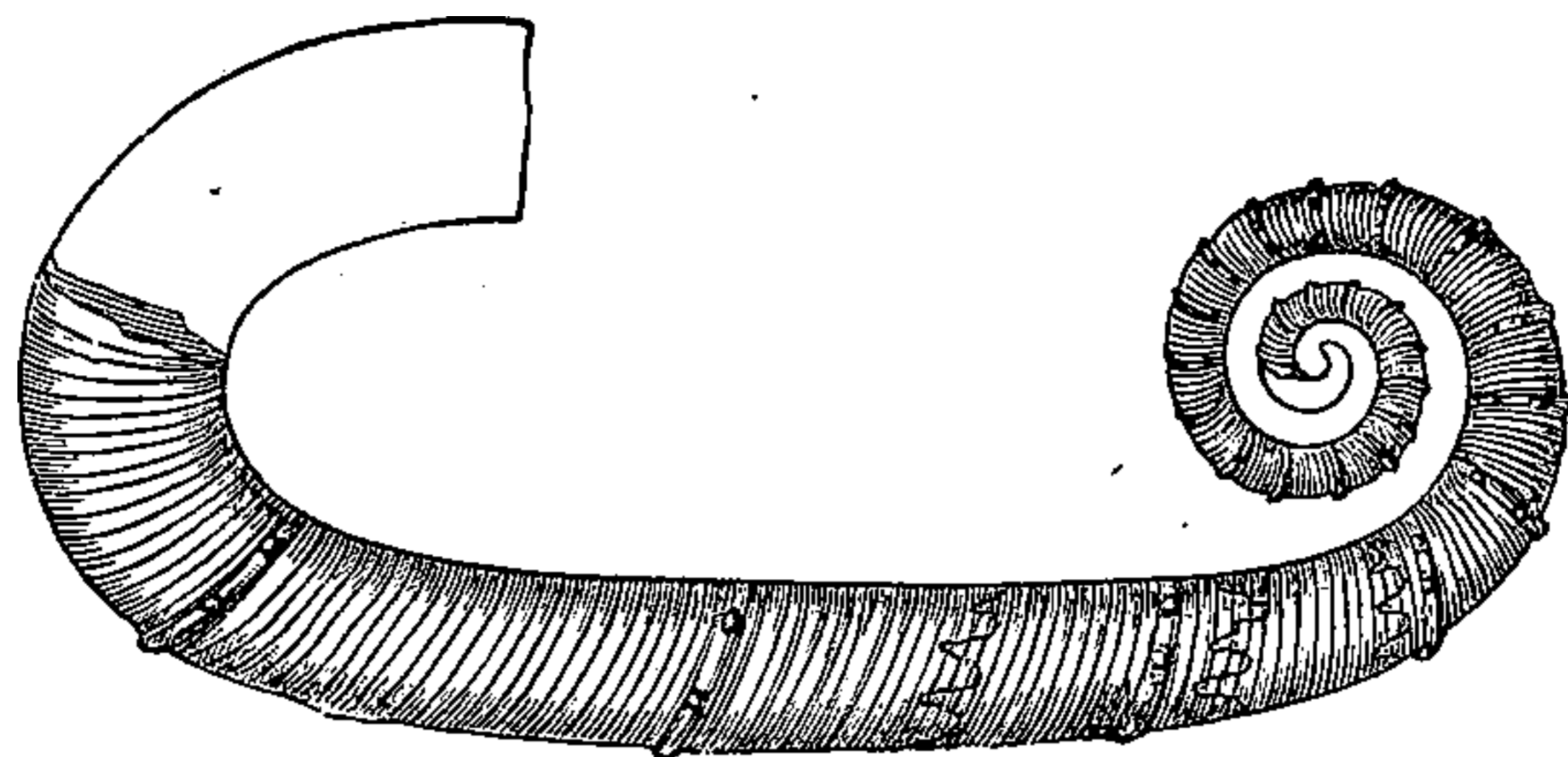


FIG. 90.—*Ancyloceras Puzosianum*, d'Orb.

i. Species only arched.

Genus TOXOCERAS, d'Orbigny. Shell conical, subcylindrical or compressed, symmetrical, much elongated, and more or less arched, but never forming a spire. Septa transverse, deep, sinuous, and presenting six unequal lobes, foliaceous on their border. Siphuncle marginal. Mouth oval, compressed or round, prominent at the inner border. The species belong to the Jurassic and Cretaceous formations. *Toxoceras Honnoratianum*, d'Orb. (fig. 91), is typical of the group.

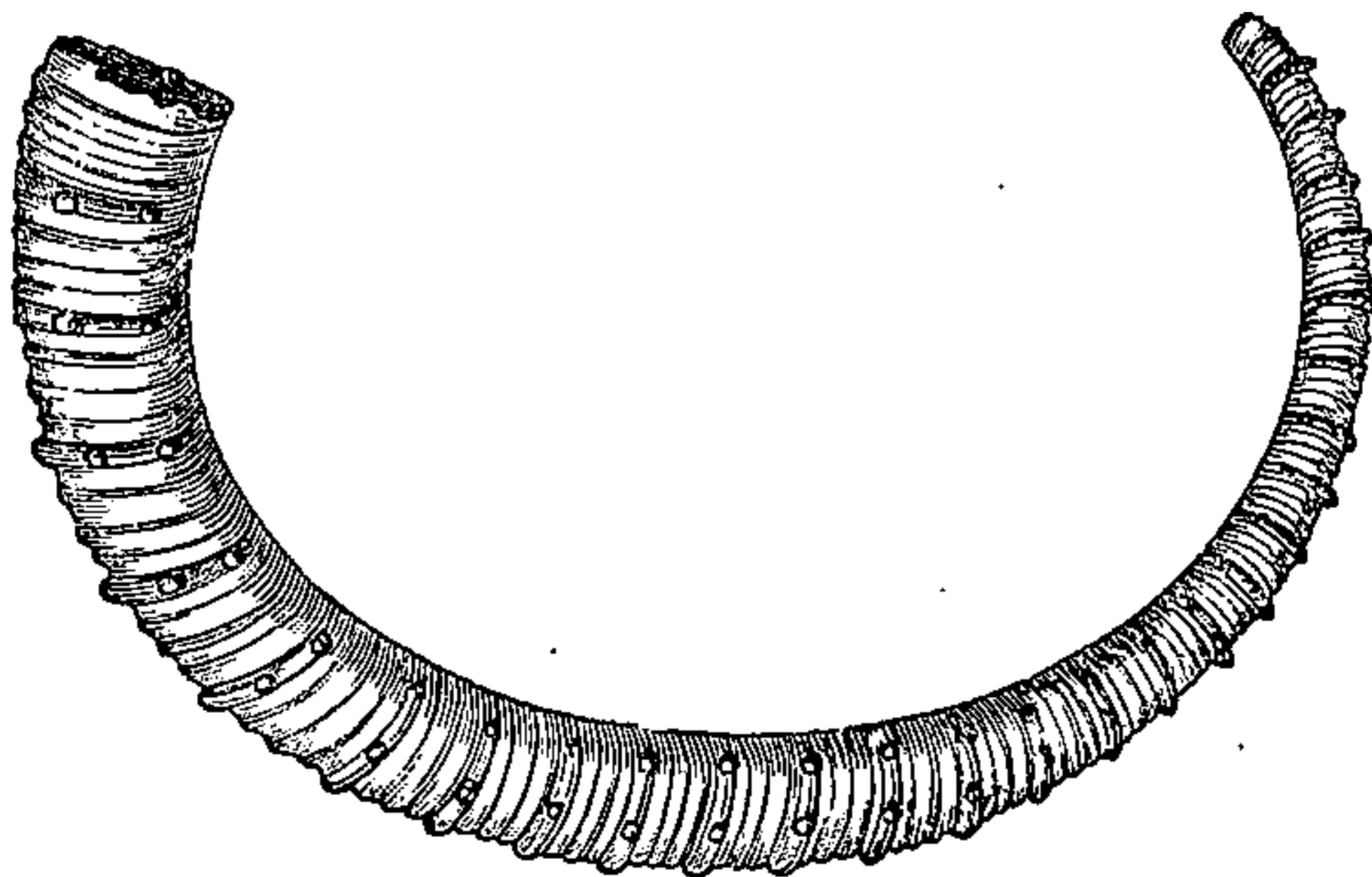


FIG. 91.—*Toxoceras Honnoratianum*, d'Orb.

Genus, HAMITES, Parkinson. Shell conical, symmetrical, bent upon one plane, spire irregular, very elliptical, formed of bends at the two extremities of the ellipse,

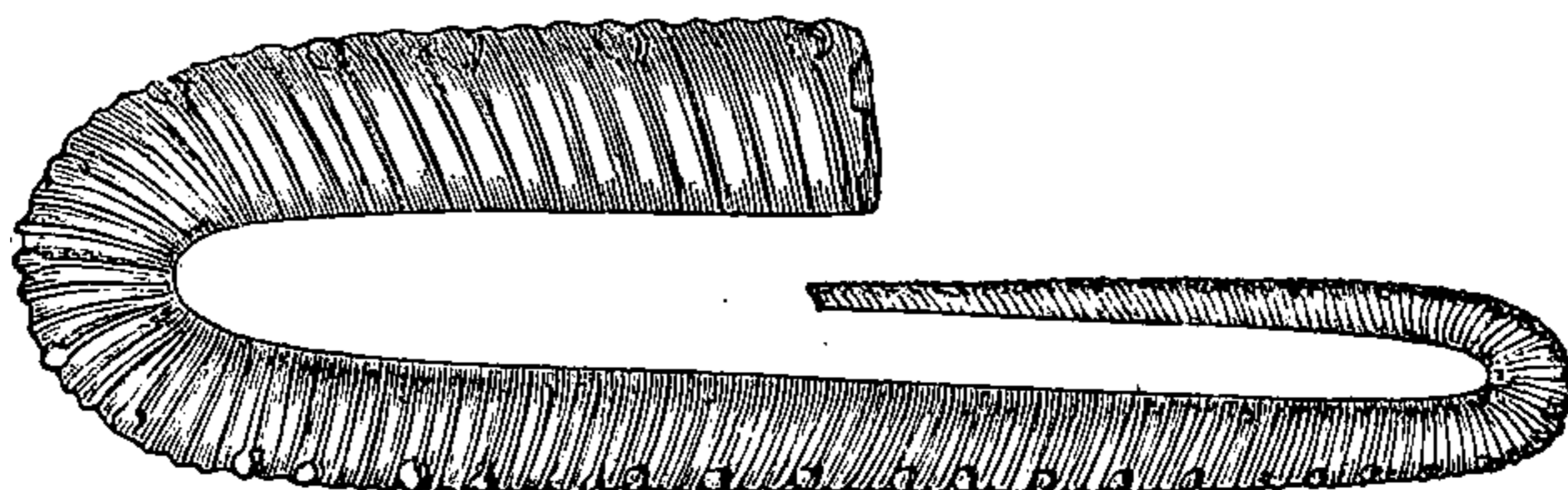


FIG. 92.—*Hamites elegans*, d'Orb.

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Genus HELICOCERAS, *d'Orbigny*. Shell turbinoid, spiral, composed of a few whorls obliquely coiled and rather widely separated. Spire dextral or sinistral, and elevated above the plane of the last large whorl, which was the dwelling chamber of the animal. Septa transverse, oblique, and deeply sinuous. Siphuncle marginal. *Helicoceras Robertianus*, *d'Orb.* (fig. 95), forms the type. The species are found in the Jurassic and Cretaceous rocks.

Genus HETERO CERAS, *d'Orbigny*. Shell spiral, turreted, whorls contiguous in youth; with age, the last whorl separates from the others and becomes produced and recurved, forming an arch without septa, and which doubtless constituted the dwelling chamber of the animal. *Heteroceras* is a Turrilite with the dwelling chamber in the adult shell detached, produced, and recurved. The most typical specimen is *Heteroceras Emerici*, *d'Orb.* (fig. 96).

Genus ANISOCERAS, *Pictet*. Turns of the shell at first spiral not in the same plane, next tangentially divergent, and finally recurved, none of the turns in contact. Found in Oolitic and Cretaceous formations.

Professor Pictet,¹ in his excellent 'Traité Élémentaire de Paléontologie,' gave a copious *résumé* of the Cephalopoda, in which he closely adhered to the system of Von Buch and d'Orbigny.

Professor H. B. Geinitz,² in his 'Grundriss der Versteinerungen Kunde,' followed out the same method.

Dr. C. G. Giebel,³ in his 'Fauna der Vorwelt,' gave a valuable synopsis of the Fossil Cephalopoda, and brought together a great quantity of material bearing upon this subject, in the arrangement of which he followed the methods of von Buch and d'Orbigny.

The late Mr. Daniel Sharpe, F.R.S.,⁴ contributed an unfinished monograph on the British Cretaceous Nautili and Ammonites to the volumes of the Palæontographical Society in 1853, 1857. In this important work its learned author followed the lines laid down by d'Orbigny in the systematic arrangement of the groups, and illustrated his work with well-executed plates.

The Jurassic geology of the north-eastern Alps received an important illustration from the researches of Franz Ritter von Hauer,⁵ whose exhaustive monograph, illustrated with beautiful plates, 'Die Cephalopoden aus dem Lias der Nordöstlichen Alpen,' marked an epoch in our knowledge of the Liassic groups of that region. In this important work the learned author followed the grouping of von Buch.

¹ 'Traité élémentaire de Paléontologie,' tom. ii, p. 309, pl. xiv—xx, 1845.

² 'Grundriss der Versteinerungen Kunde,' pp. 256—315, pl. x—xii, 1846.

³ 'Fauna der Vorwelt Cephalopoden,' Band iii, 1852.

⁴ 'Cretaceous Ammonites,' Palæontogr. Soc., vols. for years 1853 and 1855.

⁵ 'Ueber die Cephalopoden aus dem Lias der Nordöstlichen Alpen,' 1856.

Dr. Opper, in his 'Juraformation,'¹ and in his later and larger work on the Ammonites of the Malm formation of Germany, and the Jurassic formations of India, delineated in 'Palaeontologische Mittheilungen,'² adhered to the classification of von Buch.

Between 1863 and 1870 the late lamented Prof. Phillips, of Oxford, contributed five parts of his unfortunately unfinished Monograph on another important group of the Fossil Cephalopoda, viz. the Belemnites, in the volumes of the Palaeontographical Society, issued for the years 1863, 1864, 1866, 1868, and 1869.

My old esteemed friend, the learned Secretary of the Palaeontographical Society, the Rev. Thos. Wiltshire, M.A., F.G.S., in 1867 contributed a valuable memoir on the chief groups of the Cephalopoda to the Geologists' Association,³ and in an Appendix to this work added an Analysis of the Families and Genera of the Fossil Cephalopoda, with their range in time. This *résumé* of a very difficult subject has been so carefully prepared by its author that I shall, with permission, insert it *in extenso* (at pages 204 to 218), as it clearly exhibits the actual state of the systematic classification of the Cephalopoda at the date of its publication, and before changes in several of the groups composing the different sections of these remarkable fossils had been rendered inevitable by subsequent discoveries.

¹ 'Die Juraformation Englands, Frankreichs, and S.-W. Deutschlands,' 1859.

² 'Palaeontologische Mittheilungen,' vols. i, ii, 1862-63.

³ Geologists' Association, 'Chief Groups of the Cephalopoda,' 1869.

ANALYSIS OF THE FAMILIES AND GENERA OF THE FOSSIL
CEPHALOPODA.¹

FIRST ORDER.—DIBRANCHIATA, CONTAINING SECTION I. OCTOPODA, AND
SECTION II. DECAPODA.

Section I.—OCTOPODA.

I.—Shell involute, the turns in the same plane, thin, one chambered. Family,
Argonautidæ (Reeve, 1841). One fossil genus, Argonauta.

1. ARGONAUTA, Linné, 1758.

Tertiary.

Section II.—DECAPODA.

II.—Shell lance-shape, slender, with central ridge, generally terminating in a slight
expansion of no great length without air chambers. Family, ONYCHOTEUTHIDÆ
(Gray, 1847). Three fossil genera, Enoploteuthis, Plesiotheuthis, and Ommas-
trephes.

2. ENOPLOTEUTHIS, D'Orbigny, 1840.

Sides sinuous, with lateral expansions; central ridge keeled; Oolitic.

3. PLESIOTEUTHIS, Wagner, 1860.

Sides sinuous, with central and two side ridges; projection arrow-shaped; arms with
hooks; Liassic.

4. OMMASTREPHEs, D'Orbigny, 1840.

Sides generally straight, contracted towards base, point expanded, central and side
ridges; Oolitic.

¹ Drawn up by the Rev. T. Wiltshire, M.A., F.G.S., in 1867, see page 203.

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1843. = *Trachyteuthis*, Meyer, 1846. = *Cocoteuthis*, Owen, 1855. = *Palæoteuthis*, Roemer, 1856.

Oolitic and Tertiary.

VI.—Shell conical, slightly bent, having at its upper part a cavity containing chambers with a siphuncle. Family, *BELEMNOSIDÆ*. Four fossil genera, *Belemnosis*, *Beloptera*, *Helicerus*, and *Spirulirostra*.

12. *BELEMNOSIS*, Edwards, 1849.

Shell conical, and suddenly bent at a short distance from the base, no side expansions; Tertiary.

13. *BELOPTERA*, Deshayes, 1830.

Shell conical, and slightly bent, side expansions at the angle; Tertiary.

14. *HELICERUS*, Dana, 1849.

Shell conical, the chambers at the upper part, slender and terminating in a spiral arrangement; Liassic?

15. *SPIRULIROSTRA*, d'Orbigny, 1842.

Shell conical, the chambers at the upper part, of some size and terminating in a spiral arrangement, the portion covering the commencement of the spiral projected forwards, the extremity pointed; Tertiary.

VII.—Shell straight, with a series of conical chambers at its upper portion. Family, *BELEMNITIDÆ* (Owen, 1836). Five fossil genera, *Belemnites*, *Belemnitella*, *Belemnoteuthis*, *Conoteuthis*, and *Xiphoteuthis*.

16. *BELEMNITES*, Lister, 1678. = *Belemnitis lapis*, Agricola, 1546. = *Belemnitis*, Gesner, 1565. = *Acamas*, Montfort, 1808. = *Hibolithes*, Montfort, 1808. = *Thalamus* (= *alveolus*, &c.), 1808. = *Actinocamax*, Miller, 1823. = *Pseudobelus*, Blainville, 1827. = *Belemnosepia*, Buckland, 1836. = *Belopeltis*, Voltz, 1840 (a proostracum). = *Notosiphites*, Duval-Jouve, 1841. = *Gasterosiphites*, Duval-Jouve, 1841.

Shell (guard) straight, generally long, somewhat cylindrical, conical below, with a hollow cone (*alveolus*) in the upper part, containing a chambered cone (*phragmacone*),

which has a marginal canal (siphuncle); the thin, shelly covering (conotheca) investing the chambers, prolonged on one side into a broad lobe (pro-ostracum, pen); animal not clearly known, double rows of hooks on the arms; from Liassic into Cretaceous formations.

17. BELEMNITELLA, d'Orbigny, 1840.

Shell (guard) in its highest part, marked by a short longitudinal slit; Cretaceous.

18. BELEMNOTEUTHIS, Pearce, 1842. = Kelæno, Münster, 1836. = Acanthoteuthis, Münster, 1839. = Plesiotheuthis, Wagner, 1860.

Shell consisting of a chambered cone, having at its upper part a horny pen with thin side bands, and at its lowest part a thin fibrous guard, with two diverging ridges; animal with arms and horny hooks, fins large; Oolitic.

19. CONOTEUTHIS, d'Orbigny, 1840.

Chambered cone slightly curved, pen elongated and very narrow; Cretaceous.

20. XIPHOTEUTHIS, Huxley, 1864.

Shell cylindrical; chambered cone long and narrow; pen very long and slender, section an ellipse; Liassic.

SECOND ORDER.—TETRABRANCHIATA.

VIII.—Shell many chambered; the last (exterior) chamber large, siphuncle generally subcentral; the edges of the partitions (septa) which separate the chambers either *without folds*, or slightly undulating. Family, NAUTILIDÆ. Thirty fossil genera: Nautilus, Discoceras, Ophidioceras, Gyroceras, Cyrtoceras, Cyrtocerina, Oncoceras, Streptoceras, Piloceras, Lituities, Lituunculus, Orthoceras, Tretoceras, Huronia, Actinoceras, Ormoceras, Aulacoceras, Endoceras, Cameroceras, Trochoceras, Hercoceras, Gomphoceras, Phragmoceras, Ascoceras, Glossoceras, Apheragmites, Aturia, Nothoceras, Bathmoceras, and Gonioceras.

DIVISION A.—*Edges of septa without folds.*

1. Shell spiral, in the same plane.

21. NAUTILUS, Belon, 1553. = Nautilus, Breynius, 1732. = Planorbites,

Lamarck, 1799. = Angulithes, Montfort, 1808. = Oceanus, Montfort, 1808. = Ammonites (*pars*), Montfort, 1808. = Bisiphites (*pars*), Montfort, 1808. = Conchyliolithus, Martin, 1809. = Ammonellipsites, Parkinson, 1811. = Ellipsolithes (*pars*), Sowerby, 1812. = Rhabdites, de Haan, 1825. = Omphalia, de Haan, 1825. = Globites, de Haan, 1825. = Aganides (*pars*), d'Orbigny, 1826. = Aganites (*pars*), Quenstedt, 1834. = Aturia (*pars*), Bronn, 1835. = Hamites (*pars*), Fischer, 1837. = Trocholites (*pars*), Conrad, 1838. = Simplegas (*pars*), Sowerby, 1842. = Discites (*pars*), M'Coy, 1844. = Discus (*pars*), King, 1844. = Cryptoceras (*pars*), d'Orbigny, 1850. = Trematodiscus (*pars*), Meek, 1861.

Turns (*whorls*) of the shell, in contact, partially overlapping; siphuncle almost central; aperture of exterior chamber open without folds; Silurian into Tertiary, still living.

RHYNCHOLITHES, Faure-Biguet, 1819. = Conchorhynchus, De Blainville, 1827.
= Rhynchoteuthis, d'Orbigny, 1847.

Comprising the beaks of the Nautilus animal.

22. DISCO CERAS, Barrande, 1867.

Turns of the shell touching, siphuncle variable; aperture of exterior chamber open, its edge not contracted; Silurian.

23. OPHIDIOCERAS, Barrande, 1867.

Turns of the shell touching; siphuncle variable; aperture of exterior chamber contracted; Silurian.

24. GYRO CERAS, de Koninck, 1844. = Gyroceratites, H. von Meyer, 1829. = Hortolus, Steininger, 1831. = Spirula, Goldfuss, 1832. = Lituities, Quenstedt, 1834. = Cyrtocera (*pars*), Münster, 1839. = Cyrtoceras (*pars*), Phillips, 1841. = Cyrthoceratites (*pars*), D'Archiac, 1842.

Turns of the shell not in contact; siphuncle marginal on external (convex) side; last chamber somewhat small, edge without fold; from Silurian into Carboniferous.

2. Shell an arc of a spiral, in the same plane.

25. CYRTO CERAS, Goldfuss, 1832. = Orthoceratites, Lamarck, 1799. = Orthocera (*pars*), Sowerby, 1812. = Campulites, Deshayes, 1832. = Lituities (*pars*), Quenstedt, 1836. = Cyrtoceratites, d'Archiac, 1842. = Trigonoceras, M'Coy, 1844. = Campyloceras, M'Coy, 1844. = Aploceras, d'Orbigny, 1850.

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32. TRETOCERAS, Salter, 1859.

Siphuncle small, almost central, bead-like; the chambers surrounding the siphuncle pierced by a longitudinal tube; Silurian.

33. HURONIA, Stokes, 1824.

Siphuncle large, central, the upper part of each division expanded and connected with a small central tube by radiating plates; Silurian.

34. ACTINOCERAS, Stokes, 1840.

Siphuncle large, central, the middle part of each division expanded and connected with a small central tube by radiating plates; Silurian into Carboniferous.

35. ORMOCERAS, Stokes, 1840.

Siphuncle large, almost central, bead-like, the middle of each division contracted; Silurian into Devonian.

36. AULACOCERAS, Hauer, 1860.

Siphuncle small, lateral, plain; shell externally corrugated, thickening towards the base. Trias.

37. ENDOCERAS, Hall, 1847.

Siphuncle large, lateral, with cone-like partitions inserted in each other, their points being directed towards the small or earliest portion of the shell; Silurian.

38. CAMEROCERAS, Conrad, 1847. = Melia, Fischer, 1829. = Thoracoceras, Fischer, 1844.

Siphuncle sometimes large, lateral, not complex; Silurian into Trias.

5. Shell spiral, not in the same plane.

39. TROCHOCERAS, Barrande, 1847. = Semicornu, Klein, 1770. = Inachus, Hisinger, 1837.

Turns of the shell at first in contact, not overlapping, afterwards generally spirally divergent, occasionally tangentially divergent; siphuncle mostly near the margin on the outer (convex) side, edge of exterior chamber without fold; Silurian.

40. HERCOCERAS, Barrande, 1865.

Turns of the shell at first in contact, slightly overlapping, afterwards spirally divergent; siphuncle marginal on outer side, edge of exterior chamber contracted and compressed transversely; Silurian.

6. Shell neither spiral nor linear.

41. GOMPHOCERAS, Sowerby, 1839. = Orthoceras (*pars*), Sowerby, 1812. = Conilites, Pusch, 1837. = Nelimena, Castelnau, 1843. = Bolboceras, Fischer, 1844. = Apioceras, Fischer, 1844. = Poterioceras, M'Coy, 1844. = Lituities (*pars*), Quenstedt, 1846. = Syncoceras (*pars*), Pictet, 1854.

Shell straight, pear-shaped; aperture of exterior chamber contracted, small and lobed, the exterior chamber somewhat globular; position of siphuncle variable; from Silurian into Carboniferous.

42. PHRAGMOCERAS, Broderip, 1839. = Campulites (*pars*), Deshayes, 1830.
= Orthoceratites, Steininger, 1831.

Shell slightly curved, pear-shaped; aperture of exterior chamber contracted, small and lobed; siphuncle generally on the internal (concave) side; from Silurian into Devonian.

43. ASCOCERAS, Barrande, 1846. = Cryptoceras, Barrande, 1846.

Shell slightly curved, flask-shaped, lower portion more globular than the upper; partitions of the chambers few and running parallel to the long axis of the shell, leaving a space the whole length of the shell for the body of the creature; aperture of exterior chamber not lobed; Silurian.

44. GLOSSOCERAS, Barrande, 1867.

Shell same as in Ascoceras, but with the aperture of the exterior chamber lobed; Silurian.

45. APHRAGMITES, Barrande, 1867.

Shell same in general form as Ascoceras, but without several internal partitions; aperture not lobed; Silurian.

DIVISION B.—*Edges of septa with a single marked fold.*

1. Shell spiral in the same plane.

46. ATURIA, Bronn, 1836.

The turns of the shell in contact overlapping; siphuncle almost marginal, on concave (inner) edge, and formed of a series of inserted cone-shaped partitions; edges of the partitions separating the chamber with a strong lateral lobe. Cretaceous into Tertiary.

47. NOTHOCERAS, Barrande, 1856.

Turns of the shell slightly overlapping, siphuncle marginal, on convex (outer) side, and furnished with internal radiating plates; septa with a slight lobe on the back of the shell, corresponding in direction to that of the Ammonites; aperture not lobed; Silurian.

2. Shell straight.

48. BATHMOCERAS, Barrande, 1867.

Siphuncle marginal, containing a series of inserted cone-like partitions, whose points are directed towards the final chamber, being the reverse of that observed in Endoceras. Septa incomplete towards the final chamber, and with a slight lobe, planned as in Nothoceras; aperture not lobed; Silurian.

49. GONIOCERAS, Hall, 1847.

Siphuncle marginal. Septa waved, shell compressed into an elliptic form; Silurian.

IX.—Shell many chambered; the last (exterior) chamber large; siphuncle marginal; the edges of the partitions (septa), which separate the chambers, angulated or waved, but not dentated or foliated. Family, GONIATIDÆ (Barrande, 1867). Three Genera: Goniatites, Clymenia, and Bactrites.

1. Shell spiral in the same plane.

50. GONIATITES, de Haan, 1825. = Nautilus, Lamarck, 1799. = Orbulites, Lamarck, 1801. = Aganides, Montfort, 1808. = Nautellipsites, Parkinson, 1811. = Ellipsolithes (*pars*), Sowerby, 1812.

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XI.—Shell many chambered; the last (exterior) chamber large; siphuncle marginal (dorsal); the edges of the partitions (septa), which separate the chambers, waved, with many small circular elevations (crenulations) at the base of each wave. CERATITIDÆ. Two genera: Ceratites and Baculina.

1. Shell spiral, the turns touching, in the same plane.

57. CERATITES, de Haan, 1825.

From Triassic into Cretaceous.

2. Shell straight.

58. BACULINA, d'Orbigny, 1850.

Cretaceous.

XII.—Shell many chambered; the last (exterior) chamber large; siphuncle marginal (dorsal); the edges of the partitions (septa), which separate the chambers, foliaceous. AMMONITIDÆ (Owen, 1836). Thirteen genera: Ammonites, Crioceras, Toxoceras, Scaphites, Ancyloceras, Ptychoceras, Hamites, Hamulina, Baculites, Turrilites, Helicoceras, Heteroceras, and Anisoceras.

1. Shell spiral, in the same plane.

59. AMMONITES, Bruguière, 1789. = Ammonis cornu, Auctorum. = Planorbites, Lamarck, 1799. = Planulites, Lamarck, 1801. = Amaltheus, Montfort, 1808. = Orbulites, Montfort, 1808. = Globites, de Haan, 1825. = Planites, de Haan, 1825.

Turns of the shell in contact, overlapping; siphuncle on the exterior side; Triassic into Cretaceous.

APTUCHUS, H. von Meyer, 1831. = Trigonellites, Parkinson, 1811. = Tellinites, Schlotheim, 1820. = Münsteria, Deslongchamps, 1835. = Ichthyosiagones, Bourdet, 1822.

Opercula, or doors, closing the external opening of the Ammonite shell.

Peltarion, Deslongchamps, 1859.

Circular, or somewhat oval calcareous plates, with an undulating margin, supposed to be connected with the mandibles of the Ammonite animal; Lias into Oolite.

2. Shell spiral, turns of the shell not in contact, in the same plane.

60. CRIOCERAS, d'Orbigny, 1840. = Crioceratites, Leveillé, 1837. = Tropæum, Sowerby, 1840.

Cretaceous.

3. Shell an arc of a spiral, in the same plane.

61. TOXOCERAS, d'Orbigny, 1840.

From Oolitic into Cretaceous.

4. Shell changing from a spiral, in the same plane.

62. SCAPHITES, Parkinson, 1811.

Turns of the shell at first spiral, in contact, and overlapping, afterwards tangentially divergent; finally recurved and not in contact; Cretaceous.

63. ANCYLOCERAS, d'Orbigny, 1840.

Turns of the shell at first spiral, *not* in contact, afterwards tangentially divergent; finally recurved, and not in contact; from Oolitic into Cretaceous formations.

5. Shell forming straight and curved lines, in the same plane.

64. PTYCHOCERAS, d'Orbigny, 1840. = Ptychocerus, King, 1844.

The shell at first straight, afterwards curved, and next straight, the turns in contact; Cretaceous.

65. HAMITES, Parkinson, 1811. = Baculita, Fleming, 1828. = Toxerites, Rafinesque, 1819.

The shell at first straight, afterwards curved, and next twice repeating the process; the arrangement forming a species of compressed spiral; the turns *not* in contact; Cretaceous.

66. HAMULINA, d'Orbigny, 1850.

The shell at first straight, afterwards curved, next straight; the turns *not* in contact; Cretaceous.

6. Shell forming a straight line.

67. BACULITES, Lamarck, 1801. = Homaloceratites, Hüpsch, 1781. = Tiranites, Montfort, 1808.

The shell slightly conical; Cretaceous.

7. Shell spiral, not in the same plane.

68. TURRILITES, Lamarck, 1801. = Turrites, de Haan, 1825. = Turrilithes, Bronn, 1832.

Turns of the shell spiral, in contact; Oolitic into Cretaceous.

69. HELICOCERAS, d'Orbigny, 1840. = Helicocerus, King, 1844.

Turns of the shell spiral, *not* in contact; Oolitic into Cretaceous.

8. Shell forming straight and curved lines, not in the same plane.

70. HETERO CERAS, d'Orbigny, 1850.

Turns of the shell at first spiral and in contact, not in the same plane, afterwards tangentially divergent, finally recurved and *not* in contact, and produced at a different angle to that of the spiral; Cretaceous.

71. ANISOCERAS, Pictet, 1854.

Turns of the shell at first spiral, not in the same plane, next tangentially divergent, and finally recurved, none of the turns in contact; Oolitic into Cretaceous.

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	Tertiary.	Cretaceous.	Jurassic.	Triassic.	Permian.	Carboniferous.	Devonian.	Silurian.
31. Orthoceras	*	*	*	*	*
32. Tretoceras	*
33. Huronia	*
34. Actinoceras	*	*	*
35. Ormoceras	*	*
36. Aulacoceras	*
37. Endoceras	*
38. Cameroceras	*	*	*	*	*
39. Trochoceras	*
40. Hercoceras	*
41. Gomphoceras	*	*	*
42. Phragmoceras	*	*
43. Ascoceras	*
44. Glossoceras	*
45. Aphyragmites	*
46. Aturia . . .	*	*
47. Nothoceras	*
48. Bathmoceras	*
49. Gonioceras	*
50. Goniatites	*	*	*	*	*
51. Clymenia	*	*	...
52. Bactrites	*	*
53. Clydonites	*	...	*
54. Choristoceras	*
55. Rhabdoceras	*
56. Cochloceras	*
57. Ceratites	*	*	*
58. Baculina	*
59. Ammonites	*	*	*
60. Crioceras	*
61. Toxoceras	*	*
62. Scaphites	*
63. Ancyloceras	*	*
64. Ptychoceras	*
65. Hamites	*
66. Hamulina	*
67. Baculites	*
68. Turrilites	*	*
69. Helicoceras	*	*
70. Heteroceras	*
71. Anisoceras	*	*

MODERN CLASSIFICATION OF THE AMMONITIDÆ.

The essential characters on which Von Buch and d'Orbigny based their Ammonite groups were derived—1st, from the greater or lesser complication in the ramifications of the suture-line, and the character of the lobes and saddles formed therefrom; 2nd, the position and structure of the siphuncle; and, 3rd, the form of the spiral of the shell.

The first, we have already seen, Von Buch considered of primary importance, and on this alone proposed the families, as he called them, in his classical memoir, of which I have given a *résumé*. Subsequent observations, however, made by many independent students have taught them that this character, although an important one, is not so stable as the great naturalist believed—a fact which we have ascertained by noting the changes from simplicity to complexity in the morphology of *Goniatites*, *Ceratites*, and *Ammonites*. In adult life, however, the form of the suture-line is a valuable character, and ought to be accurately drawn from careful tracings made on the specimens themselves over the natural lines, and not given as mere sketches by the artist, as is often the case; in tracing the lines we have a natural autograph, by the other mode a mere ideal representation; so that, whenever suture-lines are exposed and can be traced on the specimen, they should be carefully noted and recorded.

In all the AMMONITIDÆ the position of the siphuncle is invariably in the centre of the abdomen, and in the outer margin of the greater curvature of the spiral of the shell opposite to the columella or dorsal border. The presence or absence of a keel in which it is sometimes lodged, and the roundness or flatness of the siphonal or abdominal area, all afford specific characters which it is important to note.

The form of the spiral described by the growth of the shell has been taken by Parkinson, Lamarck, d'Orbigny, Hauer, and Léveillé as a basis for the establishment of several genera, and from this character alone we have the following sixteen genera:

Ancyloceras, d'Orb.
Anisoceras, d'Orb.
Buculina, d'Orb.
Buculites, Lam.
Choristoceras, Hau.
Cochloceras, Hau.
Crioceras, Lév.
Hamites, Park.

Hamulina, d'Orb.
Helicoceras, d'Orb.
Heteroceras, d'Orb.
Ptychoceras, d'Orb.
Rhabdoceras, Hau.
Scaphites, Park.
Toxoceras, d'Orb.
Turrilites, Lam.

The character derived from the spiral of the shell is only valuable when taken in connection with others, to which it becomes subordinate.

The careful study of the immense collections of Ammonites that have been slowly accumulating during the last twenty-five years from the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous rocks has disclosed the fact that the earlier Palæontologists established very many of their species on characters derived either from young specimens, or from fragments belonging to different phases of growth of the same species. This cause has helped to explain the hopeless nature of the task which the practical Palæontologist had to encounter some years ago, when he attempted to correlate species found in strata of the same age in different regions of Europe, so that an analysis of the synonyms of many forms discloses the circumstance that the species had been described under different names by the same author, from his having unwittingly studied different stages of growth of the same shell, an error which was only detected many years afterwards, when more perfect specimens of the fossil had been discovered, so that much confusion resulted from premature attempts to generalise when the necessary details were absent. Having often lost my way in this vast labyrinth of "species," and noted that one cause of the difficulty arose from the fragmentary nature of the materials at the disposal of the earlier observers, and likewise from the fact, unknown at the time, that most Ammonites change their form during growth, I felt it imperative on the Palæontologist to examine the morphology of every species in order to place its history on a scientific basis. I have for many years pursued this method in the study of Liassic and Oolitic forms, and learned therefrom the numerous sources of error and perplexity which beset my early studies, and have discovered that many species pass through important changes of structure between youth, maturity, and old age, the amount of change varying considerably in the different generic groups, and that this character should form an important element in their diagnosis.¹

After Leopold von Buch, the first great reform in the classification of the AMMONITIDÆ was made by my learned and esteemed friend Professor Edward Suess, of Vienna, who, in a memoir,² 'Ueber Ammoniten,' communicated to the Vienna Academy, pointed out some important characters in the structure of the Ammonite shell which had been overlooked or underestimated by former observers, such as the form of the aperture and the structure of the central and lateral processes, which were often developed from its margin; and, secondly, the size of the body-chamber, considered in relation to the length of the last whorl. The study of these characters of course necessitated the discovery and study of perfect specimens, and the whole anatomy of the shell received more attention from him than it had done in the hands of his predecessors. By an application of the facts obtained therefrom Suess established three new genera, *Arcestes*, *Lytoceras*, and *Phylloceras* on a very solid foundation. Five years later he extended his studies on the spiral

¹ "On the Development of Ammonites," 'British Association Reports,' Bath Meeting, p. 73, 1864.

² 'Ueber Ammoniten,' erste Abth., Sitzungsber. Nat.-wiss. Classe Wiener Akademie, Band 52, 1865.

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Von Buch, d'Orbigny, Quenstedt, and Oppel. I have given a *résumé* (pp. 181, 182) of the descriptions of the lobes and ramifications of the margin of the septa in treating of the

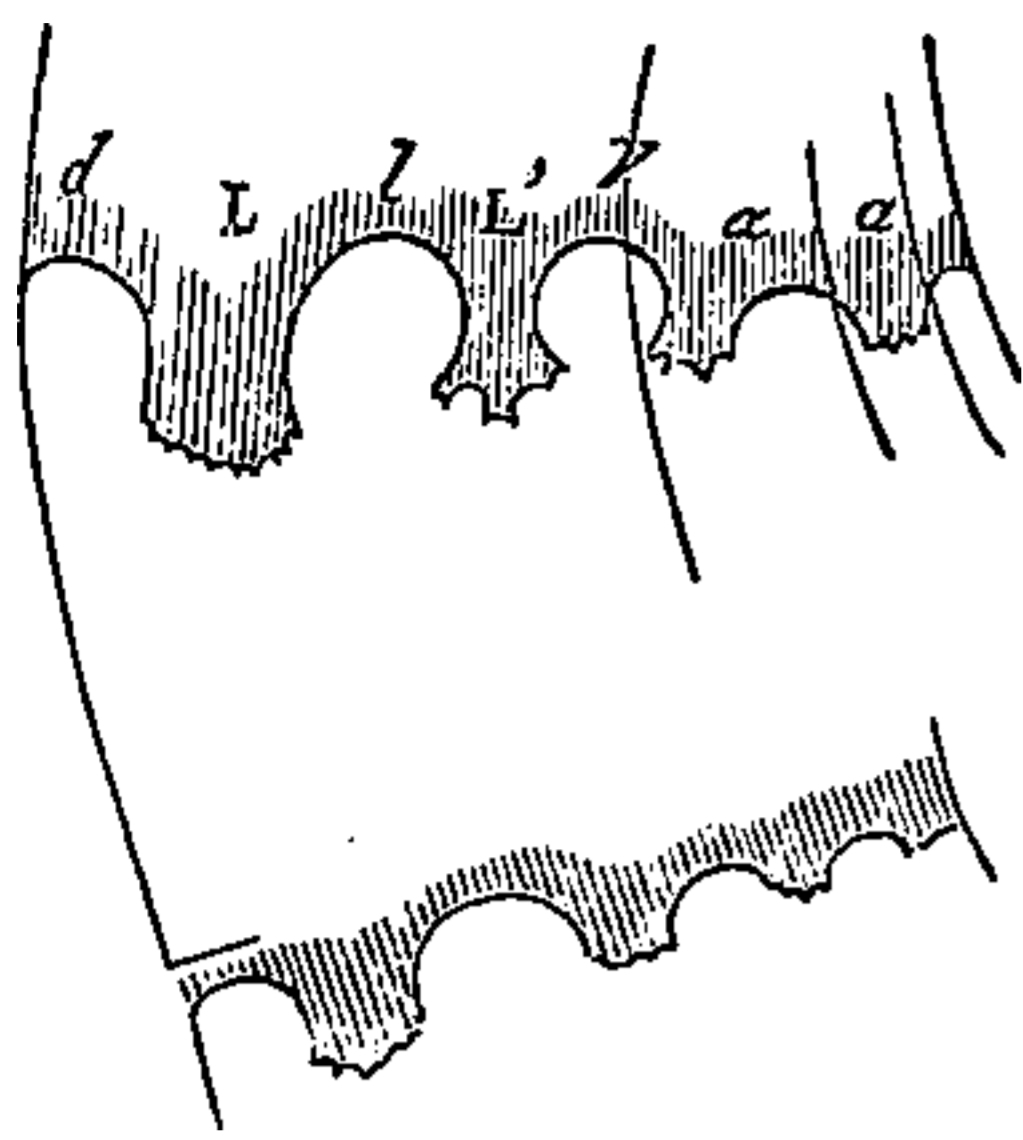


FIG. 103.—Disposition of the lobes (L, L', a, a) in *Ceratites nodosus*, De Haan.

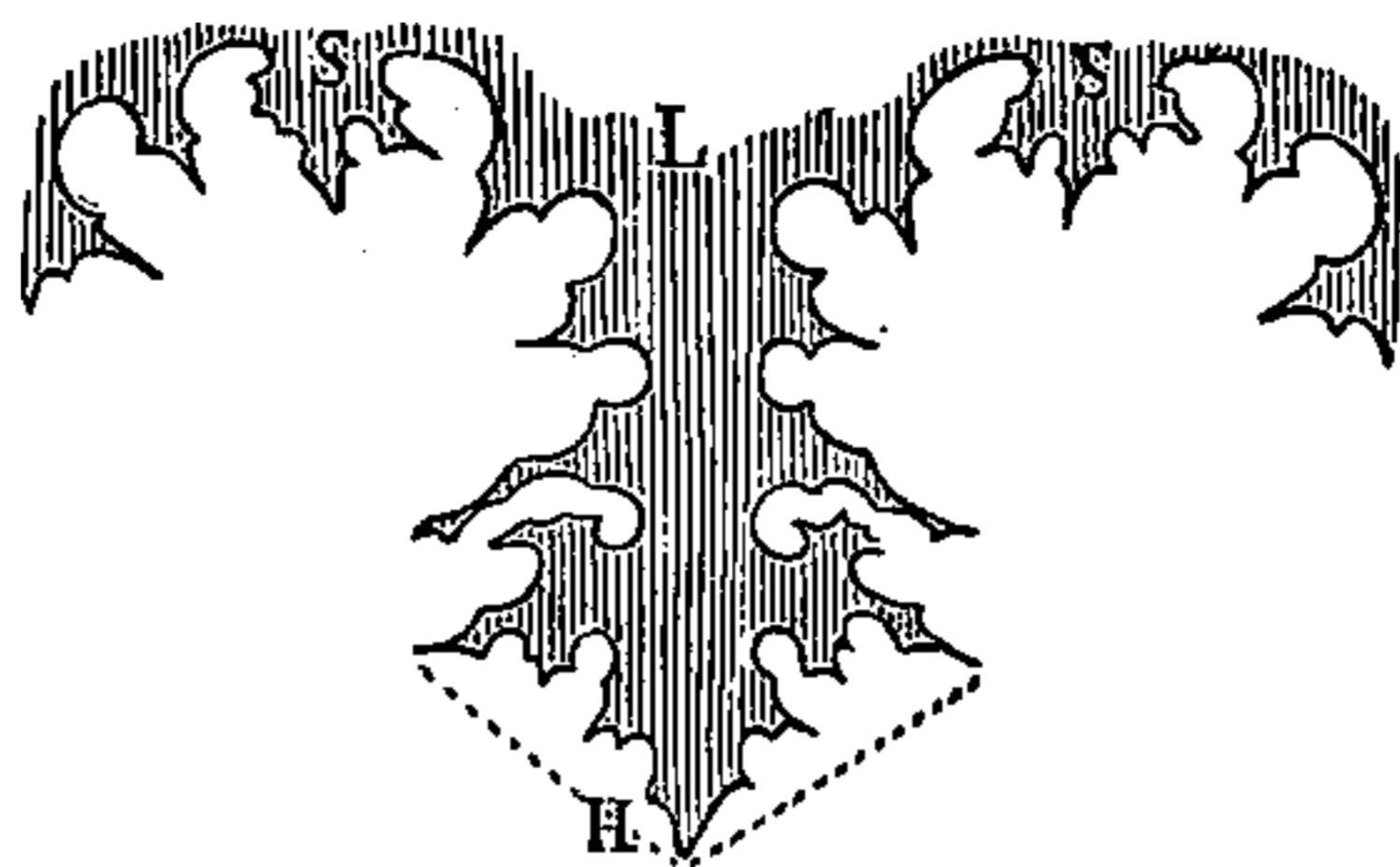


FIG. 104.—Form of the subdivisions of the lobes (L) and saddles (s) in Ammonitidæ.

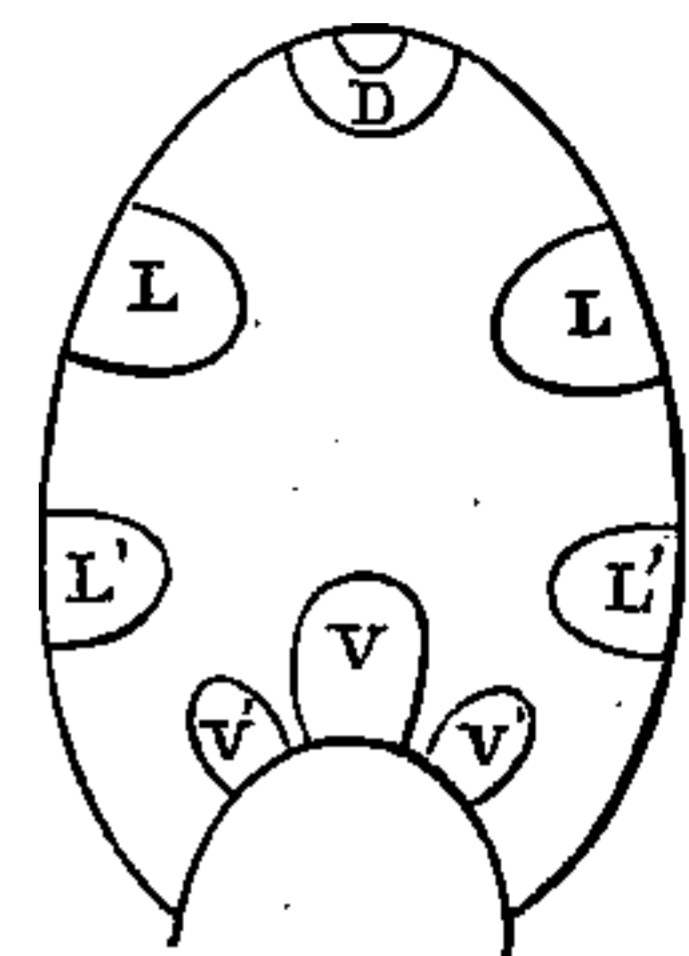


FIG. 105.—Mould of the disposition of the lobes (L, D, v) of *Phylloceras*.

classification of the AMMONITIDÆ, and have shown that the points of the foliations are all directed backwards towards the winding of the spire, and the convexities all look forward

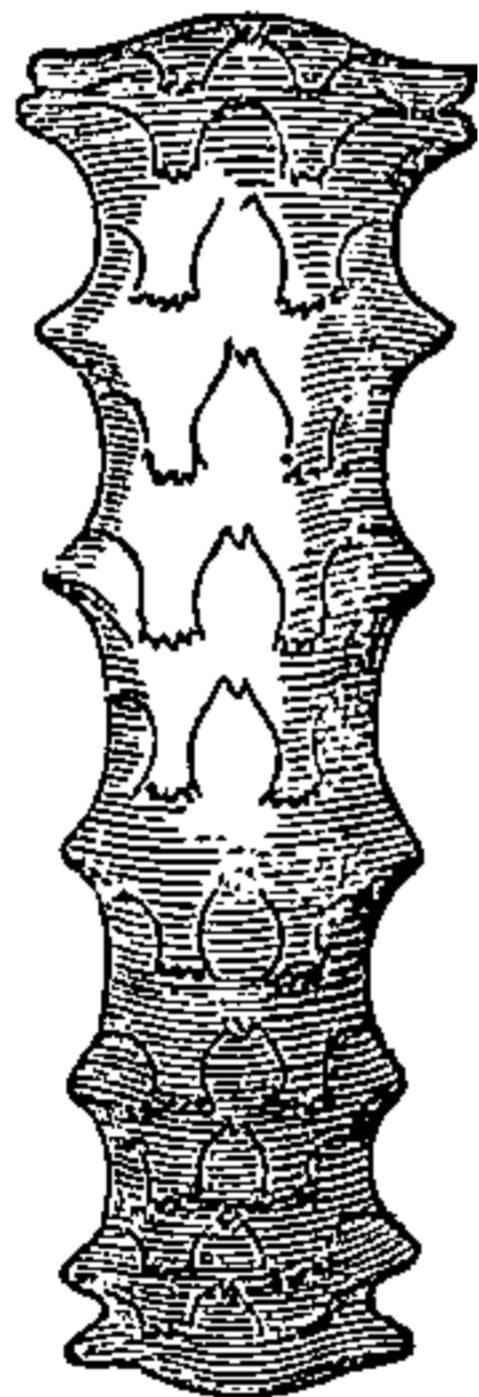
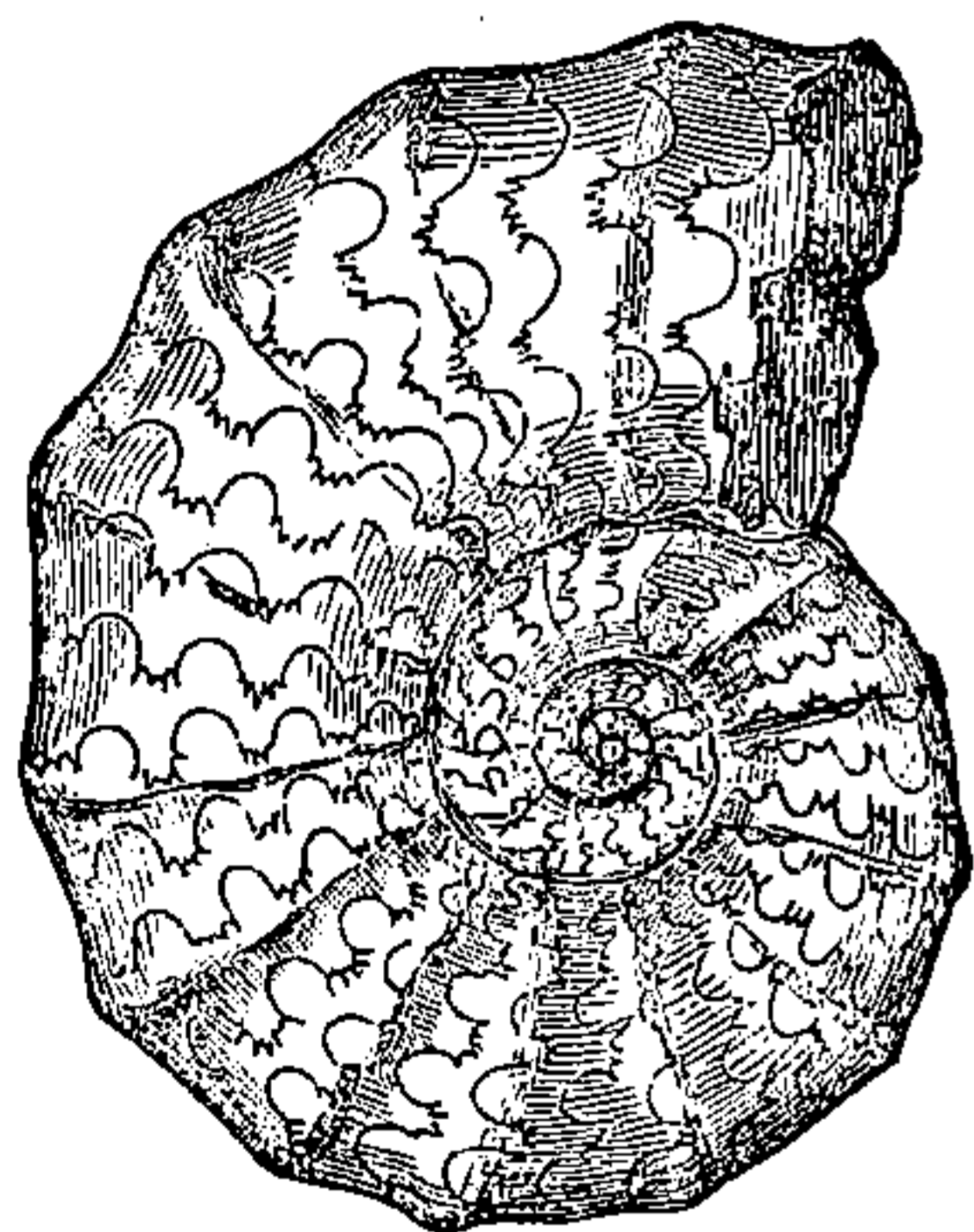


FIG. 106.—Side view. FIG. 107.—Ventral view. *Ceratites nodosus*, De Haan.

towards the aperture (as seen in figs. 100, 102) in the ramified foliations of the suture-line; where they are folded the elevations are called saddles and the intervening depressions lobes. In the *Ceratites* these parts are very simple, as shown in *Ceratites nodosus* (fig. 106), where the dentated lobes are seen to point backwards and the rounded saddles look forwards. Those parts are more complicated in *Amaltheus margaritatus* (fig. 100), and still more so in *Phylloceras heterophyllum* (fig. 102), in which the auxiliary lobes are numerous and well developed. Figs. 101, 102 show the disposition

of the lobes of this beautiful Ammonite from the Upper Lias.

Secondly.—The shape of the aperture and the structure and development of the mouth-border of the shell vary very much in the different groups, and the special form which the border presents in different Ammonites affords an element of importance in defining the diagnosis of genera. The difficulty which the palæontologist experiences in obtaining Ammonite shells, or moulds of such, in which the aperture with its border is preserved, has long prevented this anatomical character from being used in constructing the diagnosis of the different groups; at length, however, many specimens have been found, and we have ascertained that important differences do exist, and, perhaps, many more will be discovered by continued researches made along the same line of investigation.

In *Arietites*, as seen in *Arietites rotiformis* (fig. 108) and *Arietites obtusus* (fig. 109), the sides of the mouth-border are simple, and the ventral portion is more or less produced, as indicated by the forward direction of the ribs in this region, these folds of the

shell being formed in fact by the secretion from the mantle during the stages of growth. We note likewise in *A. obtusus* (figs. 109, 110), and in its allied form *A. stellaris*, that

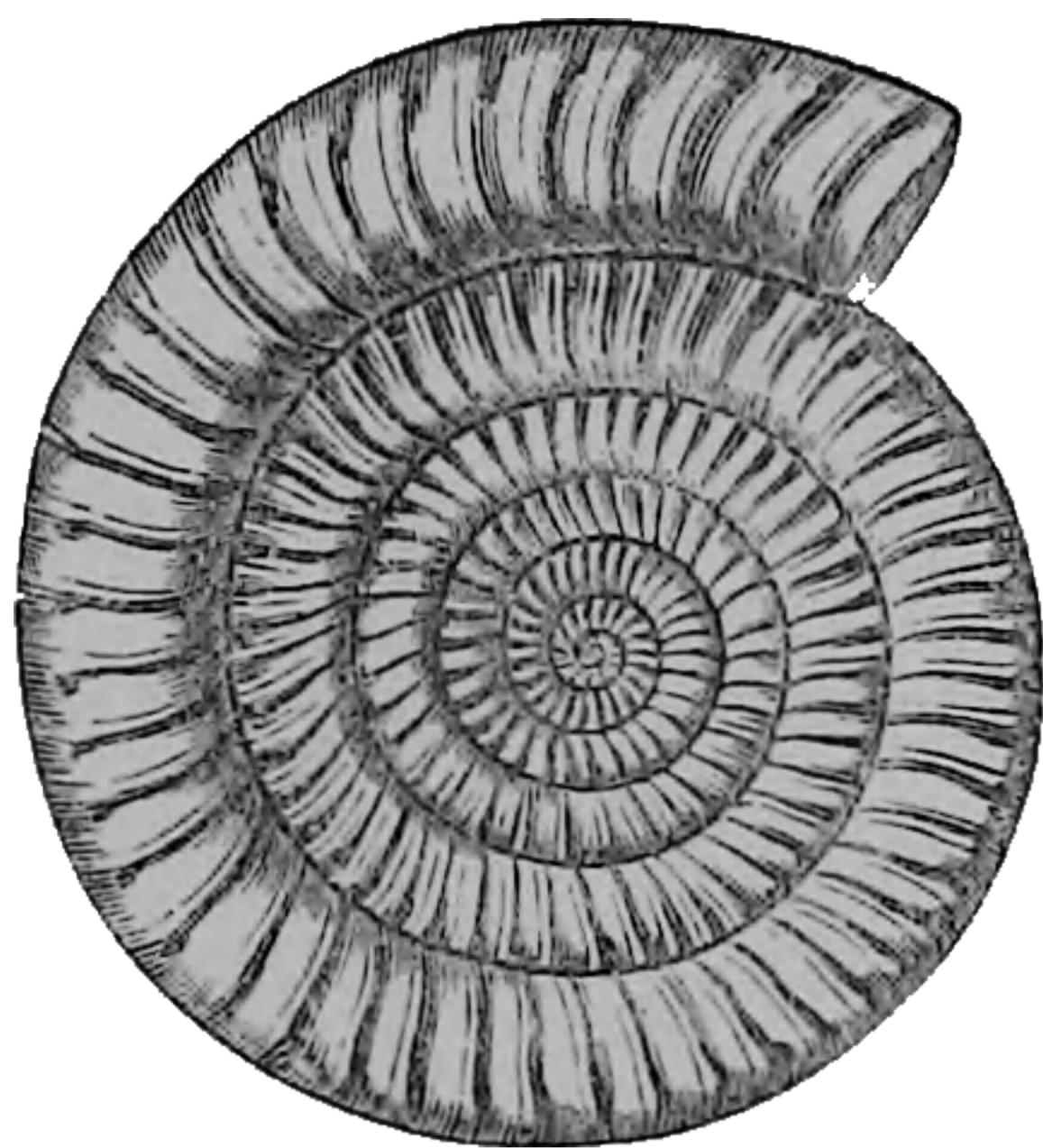


FIG. 108.—*Arietites rotiformis*, Sow. Side view.

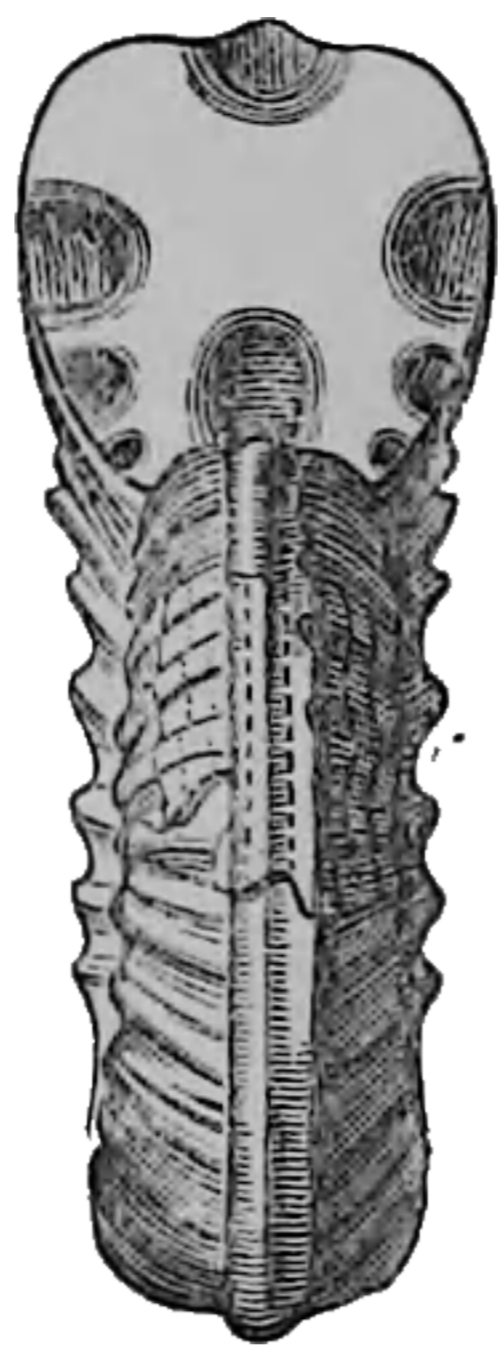


FIG. 110. Ventral view.

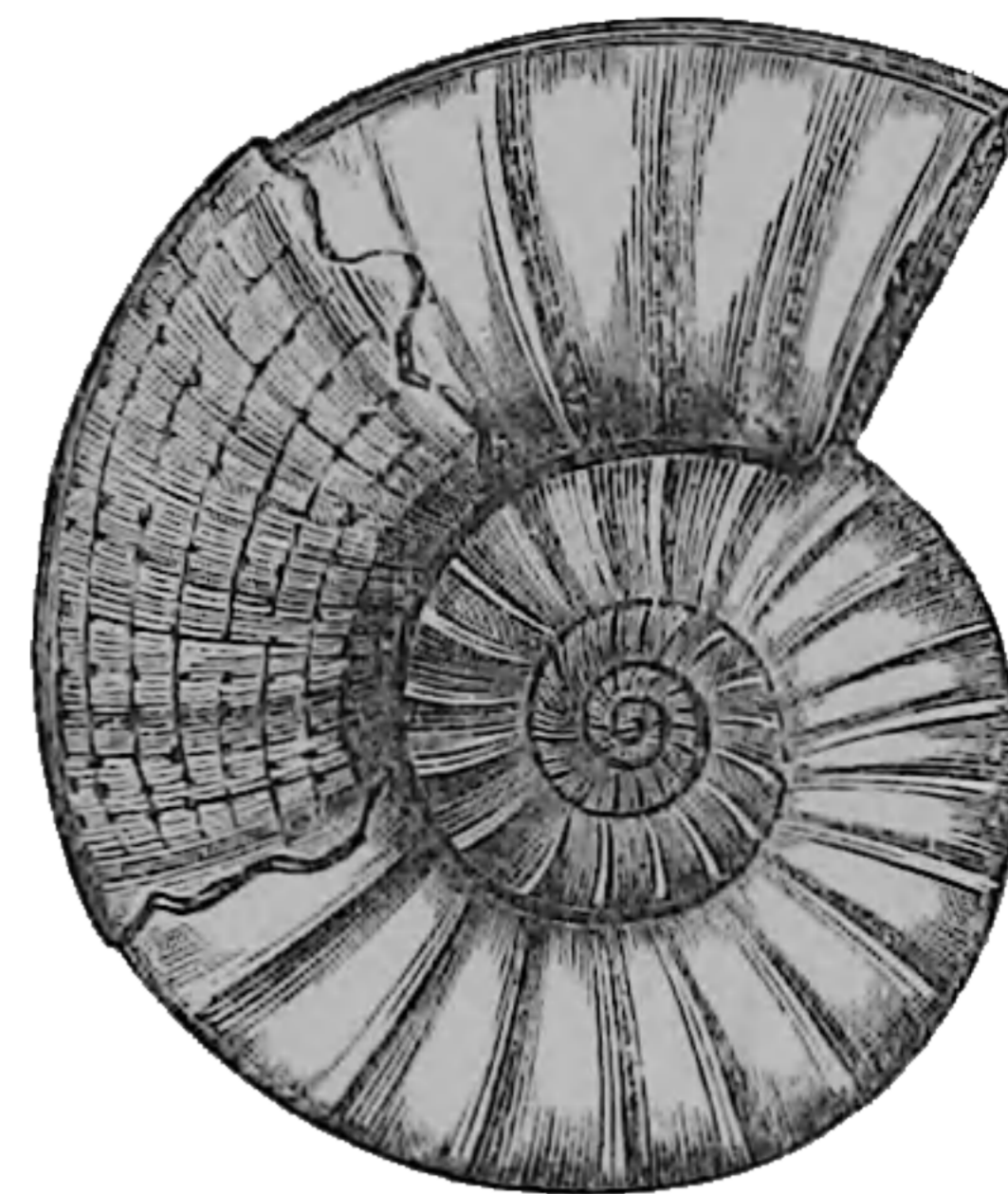


FIG. 109.—*Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Side view.

in these species the structure of the outer lamina of the shell itself presents remarkable transverse and longitudinal lines, which form pits or punctations at the angles of their intersection, a character not observed in other allied species.

In *Aegoceras* the form of the shell varies much, the mouth-border is simple, without lateral processes, and sometimes with a ringed contraction near the aperture and a projecting ventral fold. The shell of *Aeg. planorbis* shows this structure well in one of the oldest Liassic forms of this group, and we see the same repeated in the young condition of *Aeg. Henleyi* = *A. capricornus* of Schloth (fig. 111).

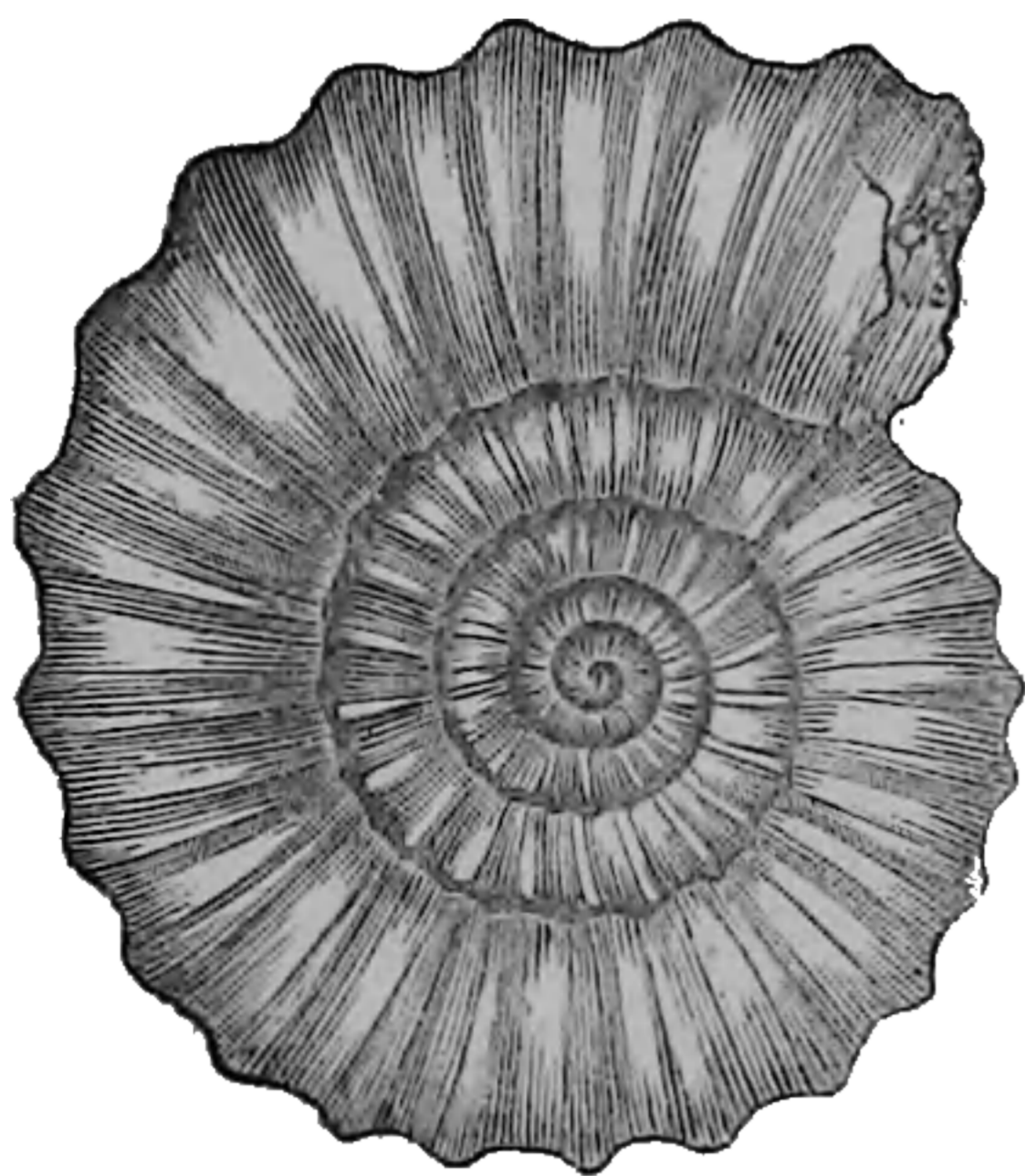


FIG. 111.—*Aegoceras capricornum*, Schloth.

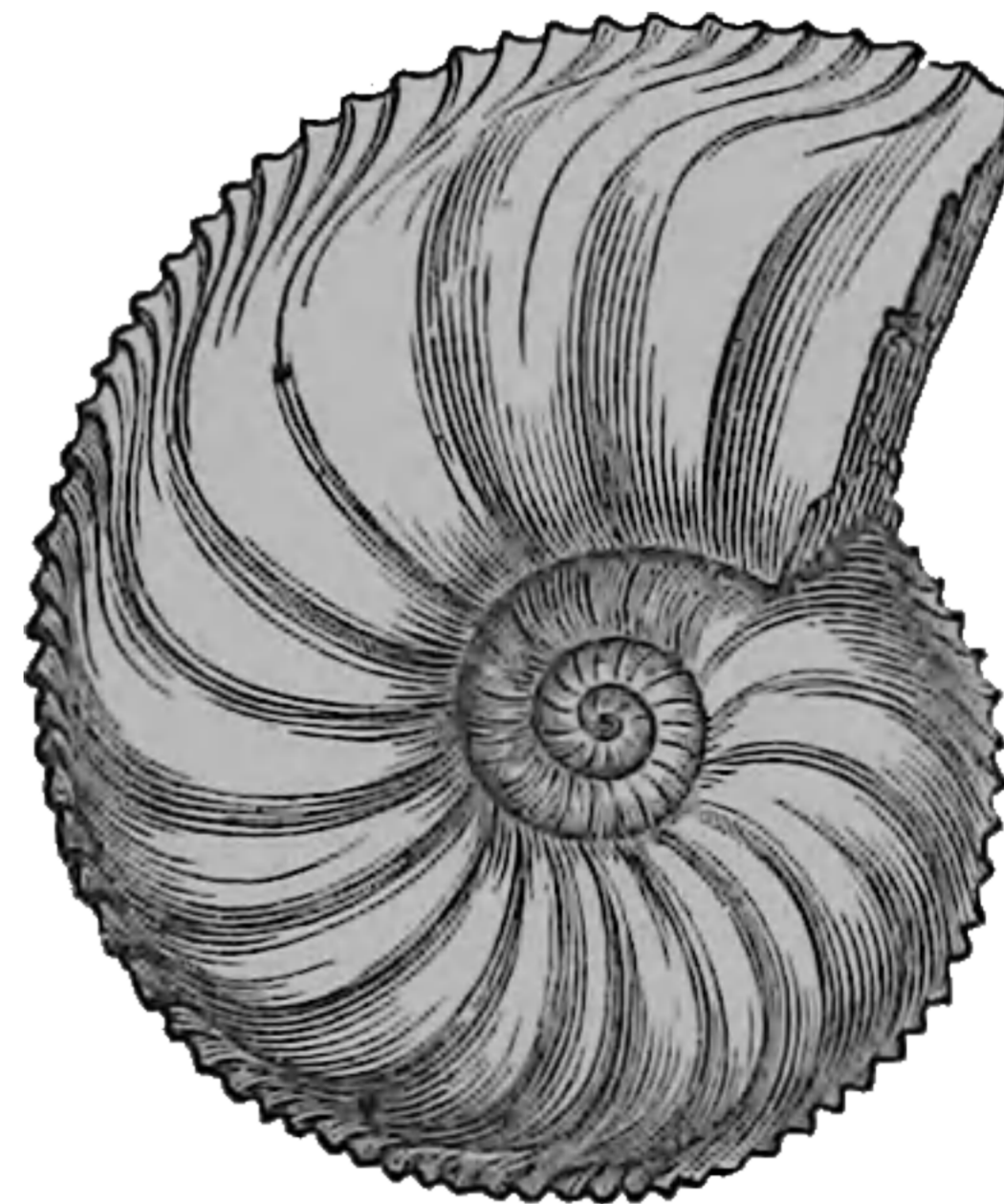


FIG. 112.—*Amaltheus cordatus*, Sow.

In *Amaltheus* the siphonal or abdominal side of the shell, forms in general, a more or less sharp keel, often with an imbricated edge, which projects forward in a long pointed process. This is very well seen in *Amaltheus cordatus* (fig. 112), where the lateral ribs are observed bending obliquely forwards towards the aperture, and the keel when perfect projects forward in a spear-shaped process. In *Amal. margaritatus* the keel is beaded and prominent, the ribs bending forward in graceful sweeps towards the aperture. In *Amal. oxynotus* (fig. 113) the shell is discoidal, and the siphonal area has an edge almost as sharp as a carrier's knife (fig. 114); the sides are undulated, with falciform ribs derived from the original form of the aperture, and with a projecting ventral process.

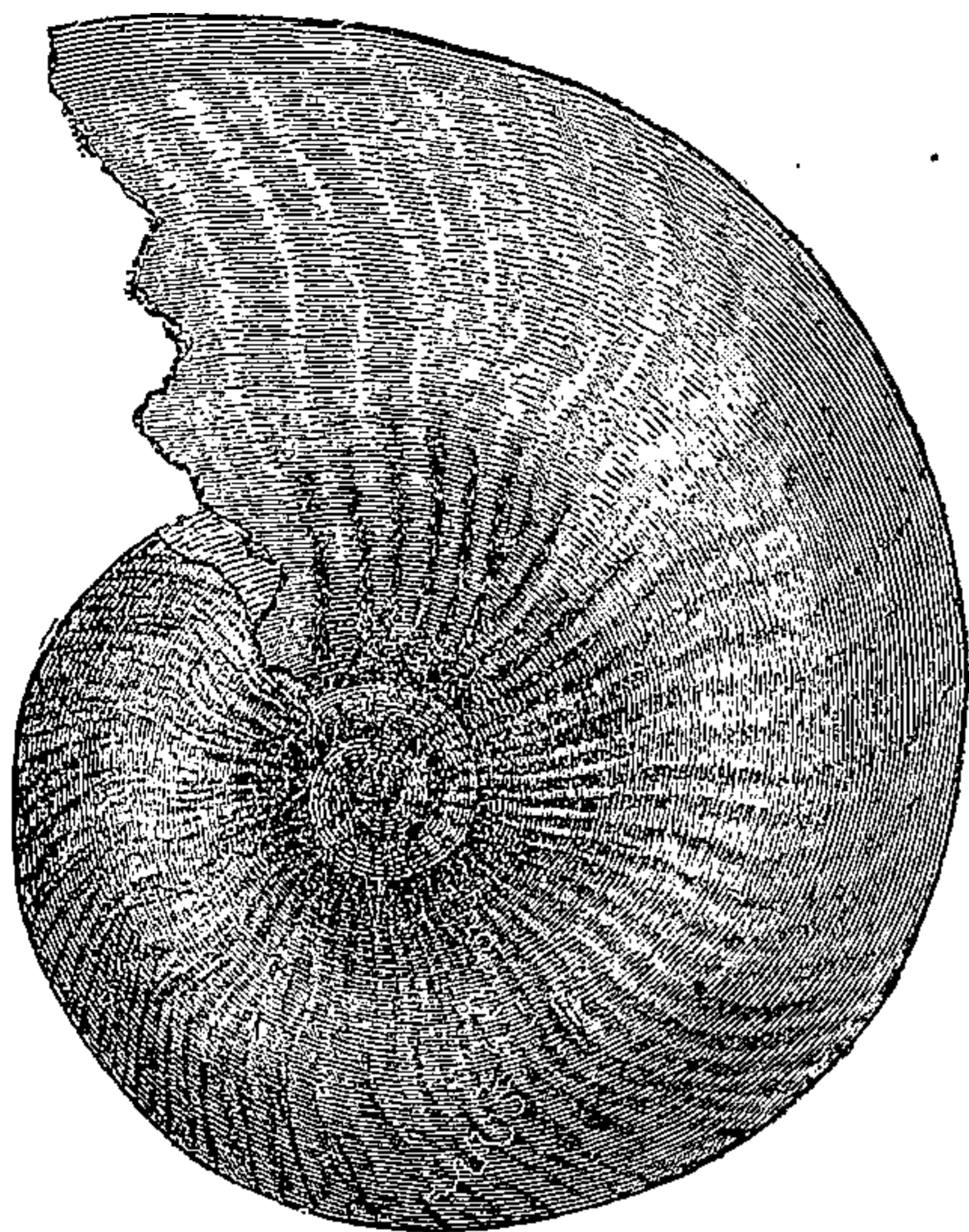
FIG. 113.—*Amaltheus oxynatus*, Quenst.

FIG. 114.—Front view.

In *Harpoceras*, which embraces the true Falcifers of von Buch, the sickle-shaped ribs announce a complicated structure of the mouth-border, with a projecting siphonal or abdominal area, and with lateral lappets of greater or less extent; they are small in *Harpoceras serpentinum* (fig. 115), in *Harp. bifrons*, *Harp. Levisoni*, and long and projecting in *Harp. opalinum*. I must refer to the plates of these species, and the descriptive text thereof, for many important details concerning the mouth-borders of *Harpoceras*.

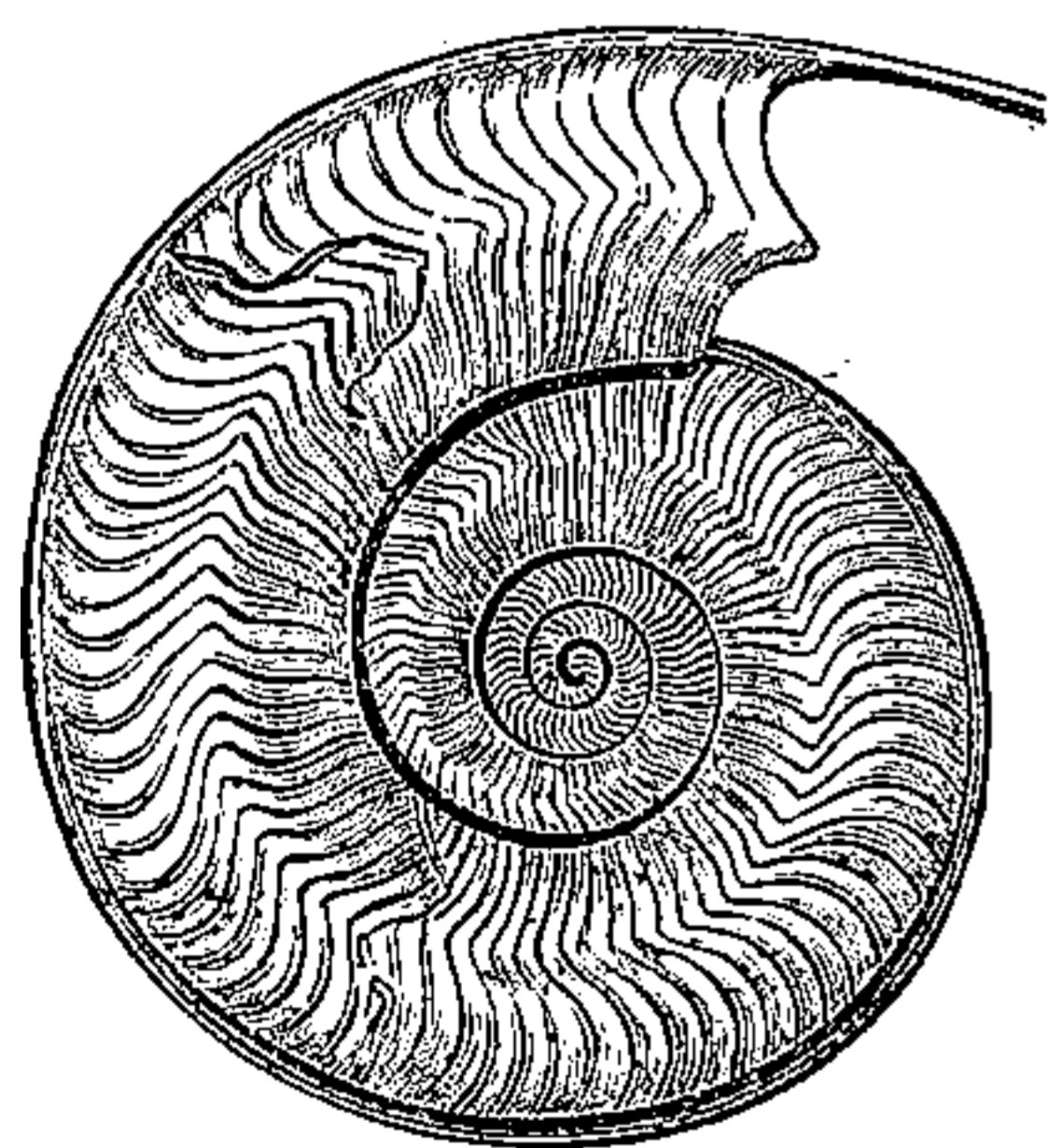
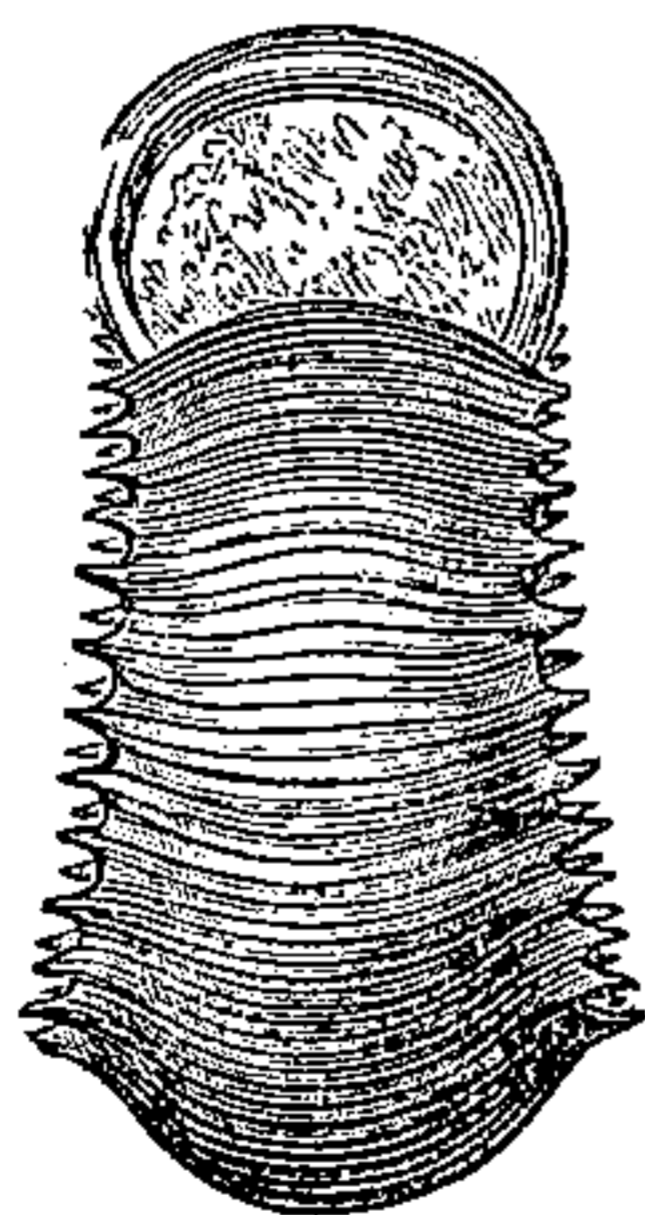
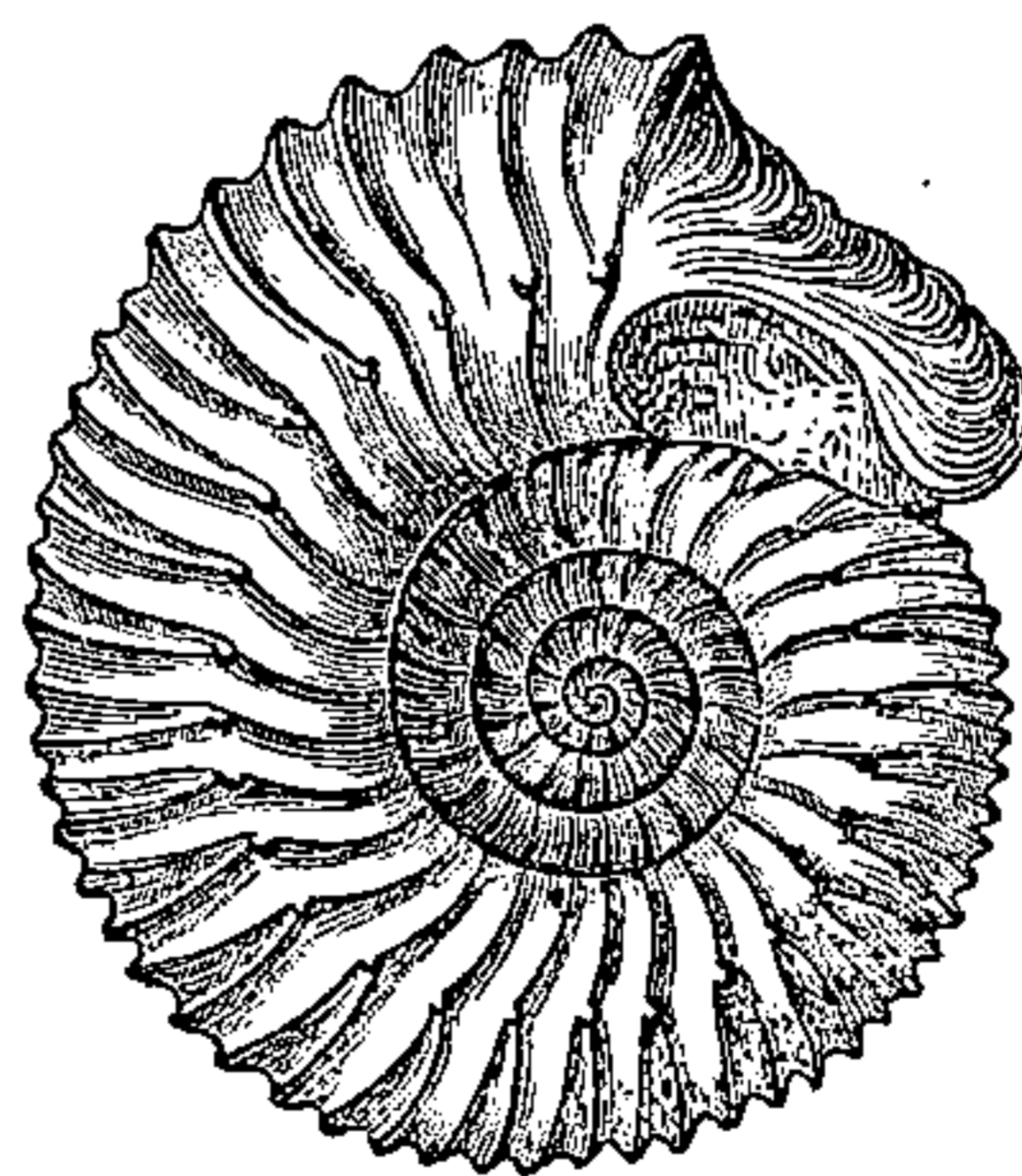
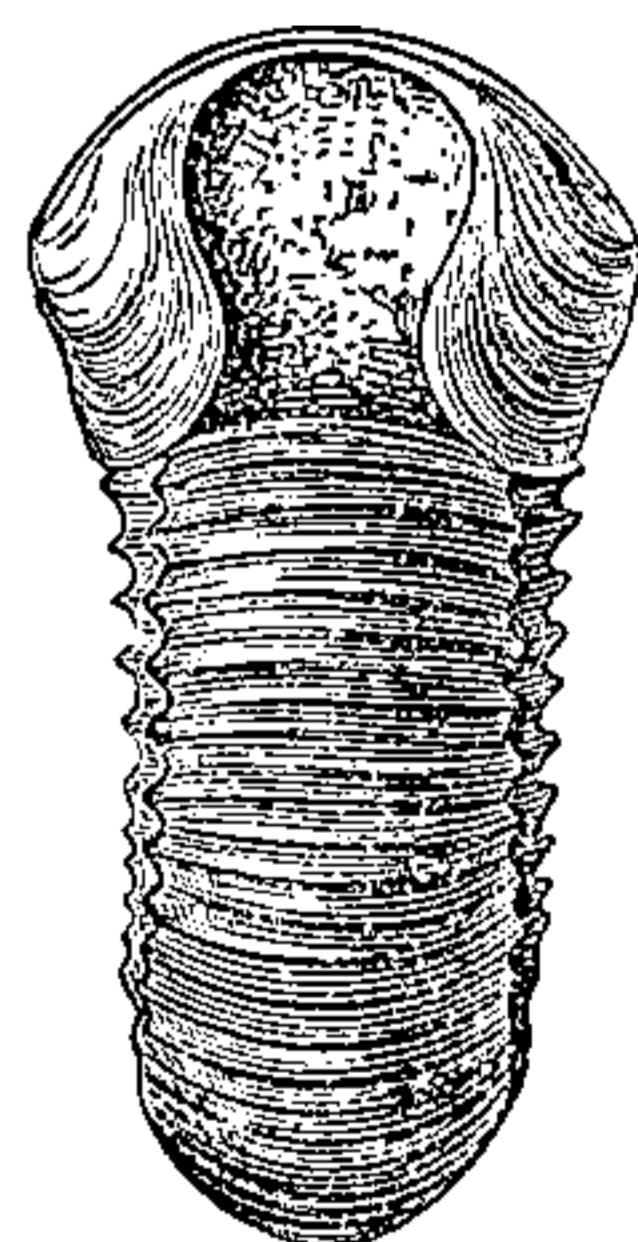
FIG 115.—*Harpoceras serpentinum*, Schloth.FIG. 116.—*Stephanoceras Deslongchampsii*, DeFrance.FIG. 117.
Stephanoceras Braikenridgii, showing labial prolongations.

FIG. 118.

In *Stephanoceras* the shell varies in form; the siphonal or abdominal area is, in general, rounded and without a keel or furrow, and the lateral ribs terminate in tubercles on the sides, from whence numerous folds branch out and extend over the abdomen to join their fellows from the opposite side. The mouth-border in *Stephanoceras Deslongchampsii* consists of a thick band which encircles the aperture, as in fig. 116, and, by its prominence and inflexion on the sides, forms the main lateral portion of the ribs up to the tubercles which are prominent in this species. In *Stephan. Humphriesianum* the oral

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mantle around the mouth-border of the species possessing these fimbriated projections. A similar structure is likewise found in *Lyt. hircinum*, from the *Lytoceras Jurensis* zone.

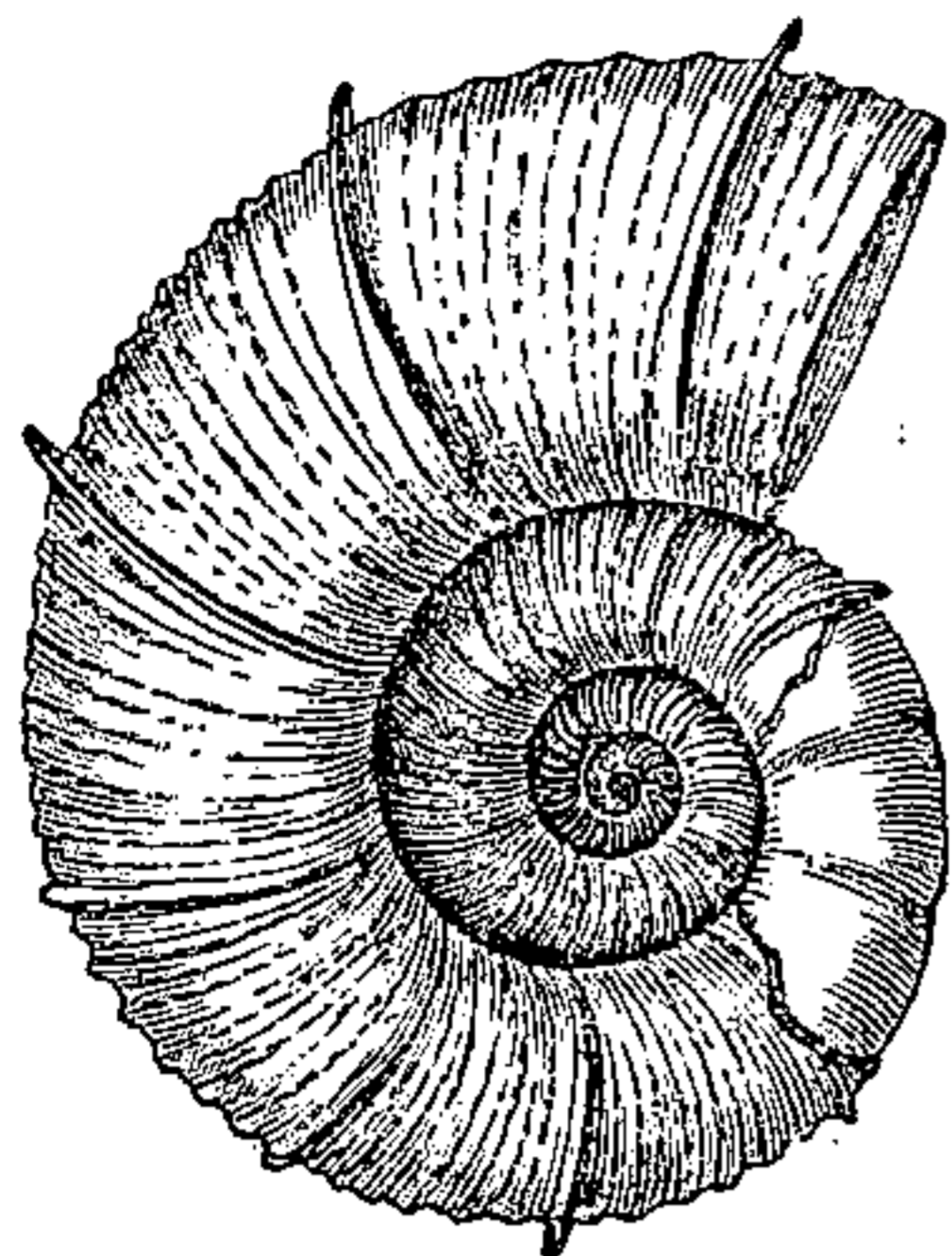


FIG. 123.—*Lytoceras*¹ *fimbriatum*, Sow.

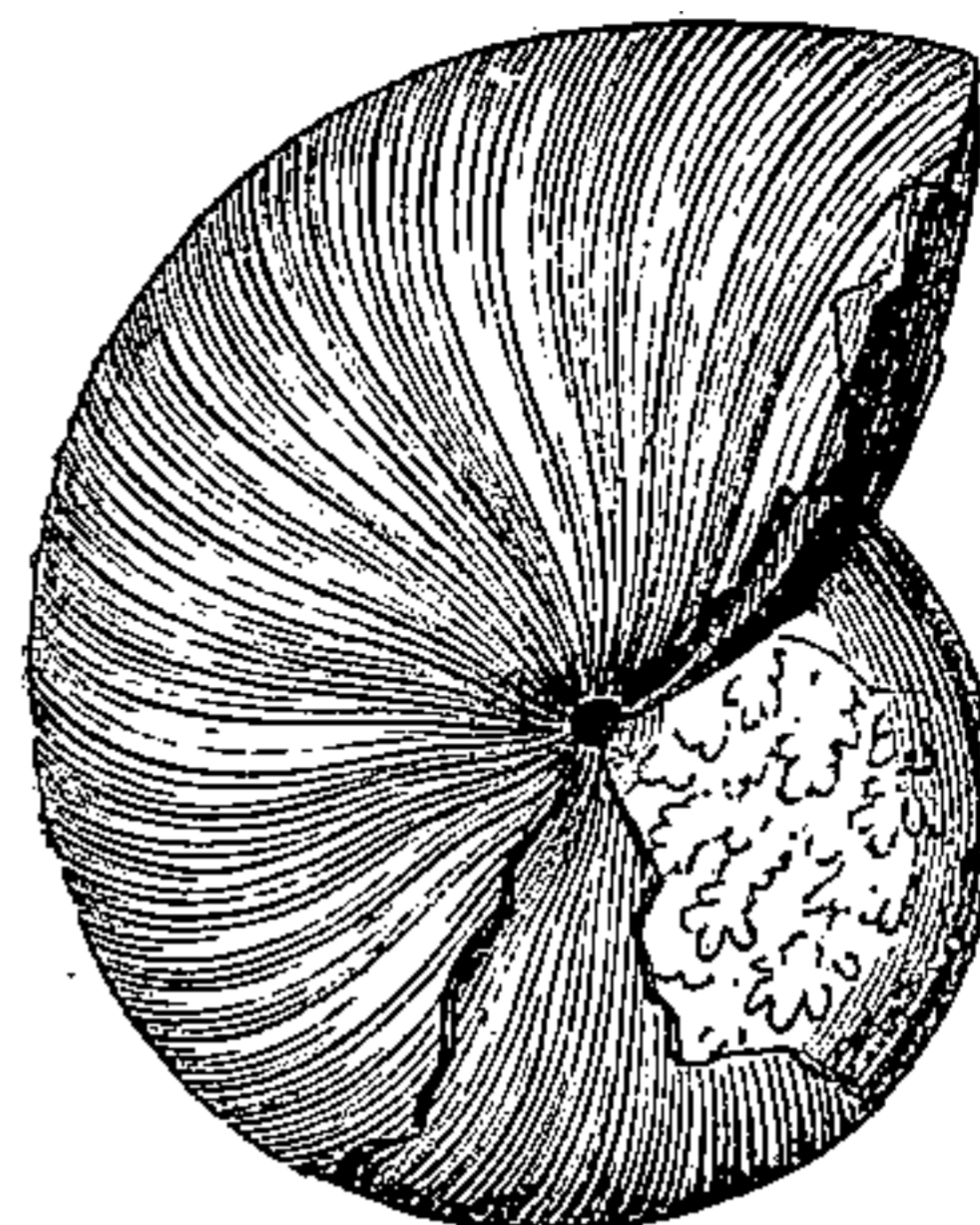


FIG. 124.—*Phylloceras heterophyllum*, Sow.

In *Phylloceras* the involute shell of this group is marked with true forward inclined lines of growth, indicating the presence of a ventral process at the abdominal side of the mouth-border, and this appears to have been the case in the only specimen with a fan-shaped body-chamber, *Phylloceras heterophyllum* (fig. 124), which I obtained from the Upper Lias at Whitby, of which I have given a figure on my Plate two thirds natural size.

A remarkable form of mouth-border has been figured by Count Münster under the name *Scaphites refractus* (fig. 125). In this species the abdominal or siphonal area forms a beak-shaped process, curved downwards towards the aperture, and the lateral processes rise into angular projections, producing a curious pentagonal-shaped oral aperture in this shell.

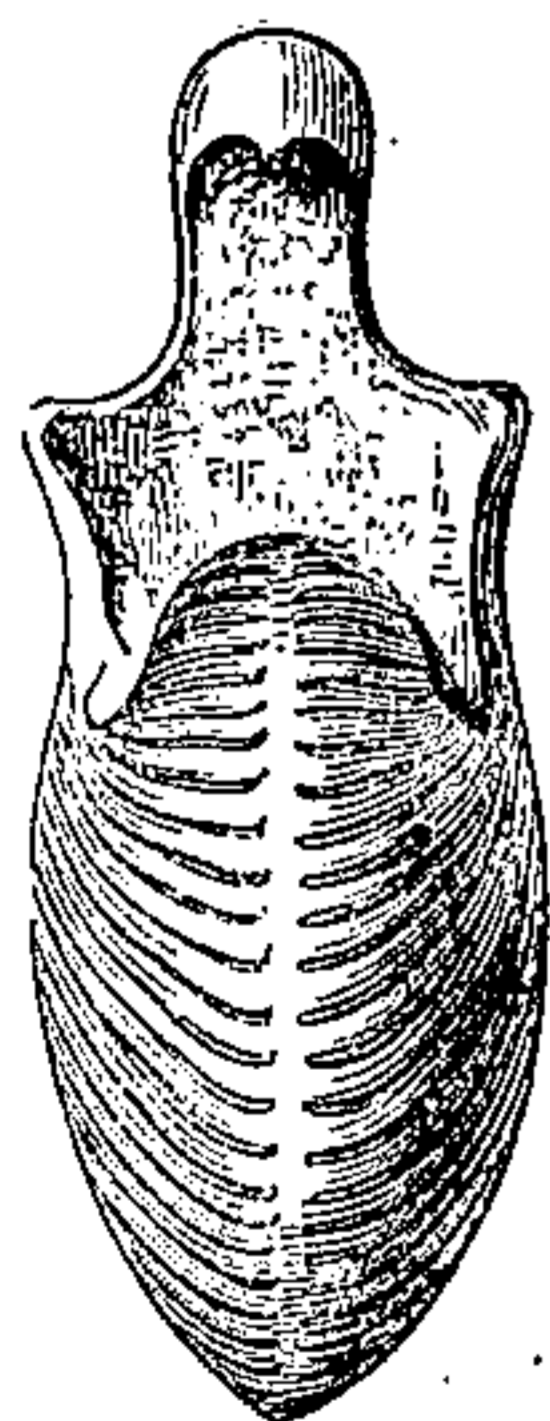


FIG. 125.
Scaphites refractus, Münst.

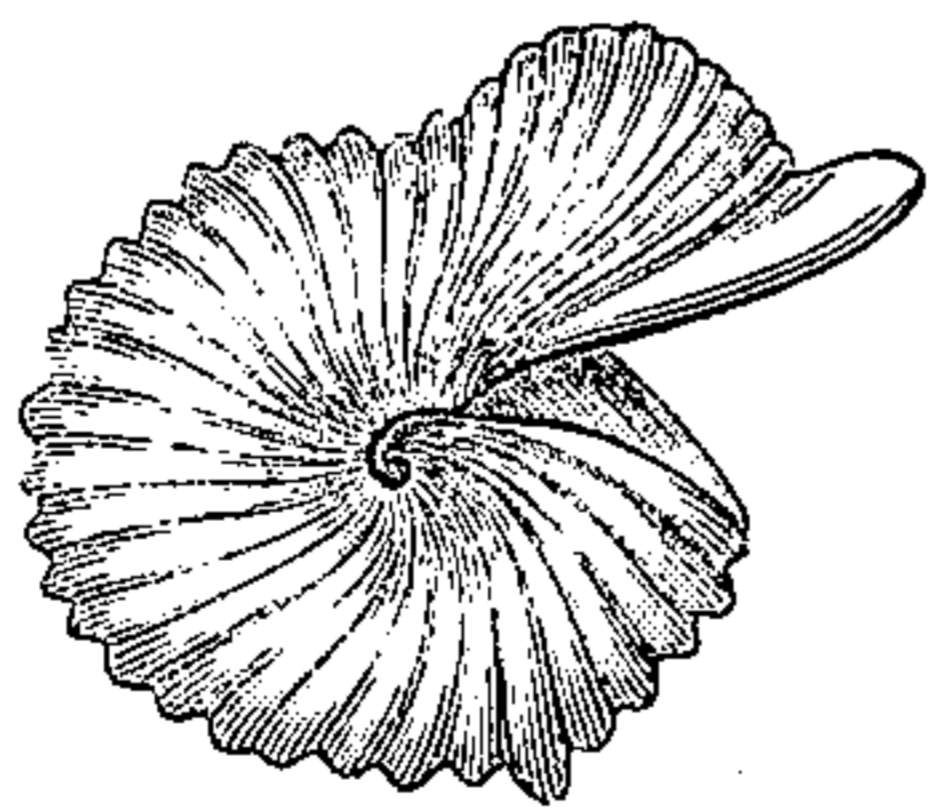


FIG. 126.
Lobites delphinocephalus, Hauer.

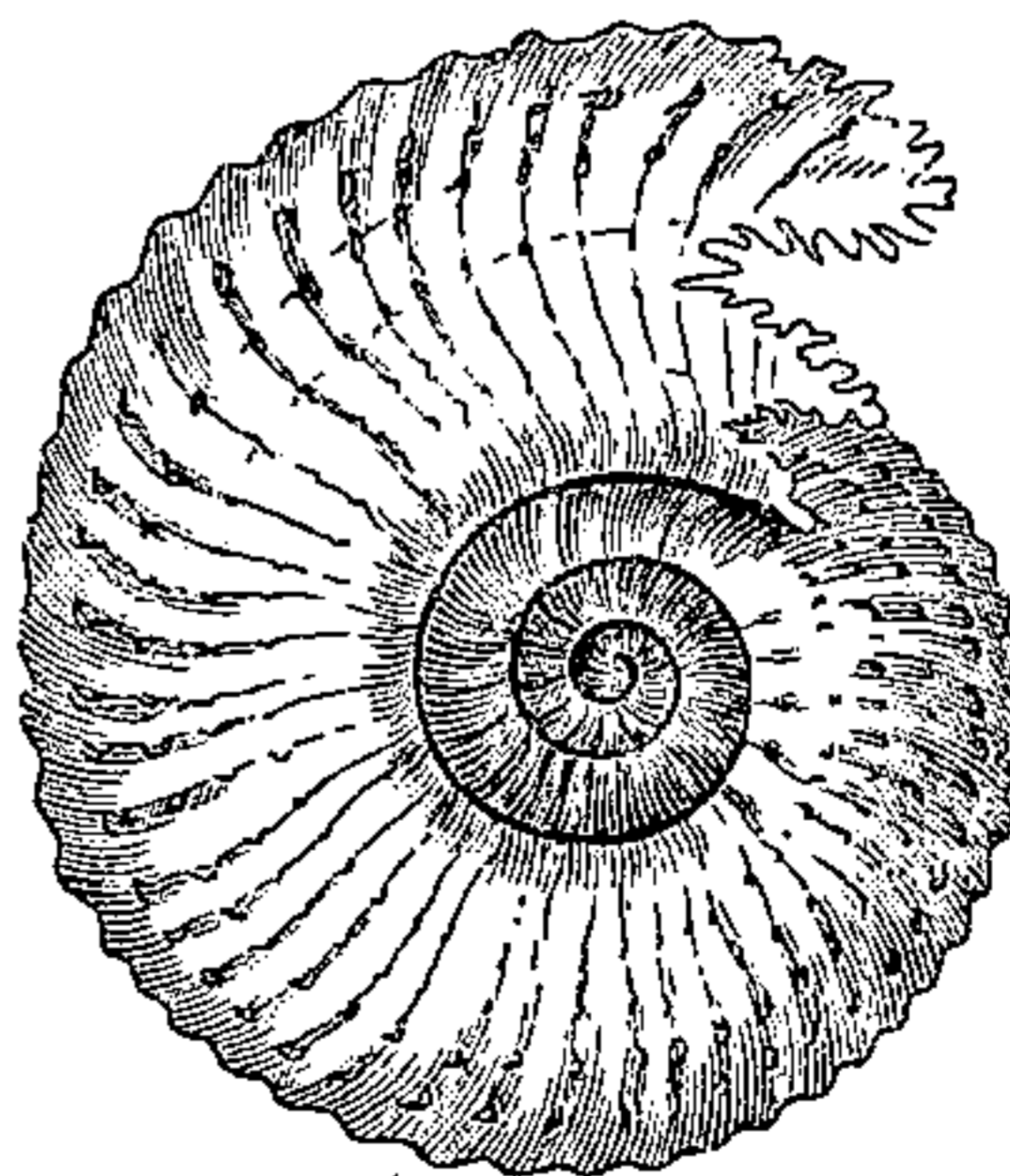


FIG. 127.
Trachyceras Aon, Münst.



FIG. 128.

A still more remarkable mouth-border is seen in the curious example figured (fig. 126) *Lobites delphinocephalus*, Von Hauer, in which the siphonal area becomes inflated and projects forward as in a Scaphite in a remarkable peak-shaped prominence; Count Münster, has figured a remarkable fossil, *Trachyceras Aon* (figs. 127, 128), in which the ornamentation of the shell indicates a singular structure of the mouth-border.

¹ Written *Aegoceras* in error on page 198.

Thirdly.—If the structure of the mouth-border shows that Ammonites varied much in the anatomy of their head, mantle, and arms, the length of the body-chamber affords another character from which important deductions may be made. The capacity of this chamber was doubtless proportioned to the size of the contained animal, as seen in the *Nautilus pompilius* (fig. 129) of our seas, where the Mollusc is represented occupying the entire body-chamber, the outer margin corresponding to the ventral surface, and the columellar side to the dorsal surface of the animal. We have here likewise to note the position of the tentacles and the place of the hood, which may probably be the homologue of the *Aptychus*. The septa are likewise seen to be concave towards the aperture, and convex towards the spire of the shell, and they all are perforated at the centre by the siphuncular tube, which proceeds from the posterior side of the Cephalopod to traverse the septa up to the last air-chamber.

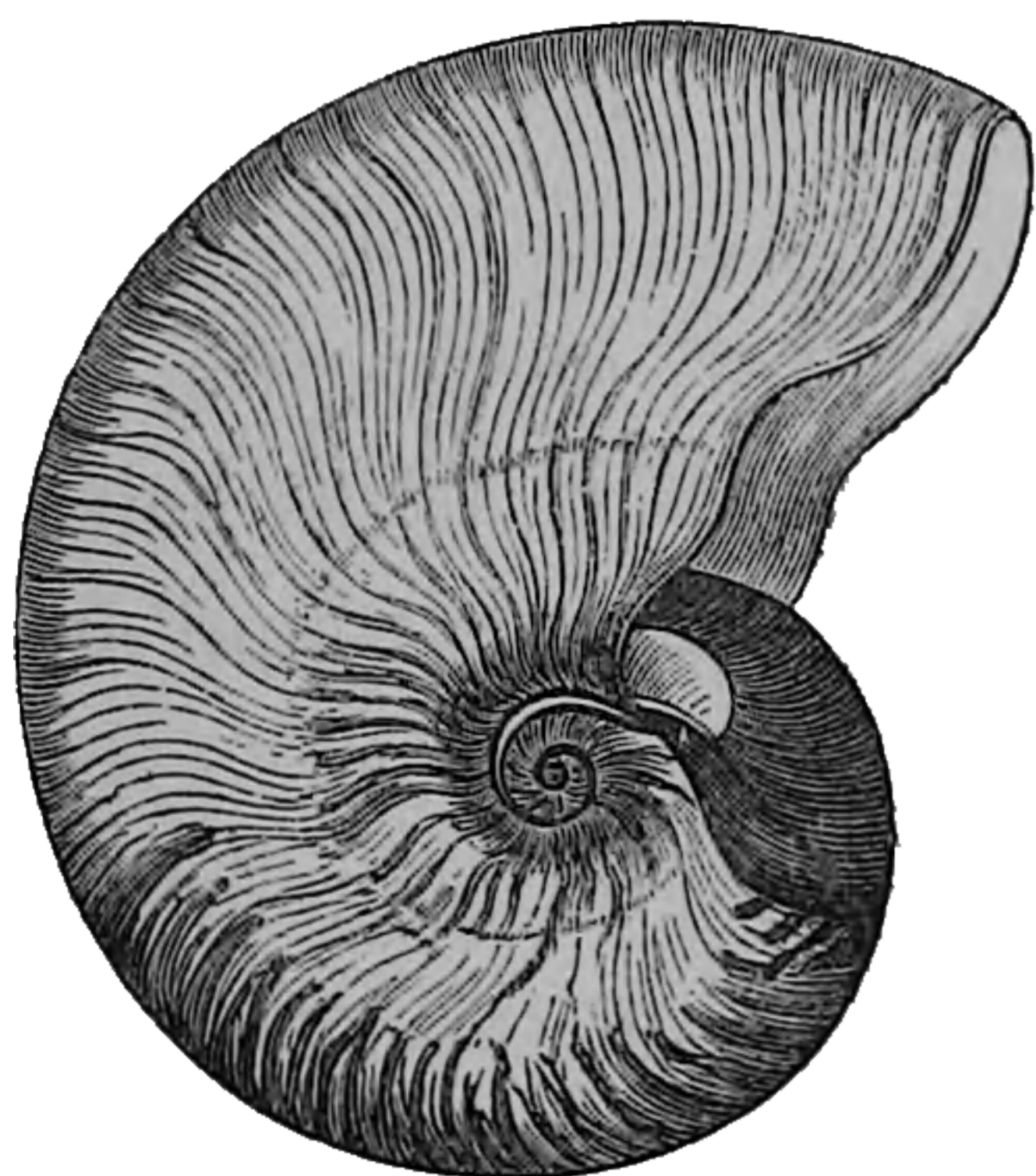


FIG. 130.—*Nautilus umbilicatus*, Lam.

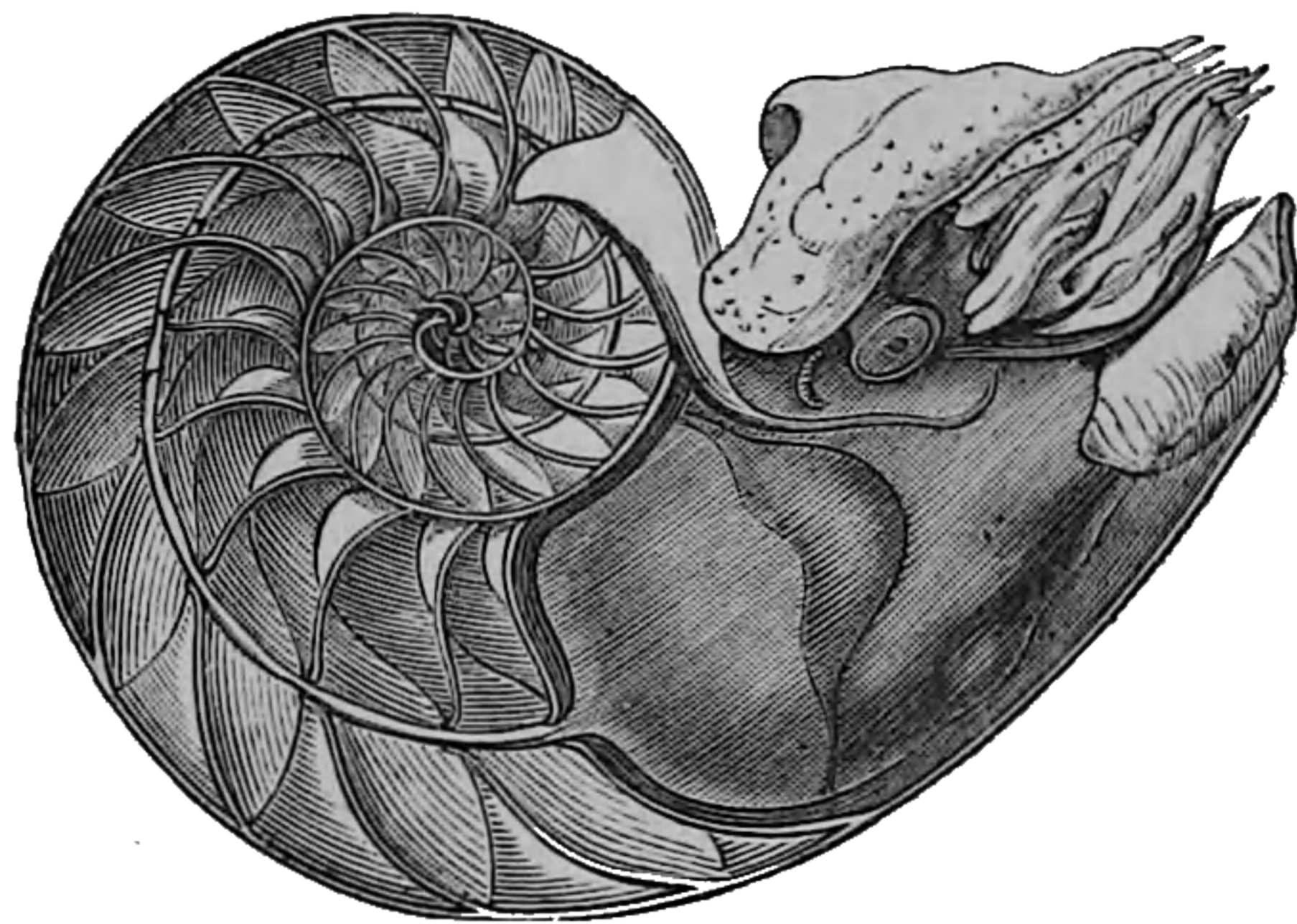


FIG. 129.—Vertical section of the shell of *Nautilus pompilius*, showing the siphuncle and the situation of the animal in the last chamber.

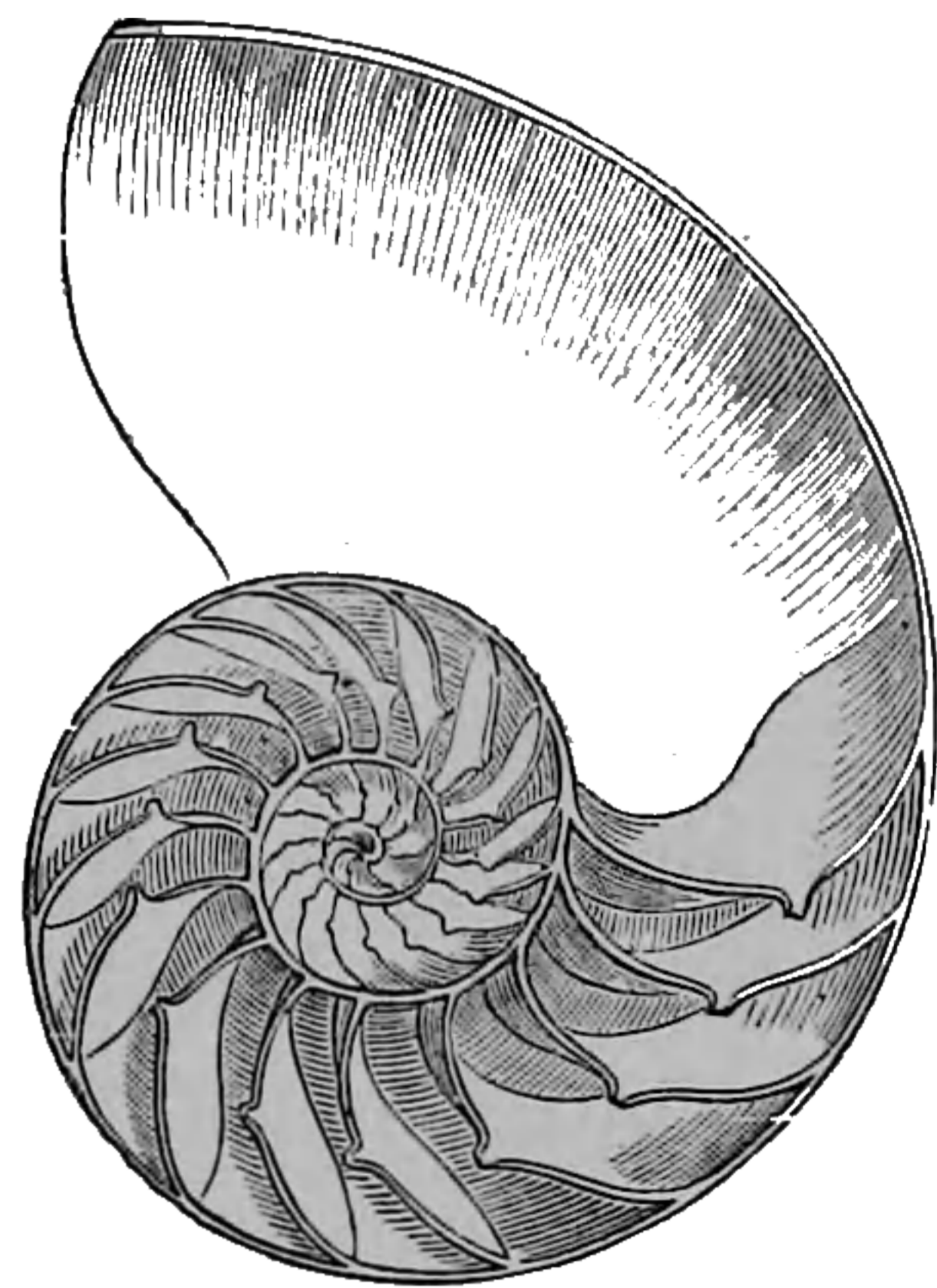


FIG. 131.—Section of the shell of *Nautilus pompilius*, Linn.

In fig. 131 we have a vertical section of the *Nautilus* shell (fig. 130). The body in the section is seen to extend to one half of a whorl, and from the inner side of each septum we observe a short funnel-shaped process projecting backwards, which affords attachment to the membranous siphuncle seen fully *in situ* in fig. 129. The length and capacity of the body-chamber vary considerably in the different genera, and are found to have proportionate dimensions to that of the outer whorl; this appears to be constant in several of the groups on which careful observations have been made; the difficulty experienced in obtaining specimens in which the body-chamber is preserved is, however, a sufficient reason why more has not hitherto been done in this line of inquiry.

In *Arietites* (fig. 132) it will be observed that the septa are convex towards the aperture and concave towards the spire, whilst in *Nautilus* we have seen that the opposite condition prevails. The body-chamber in *Arietites* is likewise very long, extending from one whorl to one whorl and a half in length.

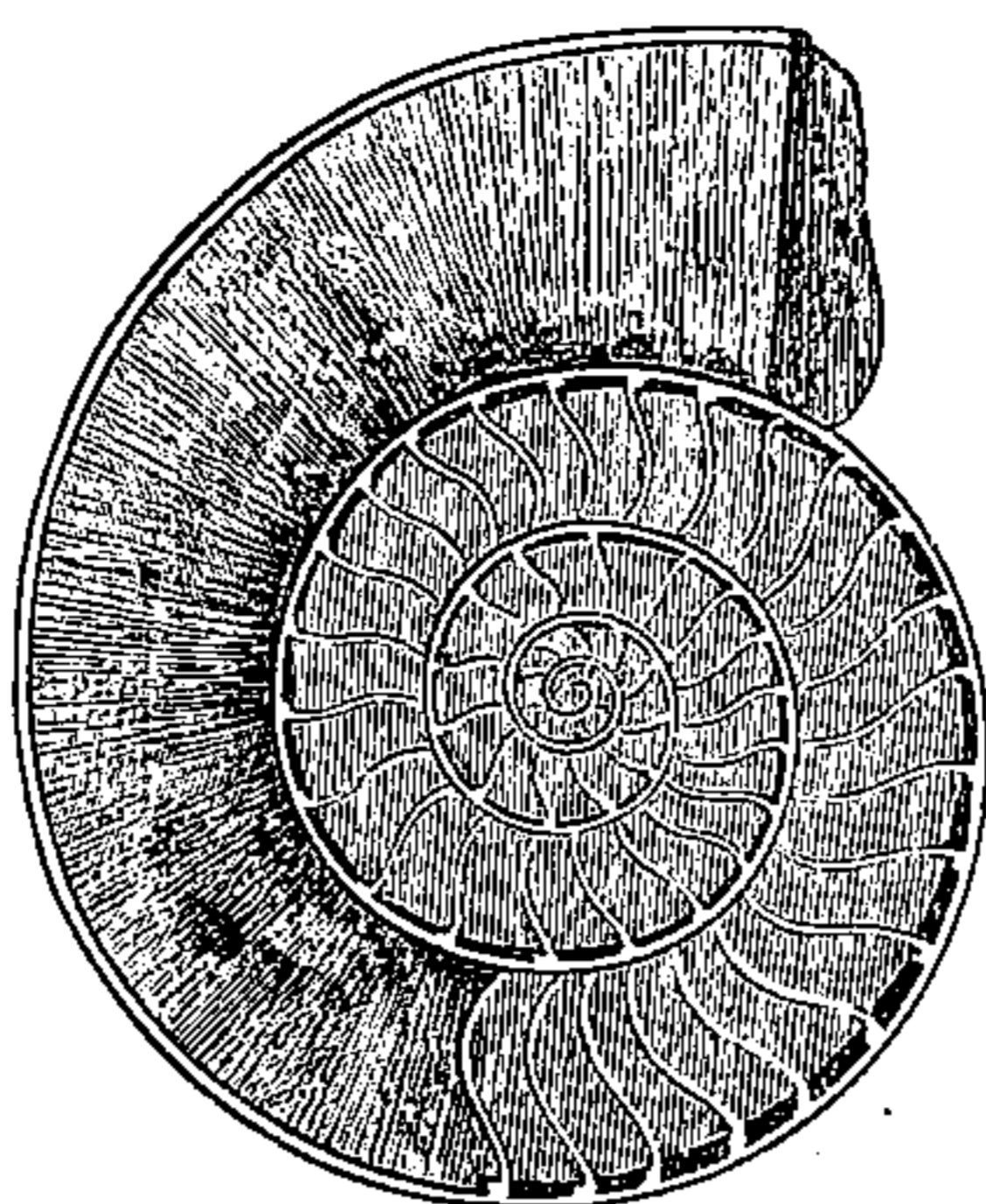


FIG. 132.—Section of *Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Showing the size of the body-chamber and outward convexity of the septa.

In *Aegoceras* the length of the body-chamber varies from two thirds of a whorl to an entire whorl.

In *Amaltheus* the body-chamber is short, and varies from one half to two thirds of a whorl.

In *Harpoceras* it is about two thirds of a whorl.

In *Stephanoceras* it is from one whorl to one and a quarter in length. In *Perisphinctes* from two thirds to a whole whorl, and in *Cosmosceras* it is about half a whorl in length. In *Phylloceras* it is short and wide, and in *Lytoceras* it is round and two thirds of a whorl long.

Fourthly.—The shell of the AMMONITIDÆ is a cone, which is more or less rolled up upon the same plane or in a spiral; and the various turns of the shell or the whorls, as they are called, in general cover to a greater or less extent the preceding whorl; this is called the amount of involution of the whorls, a feature in the diagnosis of the shell which requires consideration when taken in connection with the other features I have described, as the extent of the involution is found to be generally the same in the different species of different groups. Some shells, for example, as those of *Lytoceras* (fig. 123), are only slightly involute; and others, like *Arietites* (fig. 108), have a wide umbilicus, with their inner whorls largely exposed; in others, as *Amaltheus* and *Harpoceras*, the whorls are much covered by the preceding whorl; in some species of *Phylloceras* they are entirely enveloped; and in others the umbilicus is completely closed. This character, the amount of whorl involution, appears to depend on the angle at which the shell bends round in the process of growth, and as it appears to be a very constant feature, is of value in forming a diagnosis of generic characters. On this subject the Rev. J. F. Blake observes,¹ “If we take any fixed point in relation to the shell—say a point in its surface or in the centre of its apertures, that point will describe a curve with the growth of the shell; and if this curve be projected on a plane it nearly forms the well-known ‘equiangular spiral;’ not exactly, however, because the growth does not begin from a point as it should, but from the circumference of the embryo; and it has, therefore, been proposed by

¹ ‘The Yorkshire Lias,’ p. 262.

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The difficulty of finding the *Aptychus in situ* in the shells to which it belongs will long render this important anatomical character of little practical value as a factor in the diagnosis of the different groups, and for this reason it has not been employed by Dr. E. Mojsisovics or by Professor Neumayr in the classifications given by them.

The following classification of the new Ammonite genera was proposed by Dr. W. Waagen,¹ and a like grouping has since been published by M. E. Favre.²

GENERA OF AMMONITES.

A. *Aptychus* ABSENT.

Body-chamber short ; appendage ventral.	PHYLLOCERAS, <i>Suess</i> . <i>Triassic and Cretaceous</i> .
Body-chamber short, appendage dorsal.	LYTOCERAS, <i>Suess</i> . <i>Trias. Juras. Cretaceous</i> .
Body-chamber very long, one and a half to two whorls, mouth border dissimilar.	ARCESTES, <i>Suess</i> . <i>Triassic</i> .
Body-chamber short, mouth-border falciform, appendage ventral, sculpture Argonautiform.	TRACHYCERAS, <i>Laube</i> . <i>Triassic</i> .

B. *Aptychus* PRESENT.

I. *Aptychus* undivided.

1. Horny (*Anaptychus*)—

Body-chamber long, one to one and a half whorls, mouth-border with pointed ventral appendage. ARIETITES, *Waagen*.
Triassic and Liassic.

Body-chamber from two thirds to an entire whorl, mouth-border with rounded ventral appendage. AEGOCERAS, *Waagen*.
Triassic and Liassic.

Body-chamber short, one half to two thirds of a whorl, mouth-border with long ventral appendage. AMALTHEUS, *Montfort*.
Trias., Juras., Cretaceous.

2. Calcareous,—*Aptychus Numida*, Coquand.

Shell unknown (*Sidetes*?) Cretaceous.

¹ 'Ueber die Ansatzstelle der Haftmuskeln beim Nautilus und den Ammoniden, Palæontographica,' Band xvii, 5, p. 197, 1867—1870.

² "Sur la Classification des Ammonites," M. E. Favre, 'Bulletin de Soc. Géol. de France,' 3e série, tom. i, p. 353, 1873.

II. *Aptychus* divided (bivalved) calcareous.

1. *Aptychus*, externally furrowed.

Aptychus thin, body-chamber short, mouth-border falciform, with pointed ventral process HARPOCERAS, *Waagen*.
Jurassic.

Aptychus thick, body-chamber short, mouth-border falciform, appendage rounded ventral. OPPELIA, *Waagen*.
Jurassic, Cretaceous.

Body-chamber short, mouth-border with a groove or enlargement near the aperture, mouth-border with lateral auricles, and rounded ventral appendage. HAPLOCERAS, *Zittel*.
Jurassic and Cretaceous.

2. *Aptychus* thin, granulated externally. Body-chamber long, mouth-border simple, or furnished with bands or auricles. STEPHANOCERAS, *Waagen*.
Jurassic and Cretaceous.

Body-chamber long, aperture narrowed by a furrow, simple, or provided with auricles. PERISPINCTES, *Waagen*.
Jurassic and Cretaceous.

Body-chamber short, aperture simple, or furnished with auricles. COSMOCERAS, *Waagen*.
Jurassic and Cretaceous.

3. *Aptychus* thick, smooth, and punctated externally.

Body-chamber long, umbilicus wide; shell with furrows, aperture with a ventral nasiform appendage. SIMOCERAS, *Zittel*.
Tithonic = the uppermost Jurassic strata.

Body-chamber short, mouth-border in general simple. ASPIDOCERAS, *Zittel*.
Jurassic and Cretaceous.

Since the above scheme was proposed many important additions have been made to the number of genera. Dr. E. Mojsisovics has revised the family ARCESTIDÆ, and grouped therein several new generic forms discovered by him in the Zlambach und Hallstatter-strata, and which are figured in detail in his splendid Monograph.¹

Professor M. Neumayr, of Vienna, has proposed the genera *Olcostephanus*, *Hoplites*, *Acanthoceras*, and *Stoliczkaia* for certain forms which have been detached from other genera owing to the discovery of new characters in these special forms, and Dr. Waagen has proposed the genus *Peltoceras* for certain forms which he has described in his great work on the Jurassic Cephalopoda of Kutch in India.

As new discoveries are made in the intricate structure of these polythalamous shells many errors will be corrected, omissions supplied, and new genera erected for the reception of the revised types of this wonderful assemblage of Cephalopoda which have been collected from the Secondary (Mesozoic) rocks of the Continent of Europe, and from beds of the same age in Asia. The Cephalopoda of the Cretaceous Rocks of Southern India have been admirably figured and described: *Belemnitidæ* and *Nautilidæ*, by Henry

¹ 'Das Gebirge um Hallstatt,' Wien, 1875.

F. Blanford, Esq., F.R.S.; *Ammonitidæ*, with revision of the *Nautilidæ*, &c., by the late Dr. Ferd. Stoliczka; and the Jurassic Fauna of Kutch, *Belemnitidæ*, *Nautilidæ*, and *Ammonitidæ*, by Dr. W. Waagen. All these works are contained in the *Palæontologia Indica*, and form part of the Memoirs of the Geological Survey of India.

I beg to return my best thanks to H. B. Medlicott, Esq., F.R.S., Director of the Geological Survey of India, for a copy of these valuable works so useful to me at present, and most important to all Students of Palæontology.

Professor Alpheus Hyatt published in the Bulletin¹ of the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass., U. S., a remarkable memoir on the Fossil Cephalopods contained in the Museum of that College, in which he gave an outline of a new classification and nomenclature of these fossils. He states that the Ammonoids including all the Cephalopods with serrated or foliated septa, the *Clymenia*, *Goniatites*, *Ceratites*, and *Ammonites* proper, were separated by the late Professor L. Agassiz from the Nautiloids and Dibranchiate Cephalopods, as a distinct order. For many years past Agassiz had considered some of these groups as natural families, and deemed them capable of a division into subordinate groups of generic importance. He imparted this fundamental idea to Professor Hyatt, at the beginning of Hyatt's studies on these interesting fossils, and selected the five genera which are referred to his authority (*Arnioceras*, *Discoceras*, *Rhacoceras*, &c.) as examples of the manner in which the subject should be treated at the time the investigation was recommended to his pupil.

The materials in possession of the Museum were all derived from typical European collections, as those of Professors Bronn and de Koninck, MM. Boucault and Duval, the late Dr. Krantz, and the Museum of Stuttgart.

The position of the female *Argonauta* in its shelly case, says Prof. Hyatt, and of the *Nautilus* in its shell, show conclusively that the periphery of the whorls of an Ammonite is the abdominal side, as stated by Professors Owen and Pictet. This view, therefore, is adopted, and the outer side of the whorl is called the "abdominal," and the inner the "dorsal" side, in accordance with their opinion.

The Lower Lias Ammonites are distributed into four families—PSILO CERATIDÆ, DISCO CERATIDÆ, LIPAROCERATIDÆ, DEROCERATIDÆ.

The Middle Lias forms are grouped into seven families—LIPAROCERATIDÆ, DEROCERATIDÆ, THYSANOIDÆ, DACTYLOIDÆ, PHYMATOIDÆ, AMALTHEOIDÆ, CYCLOCERATIDÆ.

The Upper Lias species are distributed into the following six families:—DISCO CERATIDÆ, DEROCERATIDÆ, DACTYLOIDÆ, THYSANOIDÆ, PHYMATOIDÆ, HILDOCERATIDÆ.

In the following analysis of this memoir I shall select the most typical examples of each genus under the name they will be described in this Monograph.

¹ 'Bulletin of the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass.,' vol. i, No. 5, p. 71 (No. 5 bears no date, but No. 4 is dated June, 1865, and No. 6 is dated December 26th, 1867).

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pilæ in the adult are undivided on the abdomen, and continuous with the large, single lateral pilæ, which last may be ornamented with one or two rows of small tubercles, or may be bare. Ex. *Aegoceras polymorphum*, Quenst. (Pl. XL, fig. 1).

DEROCERATIDÆ.

Genus *DEROCERAS*, Hyatt.—Whorl circular; pilæ depressed; linear between, and bifurcated on the tubercles. Tubercles large, prominent, pointed, and in a single row. Ex. *Aegoceras planicosta*, Sow. (Pl. XXIV).

Middle Lias.

LIPAROCERATIDÆ.

Genus *MICROCERAS*, Hyatt.—Ex. *Microceras planicosta* = *Aegoceras planicosta*, Sow. (Pl. XXIV); *Microceras maculatum*, Young and Bird = *Aegoceras capricornus*, Schloth.

Genus *ANDROGYNOCERAS*, Hyatt.—The sides of the adult whorl slope outward and are ornamented with pilæ, usually single, and set with two rows of tubercles. Abdomen narrow. The large pilæ of the young are split into smaller pilæ on the abdomen of the adult, but usually retain the characters of *Microceras* until a late period of growth. Ex. *Aegoceras heterogenum*, Young and Bird = *Aeg. hybridum*, d'Orb. (Pl. XXXVI).

Genus *LIPAROCERAS*, Hyatt.—This genus differs from both of those previously described in the greater breadth of the abdomen, the greater increase of the radii of the spiral, consequently smaller number of whorls and the larger size of the species. Ex. *Aegoceras Henleyi* = *Aeg. striatum*, Reinecke; *Aeg. Bechei*, Sow. (Pl. XXXIII).

DEROCERATIDÆ.

Genus *DEROCERAS*, Hyatt.—Ex. *Deroceras Davæi* = *Aeg. Davæi*, Sow. (Pl. XXXI, fig. 1); *Deroceras densinodum* = *Aegoceras densinodum*, Quenst. (Pl. XXXVIII, fig. 5); *Deroceras armatum* = *Aegoceras armatum*, Sow. (Pl. XXVIII, fig. 1).

Genus *PERONOCERAS*, Hyatt.—Abdomen depressed; pilæ flattened; linear between the tubercles; usually but not invariably bifurcated by the tubercles on the sides, though invariably bifurcated on the abdomen. Ex. *Stephanoceras fibulatum*, Sow., and *Steph. subarmatum*, Sow.; both are Upper-Lias species.

THYSANOIDÆ.

This family includes the Fimbriati, Ligati, and Heterophylli, which agree in the foliaceous character of the septa.

Genus THYSANOCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen rounded; whorls exposed; amount of involution about one third of each interior whorl. Ex. *Lytocheras fimbriatum*, Sow. (Pl. XLIV).

Genus RHACOCERAS, *Agassiz*.—Abdomen rounded; sides of the whorls flattened; envelopment extends about two thirds over each of the interior whorls, or entirely encloses them, covering up the umbilicus. Ex. *Phylloceras Loscombi*, Sow. (Pl. XL, fig. 4), *Aegoceras Ibez*, Quenst. (Pl. XXXIX, fig. 4).

DACTYLOIDÆ.

This family includes the *Planulati* and part of the *Macrocephali*.

Genus CÆLOCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Pilæ on abdomen bifurcated; lateral pilæ single, or bifurcated with one external row of tubercles on each; the young flatter than the adult; the first two whorls smooth, the others tuberculated. Ex. *Aegoceras pettos*, Quenst. (Pl. XXXVII, figs. 5—7).

PHYMATOIDÆ.

Genus PHYMATOCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen rounded or flattened, never acute; no channels in the adult. Young smooth on the first or second whorl, tubercles appear on the second or third, and, gradually dividing, spread themselves out upon the abdomen as bifurcated pilæ, which disappear on the borders of the channels. Keel makes its appearance at an early age. Ex. *Phymatoceras robustum*, Hyatt.

Genus HAMMATOCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen rounded or acute, always keeled, but never sulcated. Pilæ prominent and straight. Envelopment extending over one half the width of the sides, or covering only the abdomen of each internal whorl. The two species cited are *H. insigne*, Schubl., and *H. variabile*, d'Orb.; these, however, are found only in the Jurensis-zone of the Upper Lias, and not in the Lower Lias, as our author has placed them.

AMALTHEOIDÆ.

Genus PLEUROCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen flat, with keel and channels well-defined; keel crenulated; channels vary from obsolete to deep and well-defined. Pilæ swelling below, tuberculated; genicular bend prominent. Tubercles lateral, arranged along the line of envelopment. Umbilicus open. Ex. *Amaltheus spinatus*, Brug. (Pl. L), the other species cited by our author *P. Hawskerense*, *costatum*, &c., are mere varieties that well-known species of Bruguière.

Genus AMALTHEUS, *Montfort*.—Abdomen acute, keeled, and channelled; whorls

compressed. Keel crenulated and well-defined. Umbilicus open, whorls exposed, or only partially involuted. Ex. *Amaltheus margaritatus*, Mont. (Pl. XLIX); the other forms named are all varieties of Montfort's capital typical species.

CYCLOCERATIDÆ.

This family is remarkable for containing species which, on one side, ally it with LIPAROCERATIDÆ, and, on the other, with HILDOCERATIDÆ. The form is more compressed than the former, and the tuberculations of the pilæ separate it from the latter.

Genus PLATYPLEUROCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen nearly as broad, or broader than the dorsal side of the whorl. Pilæ single, tuberculated, and extending across the rounded abdomen. Septa minutely divided by minor lobes. Ex. *Aegoceras latecosta*, Sow. (Pl. XXXII, fig. 1).

Genus CYCLOCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen rounded or keeled, not so broad as the dorsal side of the whorl. Pilæ single, tuberculated, and not extending across the abdomen in the keeled species, young smooth for the first two or three whorls, then becoming ribbed. Ex. *Aegoceras natrix*, Schloth. *Aegocer. Valdani*, d'Orbig. (Pl. XXXVIII, figs. 1—4).

Genus TROPIDOCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen invariably keeled, much narrower than the dorsal side of the whorl. Pilæ single, smooth, or tuberculated in the same species, do not extend across the abdomen in any species. Young smooth for one or two whorls, keel and pilæ appear simultaneously. Ex. *Harpoceras Masséanum*, d'Orb.

Upper Lias.

DISCOCERATIDÆ.

Ophioceras Levesquei, d'Orb. = *Harpoceras Levesquei*, d'Orb.

DEROCERATIDÆ.

Deroceras subarmatum, Sow. = *Stephanoceras subarmatum*, Sow.

DACTYLOIDÆ.

Cæloceras Grenouillouxii, d'Orb. = *Aegoceras pettos*, Quenst. (Pl. XXXVII, figs. 5—7).

Genus DACTYLIOCERAS, *Hyatt*.—Abdomen equal in breadth, or less in width than the back, instead of being broader than, or equal in breadth to the back, as in the preceding genera. The lateral pilæ in the adult are smooth, and invariably single; the abdominal pilæ may be either bifurcated or single. Ex. *Stephanoceras commune*, Sow.

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" I. ARCESTIDÆ.

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| 1. ARCESTES, <i>Suess.</i> | 5. PINACOCERAS, <i>Mojs.</i> |
| 2. DIDYMITES, <i>Mojsisovics.</i> | 6. SAGECERAS, <i>Mojs.</i> |
| 3. LOBITES, <i>Mojs.</i> | 7. AMALTHEUS, <i>Montfort.</i> |
| 4. PTYCHITES, <i>Mojs.</i> | 8. SCHLOENBACHIA, <i>Neumayr.</i> |

II. TROPITIDÆ.

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| 9. TROPITES, <i>Mojs.</i> | 12. RHABDOCERAS, <i>Suess.</i> |
| 10. TRACHYCERAS, <i>Laube.</i> | 13. COCHLOCERAS, <i>Hauer.</i> |
| 11. CHORISTOCERAS, <i>Mojs.</i> | |

III. LYTOCERATIDÆ.

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| 14. LYTOCERAS, <i>Suess.</i> | 17. BACULITES, <i>Lamarck.</i> |
| 15. HAMITES, <i>Parkinson.</i> | 18. PHYLLOCERAS, <i>Suess.</i> |
| 16. TURRILITES, <i>Lamarck.</i> | |

IV. AEGOCERATIDÆ.

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| 19. AEGOCERAS, <i>Waagen.</i> | 29. PERISPHINCTES, <i>Waag.</i> |
| 20. ARIETITES, <i>Waag.</i> | 30. OLCOSTEPHANUS, <i>Neumayr.</i> |
| 21. HARPOCERAS, <i>Waag.</i> | 31. SCAPHITES, <i>Parkinson.</i> |
| 22. OPPELIA, <i>Waag.</i> | 32. HOPLITES, <i>Neum.</i> |
| 23. HAPLOCERAS, <i>Zittel.</i> | 33. ACANTHOCERAS, <i>Neum.</i> |
| 24. STEPHANOCERAS, <i>Waag.</i> | 34. STOLICZKAIA, <i>Neum.</i> |
| 25. COSMOCERAS, <i>Waag.</i> | 35. CRIOCERAS, <i>Léveillé.</i> |
| 26. ANCYLOCERAS, <i>d'Orbigny.</i> | 36. HETEROCERAS, <i>d'Orbig.</i> |
| 27. BACULINA, <i>d'Orbig.</i> | 37. PELTOCERAS, <i>Waag.</i> |
| 28. SIMOCERAS, <i>Zitt.</i> | 38. ASPIDOCERAS, <i>Zitt."</i> |

NOTE.—The diagnoses of the families are here given in abstract from Prof. Neumayr's work.

I. *Family.*—ARCESTIDÆ, *Mojsisovics.*

Shell smooth or provided with transverse folds, ribs, or longitudinal lines. The wrinkle-layer (Runzel-schicht)¹ present in the more ancient forms; the lobes consist mostly of short, abruptly interrupted lines, seldom (only in *Sageceras*) granular. Mantle-impression, in the forms from the Trias, with more or less contraction around the mouth-opening

¹ This word has no equivalent in the English language, but it clearly means the wrinkled marginal layer of the mantle of the Mollusc, which formed the lobe-lines of the septa, and imparted such an important character to the shells of the Ammonitidæ.

which is seen on the mould of the body-chamber, but is seldom visible on the chambered portion of the shell. Horny Aptychus probably present in *Arcestes*, certainly in *Amaltheus*, for the other forms doubtful.

Genus ARCESTES, Suess.—Shell in general smooth, seldom with longitudinal lines; body-chamber long, from one to one and a half whorls. Spiral increase moderate; strongly involute; mouth-opening contracted, either by an eversion of the shell, or through a thickening of its inner lamina around the border. Lobes strongly incised, so that the saddles consist of a small stem, with numerous approximated horizontal branches, from which other bifurcations proceed. The umbilicus is often closed by shelly eversion.

Dr. Ed. v. Mojsisovics divides the genus into the following groups:—Extra-labiati, Sub-labiati, Bi-carinati, Coloni, Intus-labiati, Galeati, and Sub-umbilicati, all of them characterised by more or less modified body-chambers of the full-grown individuals, and by a contraction of the umbilicus, frequently entirely occluded by a callosity. All these forms are accurately figured from perfect specimens in his splendid Monograph.¹

The typical *Arcestes* belong to the Trias. The species number about 130, and the Muschelkalk contains some highly developed forms. I cite three well-known species as types of this genus: *Arcestes sub-umbilicatus*, Bronn, *Arcestes Gaytani*, Klipstein, *Arcestes Johannis-Austriæ*, Klipstein.

Genus DIDYMITES, v. Mojs.—General form and length of chamber as in the preceding; shell provided with folds and well-defined lines of growth; through the whole length of the body-chamber up to the mouth-border there rises upon the convexity of the inner side of the shell a median ridge (normal line). The whorl is contracted near the mouth. The lobe-line is formed by a few pairs of small incised saddles which frequently alternate with single saddles. The radial lines of growth on the shell, the median ridge on the ventral surface, and the peculiar arrangement of the lobe-line distinguish *Didymites* from *Arcestes*. All are collected from the Noric stage or division (Norische Stufe) of the Trias, near Hallstatt.

Genus LOBITES, v. Mojs.—In the general form and length of the body-chamber it agrees with *Arcestes* and *Didymites*. Shell with transverse folds which are abundantly intersected with fine longitudinal lines. The last whorl takes on frequently a shape different from the form of the internal cast, and not unfrequently closes the umbilicus with a callosity. Most of the species are found in the Triassic beds (Carinthian division) with *Lobites ellipticus* at Rothelsteins. I have cited as a typical example (fig. 133) *Lobites delphinocephalus*, Hauer, from that locality.

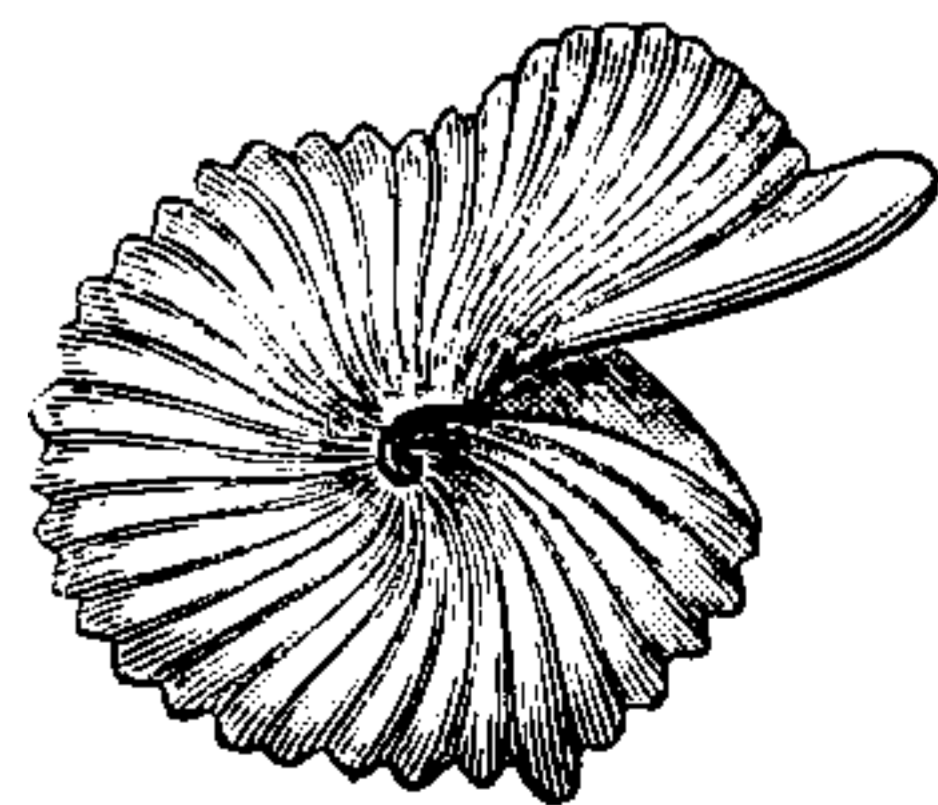


FIG. 133.—*Lobites delphinocephalus*.

¹ 'Das Gebirge um Hallstatt,' 4to., with 70 plates, Wien, 1875.

Genus PTYCHITES, v. Mojs.—In its general form and length of the body-chamber it resembles *Arcestes*, but differs from that group in the structure of the lobes. The external lobe is very shallow, the external saddle very short, the first lateral saddle is, on the contrary, very high; the saddles are indented, and show an appearance of a branched formation. The smooth shell is covered with straight or winding radial folds. The species are all Triassic. Ex. *Ptychites Studeri*, Hauer, *Ptychites Dontianus*, Hauer.

Genus, PINACOCERAS, v. Mojs.—Shell small, with a high mouth-opening, surface smooth, rarely with any elevations thereon; body-chamber from one half to two thirds of a whorl long. Mouth-border with short lappet-formed processes on the ventral side. Lobe-line distinguished by the presence of an additional external lobe. The species are all Triassic. Ex. *Pinacoceras imperator*, Hauer, *Pinacoc. Daonicum*, Mojs.

Genus SAGECERAS, v. Mojs.—In the form of the shell and length of the body-chamber this genus is nearly related to *Pinacoceras*. It is distinguished from it by the structure of the “wrinkle-layer,” the form of the lobes, and the direction of the lines of growth on the concave part of the shell. The “wrinkle-layer” is granular, as in *Nautilus*, and does not consist of long lines and threads as in other *Arcestidæ*. The saddles are small, strongly marginate, or linguiform; the lobes symmetrical with simple conical indentations, single or double; there are three lobe groups as in *Pinacoceras*. Three species belong to the Permian formation, *Sag. Hauerinum*, Kon., *Sag. Orbignyanum*, Vern., *Sag. primas*, Waag., the others are found in the Triassic rocks, *Sag. Gabbi*, Mojs., *Sag. Haidingeri*, Hau., *Sag. Walteri*, Mojs., *Sag. Zigmondÿi*, Mojs.

Genus AMALTHEUS, Montfort.—Siphonal side of the shell sharpened or keeled; ribs, when present, flexed forward, and ending in a granular (fig. 135) or plaited ridge or keel (fig. 134); the external shelly lamina in some species develops fine spiral lines; body-

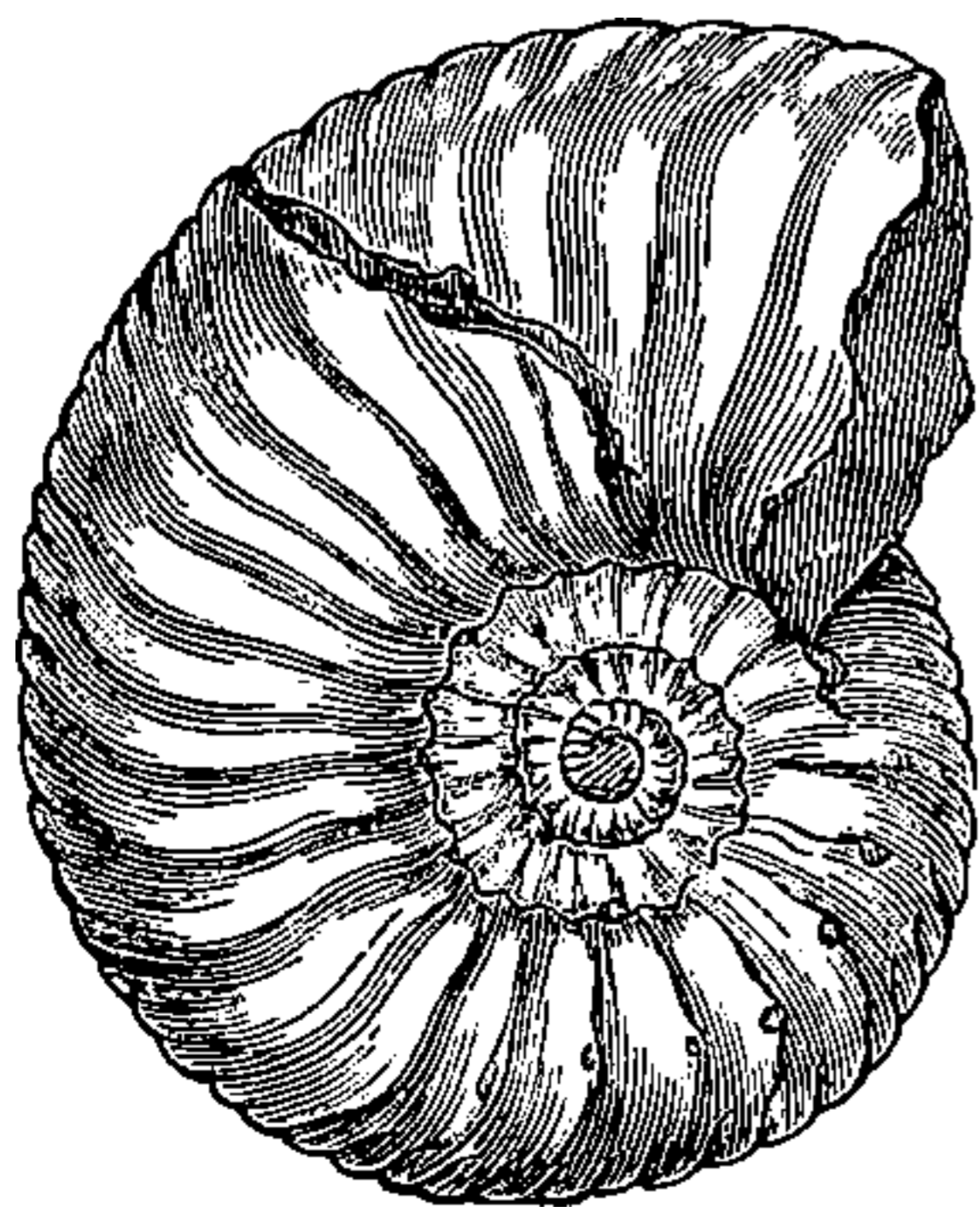


FIG. 134.—*Amaltheus margaritatus*, Mont.

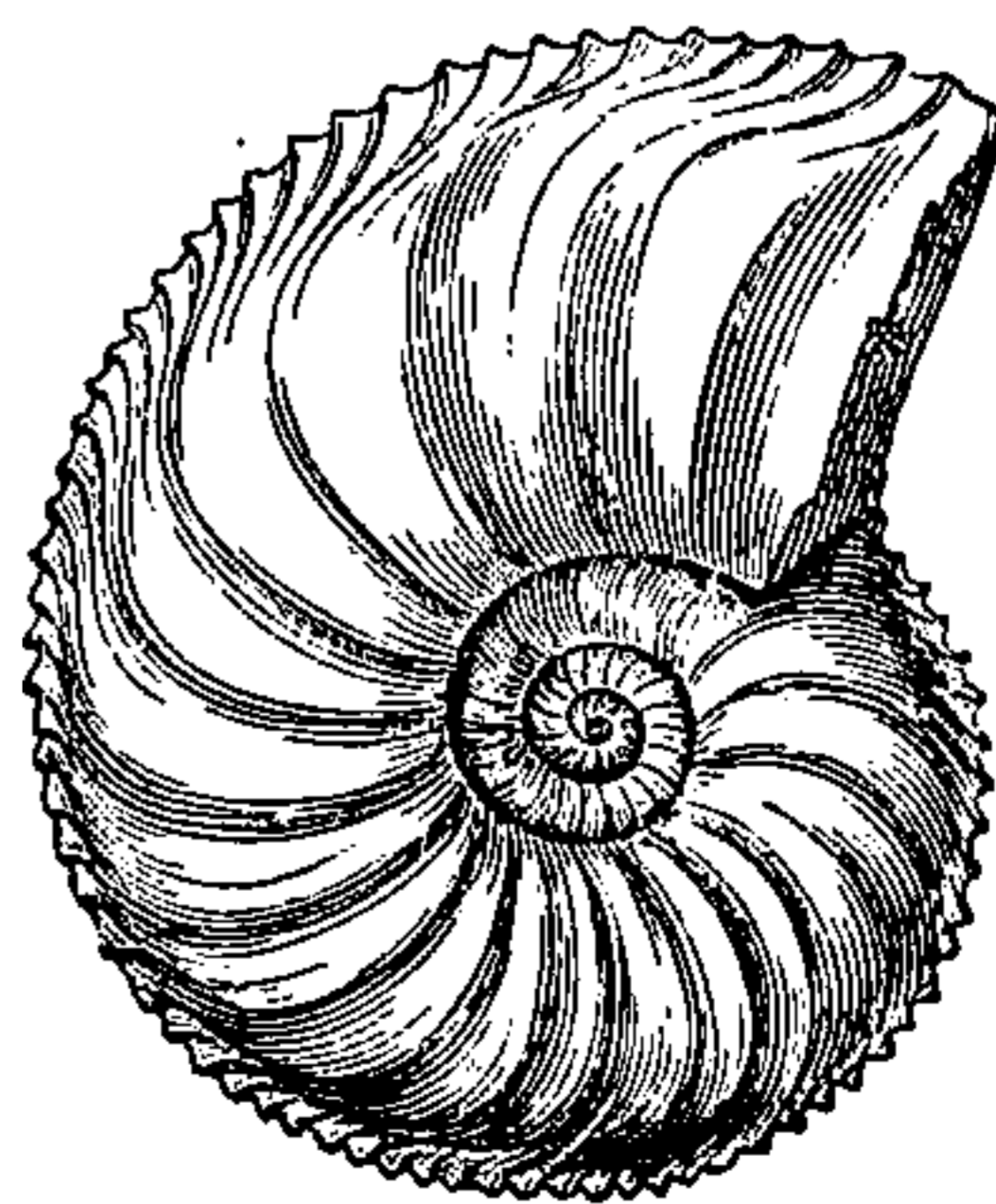


FIG. 135.—*Amaltheus cordatus*, Sow.

chamber short; one half to two thirds of a whorl. Mouth-border simple, ventral portion ending in a long projecting process. Lobe-line extremely ramified, the siphonal lobe

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Genus TRACHYCERAS, *Laube*.—Body-chamber short, from one half to two thirds of a whorl in length. The sculpture interrupted on the ventral surface (fig. 140.) In

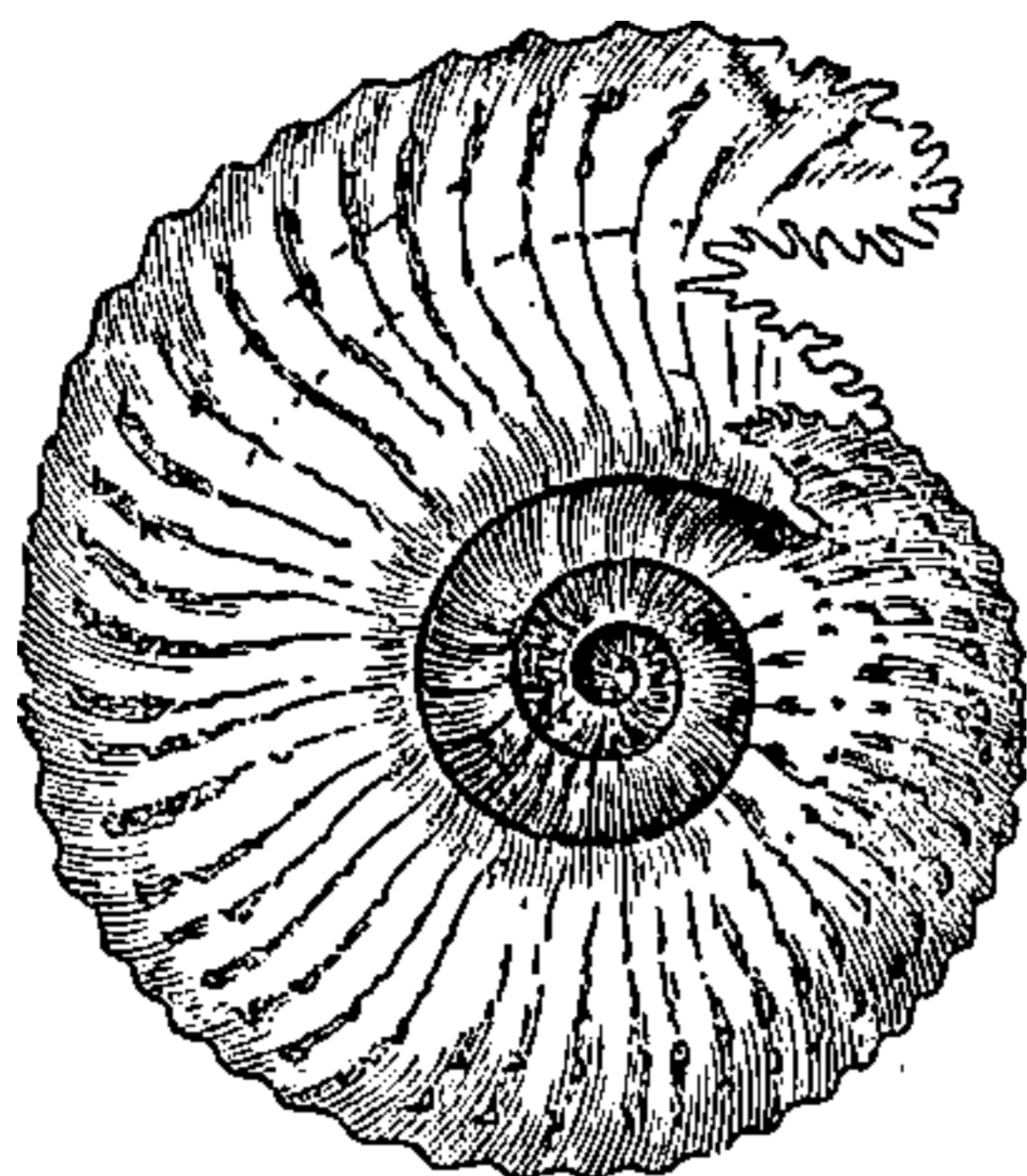


FIG. 139.



FIG. 140.

Trachyceras Aon, Münst.

some species there is a deep median furrow, at which the ribs with their tubercles end. The mouth-border has a short ventral process. All the species are Triassic. Ex. *Trachyceras Aon*, Münst. (figs. 139, 140). *Trach. binodosum*, Hau., *Trach. Attila*, Mojs.

Genus CHORISTOCERAS, *Hauer*.—This genus is nearly allied to the preceding. The body-chamber is short; the lobes are very slightly incised. The inner whorls have their sculpture interrupted on the ventral surface, whilst on the last whorl it extends uninterruptedly across the abdomen. The structure of the lobes shows a persistent relation to an older type, whilst in the sculpture on the ribs there is an evident inclination towards the *Trachyceras* type. All the species belong to the Trias formation. Ex. *Choristoceras decoratum*, Hauer, *Chor. noricum*, Mojs., *Chor. nasturtium*, Dittm.

Genus RHABDOCERAS, *Hauer*.—Staff-shaped and tubular, with expanded mouth, and with a transverse ring-like sculpture and simple bent lobes; the genus is very little known, and probably connected with *Choristoceras*, to which it stands very near. *R. Suessi*, Hauer.

Genus COCHLOCERAS, *Hauer*.—The whorls are screw-shaped, with continuous ribs and simple bent lobes. This form is also near to *Choristoceras*; it is found in the Trias beds at Zambach and Salzkammergut. *Cochl. Fischeri*, Hau.

III. *Family*.—LYTOCERATIDÆ, *Neumayr*.

This family includes several groups which differ much from each other as regards their external form, but which nevertheless appear to have a close relationship in their

internal structure. They are characterised by having a short body-chamber, about two thirds of a whorl in length, a simple mouth-border slightly produced on the columellar side; but in all the other features there is a wide difference of structure.

This family includes the typical groups *Lytoceras* and *Phylloceras*, and others which differ much from them in external form, as *Hamites*, *Turrilites*, and *Baculites*.

The *Aptychus* appears to be absent in this family; at least, it has not as yet been found.

Genus LYTOCERAS, *Suess*.—Shell discoidal, more or less flat; umbilicus large and open; involution slight, whorls round, only slightly embracing each other around the spire. Body-chamber two thirds of a whorl in length; mouth-border simple, with intermittent contractions and prominent fimbriæ; columellar side with a lappet which rests on the preceding whorl; the ventral and lateral sides without any prolongation. The sculpture and lines of growth parallel with the mouth-border; near the spiral suture they bend a little forward. Sculpture feeble, consisting mostly of small radial lines, and intermittent contractions of the shell, with corresponding fimbriæ or prominent fringed ribs at certain intervals of growth (fig. 141). Suture line very complicated. Lobes few, much branched; lateral lobes and saddles divided into small uniform symmetrical digitations; only two lateral lobes; and a large columellar lobe covered by the former whorl. No *Aptychus* has as yet been found.



FIG. 141.
Lytoceras fimbriatum, Sow.

This genus commences in the Trias. *Lyt. Morloti*, Hauer; *Lyt. sphaerophyllum*, Hauer; *Lyt. patens*, Mojs.

It is represented in the Lias formation by *Lytoceras fimbriatum*, Sow. (fig. 141). By *Lyt. Cornucopiæ*, Young; *Lyt. Jurense*, Zitt.; *Lyt. hircinum*, Schloth.; and *Lyt. torulosum*, Schübl.; *Lyt. Eudesianum*, d'Orb., in the Inferior Oolite. By *Lyt. Adelæ*, d'Orb., in the Kelloway. In the Cretaceous rocks by *Lyt. Duvalianum*, d'Orb.; *Lyt. Honoratianum*, d'Orb.; *Lyt. sub-fimbriatum*, d'Orb.

Dr. Waagen¹ has figured and described *Lytoceras rex.*, Waag., from the middle Oolite of Kutch, Western India, which is nearly allied to *Lytoceras Eudesianum*, d'Orb.; it is a magnificent specimen $11\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter, with thirty fimbriæ on its last whorl.

Genus HAMITES, *Parkinson*.—With reference to the Cretaceous forms having a conical shell bent in one plane or more without the bends being in contact, Professor Neumayr remarks that a spiral curve of a particular curvature does not give sufficient data for the establishment of a distinct genus. With this view the recognised genera *Anisoceras*, *Ancylloceras*, *Baculina*, *Hamulina*, *Helicoceras*, *Ptychoceras*, and *Toxoceras*, where the

¹Palæontologia Indica, Jurassic Fauna of Kutch.' pl. viii, p. 36, 1875.

curvature receives many modifications, and exists in some of the examples in more than one plane, are all suppressed, and the whole series is reduced to the single genus *Hamites*, which, in the primary significance of the word, implied a conical straight shell, as *Hamites elegans*, d'Orb. (fig. 142), bent in one plane, without the bends being in

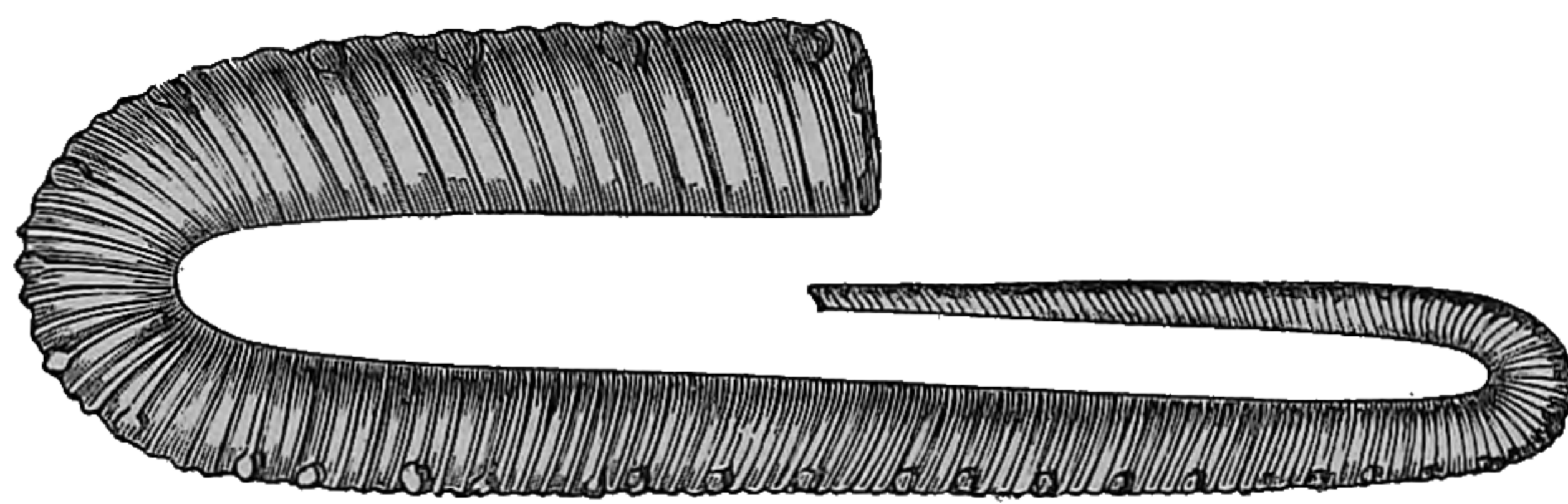


FIG. 142.—*Hamites elegans*, d'Orb.

contact. The suture-line is divided into six lobes; the upper lateral lobe always, the under lateral mostly, divided into pairs of branches.

Genus TURRILITES, Lamarck.—Under this genus Professor Neumayr classes *Helicoceras* (fig. 143), with an open spiral not in one plane, and *Heteroceras*, with a closed spiral only in the earlier stage of growth. In *Turrilites* (fig. 143) the suture-line is

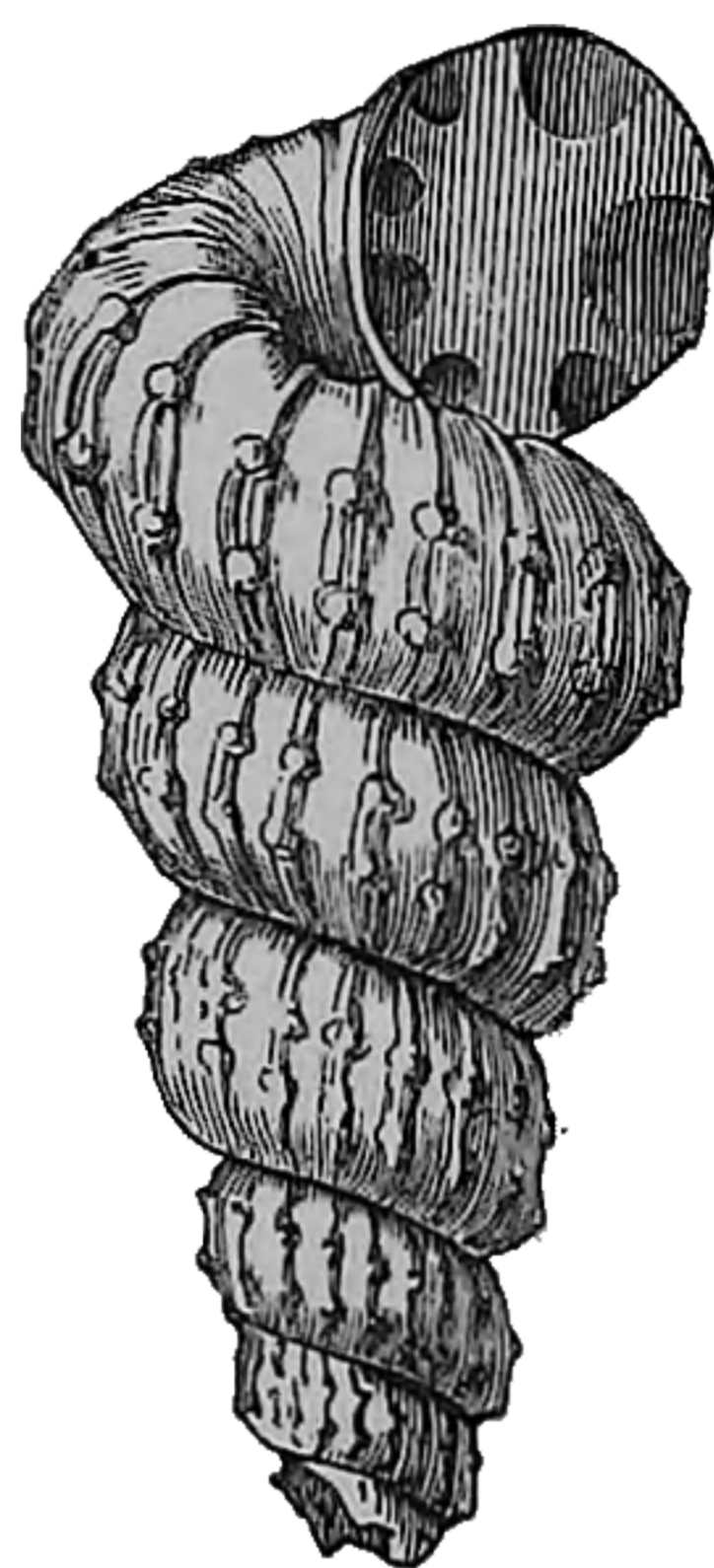


FIG. 143.—*Turrilites catenatus*, d'Orb.



FIG. 144.—*Helicoceras Robertsoni*, d'Orb.

divided into six lobes, each formed of a single pair of digitations. The ventral lobe formed of a pair which are a little longer or shorter than the lateral.

Genus BACULITES, Lamarck.—This genus connects, according to Professor Neumayr, *Lytoceras* with *Hamites* in the structure of the principal lateral lobe. *Baculites* (fig. 145) has a straight conical shell. Mouth oval or compressed, provided on the ventral



FIG. 145.—*Baculites anceps*, Lamarck.

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IV. *Family*.—AEGOCERATIDÆ, *Neumayr*.

This family includes a considerable number of Ammonite groups which have widely different forms and affinities, so that it is almost impossible to give a general description of the family which shall be correct and comprehensive at the same time.

The lobes present a great variety of ramified figures; the suture-line is in general complicated; the siphonal lobe large, and the principal lateral and secondary laterals attain considerable dimensions.

The siphonal or ventral area is in general round and well developed; in some there is a keel with lateral channels more or less deeply grooved; in others the shell is flattened and discoidal, with a wide open umbilicus; or it is round and inflated, with highly involute whorls and a small umbilicus, sometimes nearly occluded by the last. In the presence of so much diversity in form and structure this family is subdivided into three sections:

I. AEGOCERATITES.—*Aegoceras* and *Arietites*.

II. HARPOCERATITES.—*Harpoceras*, *Oppelia*, *Haploceras*.

III. STEPHANOCERATITES.—*Stephanoceras*, *Cosmoceras*, *Ancyloceras*, *Baculina*, *Simoceras*, *Perisphinctes*, *Olcostephanus*, *Scaphites*, *Hoplites*, *Acanthoceras*, *Stoliczkaia*, *Crioceras*, *Heteroceras*, *Peltoceras*, *Aspidoceras*.

Genus AEGOCERAS, *Waag*.—The form of the shell in this genus is very variable; it is flat and discoidal, with a wide umbilicus, or round and involute with a small umbilicus; in some shells the ventral side is convex and enlarged, and the sides highly ornamented with ribs, tubercles, or elongated spines; in other species the sides have simple folds or undulations, as *Aeg. Jamesoni*, *Sow.* (Pl. XI, figs. 4—6) and some are smooth,

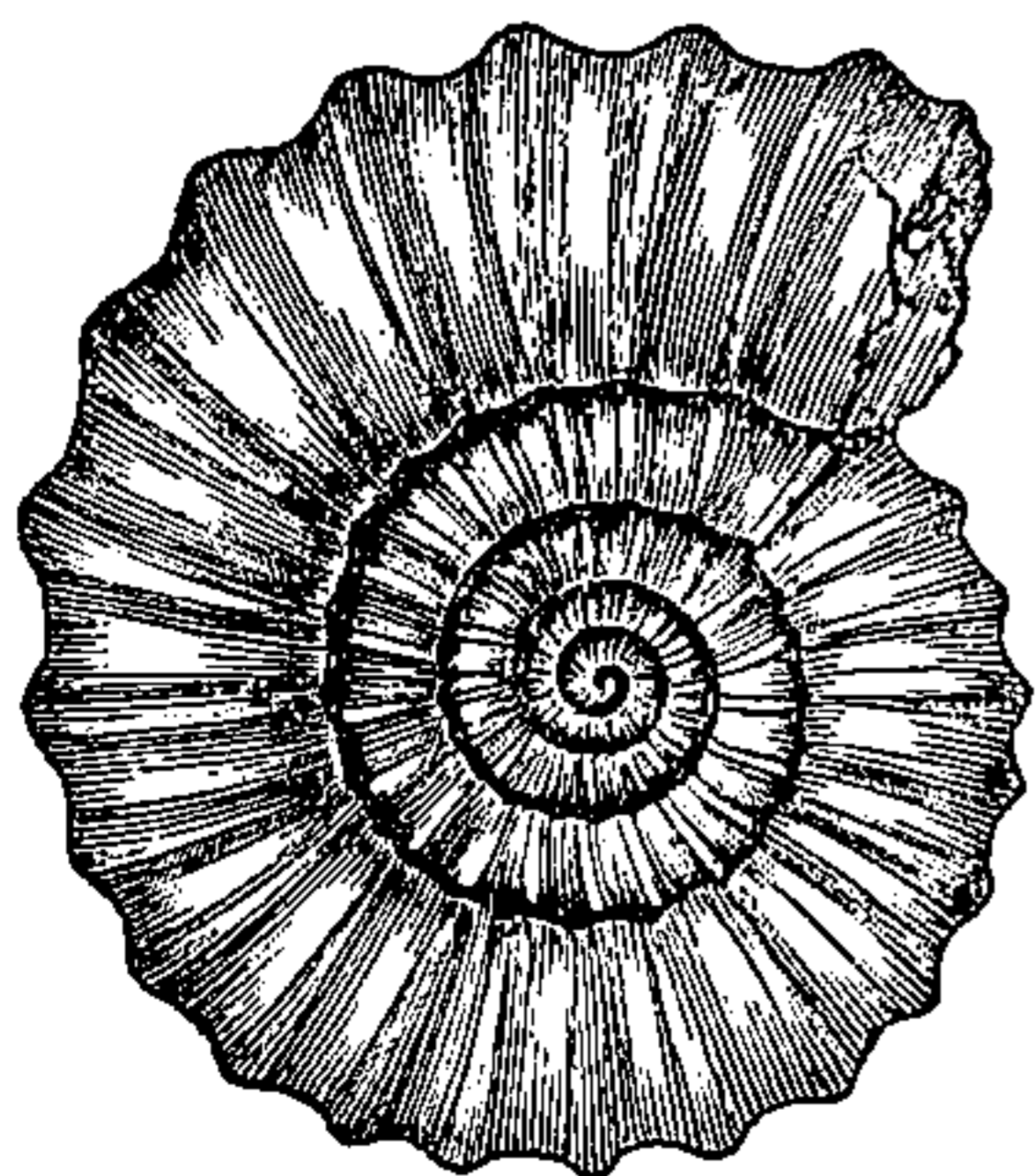


FIG. 149.—*Aegoceras capricornum*, Schloth.

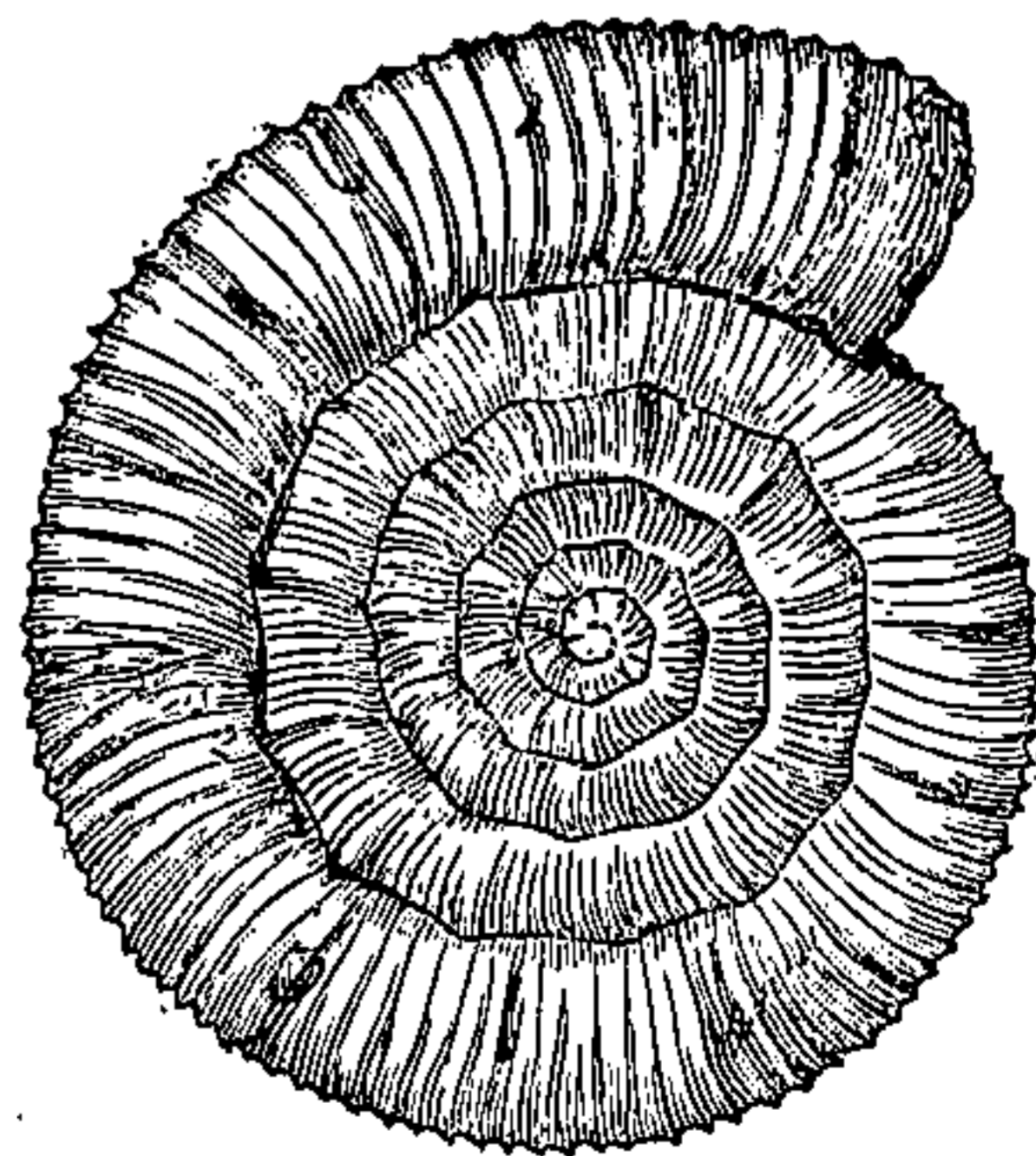


FIG. 150.—*Aegoceras Davæi*, Sow.

as *Aeg. planorbis*, *Sow.* (Pl. XIV, figs. 1—4). The ventral side is in general round, as *Aeg. capricornum*, Schlot. (fig. 149), and *Aeg. Davæi*, *Sow.* (fig. 150); sometimes it is grooved by a median channel, which interrupts the passage of the ribs from the right to the left side of the shell, as is especially the case in *Aeg. angulatum*, Schlot. (Pl. XIV,

fig. 6) and *Aeg. Charmassei*, d'Orb., (Pl. XX, figs. 2, 3). In all the species a keel is absent, and there are no lateral longitudinal channels in the siphonal or ventral area.

The body-chamber varies in length from two thirds to an entire whorl. The mouth-border is simple; the edge has sometimes a thickened withdrawn lip and a ventral prolongation, and in *Aeg. planorbis* there is a contraction near the aperture (Pl. XIV, fig. 3), with no lateral auricles. The *Anaptychus* is horny, thin, and bivalved (Pl. XIV, fig. 3).

The lobe-line is much ramified, and the lobes in general are very complicated. There is a highly branched principal lateral, a smaller lower lateral, and the siphonal lobe, less than the principal lateral, ends in two divergent branches. There are several small auxiliary lobes near the suture, which are concealed by the involution of the spire, as in *Aeg. Charmassei*, d'Orb. (Pl. XX). This genus may be naturally divided into four sections:

First Section—PSILONOTI.

Sides smooth, or with undulated folds or straight ribs; suture-line simple; ventral area round and smooth. *Aeg. planorbis*, Sow.; *Aeg. Johnstoni*, Sow.; *Aeg. torus*, d'Orb.; *Aeg. intermedium*, Portlock; *Aeg. Belcheri*, Simp.; *Aeg. liassicum*, d'Orb.

All these forms are found in the Planorbis zone of the Lower Lias.

Second Section—ANGULATI.

Sides covered with sharply flexed ribs, interrupted on the ventral area by a channel more or less developed. *Aeg. angulatum*, Schl.; *Aeg. Charmassei*, d'Orb.; *Aeg. catenatum*, Sow.; *Aeg. lacunatum*, Buck.; *Aeg. Boucaultianum*, d'Orb.

All these forms, the two last excepted, are from the Angulatum-zone of the Lower Lias.

Third Section—ARMATI.

Sides with numerous ribs, many of which develop tubercles or elongated spines; in some forms they are absent. *Aeg. Davæi*, Sow.; *Aeg. planicosta*, Sow.; *Aeg. Birchii*, Sow.; *Aeg. armatum*, Sow.; *Aeg. Taylori*, Sow.; *Aeg. densinodum*, Quenst.; *Aeg. brevispinum*, Sow.; *Aeg. Valdani*, d'Orb.; *Aeg. Maugenesti*, d'Orb.

Aeg. planicosta and *Aeg. Birchii* are from the Upper Bucklandi beds of the Lower, and all the others are from the Jamesoni-zone of the Middle Lias.

Fourth Section—INVOLUTI.

Shell highly involute ; inner whorls sometimes almost entirely concealed. Shell during middle age often undergoes a great change of form, and the involution become less and the umbilicus widens. *Aeg. Henleyi*, Sow. ; *Aeg. striatum*, Reinecke ; *Aeg. Bechei*, Sow. ; *Aeg. curvicornum*, Schloenb. ; *Aeg. pettos*, Quenst. ; *Aeg. heterogenes*, Young.

All the forms of this section are from the *Henleyi* zone of the Middle Lias.

This genus begins in the Muschelkalk zone of *Arcestes Studeri* with *Aeg. incultum*, Beyr., *Aeg. Palmi*, Mojs., and became extinct in the Middle Lias.

Genus ARIETITES, *Waag.*—Shell discoidal, with a wide umbilicus ; the sides of the whorls covered with straight simple ribs, which often have tubercles developed on them

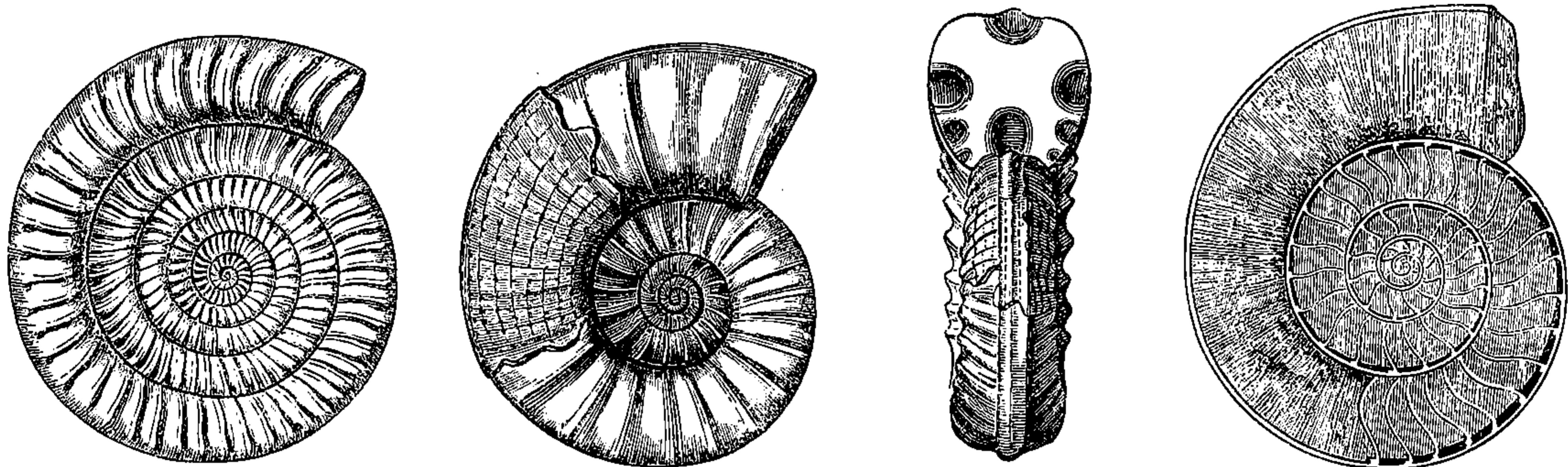


FIG. 151.—*Arietites rotiformis*, Sow.

FIG. 152.—*Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Side.

FIG. 153.—*Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Front.

FIG. 154.—Section of *Arietites obtusus*, Sow.

near the ventral angle, as seen in *Arietites rotiformis* (fig. 151) and especially in Pl. IX. In all the species the keel is large and prominent, and accompanied by two lateral channels (fig. 153). The mouth-border is simple, scooped away on the sides, with a long, projecting, ventral process. The body-chamber is from one to one whorl and a quarter in length.

The lobes are very characteristic (*Arietites bisulcatus*, Brug., Pl. III, fig. 3). The siphonal lobe is nearly as deep as it is broad, and the union of its wall with the siphuncle is nearly in the middle of its depth. The principal lateral lobe does not reach to half its depth, and is sometimes as broad as it is deep. The lateral saddle rises above all the others, and stands upon the ground of the principal lateral lobe ; in general double the height of the outer saddle. The lower lateral lobe is likewise much broader than deep, and the columellar saddle is so small that it does not reach to half the height or breadth of the lateral saddle, and ends in two branches.

The *Anaptychus* is thin, horny, and undivided ; in some species is bell-shaped. I have found it so in *Arietites semicostatus*, Young and Bird ; also in *Ariet. stellaris*, Sow.

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INFERIOR OOLITE.

Harpoceras Murchisonæ, Sow.
— Tessonianum, d'Orb.

Harpoceras Sowerbyi, Mill.
— Edwardianum, d'Orb.

Genus OPPELIA, Waag.—Shell discoidal and highly involute; umbilicus very small; whorls much elevated. Ventral edge either more or less acute, or rounded, on different portions of its extent. Sculpture slightly falciform, with a double set of ribs on the sides. Body-chamber sometimes ribbed, neither keeled nor angular; from one half to two thirds of a whorl in length. Mouth-border falciform, sometimes with auricles, always having round external lappets. Siphuncle large, with a calcareous sheath. *Aptychus* thick, calcareous, bivalved, and folded. Adductor muscles situated near the border of the shell in the lower half of the whorl. Suture-line extremely ramified. Siphonal lobe mostly shorter than the principal lateral, which is large and much branched. The second lateral is in like manner well developed, and there are several large auxiliaries between the second lateral and the umbilicus. Lobe-bodies small, with almost parallel borders; lateral lobes unequally branched. The genus *Oppelia* appears first in the Lower Oolite, zone of *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni*, as *Oppelia subradiata*, Sow.; and the last representative of the group, as far as our knowledge at present extends, is in the Upper Jura of Stamberg, where a considerable number of different forms are found.

The English species of this genus are not numerous. *Oppelia subradiata*, Sow., from the Inferior Oolite, is a good example. Dr. Waagen has figured a number of beautiful forms of *Oppelia*, amounting to twelve species, from the Golden Oolite of Keera Hill, near Charee, Kutch, and other higher Oolitic Beds. "*Oppelia subcostaria*, Opp., closely resembles the European *Opp. subradiata*, not only in form, but even by similar varieties, as in Europe, in the same stratum" (Waagen).

Genus HAPLOCERAS, Zittel.—The forms included in this group have been separated from the genus *Oppelia*, as they present certain characters in common by which they differ from the typical lines of that genus; they are all distinguished by a narrow umbilicus, a smooth surface, marked with fine lines of growth, like *Hapl. ooliticum*, d'Orb., from the Inferior Oolite, with its thin undivided falciform sculpture passing round the shell. Sometimes there are a series of straight parallel ribs at intervals, as in *Hapl. ligatum*, fig. 156, between which a number of very fine, undivided, smaller, and thinner folds are placed. The ribs are not bifurcated in this genus, and there is neither a keel nor a channel in the siphonal area. The body-chamber is short and the structure of the *Aptychus* unknown. The number of the lobes is variable. In addition to the siphonal lobe and the principal and smaller laterals,

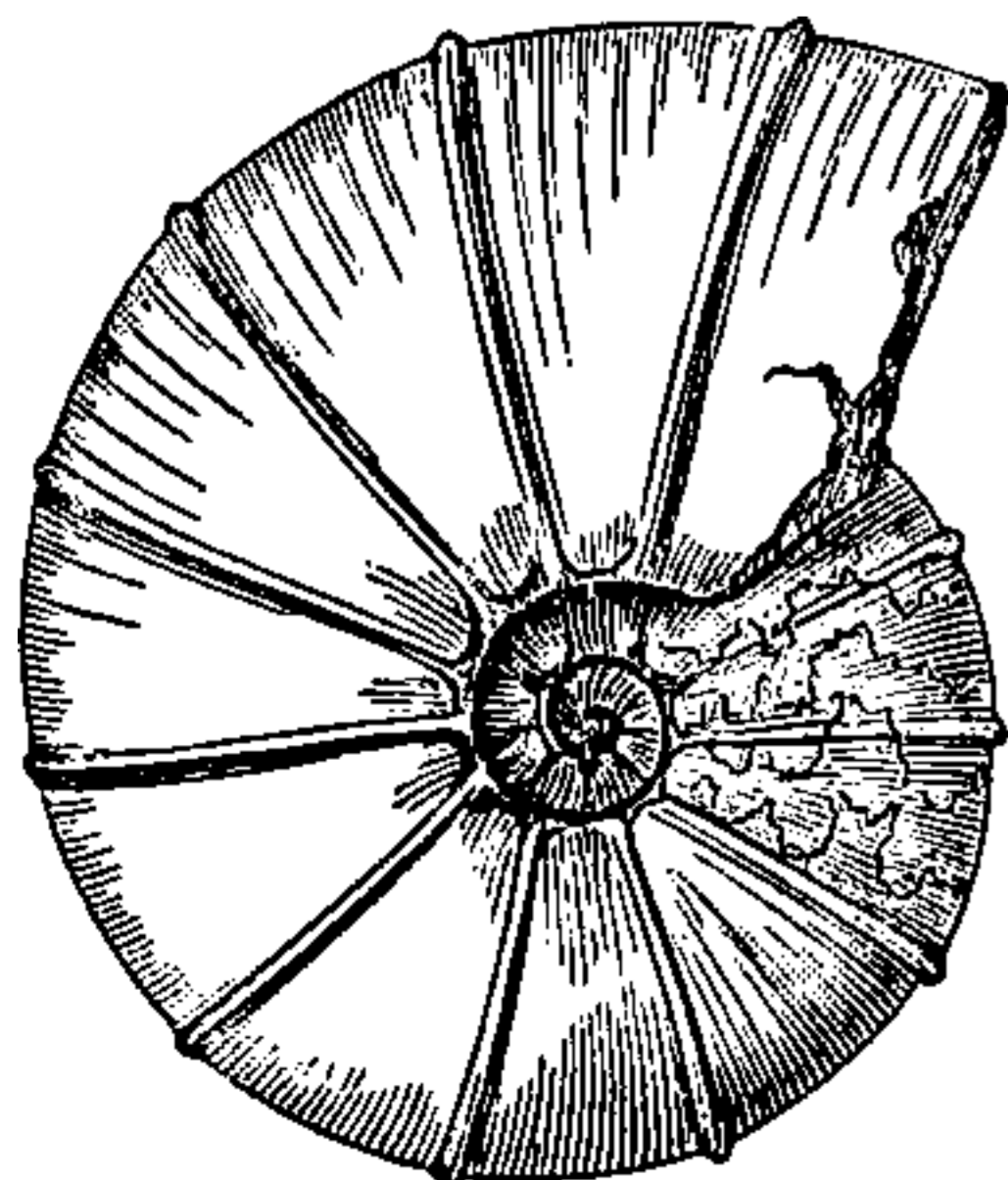


FIG. 156.—*Haploceras ligatum*, d'Orb.

there are from two to four auxiliaries present. The ramifications of the principal laterals are not symmetrically divided ; and in the forms from the Neocomian strata the lobes have a more simple structure than in those found in the Upper Cretaceous. This genus has a very wide stratigraphical range from the Lower to the Uppermost stages of the Jurassic series, and likewise in the Neocomian and Upper Cretaceous formations.

Genus STEPHANOCERAS, *Waag*.—The general form of the shell is very variable in this genus ; the ventral side is in general large and round, without keel, border, or channels. The sculpture is often highly ornamental. From the suture rises a short, stout rib, which often ends in a tubercle at the middle of the side. From the tubercle two or three smaller ribs arise, which pass over the ventral surface and unite with their fellows from the opposite side. Sometimes the tubercles are wanting, and a number of fine encircling ribs make up the entire sculpture.

The mouth-border is often provided with broad lateral lappets, which are produced and inflected, as in *Stephanoceras Brackenridgii* (fig. 159), where they are very conspicuous, and often well preserved.

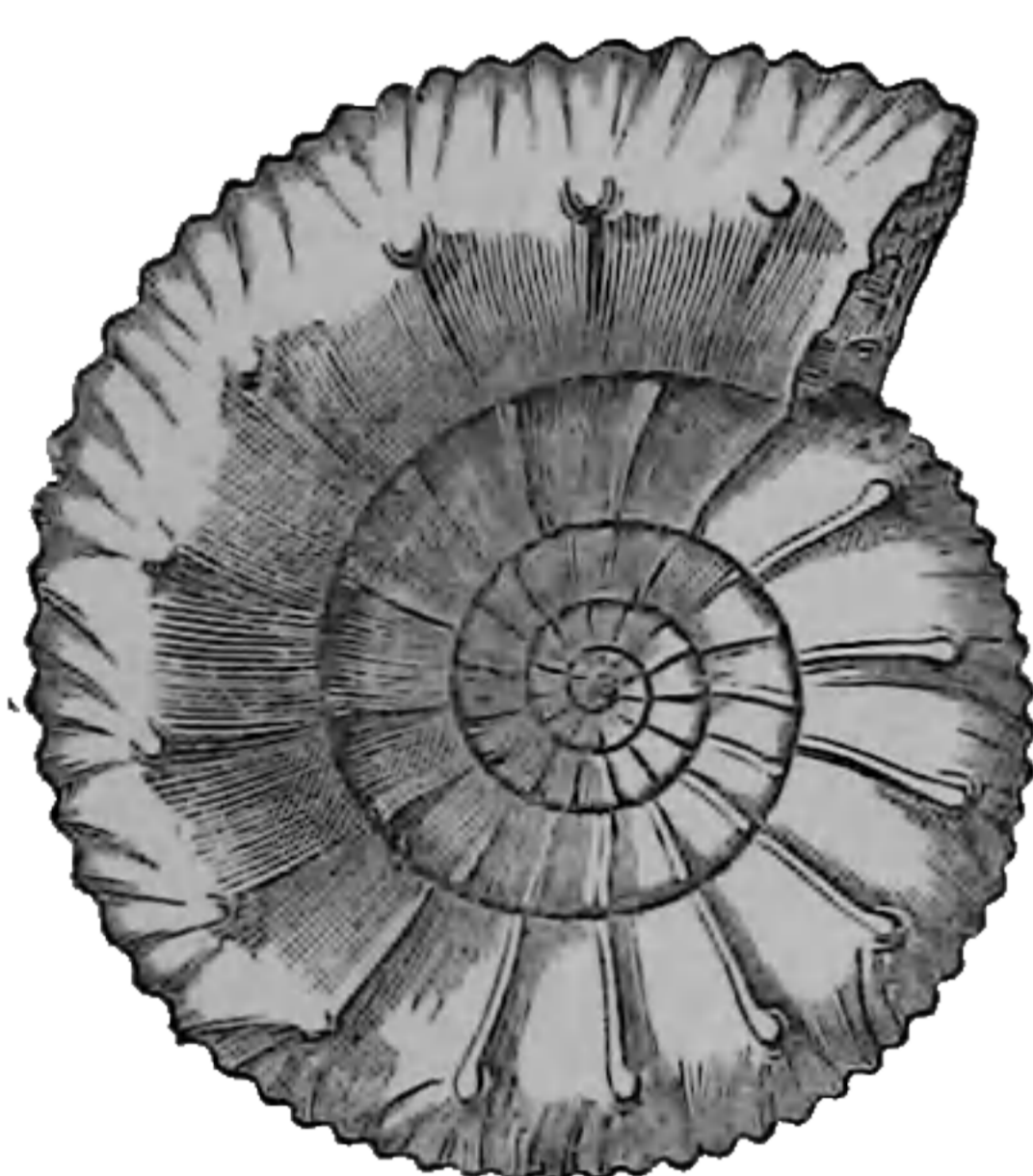


FIG. 157.
Stephanoceras Blagdeni, Sow.

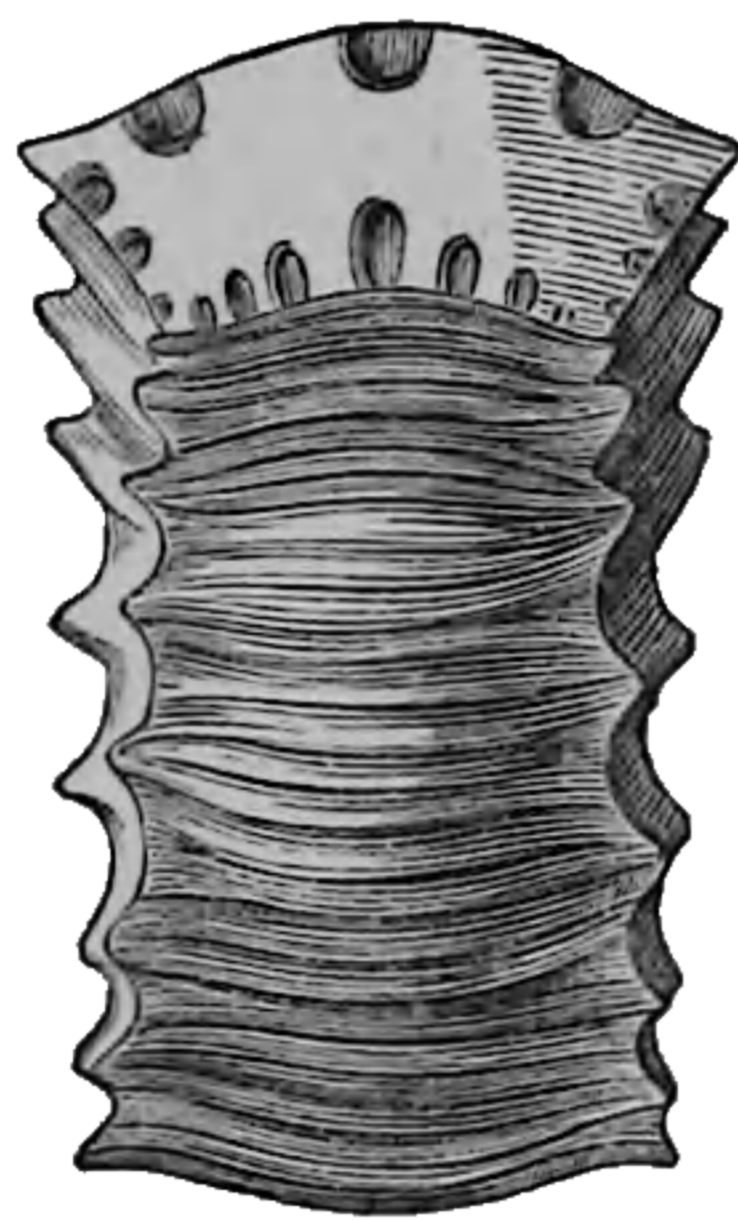


FIG. 158.



FIG. 159.
Stephanoceras Brackenridgii, showing labial prolongation.

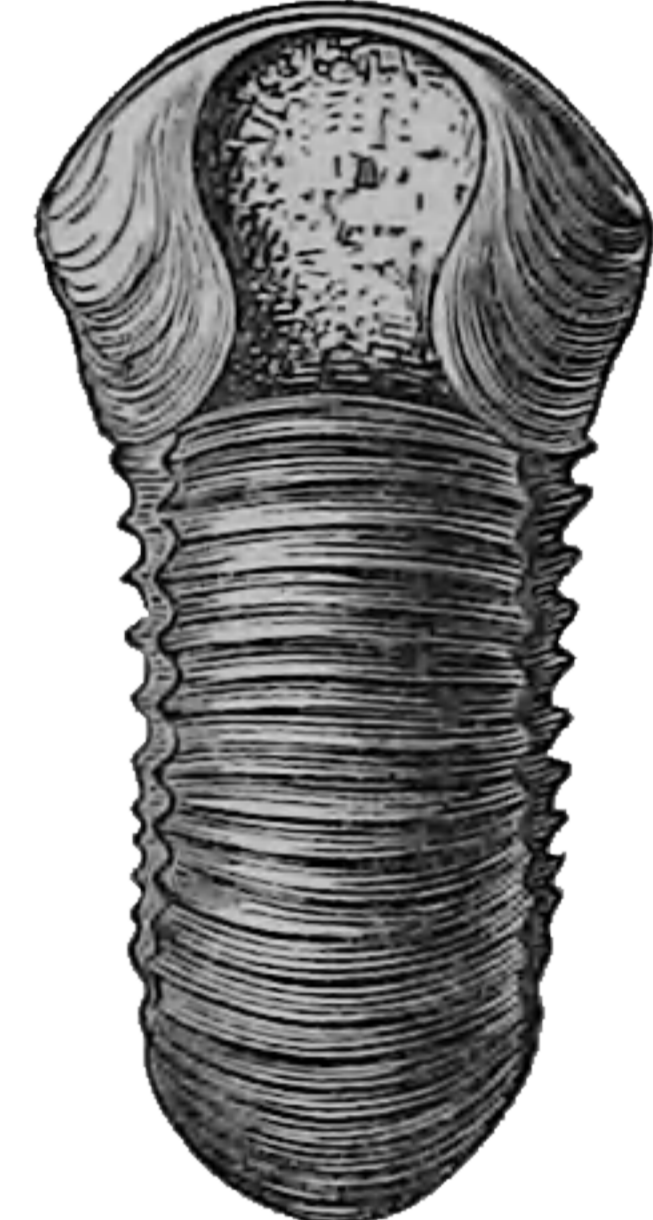
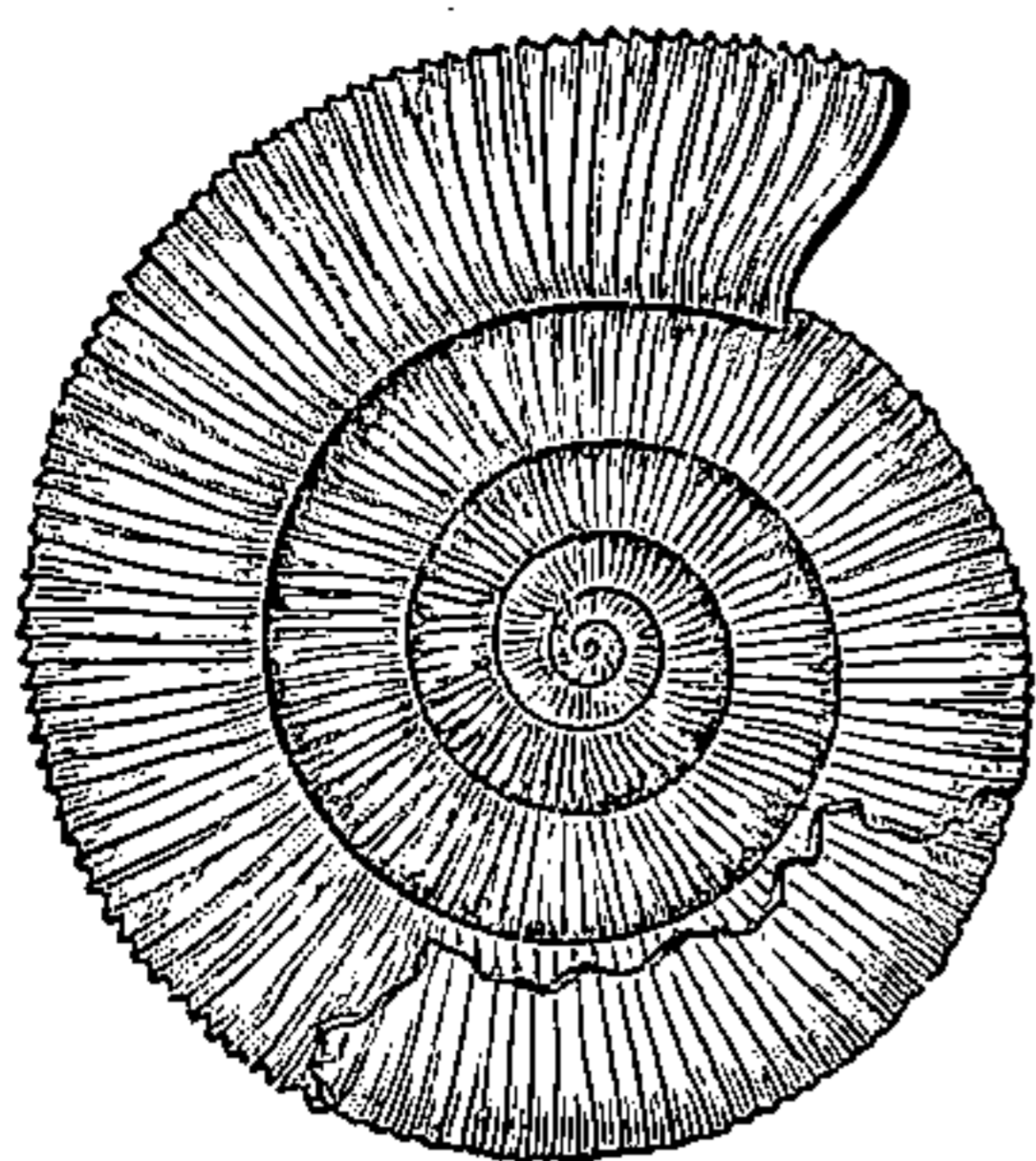
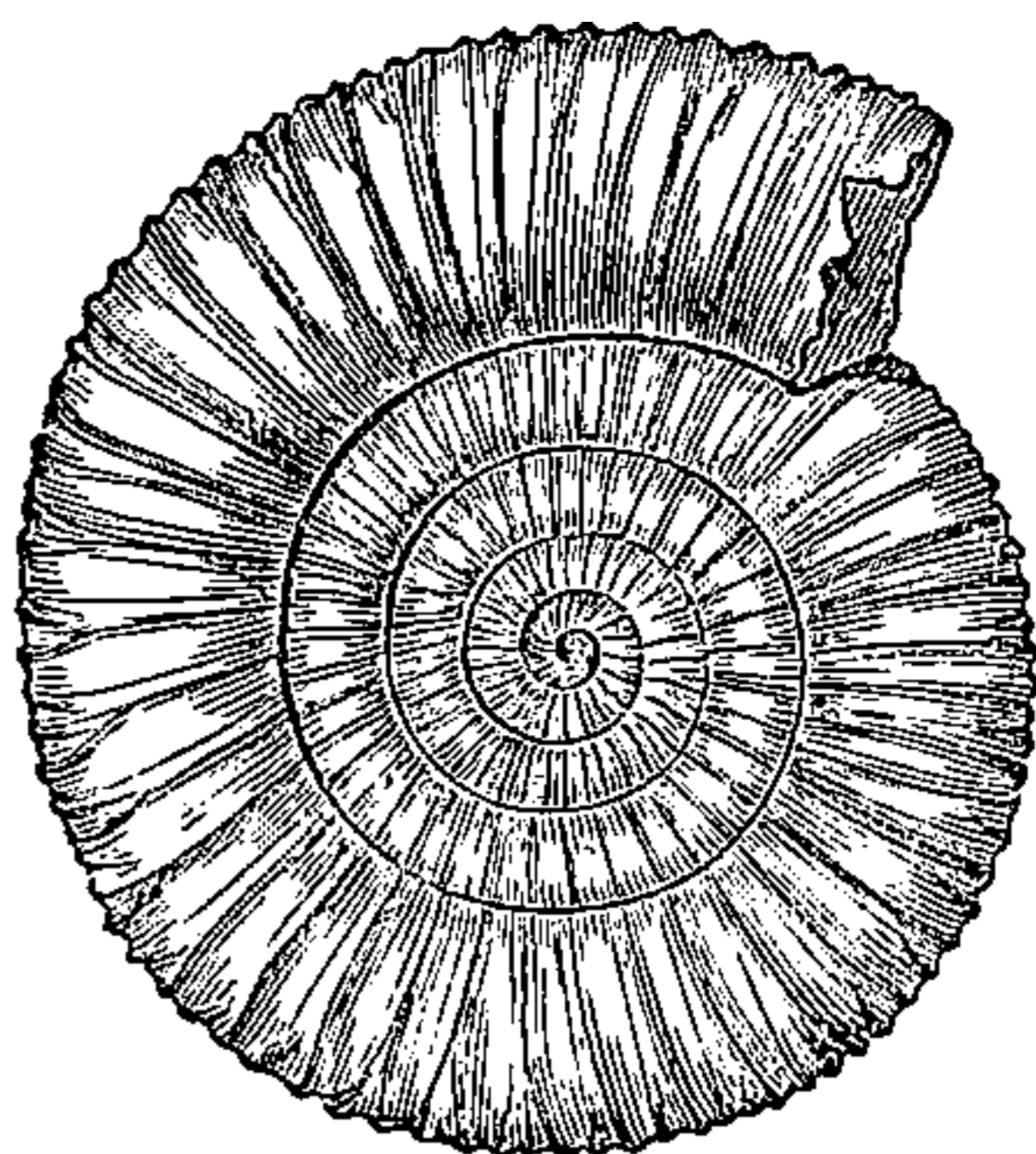


FIG. 160.

In *Steph. Blagdeni* (fig. 157), and *Steph. Humphriesianum*, the mouth is encircled by a thick band, from whence the strong ribs in these species is derived. The body-chamber is from one to one and a quarter whorls in length. The suture-line is much ramified. The siphonal and principal lateral lobes are nearly of equal length ; the lower lateral is much smaller, and there are several branched auxiliaries. There is considerable diversity among the species. The genus *Stephanoceras* appears to have a certain family relationship with the sub-group *Involuti* of the genus *Aegoceras* of the Middle Lias. Many characteristic species appear for the first time in the Upper Lias, as *Steph. annulatum*, Sow. (fig. 161), and *Steph. commune* (fig. 162), with *Steph. crassum*, *Steph. fibulatum*, and *Steph. Hollandrei*, all from the same beds. The zone of *Steph. Humphriesianum*, Inferior Oolite, is one great depository of the species both in France and England. We have the following list therefrom :

FIG. 161.—*Stephanoceras annulatum* Sow.FIG. 162.—*Stephanoceras commune*, Sow.

Stephanoceras Brackenridgii, Sow.

- Brocchi, Sow.
- Brongniarti, Sow.
- coronatum, Brug.
- Blagdeni, Sow.

Stephanoceras Deslongchampsii, d'Orb.

- Gervillii, Sow.
- Humphriesianum, Sow.
- Sauzei, d'Orb.
- linguiferum, d'Orb.

The group which *Stephanoceras macrocephalum*, Schloth., represents, appears to stand apart from the preceding forms, for all these shells are characterised by their globose figure, arising from the extreme involution of the shell, by the narrowness of the umbilicus, with its steeply-inclined walls, and remarkable lobe-line. The siphonal lobe is extremely long, and much broader, but not longer nor extending more downward than the principal lateral; the second lateral is smaller and reaches to the umbilical border. Such is the condition of the lobes in *Stephan. modiolare*, Llwyd. This group has very few species in the European rocks. They all occupy a very limited horizon, commencing with *Stephan. macrocephalum* in the Cornbrash of England, and from the same horizon in Germany. They are found likewise in the Kelloway Rock, and in the dark clay bed which lies above the Kelloway, and belongs to it, at the base of the Oxford clay.

The Indian species are numerous and well preserved, twenty-three species having been figured and described from the Kachh Jura of Cutch, by Dr. W. Waagen.¹ “Of these species those identical with European forms occupy also in Kachh, as in Europe, the true ‘Macrocephalus-beds.’ The other species, however, range from the uppermost beds of the Pachum-group up to the Kuntkote sandstone, *i.e.* from the highest beds of the Bath- to the uppermost beds of the Oxford-group, each of them keeping in the meantime strictly to its own layer.

“Long since it was apparent that the group of the *Macrocephali* was one of the most important among all the Jurassic Ammonites, not only because they characterised a well-defined horizon in the European Jurassic series, but also because very nearly allied forms had been found over the whole world; and it was to a certain degree supposed that these also ought to signify about the same geological time, indicating for the beds in which they

¹ ‘Jurassic Cephalopoda;’ “Palæontologia Indica,” p. 108, 1875.

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Oolite of France and England we find *Ancyloceras annulatum*, d'Orb.; in Germany *Ancyl. baculatum*, Quenst.; and in the Kelloway Rock of England we have a third species, *Ancyl. Calloviense*, Morr. It is in the Cretaceous rocks where this genus attains its chief

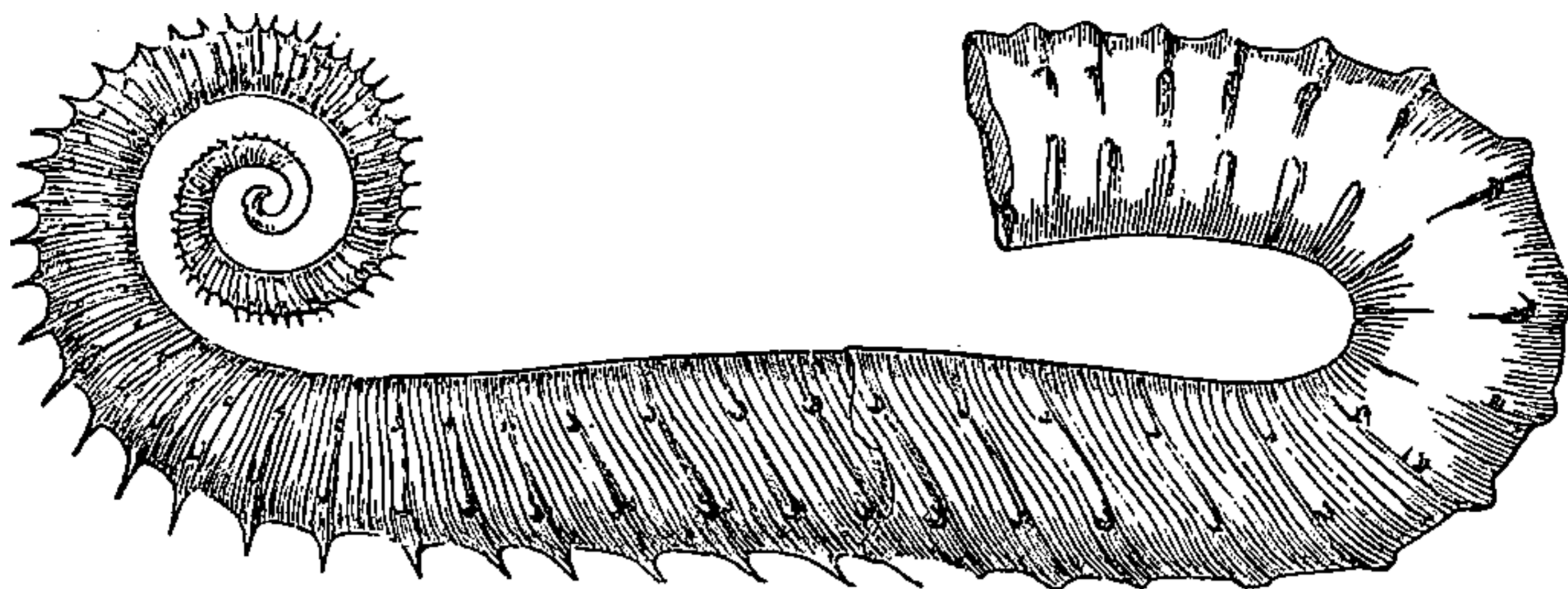


FIG. 166.—*Ancyloceras Matheronianum*, d'Orb.

development. *Ancyloceras Matheronianum*, d'Orb. (fig. 166), is from the Upper Neocomian, and *Ancyloceras Puzosianum*, d'Orb. (fig. 167), is from the Lower Neocomian.

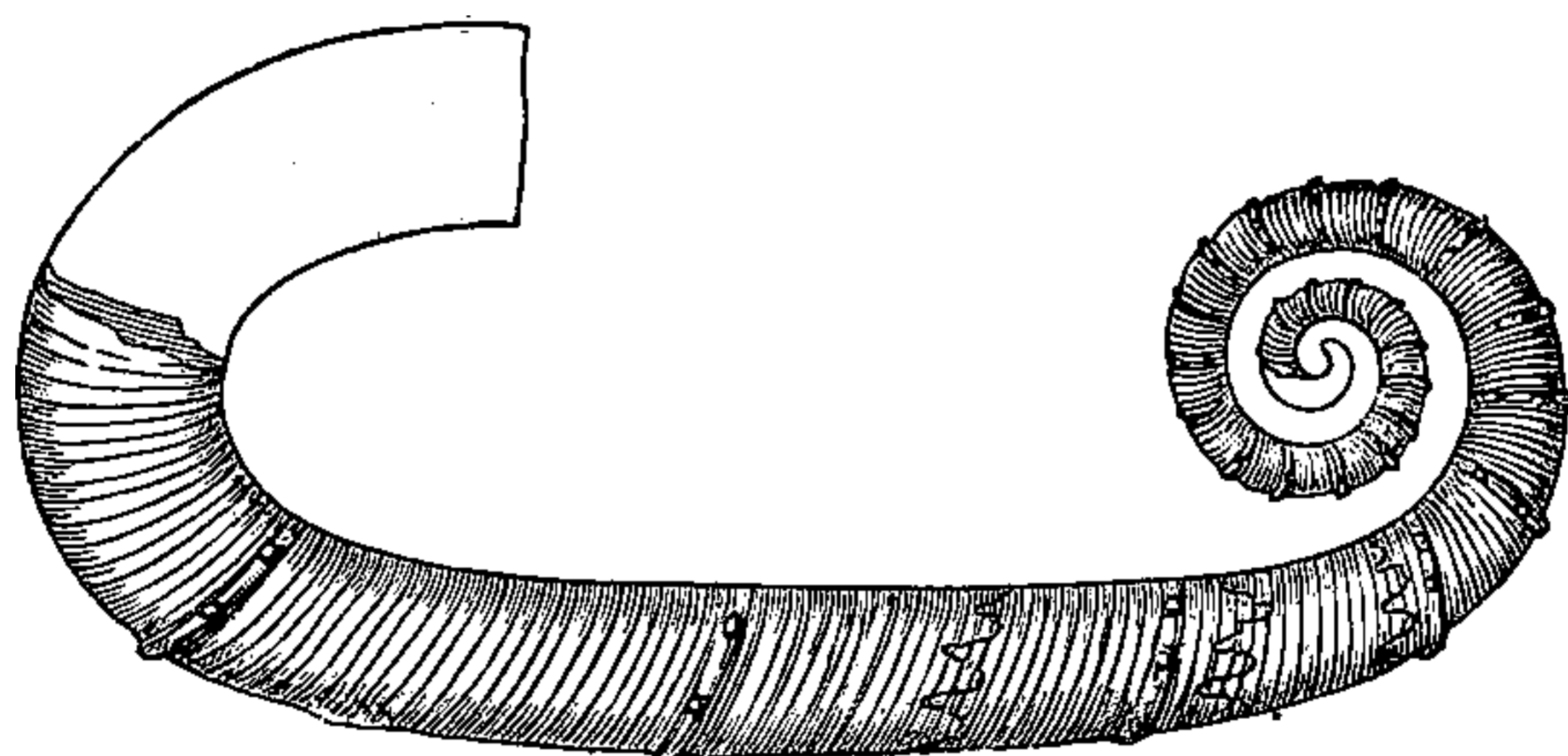


FIG. 167.—*Ancyloceras Puzosianum*, d'Orb.

Genus BACULINA, d'Orbigny.—Shell straight, with a surface destitute of ornamentation. *Baculina* resembles *Baculites* except in the lateral lobes being single-pointed.

Genus PERISPINCTES, Waag.—Shell in general discoidal, with a wide umbilicus and a round ventral edge. The sculpture consists of straight or oblique ribs, inclined forward,



FIG. 168.—*Perisphinctes Martinsii*, d'Orb.

in general polytomate (much divided), and without tubercles. Mouth-border simple or with auricles; a circular contraction visible on the shell near the outlet at certain stages of

growth. Body-chamber from two thirds to an entire whorl. Lobes similar to those in *Stephanoceras*, differing, however, in being more ramified, and having pendant columellar lobes. *Aptychus* bivalved, calcareous, very thin, and externally granular. *Perisphinctes Martinsii*, d'Orb. (fig. 168), from the Inferior Oolite of France and England, is geologically the oldest of this group, which is largely developed in the Middle and Upper Jurassic strata of Europe; a few species are found in the Chalk.

The genus *Perisphinctes* is represented in the Kachh Jura (Kutch)¹ by more than fifty species, which can be distributed, according to Dr. W. Waagen, into six large sections, most of which comprise several groups embedded in strata which find their equivalents in the Middle and Upper Jurassic rocks of Europe among the Kelloway, Oxford, Corallian, Kimmeridgian, and Portlandian stages.

Genus OLCOSTEPHANUS, Neum.—This genus was erected to receive a certain number of species that were formerly grouped with the preceding, but which are now separated from *Perisphinctes*. The type of this group is *Olc. Cautleyii*, Opp., from the Indian Jura. *Olcostephanus*, in contrast with *Perisphinctes*, has a shorter body-chamber, two thirds of a whorl in length. Mouth-border in some has a simple smooth band, and in others lateral auricles are developed. The ribs project broadly from the border of the umbilicus, and separate on the sides into many smaller branches.

Genus SCAPHITES, Park.—Shell spiral, rolled on the same plane. Whorls at first contiguous and united, then separated from the others and projected outwards in nearly

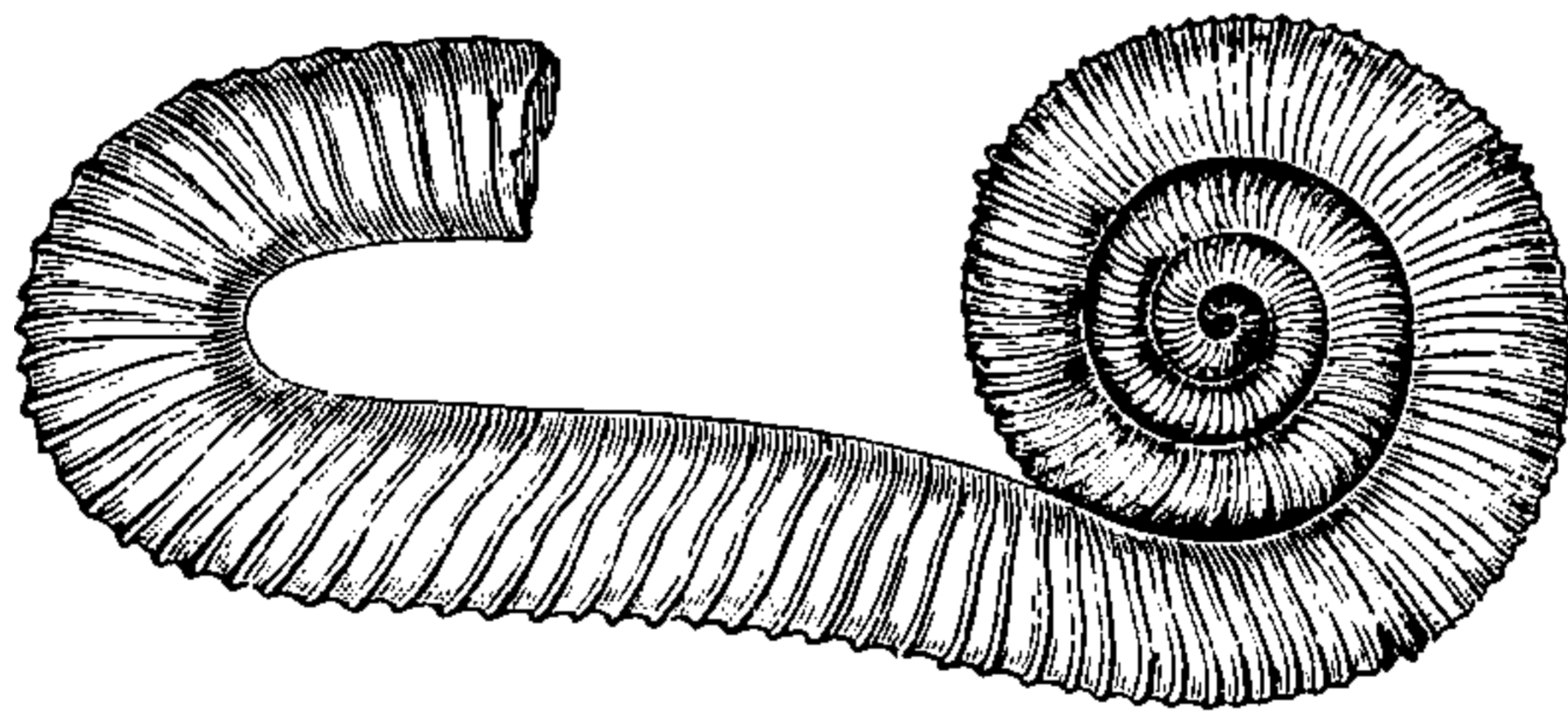


FIG. 169.—*Scaphites Ivanii*, Puzos.

a straight line, afterwards turned upwards, bent round, and curved inwards, forming a kind of horse-shoe shape. The septa transverse, symmetrically and regularly divided into more than six very unequal-sized lobes, invariably composed of short bilateral ramifications; the saddles formed of bladder-like cells. The siphonal lobe is as long as the principal lateral. The form of the inner whorls of *Scaphites* corresponds with those of *Olcostephanus*. Mouth-border round or oval, provided with large protuberant bands more or less prominent. All the species are found in the Cretaceous rocks. *Scaphites gigas*, Sow.

¹ 'Palæontologia Indica;' "Jurassic Fauna of Kutch," p. 143, 1875.

(fig. 170). I have collected magnificent examples of this grand form, occurring in nodules, from eighteen inches to two feet long, in the Lower Greensand at Whales Chine,

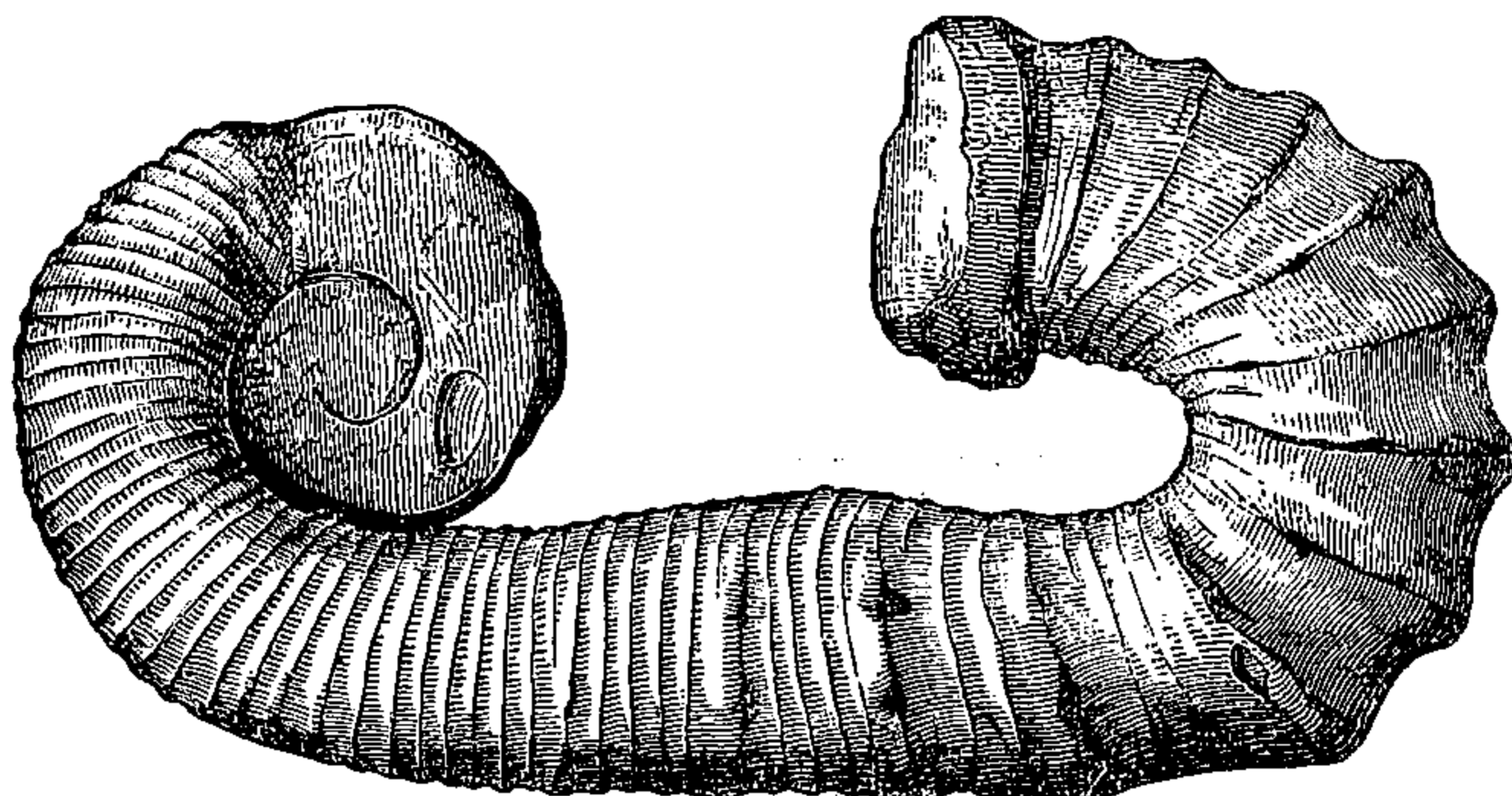


FIG. 170.—*Scaphites gigas*, Sowerby.

near Black-Gang, Isle of Wight. *Scaphites Ivanii*, Puzos (fig. 169), is from the Lower Neocomian; and *Scaphites æqualis*, Sow., is found in the Lower Chalk at Lewes, Sussex, and Chardstock, Somerset.

Genus HOPLITES, Neum.—This genus is composed of a series of species formerly classed among *Perisphinctes*, but now separated as a new genus, characterised by having the shell closely involute, with high whorls and a narrow umbilicus. Sculpture consists of numerous small undulating ribs, often polytome (fig. 171), that is, arising by a thickened stem or tubercle, from near the umbilical suture, and soon splitting up into smaller divisions; sometimes the ribs encircle the siphonal area, or are interrupted here either by their vanishing away at the border of the area, or by a median channel, which breaks their continuity, or by a kind of crest formed by the abrupt termination

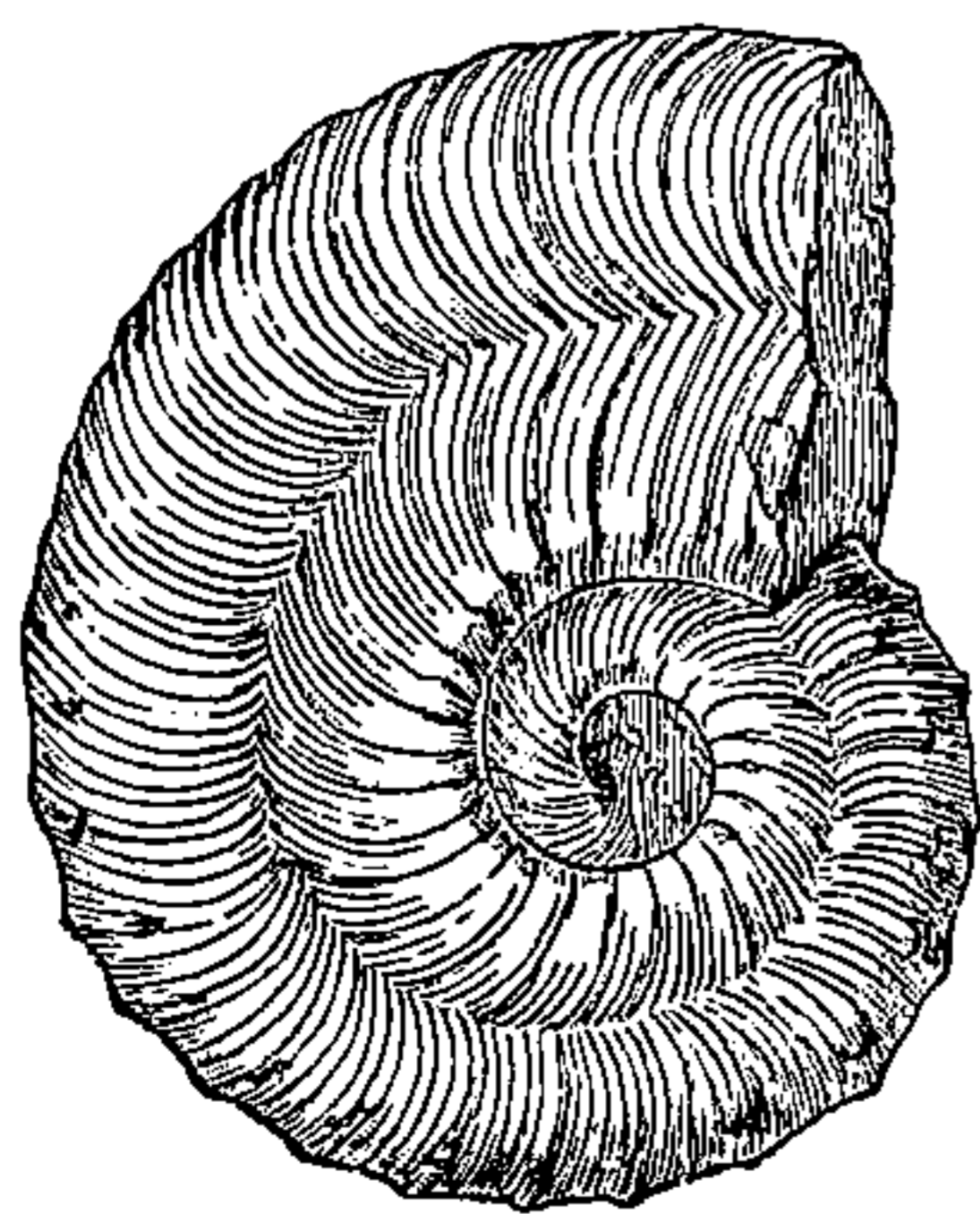


FIG. 171.
Hoplites falcatus, Mantell.

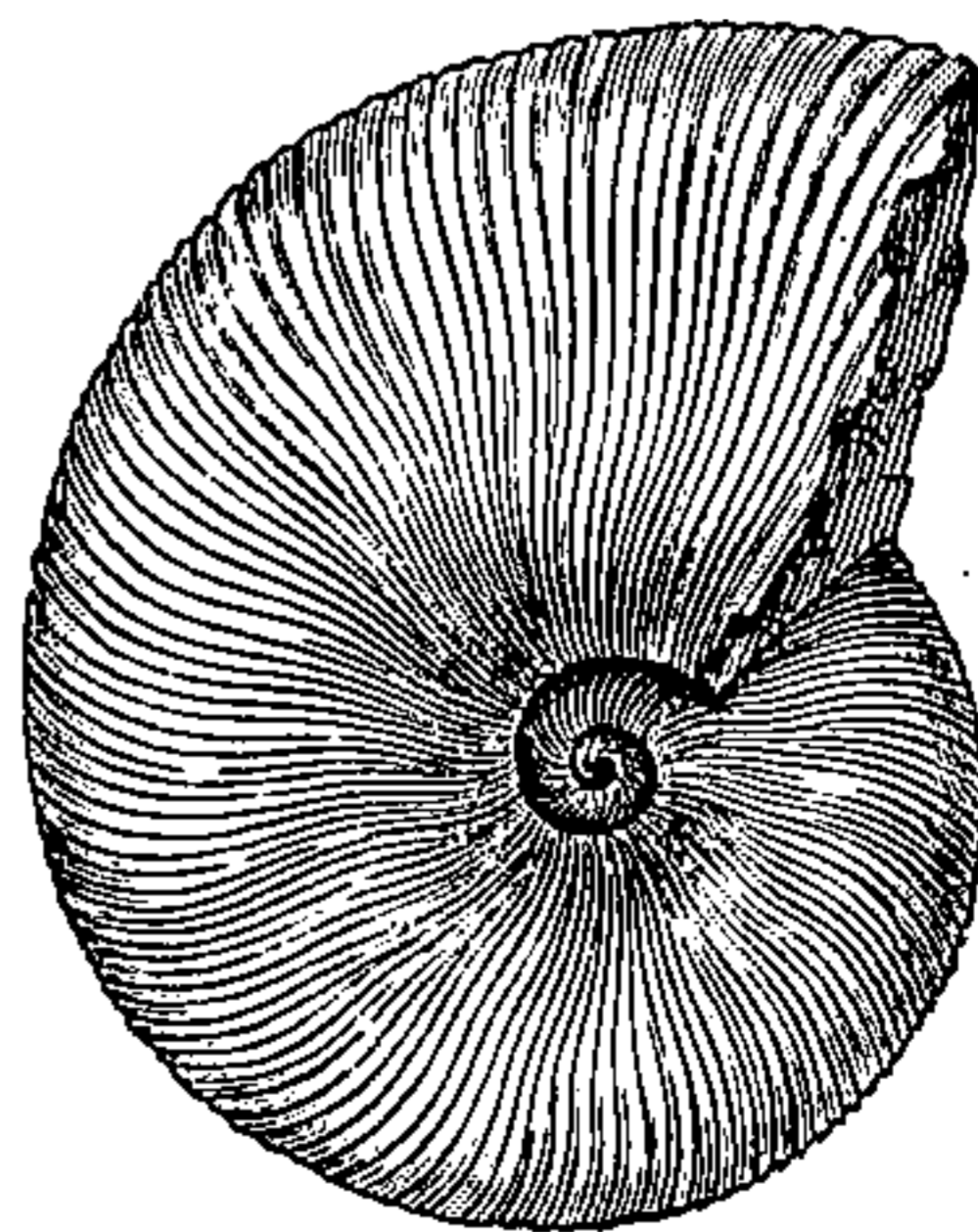


FIG. 172.
Hoplites Beaumontianus, d'Orb.

of the lateral ribs, as in *Hopl. splendens*, Sow.; or the lateral ribs may be folded and angular, as in *Hopl. falcatus*, Mant., or large and powerful, as in *Hopl. interruptus*, Brug. There is a considerable variety in the style of the rib-sculpture and the form it

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Acanthoceras Brottianum, *d' Orb.*
 — Deverianum, *d' Orb.*
 — mammillare, *Schl.*
 — Martinii, *d' Orb.*

Acanthoceras Mantelli, *Sow.*
 — Rhotomagense, *Brong.*
 — Sussexiense, *Sharp.*
 — Woolgarei, *Mant.*

All these species have been separated from *Hoplites*, and some of them have appeared under that generic name in the earlier part of this Monograph. They are, however, now placed as indicated by Neumayr in his latest work on this subject.

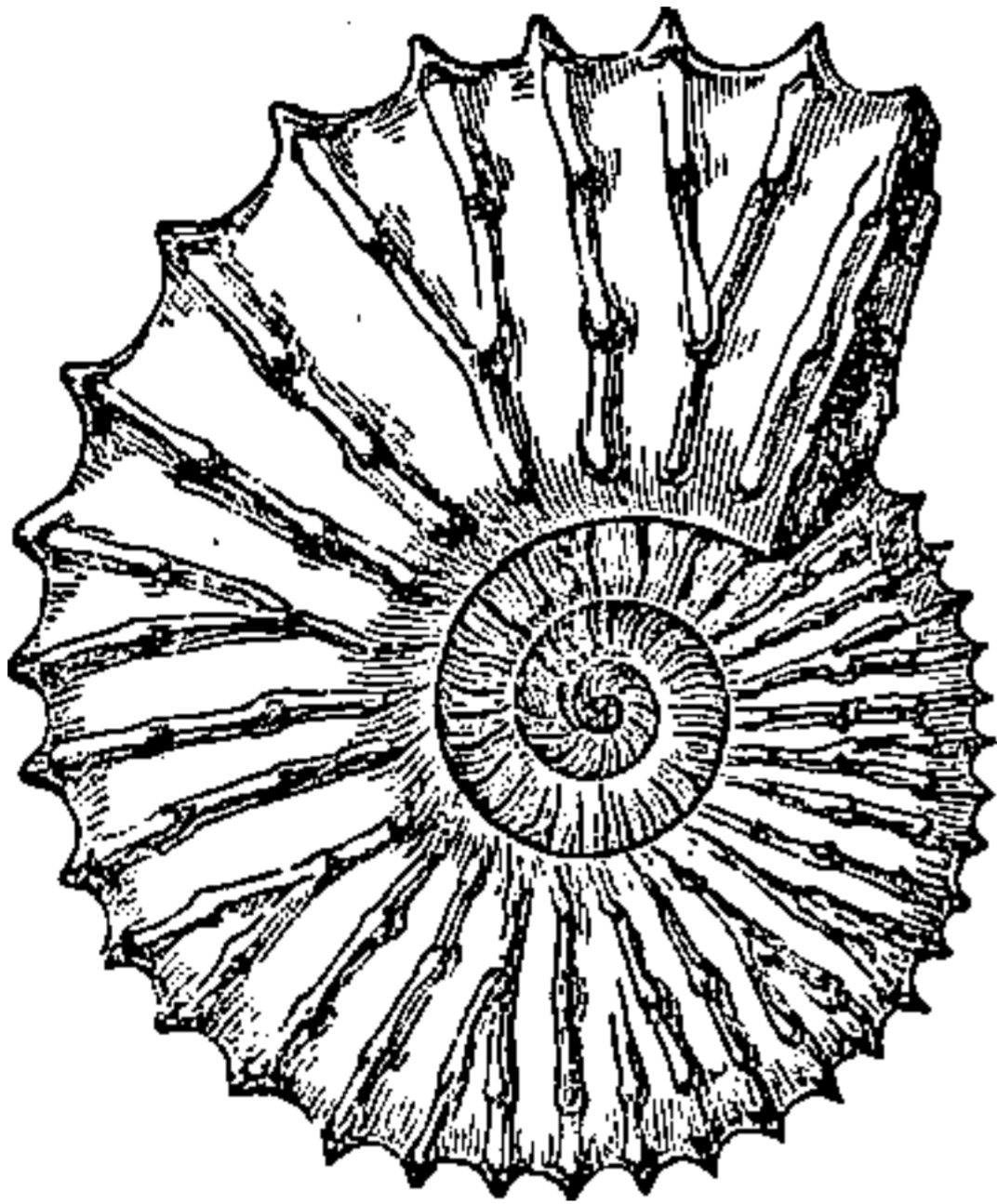


FIG. 175.
Acanth. Deverianum, *d'Orb.*

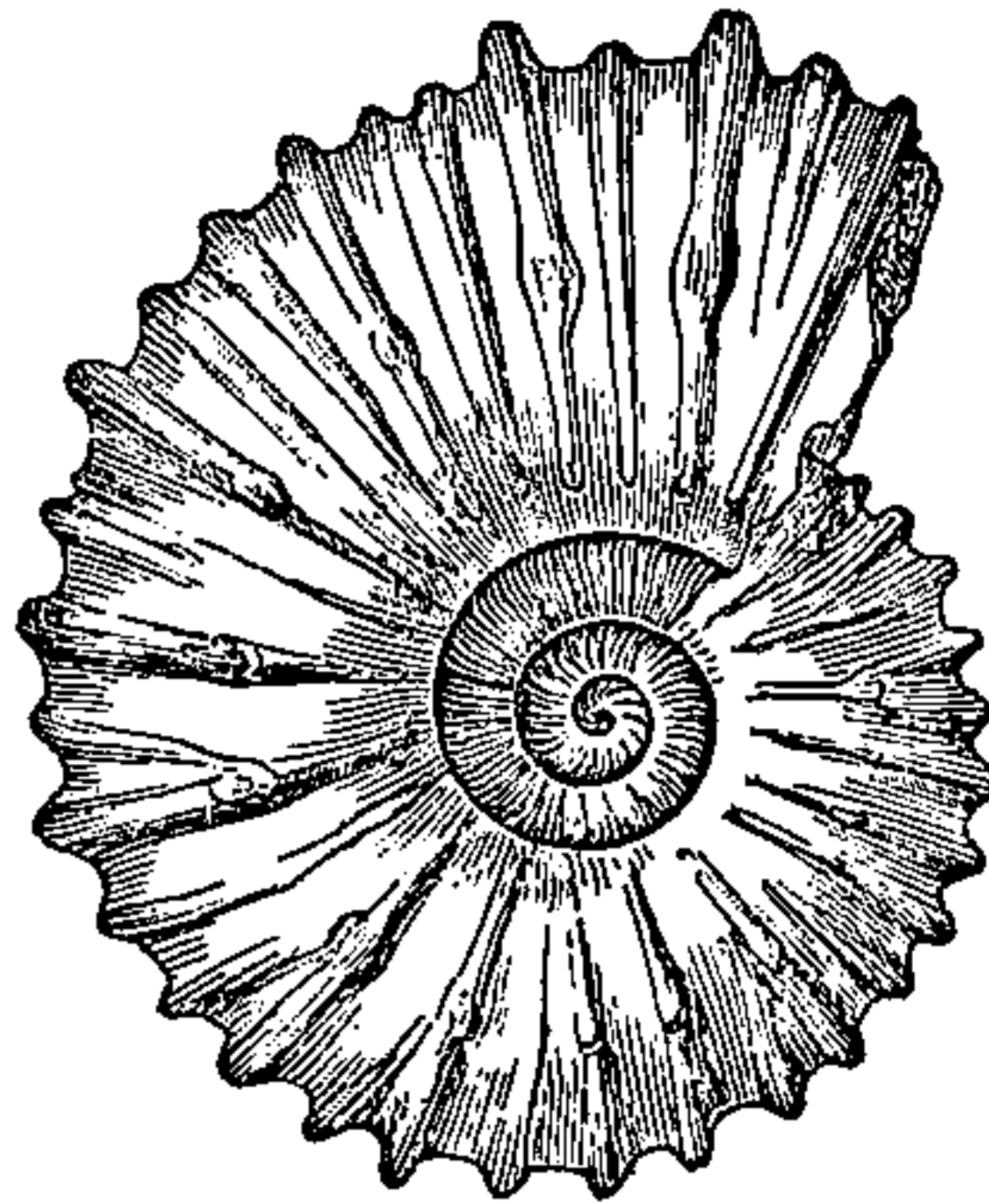


FIG. 176.
Acanth. Martinii, *d'Orb.*

Genus STOLICZKAIA, *Neum.*, has been erected to receive a small group of remarkable Ammonites figured and described by Dr. Ferd. Stoliczka¹ in his great work on the Ammonitidæ from the Chalk of Southern India, some of which were compared with *Arcestes* from Hallstatt. *Stoliczkaia Telinga*, *Stol.*, in its external form, certainly resembles some of the gigantic *Arcestes* from the Alpine Triassic strata of Hallstatt in the form and smoothness of the shell, and in the constriction of the mouth-border; but in the shortness of the body-chamber, and the structure of the suture-line, it has not the most remote resemblance to the Triassic forms from the Austrian Alps, with their very characteristic suture-line, and their long body-chamber of one whorl and a half in length.

The shell is massive, highly involuted, sometimes discoidal, and then with a wider umbilicus. Body-chamber about three fourths of a whorl in length. Mouth-border undulated, produced in the middle of the lateral wall, and slightly excised towards the siphonal or ventral area. The inner whorls provided with radii, which are not interrupted on the ventral area; the ribs attain here their greatest development; the body-chamber has a smooth shell; in some species it has thickened ribs; the ventral side has neither a keel nor channels. The lobe-line is much ramified, consisting of a siphonal lobe and a principal and lower lateral on each side, with a more or less developed columellar lobe having pendant digitations.

I refer the reader to Dr. Ferd. Stoliczka's magnificent volume on the Ammonitidæ from the Cretaceous formations of Southern India for remarkable types of this genus, such as :

¹ 'Palæontologia Indica,' "Ammonitidæ of the Cretaceous Formation."

Stoliczkaia argonautiformis, *Stol.*
 — *crotaloides*, *Stol.*
 — *dispar*, *d'Orb.*

Stoliczkaia Telinga, *Stol.*
 — *Rudra*, *Stol.*
 — *Xetra*, *Stol.*

Genus CRIOCERAS, *Léveillé*.—Shell discoidal, rolled on the same plane, whorls round, spire regular, in all ages composed of turns of the cone disjoined and entirely separate. Mouth round, oval, or compressed, formed by a slight thickening of the inner lamina of the shell. Body-chamber about two thirds the length of a whorl.

The sculpture consists of small encircling ribs, among which larger ribs or rows of tubercles are introduced at intervals; as seen in *Crioceras Emerici* (fig. 177) the tubercles are usually two smaller on the sides, and two larger and more thorn-like arising from the border of the siphonal area: the disjunction of the whorls extends up to first-formed coil. The lobe-line is highly ramified and consists of a large siphonal lobe, with long symmetrical branches, a principal lateral on each side with long, wide, spreading digitations, which are nearly but not quite symmetrical, a lower lateral on each side, much smaller than the principal, and a columellar lobe which is well developed. Such is the structure of the lobes in *Crioceras Duvalii*, *Léveillé*. The large *Crioceras* shells are found chiefly in the Neocomian strata. I have collected *Crioceras Bowerbankii*, *Sow.*, from the lower Greensand of Walpen and Ladder Chines, in the Atherfield section, Isle of Wight, many of which were nearly two feet in diameter; some forms are found in the Gault of France, and the Speeton Clay of Yorkshire. This genus is limited to the Lower Cretaceous rocks.

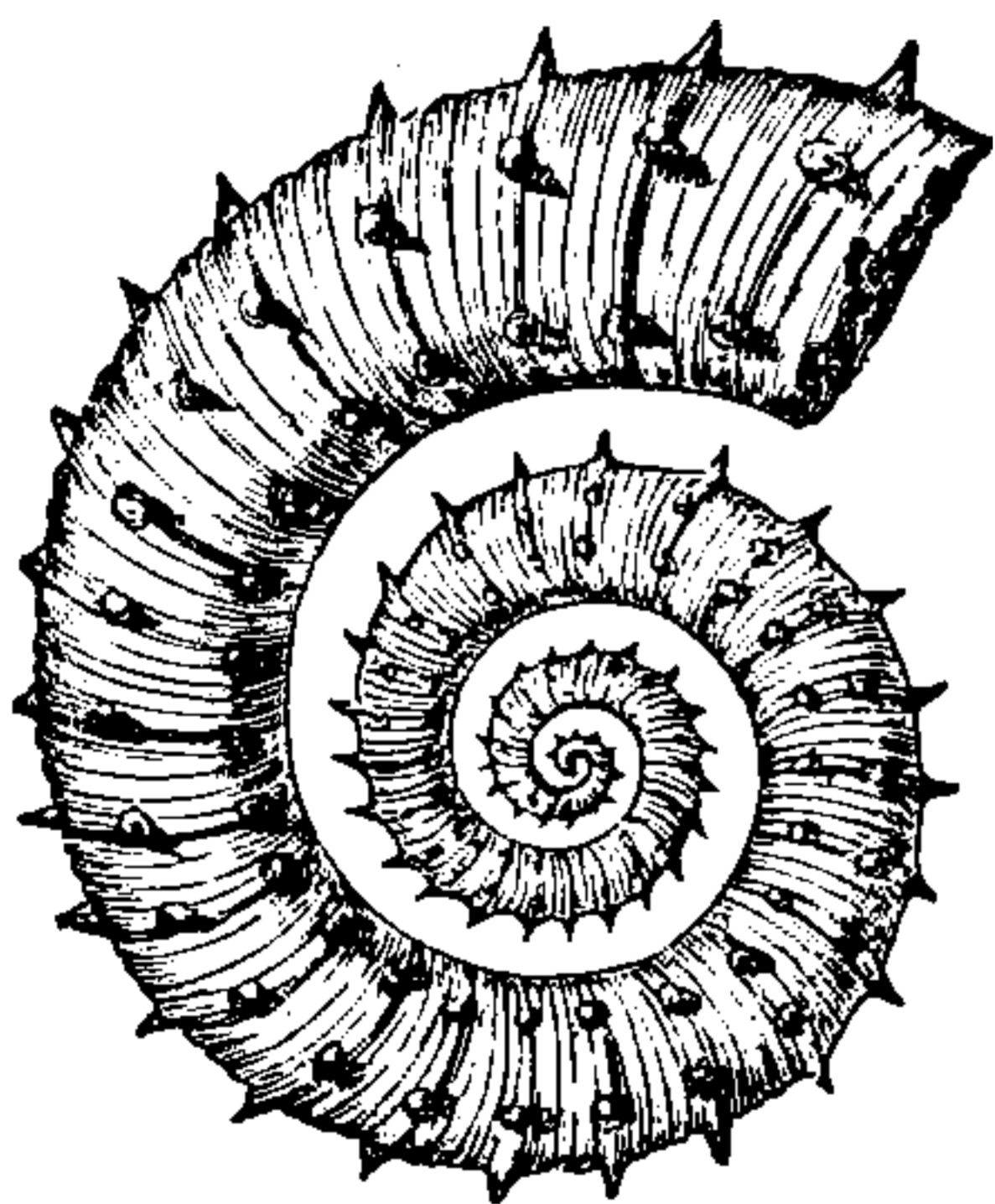


FIG. 177.—*Crioceras Emerici*, *Léveillé*.

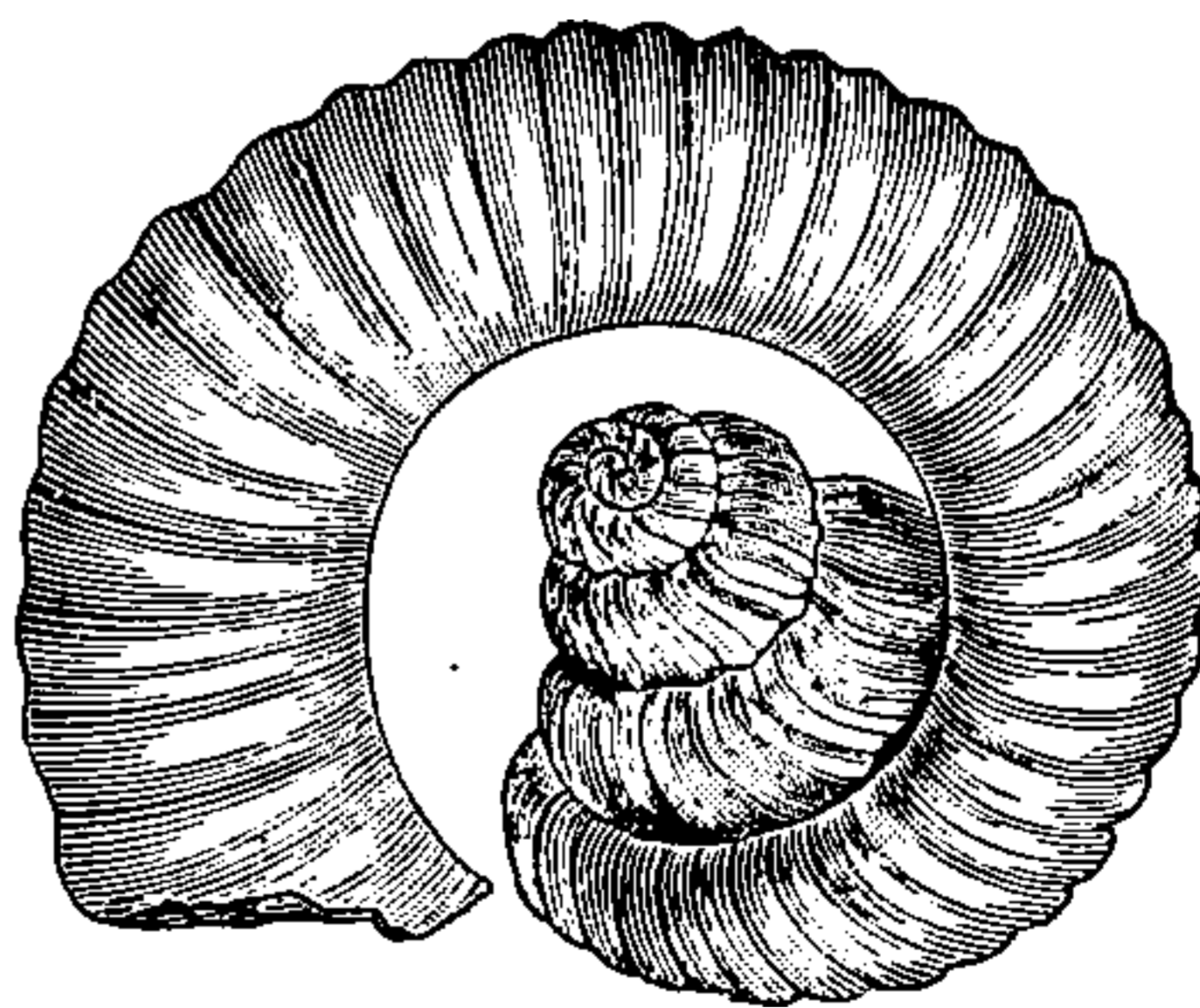


FIG. 178.—*Heteroceras Emerici*, *d'Orb.*

Genus HETERO CERAS, *d'Orbig*.—Shell spiral, turreted; whorls in youth contiguous and joined together; in age the last whorl separates itself from the others, and becomes (fig. 178) produced and recurved, forming an arch without septa, which was doubtless the body-chamber. *Heteroceras* is therefore a Turrilite with the body-chamber in age detached, produced, and recurved. The most typical example is *Heteroceras Emerici*, *d'Orb.* (fig. 178).

Genus TOXOCERAS, d' Orb.—Shell conical, subcylindrical, or compressed, symmetrical, elongated, more or less arched, but never forming a spiral. Sides of the shell ornamented with encircling ribs; in some forms stronger ribs are developed at intervals. Or the sculpture consists of two rows of tubercles which grow upon each side of the large ribs, and two rows of larger tubercles on the borders of the siphonal area, as shown in *Toxoceras Honnoratianum* (fig. 179). The mouth is round, oval, or compressed, with a prominent internal border, and the large ribs on the sides and ventral surfaces represent the different stages of growth of this bent cone. The lobe-line is very much ramified; the siphonal lobe symmetrical, the stem short, and the bifurcate branches long; the superior lateral very large and composed of nearly symmetrical branches; the lower lateral is small, the columellar lobe has considerable dimensions, and is nearly symmetrical in its structure. The affinities of this genus, regarding the structure of its lobes, is with the preceding genus *Crioceras*; and, like it, it is found in the lower stages of the Cretaceous rocks; all the larger specimens are obtained from the lower and upper Neocomian strata.

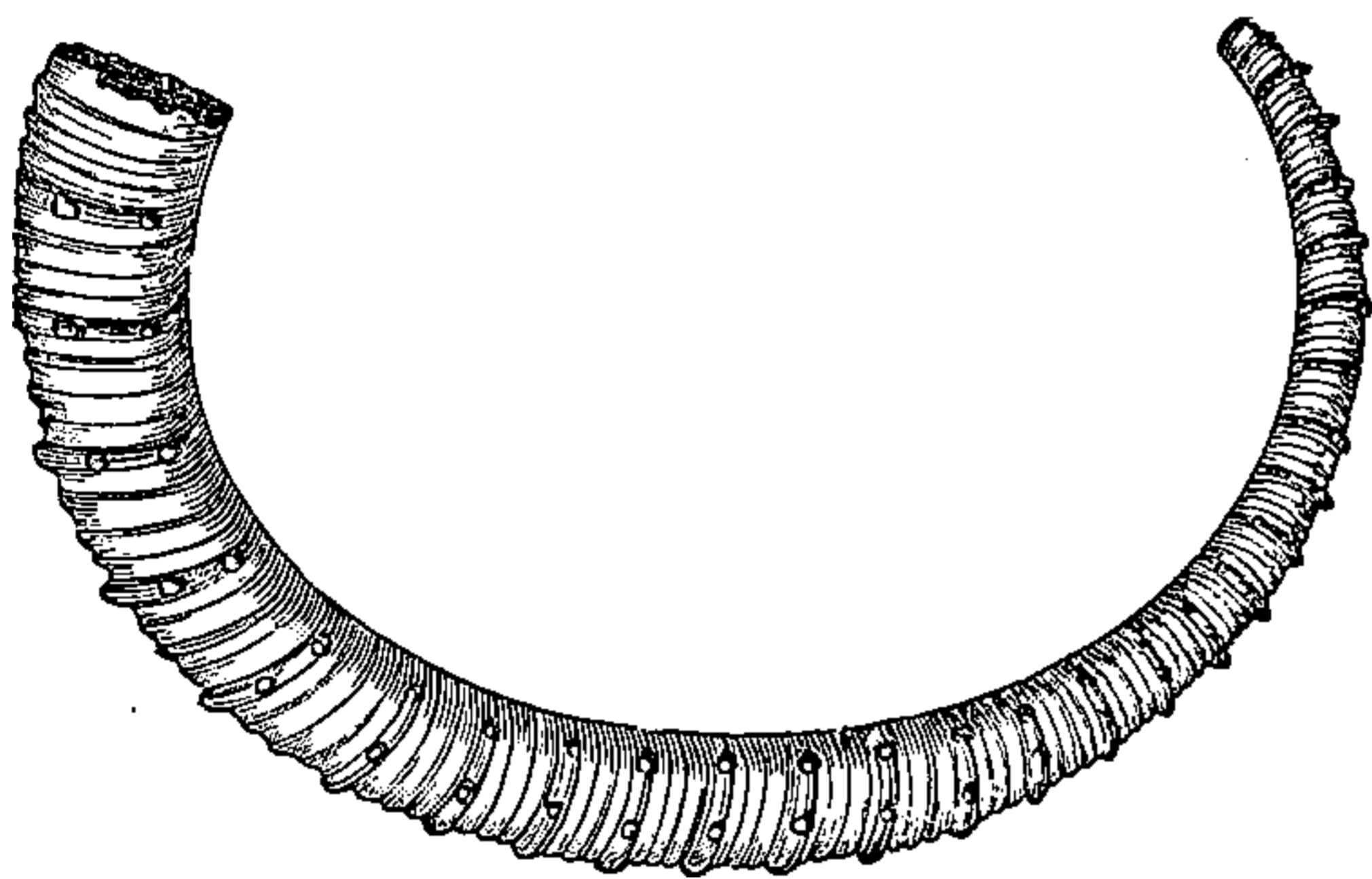


FIG. 179.—*Toxoceras Honnoratianum*, d'Orb.

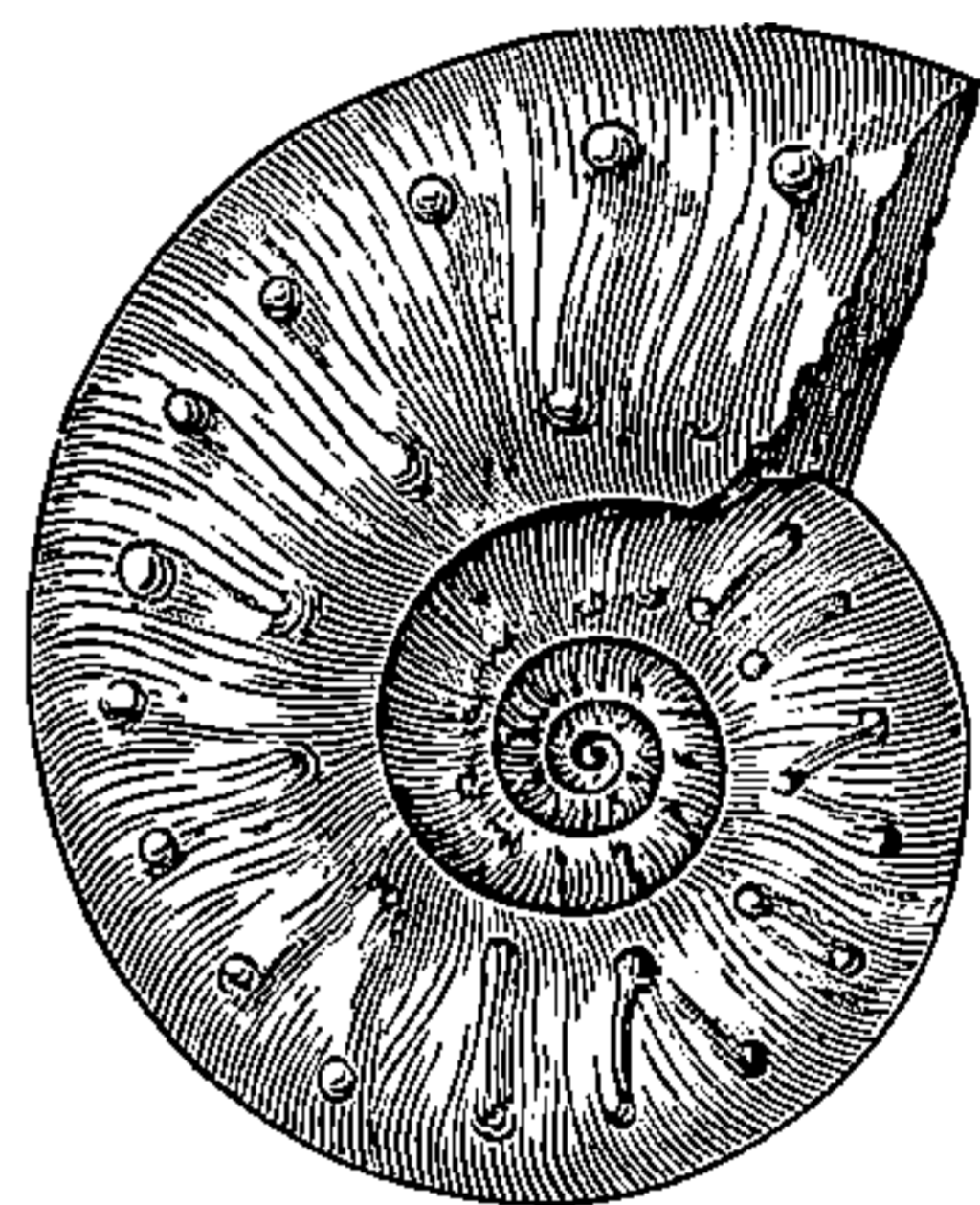


FIG. 180.—*Aspidoceras longispinum*, Sow.

Genus ASPIDOCERAS, Zittel.—The form of the shell in this genus is very variable. Sometimes it is flat and discoidal with a wide umbilicus, or large, inflated, and highly involute. The siphonal or ventral area is rounded or flattened, the sides are adorned with fine ribs, and the sculpture consists of two rows of tubercles developed at intervals among the finer folds of the shell in its early age, which seem to disappear or are undeveloped in later years. The lobe-line ramifications are simple in *Aspid. perarmatum*, Sow. The siphonal lobe is large with symmetrical branches, the principal lateral is large and composed of numerous unequal parts, and the lower lateral is much smaller. The body of the lobes and saddles is broad, and the lobes are much slit up into branches. *Aspid. longispinum*, Sow. (fig. 180), from the Oxfordian of Weymouth, has a thick, discoidal, smooth shell, with two concentric rows of short spines growing upon the sides of the whorls, which are few and more than one half involute. This forms a very good type of the group. The large section of the *Perarmati*, with a double row of tubercles on the sides of the whorls, appears to want auxiliary lobes. In the group which has *Aspid. Altenense*, d'Orb., from the Corallian, for its type, one row of tubercles

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its origin; but to indicate the species which forms the connecting link between the two genera is absolutely impossible. The near affinity between *Peltoceras* and *Perisphinctes* is not only shown by the general appearance of the young specimens of species of the former genus, but also by the occurrence of the faint contractions of the shell in one or other of the *Peltocerata*. There are, however, yet other genera which take their rise from *Perisphinctes*, as *Aspidoceras* and *Simoceras*, and which are very nearly allied to our genus; in fact, so much so that I formerly thought it necessary to unite a part of the forms generally comprised under the name of *Aspidoceras*, the group of *Asp. perarmatum* and allied species, with *Peltoceras*. Thus there can be no doubt from the characters exhibited by the younger stages of growth of species of both genera, *Aspidoceras* and *Peltoceras*, that the one originates from the group of *Perisphinctes Martinsii*, d'Orb., to which the larger number of Middle Jurassic *Perisphinctes* belong; the other, on the contrary, takes its origin from a group of *Perisphinctes* as yet apparently entirely unknown in the European or any other Jurassic strata, and perfectly distinct from the *Perisph. Martinsii* or *Convolutus* group." Dr. Waagen subdivides the genus into three sections:—
a. Group of *Peltoceras annulare*, Rein. *b.* Group of *Peltoceras Eugeniei*, Raspail. *c.* Group of *Peltoceras athleta*, Phill. Of the five species comprised in the three sections no less than two, *Peltoceras Arduennense*, d'Orb., and *Peltoc. athleta*, Phill., are identical with the old European type-forms of these well-known species in our Oxfordian strata.

Group SIMOCERAS, Zitt.—Shell flat, discoidal, with a wide umbilicus; ventral side rounded or channelled. Sculpture seldom absent, and consisting for the most part of straight, simple, or divergent ribs, which, in general, during the entire life of the species, or, at any rate, in youth, are unbroken on the ventral side, and abundantly provided with tubercles. They have the last whorl much swollen out; separate from the forward directed contractions observed on all the inner whorls. Body-chamber three-fourths of a whorl in length. Mouth-border in the geologically youngest forms has upward bent external auricles; in the older forms it is not known. Lobe-line not very complex; siphonal lobe the largest; external saddle very much developed and broad. Lateral lobe single-pointed and very small. This genus is found only in the upper division of the Jurassic rocks, commencing with the upper part of the Middle Jura and extending into the Lower Tithonian or Uppermost Jura. The following are the type forms:

Simoceras anceps, Rein.

- *arthriticum*, Sow.
- *admirandum*, Zitt.
- *biruncinatum*, Quenst.
- *Catrianum*, Zitt.
- *contortum*, Neum.
- *explanatum*, Neum.

Simoceras Fraasi, Opp.

- *Greppini*, Opp.
- *Jooriense*, Waag.
- *lytogyrum*, Zitt.
- *Rehmanni*, Opp.
- *sulcatum*, Hehl.
- *Venetianum*, Zitt.

DESCRIPTIVE PART.

DESCRIPTION OF THE GENERA AND SPECIES OF AMMONITES.

BEFORE commencing a description of the genera and species of Ammonites figured in the plates of this work I desire to express a few thoughts by way of introduction to the study of species. First, with regard to the method I intend to pursue in the execution of this rather arduous duty, it is my intention to adopt the same lines I laid down and steadily followed in the description of the Jurassic and Cretaceous Echinodermata already published in the volumes of the Palæontographical Society.

In the systematic part of this work I have shown the student the importance of a more accurate and exhaustive study of the Ammonite shell than has hitherto been accorded to it by the majority of ordinary observers, and have proved how necessary a correct knowledge of all its essential features is in order to understand thoroughly the affinities of a species. I intend, therefore, to give a very full account of the characters of the different genera as they come in succession before us in the sequel.

The description of an old species necessarily implies a careful scrutiny of the synonyms by which it has been known and noted by former observers. This section of my work requires very careful study and much research, and should I succeed in clearing away some of the difficulties which surround the synonymy of the Ammonites I have so long studied, it will, I venture to hope, prove to be not labour in vain. The study of the Ammonite shell has shown us how very much many of these extinct Molluscs have changed their forms during the different phases of their lives, and how often species have been described and figured as new which afterwards were found to be only the transient conditions of some other well-known form. This is one of the errors that has greatly complicated the study of the synonymy of many species, and rendered the subject often so complex and difficult that we can scarcely hope to avoid errors in our attempts to unravel the true form of a doubtful species. It has only been by collecting specimens for the last thirty years which represent the young, middle-aged, and adult condition of as many species as I could obtain, that I have slowly learned how to solve some of the complex problems I have encountered, to my own satisfaction, and, I venture to hope, to that of the readers of this Monograph after my demonstrations shall have been made ;

so that we may be able to take an onward step towards a higher and better knowledge of the natural history of these wonderful extinct polythalamous Cephalopods.

Morphology has taught us that all animals pass through certain changes of form and structure between their escape from the ovum and the period they attain their adult condition, and that the nature and extent of these changes differ in different classes, families, and genera of the animal kingdom.

In the *Acalephæ* a most remarkable metamorphosis is observed in the *Medusidæ*, which was first described by M. Sars,¹ a Norwegian naturalist, and afterwards studied in 1846 by the late Professor John Reid and myself on specimens taken in St. Andrew's Bay, N.B., which showed the marvellous changes *Aurelia aurita* passes through in the course of its evolution. The egg produces an ovoid embryo, which is covered with a ciliated epithelium and swims freely about for a time like an Infusorian. After some days it fixes itself by a disk, and at the upper side of the small body a depression is seen with four corners, which gradually become elongated, and by degrees are transformed into tentacles. These rapidly multiply until the whole of the upper margin is covered with them, then transverse constrictions at regular distances apart are seen on the body stem, first appearing above, and afterwards extending downwards towards the disk. These constrictions grow deeper and deeper, and at the same time the edge of each segment begins to be serrated, so that the animal presents the appearance of a pine-cone surmounted by a tuft of tentacles. The separation goes on constantly, until at last the divisions are united only by a very slender axis, the whole resembling a pile of saucers placed one within another at a certain distance apart. The divisions are now ready for separation; the upper ring first disengages itself, and then the others follow in succession. Each separate segment now continues its morphology alone, and afterwards becomes a complete Medusa; whilst the original body-stem remains, and, it is said, produces a new colony. On this subject consult also Sir J. G. Dalyell's Memoirs.

The morphology of the *Echinodermata*, in the *Ophiuroidea*, *Asteroidea*, and *Echinoidea*, has been so carefully observed by Sars, Agassiz, Professor J. Müller, Krohn, and others, that we are now well acquainted with the successive forms these Radiates pass through before they attain their adult state, changes,—in fact, so numerous and remarkable that it was only after the most ample verification by different independent observers that the conclusions first published by the late Professor J. Müller were admitted as real biological facts.

The morphology of the *Arthropoda*, comprising the classes *Insecta*, *Myriopoda*, *Arachnida*, and *Crustacea*, affords abundant illustrations of the great law of change. In the *Crustacea*, the lower forms of *Entomostraca*, found in every freshwater pool, are interesting and instructive examples as microscopic objects, and *Apus*, *Daphnia*, *Cyclops*, and *Chirocephalus*, may be mentioned as convenient subjects for study. The eggs of Crabs and Lobsters among marine forms, and *Astacus fluviatilis* from freshwater streams, afford good objects for watching the morphology of the *Malacostraca*.

¹ Sars, 'Isis,' 1833, p. 224, taf. x, fig. 4; and 'Beskrivelser og Jagtag,' &c., p. 16, pl. iii.

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now living, and some of these have been carefully studied in relation to their structure and morphology by Owen, Huxley, Hancock, and Davidson, in England, and by Vogt, Fr. Müller, Lacaze-Duthiers, and Suess on the Continent, and by E. S. Morse in America.

The *Lamellibranchiata* are well known to us as Oysters, Mussels, Cockles, and other bivalve shells; they have a two-lobed mantle, under whose folds four lamellæ, or gills for respiration, are concealed, and the circulation is carried on by a heart. The shell consists of, with few exceptions, two valves, which correspond to the right and left sides of the body, the dorsal region being placed under the hinge; from the beak or umbo of each valve of the shell numerous concentric lines of growth running parallel with the margin can be traced; the inner differs from the outer surface by often exhibiting a mother-of-pearl lustre, the cause of difference being seen on examining with a microscope transparent sections of the shell. The development of this class has been carefully studied by Lovèn, Lacaze-Duthiers, and others, from whose observations it appears that important changes take place in the evolution of the embryo, and during the subsequent growth of the Mollusk.

The CEPHALOPHORA, or head-bearing Mollusks, comprise the *Gasteropoda*, *Pteropoda*, and *Cephalopoda*.

The *Gasteropoda* have a body with a large muscular foot extended under the abdomen, adapted for creeping, and a head supporting tentacula and simple eyes. The marine forms breathe by branchiæ, and the lacustrine and terrestrial genera by a pulmonary sac. The body is in general covered with a solid unilocular shell; some are naked, and others have an internal dorsal or branchial shield; the morphology of these animals has formed the subject of special studies for many observers, who have discovered the important changes that take place in this class in the different genera that formed the special objects of their investigations; these belong, however, to a treatise on Embryology, and are too numerous and complicated to be summarised here. The memoirs by Fol, Bobretzky, Gegenbaur, Lovèn, Agassiz, and Lankester, abound with important details regarding the evolution of *Gasteropoda*.

The *Pteropoda* have the body organised for swimming, the mouth closed above, and the branchiæ external; the shell when present is thin, unilocular, and generally inoperculate; these small, soft, floating Mollusks are entirely marine, and swim by the contractions of two lateral musculo-cutaneous fins which support the branchiæ. There appears to be a very close agreement amongst Gastropods and Pteropods in the general character of their larvæ, and the changes they pass through in subsequent stages of growth.

The *Cephalopoda* form the highest class, and their general structure has already been described in the systematic part of this work, where it was shown that the only existing representatives of the order *Tetrabranchiata* are the different varieties of *Nautilus pompilius* found in southern seas. The family to which this genus belongs is one of the oldest, as it can be traced through all the fossiliferous rocks down to those of Cambrian age. In the Silurian rocks we find closely allied forms, which differ from *Nautilus* in the degree of curvature their shell-cone assumes, as in *Lituites*, *Gyroceras*, *Trochoceras*; or straightness of

shell, as in *Orthoceras*, *Gomphoceras*; and in the position, structure, and mode of calcification of the siphuncle, as in *Actinoceras*, *Huronia*, *Endoceras*. In the Devonian and Carboniferous rocks the *Ammonoida* appear as *Goniatites*, with the edges of their septa forming angular, zigzag, transverse lines, marking the lobes and saddles; in the Muschelkalk as *Ceratites*, having undulating septa with denticulate borders. In the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous strata the lobes and saddles become very complicated, and the shells assume a vast variety of forms, being straight, bent, curved, turbinate, or discoidal, as seen in the various groups and genera of the *Ammonitidæ*. The morphology of the Cephalopods has been admirably described by Kölliker, and illustrated with beautiful figures; and later important observations have been made by Grenacher and Lankester "On the Embryology and Development of the Cephalopoda."

Family.—AEGOCERATIDÆ,¹ *Neumayr*, 1875.

This family includes a considerable number of Ammonite groups, which have widely different forms and affinities, so that it is almost impossible to give a general description of the family which shall be correct and comprehensive at the same time.

The lobes present a great variety of ramified figures, and the suture-line is in general complicated; the siphonal lobe is large, and the principal lateral and secondary laterals attain considerable dimensions.

The siphonal area is in general round and well developed; in some there is a keel with lateral channels more or less deeply grooved; in others the shell is flattened and discoidal with a wide open umbilicus; or it is round, and inflated, with highly involute whorls, and a small umbilicus sometimes nearly occulted by the last.

In the presence of so much diversity in form and structure this family is subdivided into three sections:

- I. AEGOCERATITES.—*Arietites*, *Aegoceras*.
- II. HARPOCERATITES.—*Harpoceras*, *Oppelia*, *Haploceras*.
- III. STEPHANOCERATITES.—*Stephanoceras*, *Cosmoceras*, *Ancyloceras*, *Baculina*, *Simoceras*, *Perisphinctes*, *Olcostephanus*, *Scaphites*, *Hoplites*, *Acanthoceras*, *Stoliczkaia*, *Crioceras*, *Heteroceras*, *Peltoceras*, *Aspidoceras*.

Section I.—AEGOCERATITES.

Genus I.—ARIETITES, *Waagen*, 1869.

- Family*—ARIETES, *von Buch*. Ueber die Ammoniten, p. 9, pl. iii, fig. 1, 1832.
— *d'Orbigny*. Paléont. franç., Ter. Crét., tom. i, p. 405, 1841.
— *Pictet*. Traité de Paléontologie, 2 ed., tom. ii, p. 671, 1854.
ARIETEN, *Quenstedt*. Handbuch, 2nd ed., p. 422, 1867.

¹ See pages 238 and 246 of this Monograph.

Genus—ARNICOCERAS, *Hyatt*. Fossil Cephalopoda, Bull. Mus. Camb., U.S.A., p. 73, 1868.

OPHIOCERAS, *Hyatt*, *ibid.*, p. 75; DISCOCERAS, *Hyatt*, *ibid.*, p. 76.

CORONICERAS, *Hyatt*, *ibid.*, p. 77; ASTEROCERAS, *Hyatt*, *ibid.*, p. 79.

Family—DISCOCERATIDÆ, *Hyatt*, *ibid.*, p. 73.

Genus—ARIETITES, *Waagen*. Formenreihe des *A. subradiatus*, *Benecke's geog. pal. Beitr.*, Band ii, p. 247, 1869, and *Palæont.*, Band xvii, p. 198, 1870.

— *Neumayr*. *Zeitschrift Deut. geolog. Gesell.*, Band xxvii, p. 906, 1875.

Shell discoidal, with a wide umbilicus. The sides of the whorls covered with straight simple ribs, which often have tubercles developed on them near the ventral angle, as seen in *Arietites rotiformis*, fig. 182, and still better shown in Pl. IX, figs. 1, 2. In all the species the keel is large and prominent, and accompanied by two lateral channels (fig. 184). The mouth-border is simple, scooped away on the sides, and furnished with a long, projecting ventral process. The body-chamber is from one to one whorl and a quarter in length.

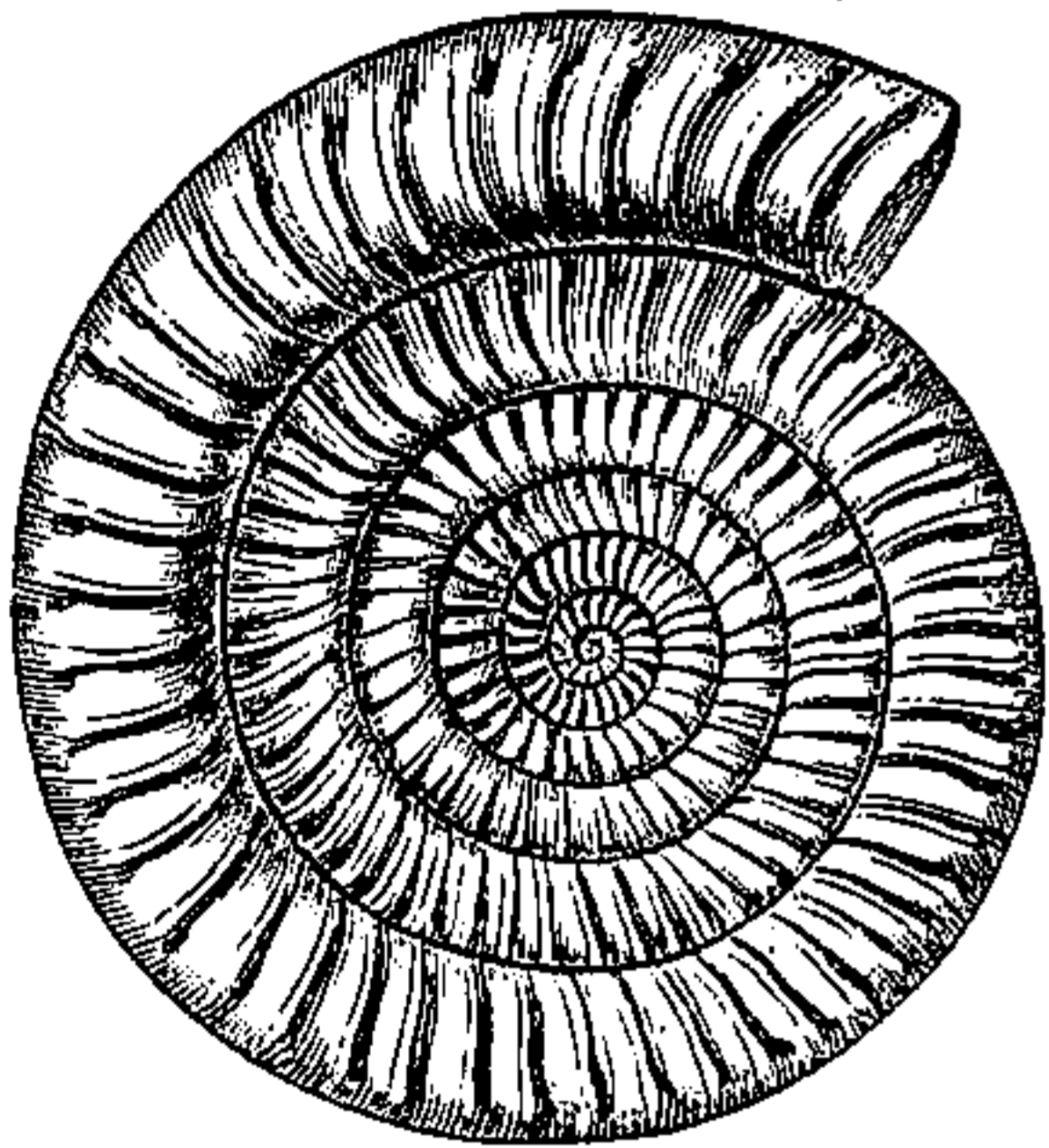


FIG. 182.—*Arietites rotiformis*, Sow. Side.

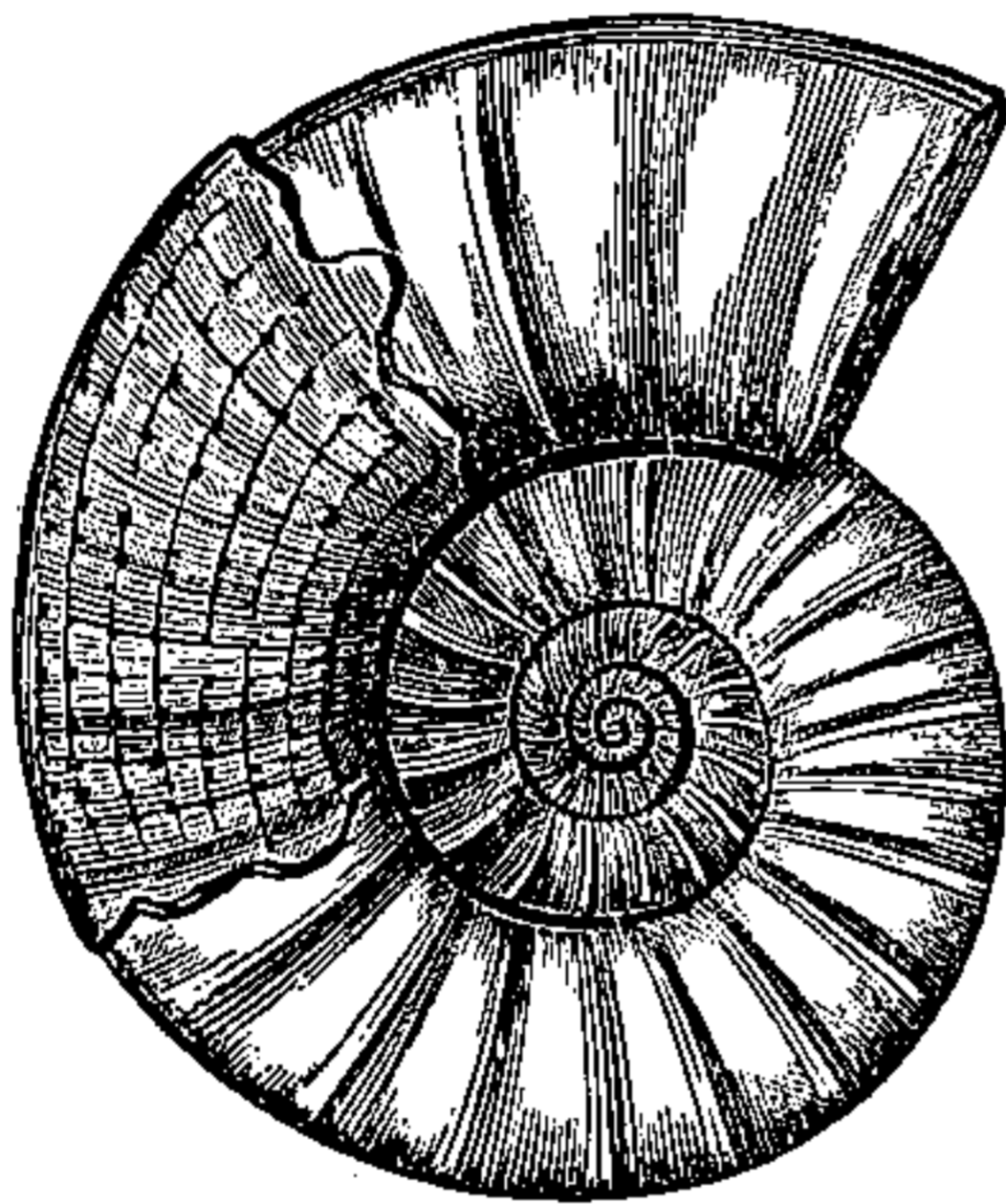


FIG. 183.—*Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Side.

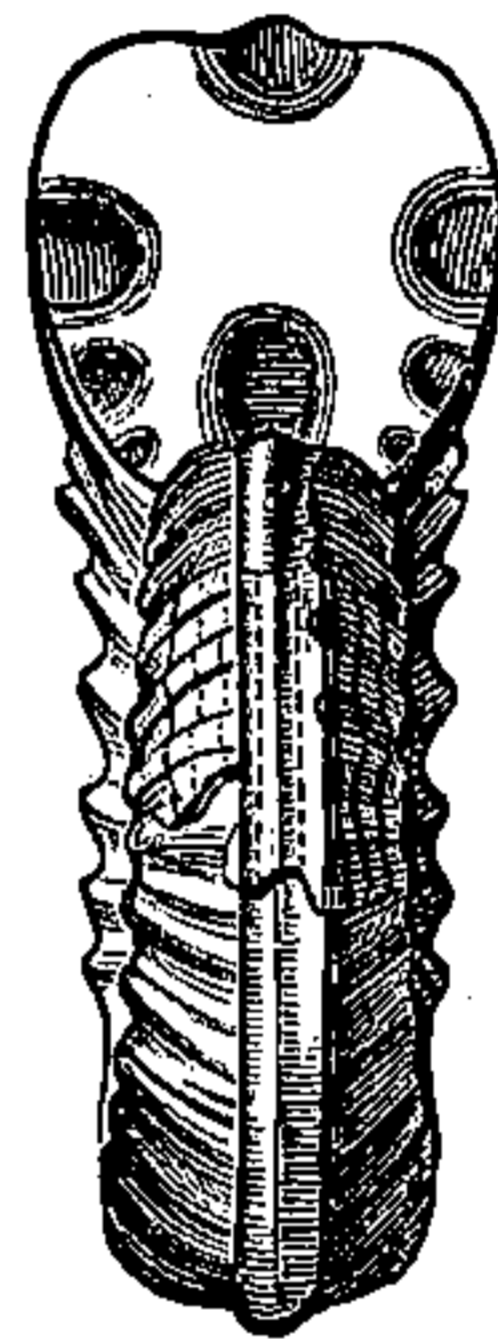


FIG. 184.—*Arietites obtusus*, Sow. Front.

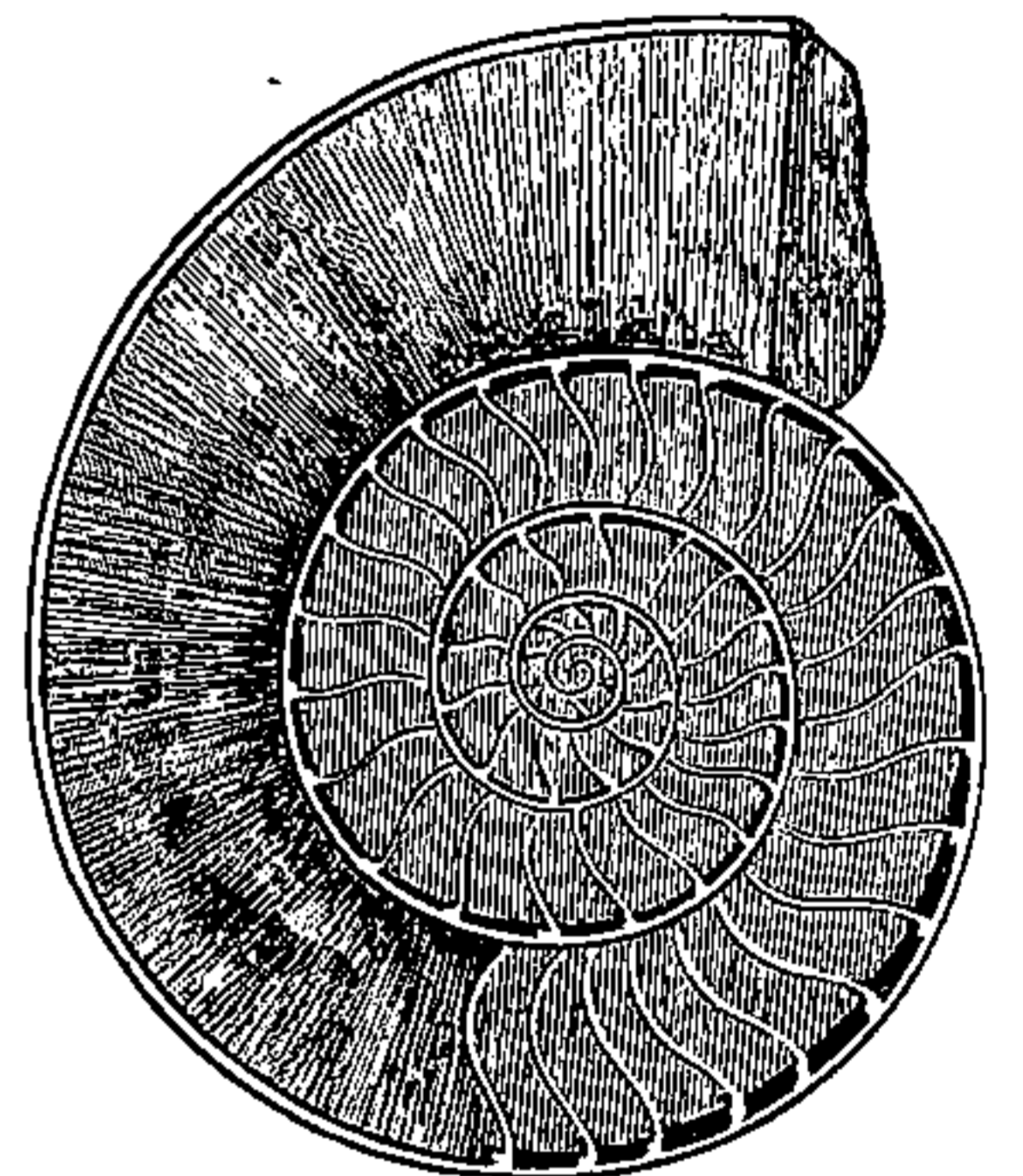


FIG. 185.—Section of *Arietites obtusus*, Sow.

The lobes are very characteristic (see *Arietites bisulcatus*, Bruguière, Plate III, fig. 3). The siphonal lobe is nearly as deep as it is broad, and the point of its adhesion to the siphuncle is nearly in the middle of its depth. The principal lateral lobe does not reach to half its depth, and is sometimes as broad as it is deep. The lateral saddle rises above all the others and stands upon the ground of the principal lateral lobe, in general double the height of the siphonal saddle. The lower lateral lobe is likewise much broader than deep, and the columellar saddle is so small that it does not reach to half the height or breadth of the lateral saddle and ends in two branches.

The genus *Arietites* is readily distinguished from the other genera of the AEGOCERATIDÆ. Its closest affinities are with *Harpoceras* and *Amaltheus*. It differs from *Harpoceras* in the absence of bent, sickle-shaped ribs, the short body-chamber, the different figuring of the lobe-line, and the want of a bivalved calcareous Aptychus. It differs from *Amaltheus* in possessing a long body-chamber. In *Amaltheus* it is short, from two-thirds to one-half of a whorl in length. The mouth-border is likewise simple, the ventral portion ending in a long projecting process. The lobe-line is moreover

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Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; whorls slightly involute; sides convex and largely costated; ribs thick, bent, remote, twenty-four in a whorl; back flat, strongly carinated, with a deep furrow on each side of the keel; aperture quadrato-hemispherical.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of figured specimen, 230 millimètres; height of the last whorl at the aperture 65 millimètres; width 75 millimètres; whorls about one fifth involute. Many of the large specimens from Keynsham measure 18 inches in diameter.

Description.—This Ammonite attains a gigantic size, it has a flattened discoidal shell, formed of six or seven slightly involute whorls, having the inner ones largely exposed; their sides are convex, sub-cylindrical, and separated by a deep suture, having strong prominent ribs, from twenty-four to thirty-two in a whorl, which are sharp, distant, simple, arched, and terminate abruptly near the border where they are interrupted; the siphonal area forms a broad flattened arch, and the middle line is occupied by a strong thick keel, bounded on each side by a deep furrow; the aperture is rounded or sub-quadrangular.

The septa are symmetrical, divided on each side into three lobes and three saddles formed of unequal parts. The siphonal lobe is narrow, one third longer, and a little wider than the principal-lateral lobe, and has on each side five nearly equal-sized serrated digitations (Pl. I, fig. 3).

The *siphonal saddle*, one fourth wider than the principal-lateral lobe, is divided into seven leaves of unequal size. The *principal-lateral lobe*, a little longer than wide, has on each side three elongated foliated digitations. The *lateral saddle*, twice the size of the principal lateral lobe, is formed of eight or nine subdivided lobules. The *infero-lateral lobe*, smaller than the principal-lateral, has four external and three internal digitations. The *auxiliary saddle* is small, with five small lobules. The *auxiliary lobe* is small, with three digitations.

Affinities and Differences.—This species was first described by M. Bruguière in the ‘Encyclopédie Méthodique,’ tom. i, p. 39, under the name *Ammonites bisulcata*. The diagnosis included two forms—(A) *Ammonites Bucklandi*, Sow.; and (B) *Ammonites multicosatus*, Sow.

(A) “*Ammonites costis simplicibus raris, dorso bisulcato carina acuta intermedia.*” Brug.

(B) “*Ammonis cornu spina in ambitu eminente, striis lateralibus ex toto orbem valde extimum trajicientibus.*” Lister.

The variety A had been previously figured by Lang in his ‘Historia Lapidum figuratorum Helvetiæ,’ p. 95, tab. xxiv, fig. 1, and described as “*Ammonis cornu striatum valde striis integris in spinam inter duos sulcos eminentem abeuntibus.*”

I propose to retain Sowerby’s name for var. A, and Bruguière’s name, *bisulcata*, for var. B, as the forms are very distinct and readily distinguished from each other. *A. multicosatus*, Sow., will then be a synonym of *A. bisulcatus*, Brug.

Arietites Bucklandi has twenty-four to thirty-two ribs, which gradually disappear on the outer border, without tubercles near the angle of the sulci.

Arietites bisulcatus has a quadrate angular form, with from forty-four to fifty ribs, with a tubercle on each near the angle of the siphonal border, from whence they curve forward into the sulcus.

There is no other form in the Lower Lias for which *Arietites Bucklandi* can be mistaken.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—*Arietites Bucklandi* characterises an important zone of life in the English Lias, the stratigraphical relations of which are best exposed in the magnificent coast section near Lyme Regis. I have collected this Ammonite at Fretherne Cliffs, on the banks of the Severn, and fragments of it from the Lower-Lias Limestones in the counties of Glamorgan, Somerset, Gloucester, Worcester, and Warwick, and from the same formation where it is worked at Scunthorpe in the north-west of Lincolnshire; and also where it is exposed at Redcar, and Robin Hood's Bay, on the Yorkshire Coast. The finest specimens I have obtained were found on the coast near Lyme Regis, and in the Great Western railway cutting, in the Lower Lias, at Salford, near Bath. Several fine specimens are preserved in the collection of the British Museum.

Foreign Distribution.—The two varieties of this Ammonite have a very wide range in space, and form conspicuous leading fossils in the horizon they characterise. In France it has been collected at Saint Rambert, Ain; Paillet, Mont-d'Or, Saint Fortunat près de Lyon, Rhone; Avallon, Yonne; Sémur, Côte-d'Or; Salins, Jura; Pouilly-sous-Charlieu, Loire; Fontenay, Vendée, Moselle.

In North Germany this species has been found at Orsleben and near Harzburg, at Solenhai, near Leibenburg, and Falkenhagen, near Rischenau, and several other localities, by Ewald, Strombeck, and Schlönbach.

In South Germany very fine large specimens of this Ammonite, nearly identical with the large examples found near Bath, are found in Würtemberg, Swabia, and Baden, and are preserved in the Museums of Sémur, Stuttgart, and Tübingen.

In Austria it is found in the north-eastern Alps, associated with other leading fossils appertaining to the same zone. La Spezzia, Tuscany (Pilla).

In Luxembourg this species is collected from the "Grès de Luxembourg."

I beg to refer the reader to the detailed sections I have given of the Bucklandi-beds at Saltford (pp. 36 and 37), and at Broad Ledge on the shore of Lyme Regis (pp. 38 and 39), as the best examples I at present know of the stratigraphical position and relation of this Life-horizon in the British Islands.

In describing this Ammonite Mr. James Sowerby remarks:—"Found in the Blue Lias of Bath and the neighbourhood, measuring from a foot to twenty-one inches or more in diameter, and rather remarkable for having frequently lost the inner whorls; which circumstance, by a sort of friendly pun, has given rise to the name given to it in honour of a meritorious and enlightened geologist, the Rev. W. Buckland, who, having found a large specimen, was induced by his ardour to carry it himself, although of considerable

weight, and, being on horseback, it was not the less inconvenient ; but the inner whorls being gone so as to allow his head and shoulder to pass through, he placed it as a French horn is sometimes carried, above one shoulder and under the other, and thus rode with his friendly companions, who amused him by dubbing him an ' Ammon Knight.' ”¹

ARIETITES CONYBEARI, *Sowerby*. Pl. II, figs. 1, 2, 3.

Lister. Animal. Angliæ, p. 206, tab. vi, fig. 2, 1678.

— Synopsis Conchyliorum, tab. 1039, fig. 18 ; tab. 1041, fig. 20, 1692.

AMMONIS CORNU, STRIATUM, STRIIS INTEGRIS (pars), *Lang*. Hist. Lap. fig. Helv., tab. xxiv, p. 95, 1708.

AMMONITES CONYBEARI, *Sowerby*. Mineral Conchology, vol. ii, p. 70, tab. 131, 1816.

— NATRIX *Schlotheim*. Petrefactenkunde, p. 62, Gotha, 1822.

PLANITES CONYBEARI, *de Haan*. Monogr. Ammon. et Goniât., p. 90, 1825.

AMMONITES — *Phillips*. Geology of the Yorkshire Coast, p. 164, pl. xiii, fig. 5, 1829.

— — *Sedgwick & Murchison*. Trans. Geol. Soc. Lond., 2nd series, vol. iii, p. 312, 1830.

— — *Zieten*. Die Verst. Würt., p. 35, tab. xxvi, fig. 2, 1830.

— — *von Buch*. Über Ammoniten, p. 10, 1832.

— — *Hoffman*. Karstens Archiv, 13, p. 267, 1840.

— — *Zeuschner*. Neues Jahrbuch, p. 429, 1842.

— — *Quenstedt*. Das Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 132, 1843.

— — *Portlock*. Geological Report on Londonderry, p. 132, 1843.

— — *d'Orbigny*. Paléontologie Française, Ter. Jurassique, p. 202, pl. 1, 1842.

— — *Pilla*. Saggio compar. dei ter. d'Italia, p. 70, 1845.

— — *Simpson*. Monogr. of the Ammonites, p. 51, 1843.

— — *Murchison*. Geology of Cheltenham, 2nd ed., p. 89, 1845.

— NODULOSUS, *Buckman*. Ibid., p. 105, pl. xii, fig. 6, 1845.

— CONYBEARI, *Lardy*. Neues Jahrbuch, p. 210, 1846.

— — *Geinitz*. Grundriss der Versteinerungskunde, p. 289, 1846.

— — *L. Pilla*. Bulletin Soc. Géol. Franc., 2nd series, tom. iv, p. 1069, 1847.

— — *Quenstedt*. Cephalopoden, p. 80, tab. iii, fig. 13, 1846—9.

— — *Savi e Meneghini*. Consider. sulla Geol. della Toscana, p. 72, 1851.

— — *Von Buch*. Neues Jahrbuch, p. 316, 1851.

— — *Renevier*. Bulletin de la Soc. Vaud. sci. nat., tom. iii, p. 139, 1852.

— — *Merian*. Verhandlungen der naturf. Gessel. in Basel, p. 151, 1852.

— — *Chapuis & Dewalque*. Terr. Second. Luxembourg, p. 44, pl. v. fig. 4, 1853.

¹ ' Mineral Conchology,' vol. ii, p. 69, 1818.

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The spire is composed of from eight to ten whorls, with convex costated sides, nearly all fully exposed ; the outer whorl has a strongly developed tricarinate area.

Mouth-aperture nearly quadrate, with rounded angles. The septa, according to d'Orbigny, are symmetrical, foliated on each side, and divided into two or three lobes formed of nearly equal branches. The siphonal lobe is much longer and as wide as the principal lateral lobe, formed of a single narrow branch with four double digitations. Siphonal saddle much larger than the principal lateral lobe, and unequally divided by an accessory lobe (Pl. II, fig. 3). Principal lateral lobe formed nearly of symmetrical parts, the external branch sometimes provided with acute elongated digitations. Lateral saddle narrow, irregular and oblique. Inferior lateral lobe provided with two unequal branches. Sometimes there is a small auxiliary lobe. A line extended from the extremity of the dorsal lobe to the centre cuts three branches of the principal lateral, and passes above the three auxiliary lobes.

The following important observations were made by the late M. d'Orbigny,¹ on the development of *A. Conybeari*:

“ This species is smooth only up to the diameter of 2 millimètres—rarely it remains so up to 3. It afterwards develops ribs similar to those of adult age, and has a small keel without lateral sulci ; at the diameter of 12 millimètres it has often thirty-six ribs ; at the diameter of 19 millimètres forty-six. In others this number is less, and that upon the less compressed specimens with large whorls. Upon these, for example, at the diameter 55 millimètres, there exists only thirty-five to forty ribs ; upon individuals of 100 millimètres to 198 millimètres there were sixty-six ribs. In all the cases the lateral sulci on each side of the keel were not developed on the specimens observed up to the diameter of 30 millimètres. These differences in the number of the ribs, and in their proximity or separation, seem to appertain to the sexes, the shells with numerous ribs being probably those of the males. The lobes from early age have very nearly the same form. From the examination of a very large specimen it appears that the ribs disappear in extreme old age.”

Affinities and Differences.—This species resembles *A. Kridion*, Hehl., from the Lower Lias, and figured in Zieten's 'Versteinerungen Württembergs,' tab. iii, fig. 2, and in d'Orbigny, 'Paléontologie Française,' Ter. Jur., tab. xxi, figs. 1—6. It is distinguished, however, from *A. Conybeari* by having fewer ribs, and these being more sharp and straight, and terminating in a prominent process near the back ; the keel is more acute, and there are neither lateral sulci nor carinæ ; the siphonal and lateral saddles have likewise a different form, and the phases of development of *A. Kridion*, according to d'Orbigny, are very different from those of *A. Conybeari*, the shell of the former remaining much longer in the embryonic state without ribs.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This is a very characteristic shell of the Lower Lias. I have collected it from the Zone of *Arietites Bucklandi* in the deep

¹ 'Paléontologie Française, Ter. Jurassique,' tom. i, p. 204.

cuttings of the Bristol and Birmingham Railway near Bredon, at Fretherne-on-Severn, Coombe Hill, Purton-on-Severn,¹ and several other localities in Gloucestershire; Weston, near Bath; Saltford, near Bristol; Lyme Regis, Dorsetshire; and Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire.

Foreign Localities.—It characterises the Lower Lias in the Zone of *Gryphæa arcuata* in many Departments in France, as Cher, Jura, Ain, Meurthe, and Cote-d'Or; in Swabia it is collected at Vaihingen, Möhringen, Bebenhausen, and Nürtingen: for the other countries in Europe in which it is found the reader is referred to the table of synonyms.

History.—First figured by Sowerby, afterwards by Zieten, d'Orbigny, von Hauer, and Buckland. Their Plates are all good, and leave but little to be desired.

ARIETITES BISULCATUS, *Bruguière*. Pls. III and IV.

Robert Plot's Natural History of Oxfordshire, tab. 5, fig. 14, p. 110, 1677.

Martin Lister. Historia Angliæ, de Lapidibus turbinatis, tab. vi, fig. 3, p. 207, 1678.

Bourguet. Traité des Pétrefications, pl. 41, No. 270, 1742.

AMMONITES BISULCATA, *Bruguière* (pars). Encyclopéd. Méthod., t. i, p. 39, No. 13, 1792.

— MULTICOSTATA, *Sowerby*. Mineral Conchology, vol. v, p. 76, tab. 454, 1824.

— *Zieten*. Versteinerungen Württembergs, p. 35, tab. xxvi, fig. 3, 1830.

— BISULCATUS, *d'Orbigny*. Paléontologie Française, Ter. Jur., p. 187, pl. xliii, 1842.

— MULTICOSTATUS, *Quenstedt*. Die Cephalopoden, p. 80, 1846—9.

— — *Quenstedt*. Handbuch der Petrefactenkunde, p. 355, 1852.

— BISULCATUS, *Chapuis et Dewalque*. Foss. Terr. Second. Luxembourg, p. 42, pl. v, fig. 3, 1853.

— — *von Hauer*. Die Cephalopoden aus dem Lias Nordöst. Alpen, p. 14, pl. i, figs. 3, 4, 1856.

— — *Oppel*. Die Juraformation, p. 77, 1856.

— MULTICOSTATUS, *Quenstedt*. Der Jura, p. 67, tab. vii, fig. 2, 1858.

— — *Terquem et Piette*. Lias Inf. de l'Est de la France, p. 26, 1865.

— BISULCATUS, *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass. du Basin du Rhône, tom. ii, p. 20, pl. iii, figs. 1—3, 1867.

ARIETITES — *Tate & Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 283, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell depressed, discoidal; siphonal area tricarinated; whorls subquadrate, with thirty to forty strong, sharp, bent ribs, having a tubercle near the siphonal margin of each; median keel strong, with two sulci and two lateral carinæ; aperture subquadrate, bisinuated anteriorly; lateral septa with three lobes.

¹ 'Proceedings of the Cotteswold Club for 1863,' p. 135.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of specimen figured on Pl. III, fig. 1, 200 millimètres; height of aperture 70 millimètres; width of aperture 64 millimètres.

Description.—The table of synonyms prefixed to this article is very limited when compared with the lists given in the works of Professors d'Orbigny and von Hauer; it is due, therefore, to the reader that I should give my reasons for excluding many of the citations of my contemporaries. In the description of *Arietites Bucklandi*, Sow.,¹ at p. 270, I have stated that M. Bruguière described, under the name of *Ammonites bisulcata*, two distinct forms—(A) *Ammonites Bucklandi*, Sow., and (B) *Ammonites multicostratus*, Sow.

The variety A had been previously figured by Martin Lister in his 'Conchyl. Angliæ,' p. 207, tab. 6, fig. 3; and by Lang in his 'Historia Lapidum Figuratorum Helvetiæ,' tab. 24, fig. 1. The variety B was included in Bruguière's general diagnosis of *Ammonites bisulcata*, and most authors have followed Bruguière in grouping both forms under one specific name. I am inclined, however, to think that Sowerby was right when he figured the two forms under distinct names. M. d'Orbigny and Professor von Hauer, in their works already cited, have figured good type forms of *A. multicostratus*, Sow. I assume that this is the recognised type of Bruguière's *A. bisulcata* in France and Germany, whereas the true *A. Bucklandi*, Sow., is seldom figured in any work on Lower-Lias fossils. I have, therefore, determined to retain Bruguière's name for his var. B, and Sowerby's name for var. A (see p. 270). In accordance with this view I have excluded all references to the synonyms of authors, unless I had a figure or a specimen for my guide, to determine the form referred to in the citation; this mode of proceeding has necessarily diminished the list, but makes it more correct for reference.

Arietites bisulcatus has a depressed discoidal shell, with a strongly tricarinated siphonal area and subquadrate whorls. The sides are provided with from thirty to forty simple, narrow, slightly-bent ribs, each terminating in a blunt tubercle, near the siphonal border. From the tubercle the rib bends sharply forwards, and disappears at the outer carinæ. The area is flat and tricarinated, the median keel a little more prominent than the laterals, and the two sulci, although well marked, are not very deep in the specimens I have examined; the lateral carinæ are well defined; the shell is bevelled off from the ridge to the row of tubercles, and presents a series of oblique undulations occasioned by the vanishing of the ribs. The spire is composed of subquadrate whorls; in a specimen, $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter, there are six whorls visible; on the outer whorl are thirty-seven ribs; on the second, thirty; on the third, twenty-nine; on the second, twenty-five; so that in this example the number of ribs increases with the number of the whorls. The aperture is quadrate, rather higher than wide, a little enlarged at the spire, and sinuous above, where it is marked by the central keel, the sulci, and lateral carinæ. (Pl. III and IV.)

The septa are symmetrical, foliated on each side, and divided into three lobes, and three saddles formed of unequal parts (Pl. III, figs. 1, 2, 3; Pl. IV, fig. 4). Siphonal

¹ 'Proceedings of the Cotteswold Naturalists' Club for 1863,' p. 135.

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M. Bruguière. In 1830, Zieten figured as *A. multicosata* a good type specimen from the Lias Limestone of Altingen, near Tuttlingen, so that Bruguière's specific name was nearly forgotten, when Prof. A. d'Orbigny, in his 'Paléontologie Française,' in 1844, gave an excellent historical account of the species; this author, however, confused *A. Bucklandi*, Sow., with *A. bisulcatus*, Brug., an error which I have endeavoured to rectify in my description of these two forms.

ARIETITES ROTIFORMIS, *Sowerby*. (Pl. V, figs. 1—4; Pl. VII, fig. 1; Pl. IX, figs. 1—3.)

AMMONITES ROTIFORMIS,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Mineral Conch., vol. v, p. 76, tab. 453, 1824.
— OBLIQUE-COSTATUS,	<i>Zieten</i> . Die Verst. Würt., p. 20, t. xv, fig. 1, 1830.
ROTIFORMIS,	<i>von Buch</i> . Über ammoniten, p. 10, 1832.
—	<i>Zieten</i> . Ibid., p. 35, tab. xxv, fig. 1, 1830.
—	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Paléontologie Française, Ter. Jurassique, tom. i, p. 293, pl. lxxxix, 1842.
—	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, p. 78, 1846.
— OBLIQUE-COSTATUS,	<i>Von Hauer</i> . Jahrbuch geologischen Reichsanstalt, bd. vi, p. 736, 1853.
— ROTIFORMIS,	<i>Studer</i> . Geologie der Schweiz, bd. ii, p. 30, 1853.
—	<i>Von Hauer</i> . Die Cephalopoden aus dem Lias der Nordöst. Alpen, p. 13, tab. 1, figs. 1, 2, 5, 1856.
—	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Der Jura, p. 67, tab. vii, fig. 1, 1858.
—	<i>Oppel</i> . Die Juraformation, p. 77, 1856.
—	<i>Dumortier</i> . Dépôts Jurass. du Basin du Rhône, p. 22, 1867.
ARIETITES —	<i>Tate & Blake</i> . Yorkshire Lias, p. 286, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; siphonal area tricarinated; whorls numerous, quadrate, slightly involute, and strongly costated; ribs from twenty-seven to thirty in a whorl, simple, strong, arched, and terminating near the areal angle in a large, round, obtuse tubercle; siphonal area large and flat, with a median keel, two lateral sulci, and marginal carinæ; aperture quadrate, depressed, sinuous anteriorly.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of specimen figured on Pl. IX 175 millimètres; height of aperture 45 millimètres; width of aperture 40 millimètres. M. d'Orbigny's specimen: width of the last whorl $\frac{18}{100}$; portion overlapped of last whorl $\frac{2}{100}$; thickness of last whorl $\frac{20}{100}$; width of the umbilicus $\frac{65}{100}$ of the diameter of the shell.

Description.—Shell discoidal, compressed, with quadrate whorls, strongly ribbed, and slightly involute. In the specimen I have figured (Pl. V, fig. 1) the inner whorls are partly absent, and in part concealed; in Sowerby's type only four whorls can be counted, the central ones being absent; in d'Orbigny's fine specimen, which is almost perfect, there are eight whorls, and this we may regard as the normal number in a shell 180 millimètres in diameter; the number of ribs in a whorl differ much in different

specimens, thus in Sowerby's and Zieten's shells there are twenty-seven, in von Hauer's thirty-four, and in d'Orbigny's forty-five; they are simple, strong, and arched, and terminate near the margin in a large, round, obtuse tubercle. Sowerby says, "The ribs rising in knobs just as they reach the front give the whorls a very square aspect; the ribs and the hollows between them are nearly equal. The siphonal area is wide, in consequence of the extension given to this region by the size of the costal tubercles; upon the middle line of the back is a strong, thick, rounded keel, having on each side thereof a deep sulcus, bounded by lateral elevations, so that the area is tricarinated with two intervening sulci. The spire is composed of quadrate whorls, with prominent ribs, and a series of nodules along the curvature of the spire. The aperture is quadrate, depressed, and sinuous.

The septa of this species, according to Prof. A. d'Orbigny, are symmetrical, divided on each side into four lobes, of which the two lower lateral are formed of two equal parts. The siphonal lobe (Pl. V, fig. 2), one third longer than the principal lateral lobe, is ornamented on each side with a long denticulated branch. The siphonal saddle, one third wider than the principal lateral lobe, is formed of three divided lobules, of unequal size, of which the median is the largest. The principal lateral lobe terminates in two points, and has on each side three or four others. The lateral saddle, narrower than the principal lateral lobe, is formed of three unequal lobules, resembling those of the siphonal lobe. The inferior lateral lobe, half the width of the principal lateral, terminates in two points. The two auxiliary lobes are very small, and divide into one median and two lateral points. A line, parting from the extremity of the siphonal lobe, passes at a considerable distance from all the lobes externally visible, but touches the extreme spiral lobe, which is bifurcated, and accompanied on each side by a very large columellar saddle.

Affinities and Differences.—This species resembles in many characters *A. Conybeari*. It is distinguished, however, from that form by having a wider siphonal area and fewer ribs, each terminating in a large obtuse tubercle, the septa are likewise much more complicated than those of *A. Conybeari*. It resembles *A. bisulcatus*, Brug., in possessing simple ribs with marginal tubercles, and two deep sulci on each side of the median keel. It is distinguished, however, from that form in having narrower whorls, a larger umbilicus, and a very different lobe-line. Compare, for example, the sutures in Pl. III, fig. 2, with those in Pl. IV, fig. 2.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This is a very rare Ammonite; my specimen was collected from the Lower Lias, near Lyme Regis; but its precise horizon I could not ascertain. Sowerby's specimen was found in the Lias, near Yeovil. I have seen fragments from a railway-cutting in the Lower Lias of Weston, near Bath, and from near Bristol, Somerset.

Foreign Localities.—Prof. d'Orbigny collected it from the Lower Lias, with *Gryphæa arcuata*, at Pouilly, Côte-d'Or, where it is rare. The fine shell figured in Pl. IX of this work came from near that locality, and was presented to me by Messrs.

Collenot and Bréon, of Semur, to help me in my comparative work; and I beg to return these kind friends my best thanks. Professor Quenstedt says it is most abundant in Germany, and is collected at Vaihingen, Möhringen, Gmünd. Professor von Hauer's figured specimen was collected in the Yellow Kössen Beds at Enzesfeld, near Vienna. Professor Studer found it in the Lower Lias of the Bernese Alps, and Lardy at Coulata and Fondement, near Bex, in the valley of the Rhone.

ARIETITES BROOKI, *Sowerby*. Plate VI, figs. 4, 5.

AMMONITES BROOKI, *Sowerby*. *Min. Conch.*, vol. ii, p. 203, tab. 190, 1818.

— — *Zieten*. *Verstein. Württemb.*, p. 36, tab. xxvii, fig. 2, 1830.

— BROOKII, *von Buch*. *Über ammoniten*, p. 10, 1832.

— — *Quenstedt*. *Flözgebirge Württemb.*, p. 132, 1843.

— BROOKI, *Simpson*. *Monogr. of the Ammonites*, p. 53, 1843.

— BROOKII, *Quenstedt*. *Cephalopoden*, p. 80, 1846.

— BROOKI, *Oppel*. *Juraformation*, p. 83, 1856.

— — *Simpson*. *Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias*, p. 97, 1855.

ARIETITES — *Tate & Blake*. *Yorkshire Lias*, p. 284, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell depressed, strongly carinated, with a deep narrow sulcus on each side of the keel; whorls costated, with thirty-six strong, simple, arched, ribs, which curve round the inner margin of the whorl, and terminate at the sulcus; whorls half involute, inner volutions well exposed; surface of the shell marked with fine flexed lines of growth; aperture oblong.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of fig. 4, 140 millimètres; height of the outer whorl at the aperture 55 millim.; width 40 millim.; amount of involution one half the whorl.

Description.—This handsome, well-marked species is recognised by its compressed shell, ornamented with strong, simple, arched ribs, that are large and prominent, and equal in width to the valleys between them; the ribs curve round the inner margin of the whorl, arch regularly forward, and terminate at the areal angle of the outer margin of the sulcus; the siphonal area is sharp and angular; the keel round and prominent, with a deep furrow on each side, forming a well-marked boundary between the keel and sides. The surface of the shell is marked with fine flexed lines of growth, corresponding in flexure with those of the costæ; the siphuncle is lodged in the strong round keel.

Affinities and Differences.—This fine, boldly marked shell so much resembles *A. Turneri*, Sow., that it is difficult to discover the points of difference between them, whilst their affinities are numerous. In *A. Turneri* the shell is thicker and more quadrate, the siphonal area is broader, the ribs are nearly straight to the upper third of the whorl, where they bend abruptly forward towards the aperture, and form a kind of thickened eminence at the angle of flexure. In *A. Brooki* the upper third of the whorl slopes off, and the ribs, which are not so numerous, arch more regularly forward, forming the angle of flexure found in *A. Turneri*. This point of difference may be only one of sex,

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stair-like character to the open umbilicus (figs. 4 and 5). The aperture is quadrate (fig. 2), the width slightly exceeding the height. The septa are symmetrical, foliated on each side, and divided into four lobes with narrow branches; the siphonal lobe (fig. 3), long and narrow, projects beyond the others; the outer side has three short simple, two long branched, and one terminal branched digitation; on the inner side of each bilateral segment of the lobe there are five or six simple digits. The principal lateral lobe is small; it has five or six long tooth-like lateral digitations on its outer, three or four on its inner side, and bifurcates into two terminal branches; the inferior lateral lobe is long and slender, with several narrow digitations on the sides, and a bifurcate termination; the auxiliary lobe is small; the siphonal saddle is large, but not sufficiently exposed for accurate description; the lateral saddle is very large, occupying two thirds of the sides of the whorl; it has two large terminal folioles, and two lateral folioles, with four or five lobules in each.

Affinities and Differences.—In the quadrate outline of its whorls and its straight simple ribs it resembles *A. Valdani*, d'Orb.; and the terminal tubercle on its ribs likens it in form to *A. perarmatus*, Sow.; whilst the form of the lobes and saddles, and the median ridge on the back distinguish it from both. It is very distinct from the other species of keelless *Arietites*, and has no affinities with the keeled species of that group, the absence of sulci on the siphonal area affording a reliable diagnostic character.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The large specimen was collected in the zone of *Arietites obtusus*, near Bredon, during the construction of the Bristol and Birmingham Railway. The smaller specimens were obtained from the same zone at Darlingscott, near Shipton-on-Stour, and given me by my late friend, Mr. John Kirshaw, of Warwick. I have found one or two small specimens in the Lower Lias of the Vale of Gloucester, and my friend, R. Etheridge, Esq., F.R.S., collected a specimen from the railway-cutting at Horfield, near Bristol. There are several fine large examples of this Ammonite in the stock cases of the British Museum; unfortunately their locality is unknown. *Arietites Sauzeanus* has been obtained from Lias nodules found in Drift on the Holderness Coast, and from the Lower Lias, Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire Coast. It is the true *Ammonites resupinatus* and *Amm. transformatus* of Simpson. It is curious that this remarkable Ammonite should have been found in England, France, and Germany about the same time.

Arietites Sauzeanus is a very rare Ammonite in France, M. d'Orbigny states that he had seen only two specimens of this singular species, which were collected from the *Gryphæa arcuata* beds of the Lower Lias by M. Boucault, at Champlong, near Sémur (Côte d'Or), where it is very rare.

ARIETITES CROSSII, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. X, figs. 1, 2.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, large, compressed, sides with twenty-four ribs, narrow, sharp, and trenchant, much more developed near the line of involution than in any other part of their trajet; they first bend backward, then arch forward, and finally vanish near the outer margin. They are thickest at the line of involution and become gradually thinner and less developed towards the margin, which is bevelled away. Siphonal area narrow, with a sharp, prominent keel, and a shallow sulcus on each side thereof.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of figured specimen 350 millimètres; height of the last whorl 10 millimètres; diameter of the umbilicus 170 millimètres; amount of involution one-third of the width of the whorl.

Description.—This very remarkable Ammonite was discovered by the Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S., in the Scunthorpe Ironstone of North-west Lincolnshire, in beds belonging to the Upper *Bucklandi*-series, containing *Arietites semicostatus*, *Aegoceras Boucaultianum*, and others. This new species attains gigantic size, as shown by several specimens in Mr. Cross's Collection. The whorls have their greatest thickness near the line of involution, from which they slope gently outwards toward the margin, so that the siphonal area forms a narrow and contracted space, in which the sharp, prominent keel, and two shallow sulci are found (fig. 2). The ribs likewise differ from those of other congeneric species, being largest and thickest near the line of involution, where in other forms they are most slender. They bend gently backward, then forward, diminishing in size as they ascend and disappearing near the outer bevelled margin of the siphonal area. The last whorl possesses twenty-five ribs, which have a uniform character throughout. The lobe-line was not seen in any of the specimens that passed through my hands. The narrowness of the siphonal area is very well exhibited in the capital drawing of Plate X, fig. 2.

The aperture of the shell is compressed—narrowest towards its outer margin and widest at the line of involution of the spine, and the last whorl embraces nearly one half of the penultimate one; the ribs are likewise nearly equidistant, narrow, and trenchant, and the curve they describe is uniform throughout all the whorls.

Affinities and Differences.—This large Ammonite resembles *A. Bucklandi*, but differs from that well-known species in the shape of the whorls: those of *A. Bucklandi* are square, and as wide at the siphonal as at the umbilical margin, whereas in *A. Crossii* they are contracted at the siphonal and large at the umbilical side; the ribs, moreover, in *A. Bucklandi* are small at the umbilical and large at the siphonal side, a character

which is quite the reverse in *A. Crossii*. The amount of involution is likewise much less in *A. Bucklandi*, and the keel is thicker and more pronounced in that form than in *A. Crossii*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This interesting Ammonite was found in the Scunthorpe Ironstone, associated, according to the Rev. J. E. Cross, with *A. Bucklandi*, *A. Conybeari*, *A. semicostatus*, *A. stellaris*, *Aegoceras Boucaultianum*, *Nautilus striatus*, *Belemnites acutus*, *Pleurotomaria Anglica*, *Cardinia gigantea*, and *Lima antiquata*, which are considered to represent the Upper *Bucklandi*-series, or zone with *A. semicostatus*. See p. 41.

I know of no other British specimens except those belonging to Mr. Cross's Collection. In the Museum of Stuttgart, however, I observed two very fine specimens of this species in the upright cases, unnamed, as they had been separated by Prof. Fraas from the true *Bucklandi* forms, and placed there as distinct. In the Museum of Tübingen, Professor Quenstedt kindly showed me another large specimen, and informed me that it came from the Upper *Bucklandi*-bed at Gmünd and Göppingen. My learned friend, who is most particular about the position of all fossils, assured me that it was the true horizon of this species, which I have named in honour of the Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S., its discoverer in the British Lias.

ARIETITES SEMICOSTATUS, *Young and Bird*. Pl. I, figs. 4—8.

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| AMMONITES SEMI-COSTATUS, | <i>Young & Bird</i> . | Geol. Surv. York. Coast., pl. xii, fig. 10, p. 257, 1828. (2nd. Edit.) |
| — KRIDION, | <i>Hehl?</i> | <i>Zieten's Verstein. Württemb.</i> , p. 4, pl. iii, fig. 2, 1830. |
| — NATRIX, | <i>Roemer</i> . | <i>Oolithen-Gebirg</i> . i, p. 193, 1836. |
| — KRIDION, | <i>d'Orbigny</i> . | <i>Pal. Française, Terr. Jurass.</i> , pl. li, figs. 1—6, p. 205, 1842. |
| — SEMI-COSTATUS, | <i>Simpson</i> . | <i>Monogr. of the Ammonites</i> , p. 51, 1842. |
| — BODLEYI, | <i>Buckman</i> . | <i>Murchison's Geol. of Cheltenham</i> , 2nd ed., p. 43, as <i>crenata</i> , pl. xi, fig. 7, 1845. |
| — GEOMETRICUS, | <i>Oppel</i> . | <i>Juraformation</i> , p. 79, 1856. |
| — NODOSARIES, | <i>Wagner</i> . | <i>Verh. Nat. Ver.</i> , p. 161, 1860. |
| — SPINARIES, | <i>Wagner</i> . | <i>Ibid.</i> , 1860. |
| — GEOMETRICUS, | <i>Schloenbach</i> . | <i>Neues Jahrb.</i> , 1863, p. 164; <i>Zeitsch. d. d. Geol. Gesellschaft</i> , vol. xv, p. 500, 1863. |
| — | <i>Schloenbach</i> . | <i>Beiträge zur Paläontol., Palæontographica</i> , vol. xiii, p. 155, pl. xxvi, fig. 3, 1865. |
| — FALCARIES, | <i>Quenstedt</i> . | <i>Der Jura</i> , p. 70, tab. vii, figs. 6, 7, 1858. |
| — SEMI-COSTATUS, | <i>Simpson</i> . | <i>Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias</i> , p. 93, 1855. |

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branches. A small accessory lobe lies between it and the siphonal lobe, which is exaggerated in size in the drawing. The infero-lateral is small, and leads down to a small umbilical or auxiliary lobe.

Dimensions.—The following are the dimensions of four shells of from three to six whorls in each, with their parts and number of ribs, from some typical specimens before me :

Number of whorls	3	4	5	6
Do. ribs		22	25	36
Diameter of shell	15½ mm.	33 mm.	58 mm.	67 mm.
Width of umbilicus	7½ „	17 „	31 „	34 „
Height of the keel at aperture		1¼ „	2½ „	3 „
Do. last whorl	5 „	10 „	16½ „	19 „
Do. penultimate whorl	3 „	6 „	9½ „	11 „
Thickness of last whorl	4½ „	8 „	11 „	12 „
Do. penultimate	2½ „	5½ „	7¾ „	8 „

Young and Bird's figure of this shell is both bad and deceptive, and their description incomplete; hence arose early confusion about the species which they were the first to name, although it was well known to the Yorkshire collectors, who greatly prized the slabs crowded with its shells. Roemer collected it in Brunswick, and described it accurately, but erroneously identified it as *Am. natrix*, and placed it among the *Capricorni*. Quenstedt, in his 'Jura,' has figured and described it under the name *falcaries*, and Wagener under the names *nodosaries* and *spinaries*. In the Berlin Museum some English specimens, obtained from a dealer, have the true name *Am. semicostatus*. In the Jardin des Plantes the d'Orbignian collection contains the specimens which were figured in the 'Paléontologie Française' as *Am. kridion*, which I have examined. These shells have been collected from several well known Lower Lias localities, as Villefranche, Saône-et-Loire; environs of Lyons, Rhône; and Sémur, Côte-d'Or; Avallon, Yonne. An Ammonite was collected from the Lower Lias Limestone near Stuttgart, and called *Kridion* by Bergrath Hehl, and under this name it was figured by Zieten in his large work on Württemberg fossils. This shell has been frequently mistaken for *A. semicostatus*, but appears to be distinct; it was erroneously identified by d'Orbigny with the French forms of *A. semicostatus*, and hence our species appears as *A. kridion* in the 'Paléontologie Française.'

Dr. Opper, overlooking the fact that Young had figured, and Simpson well described, *A. semicostatus*, considered the shells he found in Robin Hood's Bay and at Lyme Regis a new species, and described them under the name *A. geometricus*, the *A. geometricus*, Phillips, having been found to be a form of *A. spinatus*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite is found in the *Turneri*-beds or upper portion of the zone of *Arietites Bucklandi* at Broad Ledge, Lyme Regis,

whence I obtained a series of specimens in different stages of development, and where it is associated with *A. Turneri* and *A. Bonnardii*. It is found in the upper part of the zone of *A. Bucklandi*, Robin Hood's Bay, Redcar, Marske, Nunthorpe, Ellerbeck; and zone of *Amal. oxynotus*, Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire, and in the Lower Lias Shales and Limestones at Bredon, Lansdown, Cheltenham, and other places in the Vale of Gloucester.

Foreign Distribution.—In North Germany at Scheppau, Achim, Stadtoldendorf, Bundheim am Harz, Langelsheim am Harz, Brunswick; Salzgitter (Haverlah-Wiese), Hullersen and Wellersen, Hanover; and in many other localities.

In South Germany at Gmünd, Krummenacker, Göppingen, and Bebenhausen, near Tübingen.

ARIETITES BONNARDII, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. XI, figs. 1, 2, 3.

AMMONITES BONNARDII, *d'Orbigny*. Paléont. Franç., Terr. Jurass., p. 196, pl. xlvi, 1842.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal; sides much compressed and ornamented with numerous (forty) ribs, which first arch backwards, then incline forwards, and finally bend round the margin, inclining obliquely forwards, and vanishing at the outer side of the sulcus. Siphonal area with a medium-sized keel between two deep lateral sulci. Aperture rectangular, subquadrate, compressed at the sides.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of the figured specimen, 110 millimètres; height of the last whorl, 25 millimètres; thickness of ditto, 22 millimètres. Amount of involution, 3 millimètres.

Description.—Shell discoidal, much depressed, carinated, and sulcated; whorls numerous (eight). The sides ornamented with forty ribs, mostly simple, rarely bifurcate, much arched, and rounded. The siphonal area broad, provided with a medium-sized prominent keel, having on each side a deep sulcus. The spire is composed of narrow compressed whorls, with very regular ribbing.

The aperture is rectangular, subquadrate, and compressed at the sides, with a prominent ventral process. The lobe-line is not shown on any of my specimens. D'Orbigny¹ describes the siphonal lobe as a little larger, and quite as long as the principal lateral, and ornamented with many conical digitations. The siphonal saddle is twice the size of the principal lateral lobe, and is divided into four round unequal leaves by three lobules, of which the central one has nine digitations. The principal lateral lobe is ornamented on each side with three branches, which increase in length from above downwards. The first has two digitations, the second three, and the third six; and the external branch is longer than the other. The lateral saddle, narrower than the principal lateral lobe, is unequally parted

¹ 'Paléontologie Française, ter. Jur.,' tome i, p. 196, pl. xlvi, fig. 3, 1842.

on the sides into large obtuse festoons. The infero-lateral lobe is small and provided outwardly with three, and inwardly with two, simple digitations, independently of the median point. The auxiliary saddle is very short and thrice festooned; the line from the central radius, in parting from the point of the dorsal lobe, touches the extremity of the principal lateral lobe, but is very distant from the infero-lateral and auxiliaries.

Affinities and Differences—This Ammonite retains its youthful form throughout life, and more nearly resembles *Arietites bisulcatus* than any other of the congeneric forms in the structure of its siphonal area, the general character of the shell, and the deep sulci on each side of the keel. It is distinguished from *A. bisulcatus*, however, specifically by the narrowness of the whorls, the compression of the sides, the greater number of ribs destitute of tubercles, and by the marked difference in the figure of the lobe-line, which is seen to be disposed in a different manner when the two species are carefully compared. It resembles *Arietites Turneri*, Sow., and I have seen *A. Bonnardii* marked *A. Turneri* in some continental museums; even Dr. Opper appears to have thought them identical. It differs from *A. Turneri*, however, in having the whorls not nearly so high, nor the shell so thick as in that species; whilst the difference in the structure of the lobe-line makes a marked specific distinction between these two allied forms, which belong to the horizon containing the beds with *Pentacrinus tuberculatus*, Miller.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected this species at Lyme Regis, out of the hard limestone beds with *Aegoceras Birchii*; in a slab before me the two species are embedded together. It has been found in the same horizon in the Lower Lias of Bredon, Lansdown, near Cheltenham, and in the Vale of Gloucester.

I must refer the reader to p. 48 for an account of the *Turneri*-beds at Lyme Regis, and a list of the fauna with which *Arietites Bonnardii* was associated. *Aegoceras Birchii* may be now added to the list, as in a recent traverse I discovered the two Ammonites embedded together in the same slab.

Foreign Localities.—The type was found in the Lower Lias with *Gryphæa arcuata* in the environs of Belley (Ain). The type specimens are in the École des Mines, Paris. It has likewise been found by Dr. Opper, near Stuttgart (Württemberg).

ARIETITES SUBNODOSUS,¹ *Young & Bird*. Pl. VI, figs. 2, 3.

AMMONITES SUBNODOSUS, *Young & Bird*. Yorkshire Coast, p. 258, 1828.

— — *Simpson*. Monogr. of the Ammonites, p. 48, 1843.

— — *Simpson*. Fossils of Yorkshire Lias, p. 90, 1855.

ARIETITES OBESULUS, *Tate & Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 284, pl. vi, fig. 2, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal; sides flat, compressed; siphonal area broad, flat; keel

¹ Termed nodulosus on the explanation of Pl. VI, figs. 2 and 3.

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Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of specimen figured on Plate XIII, 150 millimètres; height of the last whorl, 50 millimètres; thickness of ditto, 35 millimètres; amount of involution, 8 millimètres; diameter of the umbilicus 60 millimètres.

Description.—This is a very remarkable Ammonite. In early life, its specific characters are well developed; in middle age it changes much; after attaining a very large size in its adult state it differs from all the previous conditions, as shown in specimens contained in the Museum at Semur, where this species may be studied in the different states of development. The shell is very thin, much compressed and carinate, provided with an elevated, but not cutting keel. The sides are flat and ornamented with numerous ribs, which vary in number in different individuals (from eighteen to thirty-six). They are thick and well developed when they appear at the umbilicus, and rise in straight lines, gently bent forward towards the aperture, and near the margin of the siphonal area terminate in small blunt tubercles. In the specimen I have figured from the Lower Lias of Gloucestershire (Pl. XIX, figs. 8—10) the ribs (seven in number) are far apart, the tubercles are small and conical, and the keel is sharp and prominent. In another specimen, about the same size as the latter, there are twenty-six ribs, so that the number of these lateral folds is valueless as a specific character in this form. In a larger specimen from the Museum of Semur, 165 millimètres in diameter, there are thirty-six ribs; and the fine specimen I have figured (Pl. XIII) from the same locality has twenty-eight ribs. The admirable figure given in this plate shows likewise another important feature in this Ammonite, namely, that the ribs, tubercles, and keel are much sharper and better defined in the cast than in specimens covered with the original shell. A small Semur specimen in my hand shows this very distinctly, and is verified, in Pl. XIII, in that portion of the outer whorl which has retained its shell. The ribs likewise in this species are rarely bifurcated.

The terminal costal tubercles appear to be best developed in early age; they gradually become blunted in the middle period, and finally disappear in the senile condition.

The keel is as well developed upon the cast as in those parts covered with the shell, and has almost always the same prominence; an anatomical fact of some importance, seeing that in a congeneric form, the *A. Aballoensis*, from a higher zone, as pointed out by Mons. Dumortier, the shell possesses a well-developed keel, which is entirely absent in the cast.

The lobe-line is delineated on Plate XIII; a lateral view in fig 1, and the siphonal and lateral lobes and saddles in fig. 3; this outline is essentially the characteristic form of the group *Arietites* to which this species belongs.

The aperture is compressed on the sides and forms an irregular hexagon; the two siphonal facets form prominent angles, the two sutural obtuse angles, and the lateral facets are inclined outwards.

Since the above description was in type, I have received, through the extreme kindness of M. Collenot, of Semur, a larger specimen of this species than the one figured

in Pl. XIII. It is an adult specimen with a considerable portion of the body-chamber and traces of the lobe-line. This fossil is 225 millimètres in diameter, the outer whorl at the aperture is 85 millimètres in height and 56 millimètres in width; and the aperture is compressed and forms an irregular hexagon; the two outer facets describe acute angles, the two lateral and the two inner re-entering angles. The whorls are widest at the umbilical, and narrowest at the outer margin, where they are bevelled away into the prominent keel. At the umbilical angle there are twenty-four thick, blunt ribs slightly inclined backwards, which ascend on the sides and disappear near the middle of the whorl, and then leave the upper portion smooth. The row of tubercles in which the lateral ribs usually terminate are absent on this more aged shell, so that the outer half of the whorl is bevelled away and rises into a high, prominent keel. A portion of the shell remaining on the cast shows how extremely thin the shell of this species was in so large an Ammonite. The keel, likewise, is as prominent on the cast as at the parts covered by shell.

The spire is formed of angular whorls, which are one half involute; they are all strongly ribbed as they appear near the umbilicus, the upper smooth-bevelled half being concealed by the involution of the spire. The body-chamber is not complete, still it occupies five sevenths of the outer whorl of this specimen.

The lobe-line is very tortuous, and forms three lobes and three saddles. The siphonal lobe is long, narrow, and freely digitate on each side. The siphonal saddle is wide and oblique, with numerous festoons on its long inner side (Pl. XIII, fig. 3); the principal lateral lobe is as wide, but shorter than the siphonal; and the lateral saddle is larger than the siphonal, and is oblique and festooned in like manner. The auxiliary lobes are small and indistinct.

This species attains a very great size, as may be seen in the old shells contained in the Semur Museum.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite somewhat resembles *A. stellaris*, Sow., in the compression of the sides and bevelled surface of the outer margin. The row of tubercles near the siphonal area, the narrowness of that space and entire absence of sulci from each side of the keel, entirely separate it from *A. stellaris*, and there is no other form in the Lower Lias with which it has any affinities.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—It was collected from the Lower Lias Shales, in the Vale of Gloucester, during the deep cuttings made in the formation of the Midland Railway. In Yorkshire it is found in position in the upper part of the *Bucklandi* Zone at Marske, Redcar; and in Robin Hood's Bay, in blocks, associated with *Lima pectinoides*, *Lucina limbata*, *Dentalium elatense*, indicating the same horizon there.

In France it is found in the upper part of the zone of *Arietites Bucklandi* with *Arietites rotiformis* and *Ar. semicostatus*, Young, and is rarely discovered in the lower layers of the zone. Dumortier says it is collected at Saint-Didier, Rhône; also at Cury, Borgy, Saône-et-Loire; Salins, Clomot, Nolay, Côte-d'Or; Mont-de-Lans, Isère; and

Avallon, Yonne. Near Semur, Côte d'Or, many specimens of a large size have been found, and which are now preserved in the Semur Museum.

In Germany, Quenstedt records it from Gmünd.

ARIETITES TURNERI, *Sowerby*. Pl. XII, figs. 1—6.

AMMONITES TURNERI, *Sowerby*. Mineral Conchology, tab. 452, vol. v, p. 75, 1824.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed, strongly carinated, with a deep narrow sulcus on each side of the keel; whorls costated, with forty-two strong, simple, straight ribs, which bend suddenly forward near the back, each rib thickened at the angle; inner volutions of whorls well exposed; aperture oblongo-quadrate.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 115 millimètres; height of the aperture 41 millimètres, width 38 millimètres; amount of involution nearly one fourth of the whorl.

Description.—This shell so closely resembles *Ammonites Brookii*, that I have long suspected it might only be a variety of that species; the want, however, of a good series of specimens of *A. Turneri*, to enable me to compare it with *A. Brookii* in different stages of growth, has induced me to retain, for the present, Sowerby's name, and to give his description of *A. Turneri* from vol. v, p. 75 of the 'Mineral Conchology.' "Depressed, radiated, carinated, a furrow on each side of the keel; inner whorls exposed; radii numerous, equal, curved towards the front; the aperture oblong-quadrate. Volutions about five, the inner ones almost wholly exposed; the radii are almost straight until they bend rather suddenly toward the front; the aperture is less than one third the diameter of the last whorl in length. The more exposed whorls, squarish aperture, and differently curved radii, distinguish this from *A. Brookii*, to which it bears a strong resemblance."

The septa are very imperfectly preserved in the specimen I have figured. The lobe-line shows the siphonal lobe (fig. 6) long, narrow, and deeply serrated on both sides, and the terminal branch bifurcated. The siphonal saddle is small, ending in two festoons; the principal lateral lobe (fig. 5) is oblique, and serrated, terminating in three curved digitations; the lateral saddle is wide, ending in three festoons, with several lobules on each side; the inferior lateral lobe is oblique like the principal lateral, and about the same size, with serrated sides and a trifid termination; the lower lateral saddle is much smaller than the upper lateral, and ends in three festoons of unequal size, with a lateral lobule on each side.

In Pl. XII, fig. 4, I have given an accurate drawing of one of Sowerby's original type specimens, now in the British Museum, to show its identity in form with the shell figured (figs. 1—3) on the same plate.

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calculated from several specimens are—height of the last whorl $\frac{40}{100}$; width, $\frac{35}{100}$; width of the umbilicus, $\frac{45}{100}$; involution of the whorl, $\frac{25}{100}$ of the diameter of the shell.

Description.—This Ammonite has a discoidal shell, moderately compressed on the sides, but rotund towards the siphonal area, which is furnished with a very thick obtuse keel, having on each side a deep sulcus separating it from two lateral carinæ formed by the angles of the sides and area; aperture compressed, bi-sinuated at the summit, and strongly grooved by the turn of the spire; whorls slightly compressed in the middle, and more so towards the upper third; provided with from twenty-five to thirty moderately prominent acute ribs, which are arched, and disappear at the angle of the area before they merge into the lateral sulci; the valleys between the ribs are very regularly concave.

The entire surface of the outer lamina of the shell is traversed by fine longitudinal lines, as if they had been cut by a graver. On the specimen before me there are sixty-six such lines on the area and sides of the whorl, and at the point where they intersect similar transverse lines a punctated depression is produced, which imparts a highly ornamental character to the shell of this species.

The septa are symmetrical, divided on each side into four lobes and four saddles, formed of unequal parts (Pl. XXI, fig. 5). The siphonal lobe is long and wide, and divided on the median line one third of its length, presenting numerous small equal-sized digitations around its circumference; the siphonal saddle, as large as the siphonal lobe, has shallow ramifications on its outer side, and three small festoons on its anterior border; the principal lateral lobe is conical, and about two thirds the length of the siphonal lobe; the superior is larger than the siphonal saddle, and presents better developed simple festoons on its border than those on the latter; the inferior lateral lobe is about as large as the principal, and has numerous small round digitations on its circumference; the auxiliary saddle is about one fourth the size of the siphonal, and has a similar form; the auxiliary lobe is nearly as large as the lateral.

Affinities and Differences.—This species very much resembles *Arietites stellaris*, Sow.; so much so, that the one is often mistaken for the other. Both have longitudinal and transverse lines on the shell, and punctations at their points of intersection; in *A. stellaris* the shell is more compressed and bevelled, the keel smaller and less obtuse; the digitations of the lobes more complicated, and the saddles longer and narrower.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite characterises a well-marked zone of life in the Lower Lias, which was well shown at Bredon during the cutting of the Bristol and Birmingham Railway, from whence I obtained the fine figured specimens. The rock consisted of dark grey-bluish shales and marls, with irregular and inconstant bands of limestone. This Ammonite is found near Stratford-on-Avon, Warwickshire; it is collected in great abundance between Lyme Regis and Charmouth, where the shells are replaced and their chambers filled with crystallised carbonate of lime. These beautiful fossils are called “Tortoise Ammonites” by the local collectors. The young examples of this species found with *A. planicosta*, Sow., in the Marston marble of Somersetshire,

which belongs to the zone of *A. obtusus*, have been figured by Sowerby under the name of *A. Smithi*.

In Robin Hood's Bay, on the Yorkshire coast, I have found this species, which, however, is very rare in that county, *A. stellaris* being here the dominant form, and mis-called *A. obtusus* in most of the public and private collections.

On the continent of Europe it has been found in France, in the environs of Avallon (Yonne); Saint-Ramber (Ain); and in the province of Luxemburg, at Ethe; and it is found in South Germany in many localities. Professor Quenstedt regarded this species as *A. Turneri*, Sow., and figured it as such; in pl. iii, fig. 19, of his 'Cephalopoden' my learned friend recognised the stratigraphical importance of this form, as he found it characteristic of a zone, which he called the "*Turnerithone*" in his valuable 'Flözgebirge Würtembergs.' It is found at Balingen, Ober-Dingen, Betzingen, and Betzenrieth.

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Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls four, exposed, one third involute; sides flattened, covered with thirty ribs, nearly straight on the sides, and bent toward

the marginal angle; siphonal area squarish with a thick prominent keel, and two deep lateral sulci. Outer lamina of the shell ornamented with elevated longitudinal and transverse lines, growing at some distance apart and forming decussating striæ with a series of elevations at the points of intersection; aperture oblong, subquadrate, deeper than wide; siphonal area narrow and bisulcate; dorsal margin widest where it embraces the penultimate whorl.

Original type specimens of Sowerby—the largest shell (Pl. XXII, figs. 1, 2):—

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 125 millimètres; width of umbilicus 40 millimètres; height of aperture 50 millimètres; greatest dorsal width 43 millimètres.

Smaller shell (Pl. XXII, figs. 3—6), the same as figured in the 'Mineral Conchology': transverse diameter 73 millimètres; width of umbilicus 25 millimètres; height of aperture 30 millimètres; greatest siphonal width 25 millimètres.

Description.—The shell is discoidal, compressed; tricarinate on the siphonal area, and its sides ornamented with thirty simple ribs, slightly bent in the inner half, curved forward, and much less prominent as they approach the angle; the shell is bevelled away toward the abdominal side, and here the ribs entirely vanish. The siphonal area is narrow from the bevelling of the shell; the keel is thick and prominent (figs. 2 and 5), with a deep sulcus on each side. The spire is composed of four compressed whorls, which cover more than a third, about $\frac{38}{100}$ th of the embracing whorl, so that the entire umbilicus is exposed. The surface of the outer lamina of the shell is ornamented with distant, elevated, longitudinal, and transverse lines, and the decussating striated surface thus produced forms small tubercles at the points of intersection, which impart a remarkable feature to this and the allied species, *Arietites obtusus*. These decussating striæ are very well shown in the siphonal areas of both the figured specimens; the aperture is oblong, subquadrate, compressed at the siphonal side, with a sinuous margin, and enlarged at the umbilical side, where it embraces the preceding whorl.

The lobe-line, very well shown in fig. 3, forms one siphonal, and three lateral lobes; with four saddles on each side. The siphonal lobe is one third longer and wider than the superior lateral lobe, which is small, and the lower lateral and the auxiliary are so likewise. The lateral saddles are very large, and much exceed in size the siphonal and auxiliary saddles, as is very well seen in figs. 3 and 6. In none of the specimens that have passed through my hands have I seen the form and complexity which d'Orbigny has figured in his plate xlv.

The *Anaptychus*, which I found in the body-chamber of a large specimen at Lyme Regis, has an uneven, compressed, bell-shaped figure; it has a horny texture, and much resembles the *Anaptychus* of *A. semicostatus* found very near the *obtusus*-zone.

Affinities and Differences.—*Arietites stellaris* very much resembles *A. obtusus* (Plate XXI) in the general form and punctated character of its shell structure; it differs, however, from that Ammonite in having a more compressed shell, bevelled away toward the margin, with more numerous ribs vanishing as they approach the angle, and leaving no

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ARIETITES RARICOSTATUS, *Zieten*. Pl. VII, figs. 2—6; Pl. XXVI, figs. 5—14.

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AEGOCERAS? RARICOSTATUM, *Tate and Blake*. Yorksh. Lias, p. 276, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell compressed, discoidal; whorls narrow, numerous, almost entirely evolute; sides with 21 to 30 straight, acute, prominent, and distant ribs, diminishing in size on the siphonal area, which is flat, with a small, narrow, rudimentary keel, without lateral sulci; aperture quadrate, rotundo-cordate.

Dimensions.—The large specimen figured in Pl. VII, figs. 2, 3, 4. Diameter 93 millimètres; ditto of umbilicus 56 millimètres; height of aperture 20 millimètres; width of ditto 18 millimètres.

The smaller specimen figured in Pl. XXVI, figs. 12, 13, 14: diameter 60 millimètres; ditto of umbilicus 35 millimètres; height of aperture 15 millimètres; width of ditto 15 millimètres.

Dimensions of the French specimen measured by A. d'Orbigny: diameter 93 millimètres; size of the last whorl $\frac{29}{100}$; amount of involution $\frac{2}{100}$; diameter of the umbilicus $\frac{62}{100}$; thickness of the last whorl $\frac{22}{100}$. Another, measured by M. Dumortier, gave: diameter 65 millimètres; size of the last whorl $\frac{22}{100}$; thickness $\frac{21}{100}$; size of umbilicus $\frac{64}{100}$. In a smaller shell of 35 millimètres all the other proportions remain the same.

Description.—This is an important and very characteristic Ammonite, as it marks

out clearly the boundary line between the Lower and Middle Lias, and has a very limited life in time.

It presents two distinct forms, both of which are met with in the British Lias, and each requires a separate description. The first variety (*a*) is the form which has been figured by Zieten as the type of the species. It has straight prominent ribs, set far apart, with wide concave spaces between. We count about twenty costæ in the last whorl of a shell of 60 millimètres in diameter; when the Ammonite is larger the whorls have more prominent ribs, which become thicker at the margin. The fossil, Pl. VII, fig. 2, is a good example of this form; in it, however, the ribs are more numerous, on account of the size of the shell. Those which I have collected near Cheltenham, and those found at Ballintoy, in the North of Ireland, belong to this variety.

The second variety (*b*) has more numerous ribs, nearly thirty in the last whorl, in a shell of 40 millimètres in diameter. The whorls are in general less depressed, and the inner are covered with very delicate, close-set, regular ribs. The evolution of this variety is very well shown in a mass of specimens I obtained from a bed of shale near Charmouth. The young shells of 16 millimètres in diameter all have numerous bent ribs, set very regularly apart, which cross the siphonal area without any trace of the carina which appears in larger specimens; so it may be said of this Ammonite that the young shells have many more ribs in a whorl than the older specimens. The carina first appears as a slender central sheath, which only assumes the form of a rudimentary keel when the shell reaches from 20 to 25 millimètres in diameter. This variety is collected in great numbers from the upper beds of the Lower Lias Clay near Charmouth. The shells, however, are so highly charged with iron sulphuret that they unfortunately soon fall to pieces in the drawers of the cabinet by the decomposition of the mineral matrix.

The septa are very distinct in this species, and removed rather wide apart. They form three lobes, and three saddles composed of unequal parts. The siphonal lobe is a little longer than the principal lateral lobe (Pl. VII, fig. 5), and has numerous denticles on its sides. The siphonal saddle is one third larger than the principal lateral lobe, and has three groups of lobules nearly equal in size; the principal lateral lobe is irregular in the shape and disposition of its lateral denticles; the lateral saddle is smaller than the principal lateral lobe, and has two terminal lobules with small lateral branches; the lower lateral lobe is small, with several lateral denticles, and the auxiliary lobe ends in simple digitations.

The septa stand wide apart, and the lobe-line occupies the valley between every second rib, as shown in fig. 6, drawn purposely to demonstrate this remarkable character in the structure of *A. raricostatus*, which is really not only raricostate, but likewise rariseptate, in all the specimens I have examined.

The front view (Pl. VII, fig. 4) shows the plain siphonal area deprived of the shell, with the slender keel in the centre of the area; and the back view of the same shell shows

the same structural character around the whorl (fig. 3); the different examples of this species which I have figured in Pl. XXVI, figs. 5—14, show how permanent these characters are in several varieties of this species from my collection.

Affinities and Differences.—*Arietites raricostatus* stands out very distinct from all its other congeners; the short, straight, acute, sparse ribs on the sides, with wide concave valleys between; the narrow, slender keel, without lateral sulci on the area, and its simple lobe-lines so widely apart, form an assemblage of characters which readily distinguish this species from the congeneric forms with which it is associated.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected this species in the neighbourhood of Cheltenham, associated with *Hippopodium ponderosum*, *Arietites nodotianus*, and *Aegoceras densinodum*; the zone which it characterises I consider as the uppermost of the Lower Lias. At Black Venn, near Charmouth, Dorsetshire, a very interesting variety is found, unfortunately overcharged with iron-pyrites. The larger specimens, such as the one figured, Pl. VII, figs. 2, 3, are found in the limestone, and are well preserved.

At Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire coast, I found this species in nodules apparently derived from the *Oxynotus*-zone, which is here closely united with the *Raricostatus*-bed. I had a very fine series of this Ammonite sent me from the North of Ireland by my old friend Professor E. C. H. Day, F.G.S., which he collected from the *Raricostatus*-bed so well developed in the small Bay of Ballintoy.

In France it is found with *Gryphæa arcuata* at Semur, and at Pouilly-en-Auxois, Nolay, Côte-d'Or; near Nancy, Meurthe; Saint-Fortunat, Rhône; Saint-Cyr, Rhône; Drevaine, Saône-et-Loire, and several other localities in the Valley of the Rhone. In Würtemberg it is found at Göppingen, Metringen, Oberdingen, Balingen, and Schlichen, near Schömberg.

ARIETITES NODOTIANUS, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. XXXVII, figs. 3 and 4.

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three digitations; the auxiliary saddles have small festoons, and the auxiliary lobe terminates in two points. The septa are placed so wide apart that we often find three ribs intervening between two septa. The radial line, in parting from the extremity of the dorsal lobe, cuts the points of the principal lateral lobe, but passes at some distance from the lateral lobe and the auxiliaries.

Affinities and Differences.—The compressed sides, prominent keel, and absence of lateral sulci, separate this form from other *Arietites* with which it is grouped, and with which it has many affinities both in the structure of the lobe-line and in the lobes and saddles themselves. It has numerous affinities with the genus *Harpoceras* in the form and structure of the shell.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—General Portlock found his type shell in the Lias at Larne, and others at Portrush and Ballintoy. I have found it in the lower part of the *Armatus*-bed at the base of the *Jamesoni*-zone in Lias Clays near Cheltenham, associated with *Aegoceras densinodum* and *Amaltheus oxynotus*.

In France it is very rare. The type specimen figured by d'Orbigny was collected in the Lias of Gros-Bois, Côte d'Or; Dumortier records it from St. Fortunat, Limonest, Rhône; Jambles, Saône-et-Loire; Nolay, Côte-d'Or, and other localities. Professor Von Hauer's specimen, figured in his 'Nordöstlichen Alpen' was found in the Lias of the Alps; at Neustiftgraben, Steinbauer, Adneth, Weidachlahne, in Ammergau. D. Stur collected numerous examples of this species, two to three inches in diameter, in the Carpathians at Modern, at Tureczka, and Arva.

Schafhäütl found it in the Bavarian Alps in several localities; Studer in Switzerland; and Savi and Meneghini in the Apennines at Castlenuovo in Garfagnana.

ARIETITES IMPENDENS, *Young and Bird*. Pl. XXII A, figs. 1—5.

AMMONITES IMPENDENS, *Young and Bird*. Geol. Surv. Yorkshire Coast, p. 266, 1828.

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— IMPENDENS, *Simpson*. Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 96, 1855.

— RADIATUS, *Simpson*. *Ibid.*, p. 88, 1855.

ARIETITES IMPENDENS, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 290, pl. vi, fig. 7, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed, and highly carinate; whorls deep; sides convex and bevelled towards the margin, nearly two thirds involute; when *young*, sides costate, with thirty-six straight acute ribs, which bend sharply inwards toward the margin; *adult*, sides smooth or undulated with flat folds, which overhang the edge of the umbilical suture. Siphonal area narrow, with a very prominent acute keel, and two wide, deep lateral furrows; aperture narrow, compressed, or sagittate.

Dimensions (young; costateform, of specimen figured, Pl. XXII A, fig. 4).—Diameter 40 millimètres; ditto of the umbilicus 12 millimètres.

Middle-aged.—Diameter of specimen figured (Pl. XXII A, fig. 1) 80 millimètres; ditto of the umbilicus 26 millimètres; height of aperture 35 millimètres; width of ditto at spire 20 millimètres.

Adult.—Diameter of a specimen not figured, 100 millimètres; width of umbilicus 25 millimètres; height of last whorl 45 millimètres.

Description.—This is a very remarkable Ammonite, and combines in its structure the form of *Harpoceras* with the lobes and saddles of *Arietites*. It is likewise a very rare form in the Yorkshire Lias, where it has hitherto been chiefly found. In early age its deep whorls have costated sides, and when 40 millimètres in diameter (fig. 4) its convex sides are covered with thirty straight acute ribs, which bend sharply forwards toward the margin and disappear on the area; the keel is then acute and prominent, and it has a sulcus at each side. In middle age (when 80 millimètres in diameter, figs. 1—3) the last whorl has become very deep, and resembles a *Harpoceras* in form; about twenty bent ribs or undulating folds cover the sides near the umbilical suture, disappear on the external half, and are bevelled away toward the margin; the outer lamina of the shell is covered with numerous fine striæ, which follow the sweep of the ribs and highly ornament the surface—these lines are seen only on very fine specimens carefully extracted clean out of the shale; the height of the last whorl at the aperture in a specimen before me is about $\frac{50}{100}$ ths of the diameter of the shell, that of the figured shell is $\frac{40}{100}$ ths; the siphonal area is narrow, from the bevelling of outer half of the whorl; in the centre is a very acute prominent keel with two deep furrows (figs. 2, 3); in some good specimens the keel is beautifully crenated by the fine striæ of the shell passing over its edge. The inner margin of the whorls overhangs the umbilical suture, hence the origin of the name *impendens* given to this species by Young, and the outer margin terminates abruptly at the outer side of the sulcus (fig. 2). In the adult specimen, 100 millimètres in diameter, the depth of the outer whorl, and the size and prominence of the keel form striking characters in the shell, which is here intact; the amount of involution is likewise much increased.

The lobe-line (fig. 5) is very regular, the siphonal lobe is short and wide, and the margins finely striated; the siphonal saddle wide, with two festoons; the principal lateral lobe is less than the siphonal, and formed of unequal parts; the digitations are more numerous at the inner side; the principal lateral saddle is wide, with several festoons; the lateral lobe is a little smaller than the principal, and, like it, is formed of unequal parts; the lower lateral saddle is small, and the auxiliary lobes are concealed by the turns of the spire.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite closely resembles *Arietites Collenotii*, d'Orb. They both have the physiognomy of *Harpoceras*, and might be readily mistaken for that genus, but the structure of the lobes and saddles closely connects them with *Arietites*, in which I have placed them. They are both rare Ammonites, and, except the specimen I obtained from Robin Hood's Bay, all the others were in the cabinet of my late

friend, Mr. John Leckenby, F.G.S., to whom the shell I have figured belonged; it was likewise the largest and finest example that had ever been found in Yorkshire. It is now in the Woodwardian Museum, Cambridge.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite was collected from the hard shales of the zone of *Amaltheus oxynotus* at Robin Hood's Bay, on the Yorkshire coast; the young form, figured and described by Prof. Buckman, F.G.S., as *Am. Fowleri*, was collected in the shales of the Lower Lias, in the deep railway-cutting near the Lansdown Station, Cheltenham.

ARIETITES COLLENOTII, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. VI, fig. 1¹; Pl. XXII A, figs. 6—9; Pl. XXII B, figs. 1—3.

AMMONITES COLLENOTII, *d'Orbigny*. Pal. Franç., Terr. Jurass., p. 305, pl. xcv, figs. 6—9, 1842.

— DENOTATUS, *Simpson*. Fossils of York. Lias, p. 76, 1855.

— TENELLUS, *Simpson*. Ibid., p. 97, 1855.

ARIETITES COLLENOTII, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 290, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, volutions five to six; whorls deep, less than half the diameter of the shell, inner margin rounded, outer part depressed, sides costated; ribs straight for three-fourths of the whorl, then sharply bent towards the border; siphonal area small; keel narrow and acute, with two broad lateral sulci; sides convex, bevelled towards the marginal area; aperture narrow, deep, sagittate; septa with three lobes and three saddles.

Dimensions.—*Small specimen* with shell (Pl. XXII A, figs. 6—9): diameter 100 millimètres; ditto of umbilicus 22 millimètres; height of aperture 45 millimètres; width of ditto 23 millimètres; height of keel 6 millimètres.

Large specimen denuded of shell (Pl. XXII B, figs. 1—3): diameter 140 millimètres; height of the last whorl 65 millimètres; height of aperture 66 millimètres, width 33 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 30 millimètres.

Description.—This Ammonite has a compressed discoidal shell, provided with an acute prominent keel. In early age the sides have close and sharp costæ, which disappear in the adult state. A specimen, Pl. VI, fig. 1, 85 millimètres in diameter, has forty straight acute ribs, which increase in thickness near the margin, and bend sharply forward towards the aperture, entirely disappearing at the outer border of the sulcus. Pl. XXII A, fig. 6, is a specimen in which the shell is preserved; it is covered with minute striæ, which run parallel with the ribs, and these delicate lines passing over the keel give it a finely crenated appearance. The siphonal area is very narrow, from the bevelling away of the sides towards the outer border; the keel is acute and very prominent (Pl. XXII A, figs. 6—8), and on each side has a broad, shallow sulcus, outwardly

¹ Named *Arietites denotatus* on explanation of pl. vi.

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however, by figure and description, that my late friend was mistaken in this conclusion, and that both are good type forms of well-marked species.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The specimens I have figured belonged to my late friend Mr. John Leckenby, F.G.S., and are now in the Woodwardian Museum, Cambridge; they were collected from the Lower Lias at Robin Hood's Bay; the specimen figured in Pl. VI, fig. 1, from the same locality, has associated with it in the matrix several fragments of *Aegoceras lacunatum*, Buck. Mr. Blake says that this species comes from the middle portion of the *Oxynotus*-zone. Professor Alcide d'Orbigny's type was collected from the Lower Lias with *Gryphæa arcuata* at Champlong, in the environs of Semur, Côte-d'Or, from whence five examples had been obtained.

Family.—AEGOCERATITES—*continued.*

Genus II—AEGOCERAS. *Waagen*, 1869.

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| <i>Family</i> —CAPRICORNI, | <i>Von Buch.</i> Ueber Ammoniten, p. 12, tab. iv, fig. 4, 1832. |
| — | <i>d'Orbigny.</i> Paléontologie Française, Terr. Crét., i, p. 411, 1841. |
| CORONARII, | <i>d'Orbigny.</i> Ib., p. 414, 1841. |
| ARIETES, | <i>Quenstedt.</i> Cephalopoden, Kiellose Arieten, p. 72, 1849. |
| CAPRICORNEN, | <i>Quenstedt.</i> Cephalopoden, pp. 80—92, 1849. |
| ORNATEN, | <i>Quenstedt,</i> pars. Ib. (<i>A. Henleyi, Tylori</i>), p. 132, 1849. |
| CORONATEN, | <i>Quenstedt,</i> pars. Ib., (<i>A. pettos, centaurus</i>), p. 175, 1849. |
| MACROCEPHALEN, | <i>Quenstedt,</i> pars. Ib., (<i>A. globosus</i>), p. 182, 1849. |
| AMALTHEI, | <i>Giebel.</i> Fauna der Vorwelt, iii, p. 537 (<i>A. angulatus</i>), 1852. |
| CORONARII, | <i>Giebel.</i> Ib., p. 659 (<i>A. pettos, Henleyi</i>), 1852. |
| CAPRICORNI, | <i>Giebel.</i> Ib., p. 678, 1852. |
| ORNATI, | <i>Giebel.</i> Ib., p. 692 (<i>A. Tylori, Charmassei</i>), 1852. |
| CAPRICORNI, | <i>Pictet.</i> Traité de Paléontologie, 2 ed., ii, p. 689, 1854. |
| MACROCEPHALI, | <i>Pictet.</i> Ib., i, p. 696 (pars), 1854. |
| PSILONOTI, | <i>Seebach.</i> Hannoversche Jura, p. 135, 1864. |
| ANGULATI, | <i>Seebach.</i> Ib., p. 135. |
| DORSATI, | <i>Seebach.</i> Ib., p. 136, 1864, |
| CAPRICORNI, | <i>Seebach.</i> Ib., p. 137, 1864. |
| PSILONOTEN, | <i>Beyrich.</i> Cephalop. aus dem Muschelkalk der Alpen, p. 135, 1867. |
| <i>Genus</i> —PSILO CERAS, | <i>Hyatt.</i> Foss. Cephalopods of the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard Coll., Cambridge, Mass., p. 72, 1868. See also |
| OPHIOCERAS, | <i>Hy.</i> Ib. p. 75. ANDROGYNOCERAS, <i>Hy.</i> Ib. p. 83. CYCLOCERAS, <i>Hy.</i> Ib. p. 92. |
| MICROCERAS, | <i>Hy.</i> Ib. p. 80. LIPAROCERAS, <i>Hy.</i> Ib. p. 83. DEROCERAS, <i>Hy.</i> Ib. 81. |
| PERONOCERAS, | <i>Hy.</i> Ib. p. 85. COELOCERAS, <i>Hy.</i> Ib. p. 87. PLATYPLEUROCERAS, <i>Hy.</i> |
| | Ib., p. 92. |
| AEGOCERAS, | <i>Waagen.</i> Formenreihe; Benecke Beitr., ii, 247, 1869. |
| — | <i>Mojsisovics.</i> Jahrb. geolog. Reichsanst., p. 576, 1870. |
| | <i>Neumayr.</i> Zeit. Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft, vol. xxvii, p. 905, 1875. |

The form of the shell in this genus is very variable; it is flat and discoidal, with a wide umbilicus, or round and involute with a small umbilicus. In some shells the ventral margin is convex and enlarged, and the sides highly ornamented with ribs, tubercles, or elongated spines; in other species the sides have simple folds or undulations, as *Aeg. Jamesoni*, Sow. (Pl. XI, figs. 4—6); and some are smooth, as *Aeg. planorbis*, Sow. (Pl. XIV, figs. 1—4). The ventral side is in general round, *Aeg. capricornus*, Schlot. (fig. 186), and *Aeg. Davæi*, Sow. (fig. 187); sometimes it is grooved by a median channel, which interrupts the passage of the ribs from the right to the left side of the shell, as is especially the case in *Aeg. angulatum*, Schlot. (Pl. XIV, fig. 6), and *Aeg. Charmassei*, d'Orb. (Pl. XX, figs. 2, 3). In all the species a keel is absent, and there are no lateral longitudinal channels in the siphonal or ventral areas.

The body-chamber varies in length from two-thirds of, to an entire whorl. The mouth-border is simple; the edge has sometimes a thickened withdrawn lip and a ventral

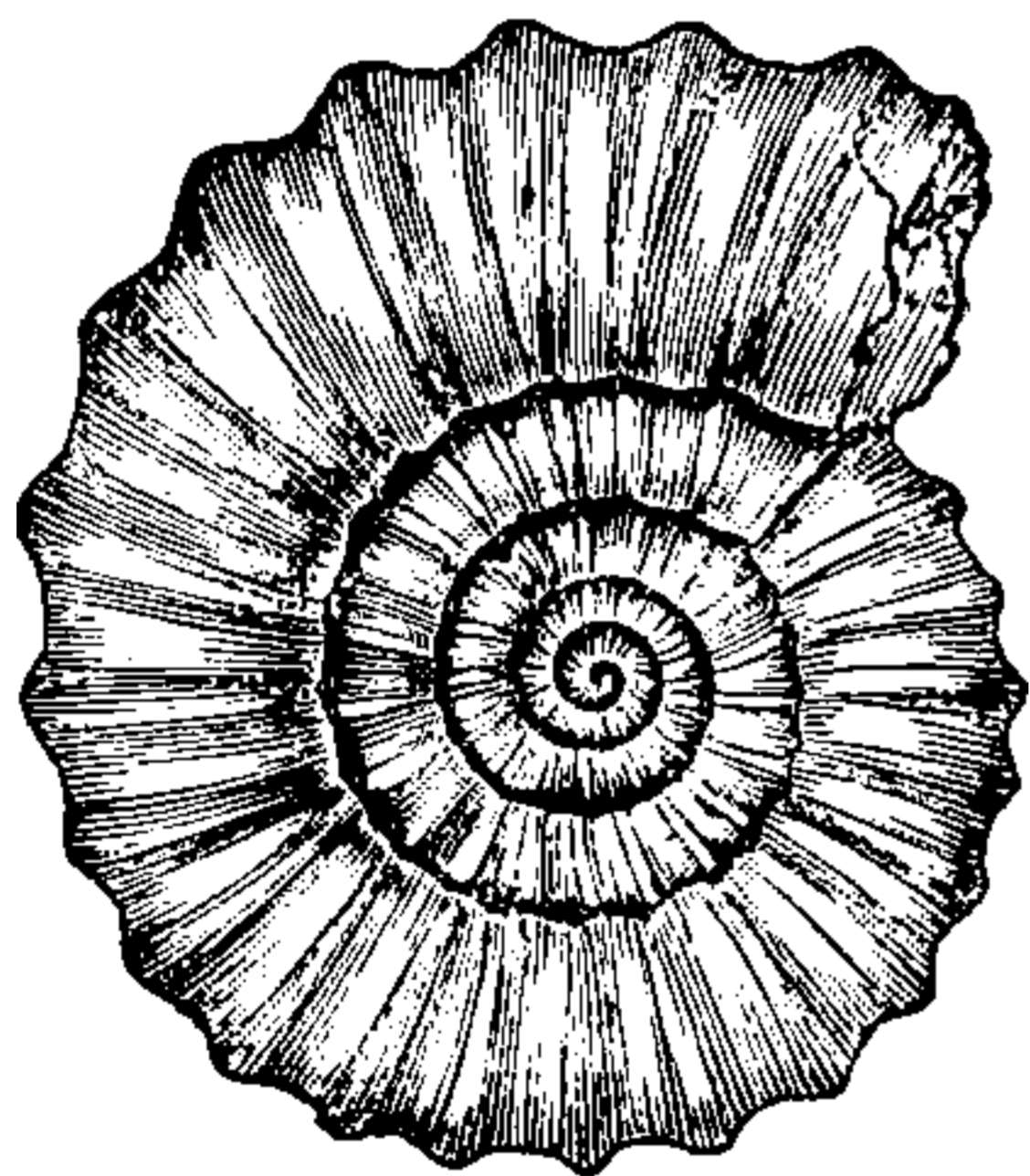


FIG. 186.—*Aegoceras capricornus*, Schloth.

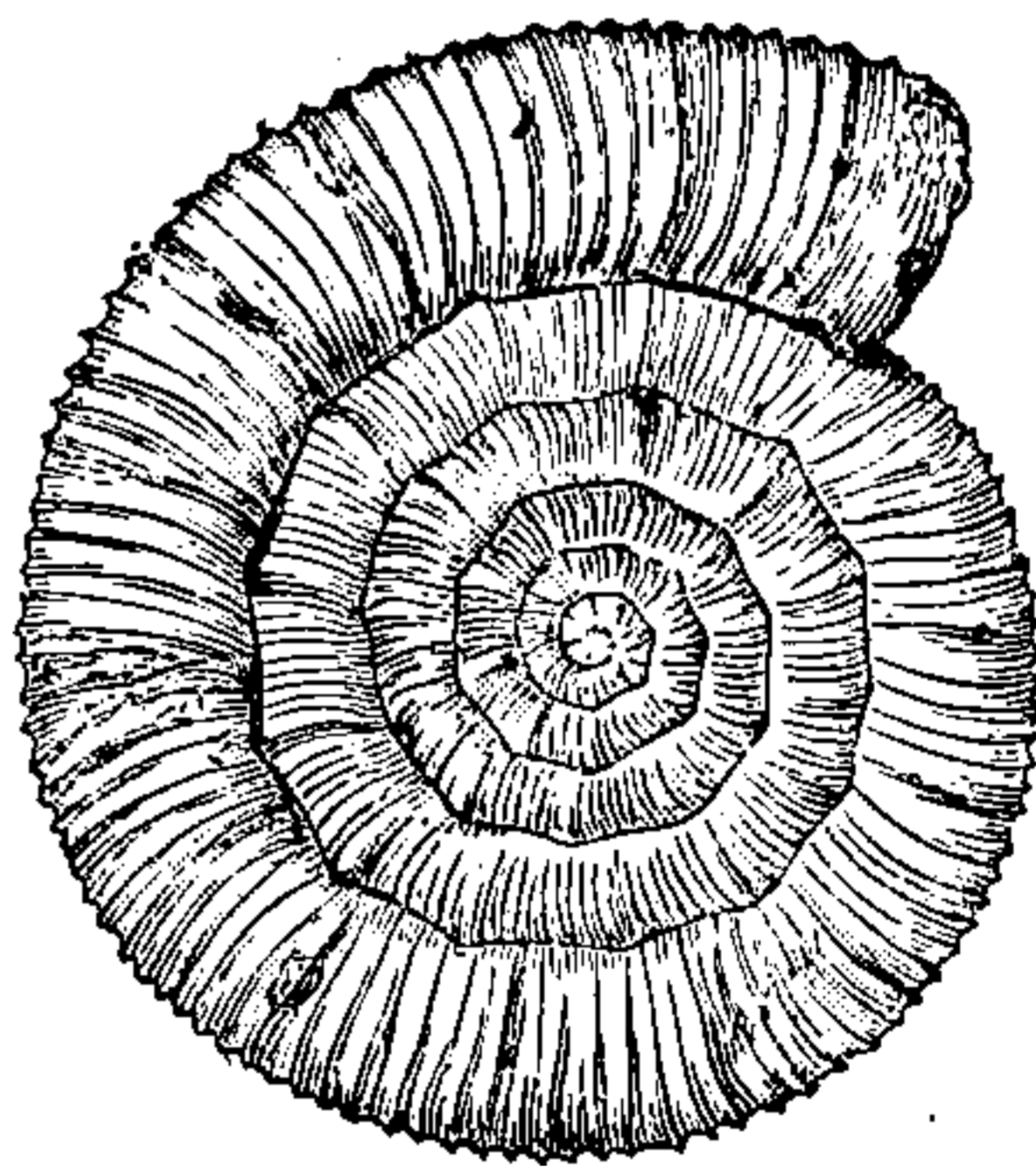


FIG. 187.—*Aegoceras Davæi*, Sow.

prolongation; and in *Aeg. planorbis* there is a contraction near the aperture (Pl. XIV, fig. 3), without lateral auricles. The *Aptychus* is horny, thin, and bivalved (Pl. XIV, fig. 3).

The lobe-line is much ramified, and the lobes in general are very complicated. There is a highly branched principal lateral, a smaller lower lateral; and the siphonal lobe, less than the principal lateral, ends in two divergent branches. There are several small auxiliary lobes near the suture, which are concealed by the involution of the spire, as in *Aeg. Charmassei*, d'Orb. (Pl. XX). This genus may be naturally divided into four sections:

First Section, PSILONOTI.

Sides smooth, or with undulated folds or straight ribs; suture-line simple; ventral area round and smooth. *Aeg. planorbis*, Sow.; *Aeg. Johnstoni*, Sow.; *Aeg. torus*, d'Orb.; *Aeg. intermedium*, Portlock; *Aeg. Belcheri*, Simp.; *Aeg. laqueolus*, Schlönbach.

All these forms are found in the *Planorbis*-zone of the Lower Lias.

Second Section, ANGULATI.

Sides covered with sharply-flexed ribs, interrupted on the ventral area by a channel more or less developed. *Aeg. angulatum*, Schl.; *Aeg. Charmassèi*, d'Orb.; *Aeg. catenatum*, Sow.; *Aeg. lacunatum*, Buck.; *Aeg. Boucaultianum*, d'Orb.

All these forms, the two last excepted, are from the *Angulatum*-zone of the Lower Lias.

Third Section, ARMATI.

Sides with numerous ribs, many of which develop tubercles or elongated spines; in some forms they are absent. *Aeg. Davæi*, Sow.; *Aeg. planicosta*, Sow.; *Aeg. Birchii*, Sow.; *Aeg. bifer*, Quenst.; *Aeg. armatum*, Sow.; *Aeg. Taylori*, Sow.; *Aeg. densinodum*, Quenst.; *Aeg. brevispinum*, Sow.; *Aeg. Valdani*, d'Orb.; *Aeg. Maugenesti*, d'Orb.

Aeg. planicosta, *Aeg. Birchii*, and *Aeg. bifer*, are from the Upper Bucklandi-beds of the Lower, and all the others are from the *Jamesoni* zone of the Middle, Lias.

Fourth Section, INVOLUTI.

Shell highly involute; inner whorls sometimes almost entirely concealed. Shell during middle age often undergoes a great change of form, when the involution becomes less, and the umbilicus widens. *Aeg. Henleyi*, Sow.; *Aeg. striatum*, Reinecke; *Aeg. Bechei*, Sow.; *Aeg. curvicornum*, Schloenb.; *Aeg. pettos*, Quenst.; *Aeg. heterogenes*, Young and Bird.

All the forms of this section are from the *Henleyi*-zone of the Middle Lias. The genus *Aegoceras* began in the Muschelkalk, zone of *Arcestes Studeri*, with *Aeg. incultum*, Beyr., *Aeg. Palmi*, Mojs.; and became extinct in the Middle Lias.

First Section.—PSILONOTI.

ÆGOCERAS PLANORBIS, *Sowerby*. Pl. XIV, figs. 1—4.

AMMONITES PLANORBIS,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Mineral Conchology, vol. v, p. 69, pl. 448, 1825.
— ERUGATUS,	<i>Phillips</i> . Geol. Yorksh., pl. 13, fig. 18, 1829.
— PSILONOTUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Flötzgebirge Württembergs, p. 127, 1843.
— ERUGATUS,	<i>Simpson</i> . Monogr. of the Ammonites of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 11, 1843.
— SAMPSONI,	<i>Portlock</i> . Geology of Londonderry, p. 136, pl. 29, fig. 13. 1843.
— HAGENOWII,	<i>Dunker</i> . Lias bei Halberstadt; Palæontographica, vol. i, p. 115, pl. xiii, fig. 22; pl. xvii, fig. 2, 1846.

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several new forms to the division Pylonoti. The oldest representatives of this section, according to Beyrich, are found in the Muschelkalk of the Alps and of the Himalayas, as *Aeg. incultum*, Beyr., *Aeg. Salteri*, Beyr., *Aeg. Palmi*, Mojs. In the Rhætic beds of the Bavarian Alps, Dr. Gümbel found *Aeg. planorboides*, Gümb.; and in the Lower Lias the following species are recorded:

<i>Aegoceras planorbis</i> , Sow.	<i>Aegoceras laqueus</i> , Quenst.
— <i>calliphyllum</i> , Neum.	— <i>laqueolus</i> , Schlönb.
— <i>Hagenowi</i> , Dunk.	— <i>Gernense</i> ; Neum.
— <i>torus</i> , d'Orbig.	— <i>Suessi</i> , V. Hauer.
— <i>Johnstoni</i> , Sow.	— <i>Aeduense</i> , d'Orbig.
— <i>tortile</i> , d'Orbig.	— <i>Belcheri</i> , Simp.
— <i>crebrispirale</i> , Neum.	— <i>intermedium</i> , Portlock.
— <i>magus</i> , Neum.	— <i>liassicum</i> , d'Orbig.
— <i>Clausi</i> , Neum.	— <i>Naumanni</i> , Neum.

In the absence of specimens wherewith to compare the minute differences which have been observed in the lobe-line of several of the forms in the preceding list, I must refrain from giving an opinion on the specific distinctions of the same, seeing that it is extremely difficult to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion as to forms which even have generally been admitted to be distinct, nor can a safe conclusion be attained unless we have before us several specimens showing the changes of form they assume at different phases of growth.

Prof. Quenstedt, in his 'Cephalopoden,' p. 73, admits two varieties, *Am. psilonotus lævis*, Qu., and *Am. psilonotus plicatus*, Qu.; the former with a smooth shell, and the latter with a folded or plicated shell. I have before me good examples of these varieties kindly sent by Prof. Fraas from the Stuttgart Museum, which fully bear out my learned friend's description.

The affinities and differences existing between *Aeg. planorbis* and other species of the section Pylonoti are numerous and not easily determined.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected *Aeg. planorbis* in the lowest beds of the Lower Lias, and whenever they are exposed it forms their most characteristic leading fossil. It is very abundant in the paper-like shales of this zone at Bockeridge and Defford Commons, Gloucestershire, at Burton, Wilmcote, and Grafton, Warwickshire; at Street, Uphill, and Watchet, Somersetshire; Penarth, Glamorganshire; and Pinhay Bay and Uphill, near Lyme Regis, Dorsetshire, where it is found in the upper part of the light-coloured argillaceous limestone, called there White Lias. On the Yorkshire coast it is found in large water-worn boulders of light-coloured limestone washed up by the tidal currents, and in the North Cliff of Robin Hood's Bay; and in Eston and East Coatham pits. The beds from which the masses are derived are out at sea, as the rock

is not found *in situ* at low-water mark. The fine specimen, now in the Woodwardian Museum, figured in Pl. XIV, fig. 1, was broken out of one of these boulders.

Foreign Distribution.—In Würtemberg it is found in fine preservation at Nellingen and Riedern, near Esslingen, at Bebenhausen, near Tübingen, and in the vicinity of Rottweil. In France at Saulieu, and Beauregard, Côte d'Or, where it is associated with *Aeg. Johnstoni*, Sow., *Aeg. laqueus*, Quenst., and *Aeg. Burgundiæ*, Mart.; it is found likewise at Avallon, Yonne.

AEGOCERAS JOHNSTONII, *Sowerby*, 1824. Pl. XIX, figs. 3, 4.

AMMONITES JOHNSTONII, *Sowerby*. Mineral Conchology, vol. v, p. 70, tab. 449, fig. 1, 1824.

— TORUS, *d'Orbigny*. Pal. Franç., Terr. Jurass., p. 212, pl. liii, 1842.

— JOHNSTONI, *Oppél*. Juraformation, p. 74, 1856.

— — *Giebel*. Fauna d. Vorwelt, vol. iii, p. 738, 1852.

— — *Neumayr*. Fauna der untersten Lias d. Nordalpen, p. 29, pl. iii, fig. 2, 1879.

AEGOCERAS — *Tate & Blake*. Yorks. Lias, p. 271, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls, from eight to ten, depressed; sides convex, with thirty simple, short, oblique ribs, which occupy only the middle of the whorl, and are not developed on the inner or outer margins; siphonal areas rounded, and smooth; aperture subrotund.

Dimensions.—Diameter 90 millimètres; ditto of the umbilicus 58 millimètres; height of the last whorl 18 millimètres; width of ditto 17 millimètres; septa five-lobed.

Description.—Although this species is often quoted in lists of Lower-Lias Fossils, good specimens are extremely rare. I could not find one for figuring in either of the metropolitan Museums nor in those of the Midland Counties, where it is said to be common. Sowerby's original type belonged to Mr. Johnstone's cabinet, and was extracted from the slaty shales of the Lower Lias at Watchet, where it lies associated with *Aegoceras planorbis*. It is almost always much compressed, and the shell wants its outer lamina; the pearly inner layer is very brilliant and full of iridescent colouring. When the fossil is not compressed it assumes a different appearance, and comes out as *Am. torus*, d'Orbig., of which I have figured a typical specimen from Professor Deslongchamps' collection at Caen. This specimen is compressed, discoidal, and not carinated; the whorls are numerous, regular, and exposed (fig. 3), the spire consisting of nine whorls, which are extremely regular, and ornamented with thirty short simple ribs that occupy only the convex middle portion of the whorl; they do not extend either to the outer or inner margins of the same, and are wholly limited to the flanks; the other parts being smooth and destitute of ribbing. The siphonal area (fig. 4) is rounded and quite smooth, having

neither marks of striæ nor the merest rudiment of a keel on the cast (figs. 3 and 4). I have not seen the lobe-line of this species, and therefore quote d'Orbigny's description. The septa are symmetrical, divided on each side into five lobes and five saddles, formed of unequal parts. The siphonal lobe is as large, but shorter than the principal lateral, and its sides are ornamented on each side with four digitations; the siphonal saddle is one third larger than the principal lateral lobe, and divided into three obtuse folioles, the central leaf being the largest. The principal lateral lobe is ornamented on each side with two digitations; the superior is simple and terminates in a digitation with three points; the lateral saddle, as large as the principal lateral lobe, is divided into four obtuse unequal folioles; the inferior lateral lobe, very oblique and irregular, is half the length of, and much narrower than the principal lateral lobe. Besides these there are three oblique auxiliary lobes, represented by as many obtuse points. A transverse line, passing from the extremity of the siphonal lobe, cuts the extremity of the principal lateral, passes below the inferior lateral lobe, touches the extremity of the first auxiliary lobe, and cuts across the others.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite differs from *Aeg. planorbis* in possessing more whorls, which are not so deep, and in having the middle of their sides covered with thick, short, blunt ribs, which vanish from the outer and inner margins. It has been considered by Dr. Opper to be the *Aeg. psilonotum plicatum*, Quenst., still it differs from that Ammonite in possessing narrower and thicker whorls, rounder in form, and slower in growth, the sides of which have short, thick, inflated ribs, and a much wider umbilicus. It much resembles *Aeg. intermedium*, Portlock, from the Lower Lias of Ballintoy, County Antrim (Pl. XV, figs. 3—6). In this species, however, the ribs are more acute and curve forward toward the aperture (figs. 3 and 4); the siphonal area is likewise covered with fine crescentic folds (figs. 5 and 6); in other respects the resemblance is very great. The next Ammonite which stands in close relationship with *Aeg. Johnstonii* is *Aeg. Belcheri*, Simp.; the latter appears to resemble *Aeg. torus*, d'Orb., or the French form of *Aeg. Johnstonii*. These ribbed species of the PSILONOTI section are very puzzling indeed, and a much larger number of specimens are wanted for comparison than we at present possess before correct determinations can be made out regarding them.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—At Watchet, *Aeg. Johnstonii* is found crushed flat in the shales of the lowest beds of the Lias. The mother-of-pearl layer of the shell is wonderfully preserved, the fossils shining forth in beautiful iridescent colours when the shales are laid open with the hammer; there are some fine large slabs covered with these iridescent Ammonites in the British Museum, which all came from Watchet; the form of the shell, however, cannot be made out from any of the specimens found in this locality. It is the constant associate of *Aeg. planorbis*, Sow., in British Liassic rocks, just as *Aeg. psilonotum plicatum*, Quenst., is the associate of *Aeg. psilonotum leve*, Quenst., in those of Würtemberg.

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outer margin, and which pass over the siphonal area in a series of arched lines, their convexity being always directed towards the aperture in *Aeg. intermedium* (figs. 4, 5, 6).

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The two specimens I have figured were collected from the Lower-Lias zone of *Aeg. planorbis*, North Cliff, at Robin Hood's Bay. Mr. Blake notes this species under the name of *A. Johnstoni* from Coatham Marsh, and from the zone of *Aeg. angulatum*, Cliff, Leigh Dam, Scar, Eston Pit, Yorkshire. I have not found this species in any of the collections of Lias fossils in Gloucestershire.

AEGOCERAS INTERMEDIUM, *Portlock*. Pl. XV, figs. 3—6.

AMMONITES INTERMEDIUS, *Portlock*. Geology of Londonderry, p. 136, fig. 17, 1843.

— — — *Morris*. Catal. British Fossils, p. 292, 2nd ed., 1854.

Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls narrow, numerous, seven to eight exposed and slightly involute, flattened on the sides and rounded on the outer margin; ribs acute, straight, or slightly bent, enlarged at the outer margin, where they bend round and disappear from the rounded siphonal area; shell with delicate striæ, which bend forward and meet over the front.

Dimensions.—Diameter 70 millimètres; width of umbilicus 42 millimètres; height of the last whorl at aperture 12 millimètres; width of ditto 12 millimètres.

Description.—This Ammonite was first figured by General Portlock¹ in his valuable and exhaustive report, where it is thus described:—"Section oval, the axis in the plane of the larger whorls being about one-fourth longer than the transverse axis; ribs not extending to the suture on the inside nor over the front on the outside. When the shell is preserved there are very delicate, almost obsolete striæ, which bend forward and meet over the front. The front itself to the eye is quite smooth, but occasionally some irregularity may be discovered by the finger. Ribs are visible almost at the centre, and are sharper and proportionately longer in the inner whorls; occasionally, also, they are slightly bent. This species differs from *A. communis* in not having forked ribs; from *A. planicosta*, in not having the ribs sharply bevelled over the front, though in some specimens traces of a continuation of obsolete ribs over the front may be observed, probably constituting another intermediate variety; from *A. Conybearii* in not having a keel; and from *A. Johnstonii*, to which it closely approximates, in having the ribs closer together and proportionately longer, though in this latter respect it may be observed that, Sowerby's description having been drawn up from a flattened specimen, the breadth of the volution will necessarily appear greater in proportion to the ribs than in the natural condition. The foliaceous septa occupy the space between two ribs, and are extended in broad digitate lobes over the front.

¹ 'Report on the Geology of Londonderry, pp. 136—8, fig. 17, 1843.

“In one specimen the foliaceous septa are distinct; they form a succession of sinuous lobes, augmenting in breadth from the interior to the exterior of the whorl. In some specimens the mode of petrification appears to have been curious: in one, for example, an outer whorl is at one end filled by the grey gritty limestone of the surrounding rock; whilst at the other, by the section, it appears half occupied by the limestone and half by white calcareous spar; and again, an inner whorl is entirely occupied by the spar. Ballintoy: indurated shale of trap dike.—This specimen held to the light shows the traces of obsolete ribs or striæ over the front, apparently three between each pair. Glenaven, Cairncastle, Tickmacrean: calcareous or gritty grey limestone, same as Ballintoy. Where the shell is perfect the front is quite smooth. In the inner whorls the depth is equal to the width, and in the cast the ribs, on coming to the front, where they appear slightly curved, vanish away without visibly passing over, though occasionally there is a trace of such passage sufficient to become perceptible to the finger, or, under a strong light, to the eye. As the whorls augment the breadth increases more in proportion than the depth, and the ribs become comparatively less until at length they have exactly the position of those of *A. Johnstoni*. Ballygalley Head: there appear to be two varieties of this species; the ribs of one being more distant from each other than those of the other, and its section rounder; the form of the septa is the same. Island Magee, Gobbin's Head: same rock, but with sparry fragments, resembling, therefore, the Aghanloo bed, which contains the *A. Sampsoni*; one specimen strongly exhibiting the character of *A. Johnstoni*. Another beautiful mode of petrification is exhibited by one of the specimens. The inner whorls are entirely filled with white calcareous spar; but the outer whorl is empty in the centre, the circumference being lined with spar, for about $\frac{1}{2}$ of an inch, from which project towards the centre numerous acute crystals, the spaces between their opposite points being unequal, according as the process of filling up has more or less advanced.”

Affinities and Differences.—I have figured two examples of this Ammonite belonging to the Museum of the Irish Geological Survey, and kindly lent by my old friend, Professor Hull, F.R.S. The specimen (fig. 5) was General Portlock's type specimen. The affinities between this species with *Aeg. Belcheri*, and both with *Aeg. Johnstoni*, are so numerous, and the differences so few, that I am inclined to group them both along with the latter form until better specimens are discovered for a comparison of the species.

AEGOCERAS LAQUEOLUS,¹ *Schloenbach*. Pl. XV, figs. 1, 2, 10—12; Pl. XVI, figs. 1, 2.

AMMONITES LAQUEOLUS, *Schloenbach*. Beitr. Palä., p. 152, pl. xxxvi, fig. 1, 1865.

¹ On the explanation of Pl. xv, figs. 1 and 2 are termed *A. Liassicum*, figs. 10—12, *A. tortile*; on Pl. xvi, figs. 1 and 2, are termed *A. Liassicum*. See Synonyms, p. 316.

AMMONITES LIASSICUS, *d'Orbigny*. Pal. franç., T. Jurass., t. i, p. 199, pl. xlviii.

— TORTILIS, — Ibid., t. i, p. 201, pl. xlix.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; whorls from six to eight, vertically flattened or rounded and slightly involute; umbilicus wide, and spire fully exposed; the convex sides ornamented with from forty to fifty prominent oblique ribs all directed towards the aperture, larger near the umbilical, and diminishing towards the outer margin; siphonal area broad, sometimes marked with slight elevations of obsolete ribs. Lobes and saddles well developed, lobe-line very sinuous.

Dimensions: large specimen (figured Pl. XVI)—transverse diameter 175 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 120 millimètres; height of the aperture 30 millimètres; width of ditto 36 millimètres.

Smaller specimen (figured Pl. XV, figs. 10—12)—transverse diameter 100 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 68 millimètres; height of aperture 16 millimètres; width of ditto 20 millimètres.

Description.—This interesting Ammonite belongs to the group PSILONOTI in the zone of *Angulatum*, from whence I collected several fragments in the Harbury cutting of the Great Western Railway, near Southam, Warwickshire, and which I found to be nearly identical with a specimen sent to me by Monsieur Etallon, from the Lower Lias of France, as a type of *A. tortilis*, *d'Orbigny*. Some time afterwards I obtained the large specimen figured in Pl. XVI, and which resembled some specimens, about the same size, I saw in the *d'Orbigny* Collection at the Jardin des Plantes, Paris, and labelled *A. Liassicus*. As neither of my determinations were quite satisfactory, I have constantly been in quest of other figures, and now I find that all my specimens agree very closely with the *Ammonites laqueolus*, *Schlönbach*, carefully figured in his valuable 'Beitrage zur Paläontologie der Jura und Kreide-Formation in Nordwestlichen Deutschland,' from a specimen collected by Herr Beckmann from the *Angulatum*-beds of Salzdahlum. In consequence of this species being so extremely evolute, it is almost always found in fragments; one of these I have figured (Pl. XV, fig. 1) from a specimen collected in the *Angulatum*-zone in the Trent Valley, Lincolnshire, by the Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S.; and I have seen fragments in the British Museum, collected near Horfield by Bristol, where it is called *A. Johnstoni*.

This Ammonite (Pl. XV, fig. 10) is extremely discoidal; the whorls are numerous, very slightly involute, and well exposed. All the specimens I have seen want the centre, so that the number of whorls is uncertain; in Professor *Schlönbach's* figure of a complete specimen there are seven. They are well rounded, rather convex on the sides, and a little depressed at both margins (figs. 2 and 10), and in some specimens very much so, as in the Harbury specimen (fig. 2) and in the large specimen from Redcar (Pl. XVI). The convex sides of the whorls are ornamented with from fifty-five to sixty ribs, which are sharp and prominent, and all bend obliquely forwards towards the aperture; they are larger and more prominent near the umbilical margin (Pl. XV, figs. 2—10), and become smaller near the outer margin, where they disappear.

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Second Section.—ANGULATI.

AEGOCERAS ANGULATUM, *Schlotheim*. Pl. XIV, figs. 5, 6; Pl. XVII,¹ figs. 1—6.

- AMMONITES ANGULATUS, *Schloth.* Petrefactenkunde, p. 70, 1822.
 — REDCARENSIS, *Young & Bird*. Geol. Surv. Yorksh. Coast, p. 258, pl. xiv, fig. 13, 1828.
 — ANGULIFERUS, *Phillips*. Geol. of the Yorkshire Coast, p. 192, vol. i, tab. 13, fig. 19, 1829.
 — COLUBRATUS, *Zieten*. Verstein. Würtembergs, tab. 3, fig. 1, p. 3, 1830.
 — ANGULATUS, *Von Buch*. Ueber Ammoniten, p. 12, 1832.
 — REDCARENSIS, *Simpson*. Monograph on Ammonites of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 55, 1843.
 — ANGULATUS, *Quenstedt*. Cephalopoden, p. 74, pl. iv, fig. 2, 1846—9.
 — — *Quenstedt*. Petrefactenkunde, p. 354, tab. 27, fig. 7, 1852.
 — — *Quenstedt*. Der Jura, p. 43, tab. 3, fig. 1, 1858.
 — — *Chapuis et Dewalque*. Fossiles Terr. Second. Luxembourg, p. 36, pl. iv, fig. 1, 1853.
 — — *Oppel*. Juraformation, p. 75, 1856.
 — REDCARENSIS, *Simpson*. Fossils Yorkshire Lias, p. 100, 1855.
 AEGOCERAS ANGULATUM, *Tate & Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 271, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Young shell compressed; whorls involute, half enveloped; sides with twenty-six to thirty, sharp, simple, flexed ribs, which commence at the umbilical margin, pass round the outer border, and terminate abruptly in a furrow in the centre of the siphonal area, or in a smooth truncated surface.

Adult shell, several inches in diameter, compressed; whorls flattened, sloping towards the outer margin; sides smooth, with long, faint, biflexed ribs, and shorter and more marked costæ near the border; area narrow, round, smooth; aperture compressed.

Dimensions.—One of my largest specimens from Lyme Regis measures 180 millimètres in diameter. Height of the last whorl near the mouth 65 millimètres; width 40 millimètres. Whorls one-half covered by the involution of the spire.

Description.—Like many other Ammonites, this species must be studied at different stages of growth, if we wish to understand its true characters. Up to about the diameter of an inch the whorls have from twenty-five to thirty sharp simple ribs, which terminate abruptly and form a marked angle on the back—hence the origin of the specific name; at a later period the ribs divide, become less distinct, and the angle on the back disappears; in advanced age the sides are smooth, the siphonal area is narrow, and without ribs.

¹ See pages 322 and 323.

Septa symmetrical (Pl. XVII, fig. 1), divided into five lobes and six saddles, formed of unequal parts; the siphonal lobe much shorter and broader than the principal lateral lobe, divided half its length by the median line into two parts, it is formed of two or three short branches on each side, and has a terminal trifid digit; the siphonal saddle is much larger than the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in three festoons, which divide into folioles; the principal lateral lobe has four small lateral digitations, and a terminal digit, which divides into three or four branches; the lateral saddle, about as large as the principal lateral lobe, terminates in one central and two lateral festoons, the former with four, the latter with three, smaller foliations; the inferior lateral lobe is oblique, with three or four lateral, and a terminal, sometimes bifurcate digit; the three auxiliary lobes are placed very obliquely, and gradually diminish in size as they approach the umbilical angle.

In my large specimen the body-chamber consists of four-fifths of the last whorl, its sides are smooth, and slope towards the outer border, which is round and narrow, without the trace of a keel; there are from thirty to forty long, faint, biflexed ribs, extending from near the umbilical to the outer margin, and shorter intermediate costæ spring from the bifurcation of the former. All the ribs become much more developed as they pass round the siphonal border, before they suddenly disappear.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite belongs to the group ANGULATI, and to the genus *Aegoceras*; in early life its strong, sharp ribs form an angle on the siphonal area (fig. 6). The marginal furrow which interrupts them (fig. 4) likens it to some Gault species; but adult shells can scarcely be mistaken for any other form associated with them in the Lower Lias (figs. 4—6).

This Ammonite presents many varieties of form during different stages of growth, which have been mistaken for distinct species; it is now ascertained that *Aegoceras Moreanum*, and *Aeg. Leigneletii*, d'Orbigny, are different varieties of *Aeg. angulatum*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I collected this Ammonite between Charmouth and Lyme Regis, in a dark shale below the grey concretionary limestone with a mamillated surface, which forms the base of the *Bucklandi*-beds, and in the same stratum south-west of the Cob; the zone which it characterises is of no great thickness in Dorsetshire. This Ammonite is considered one of the rarest found on that coast. In Gloucestershire I have collected small ribbed specimens from the lowest shales of the Fretherne section on the banks of the Severn, and it has likewise been found at Aust Cliff. In Warwickshire some fine specimens were obtained from the Harbury cutting of the Great Western Railway, near Southam, and many good fragments are still to be found on the spoil banks of that line. In Yorkshire it is found only in the lowest beds of Lias at Redcar, where it is very rare, and known to local collectors as *Am. Redcarensis*. It is found in the same zone of Lower Lias near Portrush, on the north coast of Ireland.

The varieties of this species figured by d'Orbigny were collected in France from the lowest beds of the Lias with *Gryphæa incurva*, Sow.; at Pont-Auber, near Avallon (Yonne), and Champlong, near Semur (Côte-d'Or): at Jamoigne (Luxembourg); and in several places in Germany near Balingen, Degerloch, Echterdingen, Vaihingen, Stuttgart, and other localities. It everywhere characterises beds which are interposed between the *Planorbis*- and the *Bucklandi*-series.

AEGOCERAS CATENATUM, *Sowerby*. Pl. XIX, figs. 5—7.

AMMONITES CATENATUS,	<i>Sowerby</i> . De la Beche, Geological Manual, 3rd ed., p. 334, fig. 74, 1833.
— TRAPEZOIDALIS,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Ibid., p. 334, fig. 75.
— CATENATUS	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Pal. Franç., Terr. Jurass., vol. i, p. 301, pl. xciv, 1842.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls depressed, one-third involute, and all exposed; sides flattened, with twenty-eight to thirty strong, simple ribs, which are twice arched, elevated, and enlarged as they approach the outer margin, and interrupted in the siphonal area, which is smooth or crenulated; aperture oblong, compressed, notched by the preceding whorl.

Dimensions.—Diameter 53 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 23 millimètres; height of the last whorl at aperture 18 millimètres; thickness 13 millimètres.

Description.—This rare Ammonite is found in the Lower Lias at Barrow-on-Soar, and is seldom seen in any of the metropolitan Museums. It is a very well marked form, and a fair example of the *Angulati* group. The species was first found by my old friend the late Sir Henry De la Beche, along with other Lias fossils in limestone at La Spezia, Italy, and is recorded in the following passage:—"As far, therefore, as the evidence of the *Ammonites* and *Orthoceratites* extends, we may refer the limestone of La Spezia either to the Lias or the Coal Measures. There will be observed a curious correspondence in the organic character of the rocks of the Savoy and French Alps above noticed, and considered as Lias by M. Elie de Beaumont, with that of the limestones of La Spezia. In the former Coal Measure plants are found with *Belemnites*; in the latter Coal Measure *Ammonites* also occur with *Belemnites*.

"The organic character of the Oolitic group in the Alps is far from being well ascertained, and the undescribed organic remains found in the same series of the South of France are exceedingly numerous, so that it may be possible to discover some of the La Spezia Ammonites in both situations; and the organic remains of the South-east of France, the Alps, and La Spezia, may hereafter mutually assist in determining the relative ages of the rocks in which they are discovered."¹

¹ 'Geol. Manual,' 3rd edition, p. 334, 1833.

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AEGOCERAS MOREANUM,¹ *d'Orbigny*. Pl. XVII, fig. 1—6.

AMMONITES MOREANUS, *d'Orbigny*. Paléont. Franç., Terr. Jurass., p. 299, pl. xciii, 1842.

- ANGULATUS, *Stur*. Jahrbuch der k. k. geolog. Reich., vol. i, p. 165, 1851.
- MOREANUS, *Studer*. Geologie der Schweiz, vol. ii, p. 30, 1853.
- — *von Hauer*. Jahrbuch geologischen Reichsanstalt, vol. iv, p. 736, 1853.
- — *Martin*. Infra-Lias du Départ. de la Côte-d'Or, p. 38, 1860.
- — *Terquem et Piette*. Lias inf. de l'est de la France, p. 26, 1865.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls flattened, sides convex, internally smooth and feebly undulated, externally crenulated, with prominent bifurcations of obsolete ribs; siphonal area narrow, smooth in the centre, and costated at the outer margin; aperture compressed, triangular, incised internally by the penultimate whorl, and notched outwardly by the siphonal area; involution one-half the depth of the whorl.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 170 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 48 millimètres; height of the last whorl at the aperture 70 millimètres; greatest width of ditto 43 millimètres. In four specimens before me, including the fossil figured, the relative proportions of these parts vary considerably. Professor d'Orbigny's type specimen measured:—Diameter, 75 millimètres; in relation to the diameter the size of the last whorl was $\frac{35}{100}$; involution of the last whorl $\frac{8}{100}$; width of the umbilicus $\frac{43}{100}$; thickness of the last whorl $\frac{19}{100}$.

Description.—This Ammonite has a compressed, discoidal shell, with flattened whorls, the sides of which are slightly convex; on the inner or umbilical half of the whorl they are smooth, and have from thirty to forty curved undulations, representing so many obsolete ribs; near the outer or siphonal margin the folds appear to bifurcate, and develop a number of short, transverse, oblique costæ, more or less prominent in different specimens; the spire is formed of very compressed whorls, which are nearly one half concealed by the volutions of the spire, leaving a narrow umbilicus. The siphonal area is contracted, smooth in the centre, and crenulated at the sides by the development of the short oblique costæ which ornament the outer margin of the shell. The aperture is compressed, and more or less triangular, and varies in the proportional measure of its height in different specimens.

The young shells of this form, up to two to three inches in diameter, are provided with simple bent ribs, which terminate near the outer margin; these ribs become enlarged as they approach the margin, and are sharply bent inwards at the side of the siphonal area, where they disappear, leaving the centre of this space quite smooth.

¹ Considered to be a variety of *Aegoceras angulatum* and named *Aegoceras angulatum* in the explanation of Plate XVII.

The lobe-line is very complicated, the symmetrical septa being divided into five lobes and saddles, all formed of unequal parts. The siphonal lobe is small, and terminates in three short branches, two of which are bifid; the siphonal saddle is much wider than the principal lateral lobe, and forms an arch with three terminal festoons. The principal lateral lobe is large, and has a branched termination in three irregular digits and three small lateral prolongations on each side; the lateral saddle is as wide as the principal lateral lobe, and ends in three irregular-shaped festoons; the lower lateral lobe is narrow and oblique, and ends in three digits; the three auxiliary lobes are placed very oblique, they diminish in size as they approach the umbilicus, and end in a small trifid digit (Pl. XVII, fig. 1).

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite very much resembles *Aegoceras angulatum*, but the smoothness of the sides of the whorls, in consequence of the absence of ribs and the development of the short, oblique, crenulated series around the outer margin, with its smooth centre in the siphonal area, and a difference in the dimensions of the lobe-line, induced d'Orbigny to separate it under the name *Moreanus*. I am inclined to consider it only a variety of *angulatum* and not a distinct species. This Ammonite characterises a particular horizon of life very rich in fossils in the Côte-d'Or.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This species is found in a dark grey shale near Charmouth, from whence all my specimens have been obtained. Young forms of *Gryphæa arcuata* make their appearance for the first time in this bed; one of these Oysters has become firmly adherent to the shell I have figured.

Professor d'Orbigny says it characterises the inferior beds of the Lower Lias, which lie below the *Gryphæa arcuata*; the figured specimen was collected at Pont-Aubert near Avallon, Yonne, where it is very rare. M. Martin says this Ammonite distinguishes the zone of *Ammonites Moreanus* in the Department of the Côte-d'Or, and the reader is referred to his classical work on the Infra-Lias of that Department for an admirable account of the rich fauna it contains.

AEGOCERAS CHARMASSEI, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. XX, figs. 1—3.

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| AMMONITES | SULCATUS, | <i>Simpson?</i> | Monogr. of Ammonites, York. Lias, p. 55, 1843. |
| — | CHARMASSEI, | <i>d'Orbigny</i> . | Paléontol. Franç., Terr. Jurass., i, p. 296,
pls. xci, xcii, 1844. |
| — | SULCATUS, | <i>Buckman</i> . | Murchison's Geology of Cheltenham, 2nd ed.,
p. 91, pl. ii, figs. 1—3, 1845. |
| — | ANGULATUS, | <i>Quenstedt</i> . | Die Cephalopoden, p. 262, 1847. |
| — | CHARMASSEI, | <i>Kudernatsch</i> . | Jahrbuch der k. k. geologischen Reichsanstalt
ii Heft, p. 173, 1851. |
| — | — | <i>Savi e Meneghini</i> . | Considerazioni sulla Geologia della Tos-
cana, p. 104, 1851. |
| — | — | <i>Meneghini</i> . | Nuovi fossili Toscani, p. 12, 1853. |

- AMMONITES CHARMASSEI, *Studer*. Geologie der Schweiz, vol. ii, pp. 30, 34, 1853.
 — ANTIQUATUS, *Simpson?* Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 36, 1855.
 — CHARMASSEI, *Von Hauer*. Cephalopoden Lias N.-O. Alpen, p. 49, pl. xiv, figs. 1—3, 1856.
 — — — *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass. du Bassin du Rhône, II, p. 29, pl. xvii, figs. 1—4, 1867.
 AEGOCERAS — *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 272, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; whorls compressed, slightly convex, one half involute, sides ornamented with numerous unequal ribs, variable as to number, in general thirty, bifurcate about the middle of the whorl and terminating at the margin in a blunt thickening. Siphonal area narrow, subcarinate, and furrowed in the middle, sides carinated with the two rows of blunt terminal ribs; aperture high, narrow, sagittate; umbilicus moderately open; lobe-line very sinuous, forming six lobes and numerous saddles; number of ribs at umbilical margin thirty, at siphonal margin sixty.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of figured specimen 170 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 45 millimètres; height of the last whorl at aperture 80 millimètres; greatest width of ditto 40 millimètres.

Prof. d'Orbigny's type specimen measured:—Transverse diameter, 235 millimètres. The relations to the diameter in an adult were—height of the last whorl $\frac{50}{100}$; involution of the last whorl $\frac{9}{100}$; width of the umbilicus $\frac{20}{100}$; thickness of the last whorl $\frac{11}{100}$. In a young shell the width of the last whorl $\frac{41}{100}$; width of umbilicus $\frac{29}{100}$; thickness of the last whorl $\frac{25}{100}$.

Prof. Von Hauer has given the dimensions of a very fine specimen. The transverse diameter was 6 inches = 154 millimètres; the height of the last whorl $\frac{41}{100}$ of the diameter; width of last whorl $\frac{20}{100}$; the width of the umbilicus $\frac{31}{100}$.

M. Eug. Dumortier, 'Dépôts Jurassiques,' vol. ii, p. 29, has given the dimensions of three fine specimens with their test, belonging to M. Ed. Pellat's collection, and all obtained from the same quarry of Lower Lias at Drevain, Saône-et-Loire.

PARTS MEASURED.	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.
Diameter	20½ millim.	76 millim.	225 millim.
Height of the last whorl in relation to the diameter	$\frac{36}{100}$	45 „	47 „
Thickness of the last whorl	31 millim.	25 „	21 „
Umbilicus, width of.....	34 „	23 „	22 „
Number of ribs, outer margin	44 „	52 „	78 „

Description.—The form and structure of this Ammonite were very variable in the different phases of its growth. In youth, and when it has a diameter of eighty milli-

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number, diminish in size from without inwards as they approach the columellar suture, and a radial line, drawn from the point of the siphonal lobe inwards to the first auxiliary, cuts the termination of the principal lateral, and leaves all the other portions of the septa much in advance.

Affinities and Differences.—*Aegoceras Charmassei* very much resembles *Aeg. angulatum* in youth and middle age, but in old age the whorls are much higher, and the lobe-line is very different. It resembles *Aeg. catenatum* in youth in its general outline, but still its ribs are bifurcated, whilst those of *Aeg. catenatum* are simple. It has certain affinities with *Aeg. Boucaultianum* in the height of its whorls, and in the ribbing of the same. *Aeg. Boucaultianum*, however, has many more small close-set ribs, with a flatter area, tuberculated on the sides, and with a different and more complicated lobe-line than *Aeg. Charmassei*. I know of no other forms with which this beautiful Ammonite has any close relations. The Rev. J. F. Blake, F.G.S.,¹ notes “This appears to me a protean species, whose varieties are extreme . . . There is (α) an inflated variety, whose cross section is a transverse rounded rectangle, with great inflated ribs, and whorls scarcely overlapping, not growing to above two inches in diameter; (β) the ordinary form flatter and larger (six inches); (γ) a far more involute form, with the outer whorl half the diameter, as figured by Dumortier (‘Depôts Jurassiques,’ part 1, pl. xvii, figs. 1 and 2); (δ) the large adult shell nearly smooth, as figured by d’Orbigny (pl. xcii). The variety α includes the *A. crenularis* of Simpson; variety γ is the *A. Boucaultianus* of d’Orbigny. The Yorkshire specimens have so decided a connection with *Aeg. Charmassei* as to force me to include them under the latter name. More characteristic forms of *A. Boucaultianus* have been found by Mr. Cross in Lincolnshire. The *A. antiquatus* of Simpson is a fragment of the adult shell; while *A. sulcatus* (*A. Leignelettei*, d’Orb.) is the young of the ordinary form. Simpson’s name, *A. sulcatus*, would have preference of *A. Charmassei*, by which the species is well known, only fortunately the former name was preoccupied by Lamarck.”

Localities and Stratigraphical Position.—This species is found in the zone of *Arietites Bucklandi* at Redcar and Robin Hood’s Bay, Yorkshire, and in beds of like age at Charmouth, and Lyme Regis, Dorset, and at Portrush, near Londonderry, on the north coast of Ireland. In France, it is found with *Gryphæa arcuata* in the centre of France, and has been collected in the Lias quarries at Avallon, Yonne; near Semur, and Clomot, Côte-d’Or; and at Drevain, Saône-et-Loire.

In South Germany it is found in the Lower Lias between the zone of *A. planorbis* and that of *A. Bucklandi* at Ostdor by Balingen, near Aich, Echterdingen, Degerloch, Vaihingen, Bebenhausen, Bemflingen, Göppingen, Metzingen, Kaltenthal, near Stuttgart, Württemberg.

¹ ‘Yorkshire Lias,’ p. 272.

AEGOCERAS BOUCAULTIANUM, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. XVIII, figs. 1—4.

AMMONITES BOUCAULTIANUS, *d'Orbigny*. Terr. Jurass., vol. i, p. 294, pls. xc, xcvi, 1842.

— — — *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône, vol. ii, figs. 3—5, p. 138, pl. xxxix, figs. 1, 2, 1867.

— — — *Collenot*. Géologique de l'Auxois, p. 237, 1873.

Diagnosis.—Shell large, discoidal, and much compressed ; whorls slightly convex and largely involute ; umbilicus very narrow, inner whorls nearly all concealed and covered with a number of small biflexed ribs, unequally bifurcate near the umbilical margin, and terminating at the outer margin in a series of small bead-like tubercles ; siphonal area narrow, and convex, sides with the rows of tubercles derived from the terminations of the small costal lines ; aperture narrowly oblong ; lobe-line extremely tortuous, with a great development of the siphonal and principal lateral lobes.

Dimensions. *Figured specimen* (fig. 1):—Diameter 155 millimètres ; height of the last whorl near the aperture 90 millimètres ; width of the umbilicus 24 millimètres.

Professor d'Orbigny's specimen:—Diameter 120 millimètres. Proportional measurements in relation to the diameter:—width of the last whorl $\frac{18}{100}$; involution of the last whorl $\frac{14}{100}$; width of the umbilicus $\frac{11}{100}$; thickness of the last whorl $\frac{28}{100}$.

Description.—The shell of this rare Ammonite is discoidal and much compressed. The whorls are slightly convex and ornamented with numerous narrow ribs, which, commencing at the umbilical margin, first bend backwards, then incline forwards, and at about the middle of the whorl bifurcate, then sweeping towards the aperture they terminate at the side of the outer margin in a small tubercle, and, without becoming entirely interrupted, pass across the area to the opposite side (fig. 3). The siphonal area is very narrow, slightly convex, feebly ribbed in the middle, and bounded on each side by a row of tubercles, which are developed on the terminal ends of the ribs (figs. 2 and 3). In the cast the area is rounded, but when the shell is preserved there is a median depression, with rows of lateral tubercles corresponding to the terminations of the ribs (see figs. 2 and 3). The spire is formed of whorls, which largely embrace each other ; the last whorl is so extremely involute that it almost completely envelopes the penultimate whorl, and nearly conceals the umbilicus (figs. 1 and 2).

The aperture is narrow, elongated, and much compressed (fig. 3) ; the lobe-line is extremely tortuous, and *d'Orbigny*, who had the opportunity of seeing and figuring the septa, has given the following description:—The septa are symmetrical, divided on each side into four very complicated lobes, formed of pairs of parts, and of saddles composed of folioles almost in pairs ; the siphonal lobe is as long and almost as wide as the principal lateral lobe, deeply divided into three very ramified and very complicated branches (see Pl. XVIII, fig. 4) ; the siphonal saddle, wider than the

principal lateral lobe, is formed of two large unequal leaves, of which the internal one is the largest, and both are very much divided; the principal lateral lobe terminates in two large very much ramified branches. D'Orbigny was however unable to follow the others, as shown in his excellent drawing of the lobe-line which I have copied from his work in my fig. 4, Pl. XVIII.

Affinities and Differences.—M. Eug. Dumortier has figured, in his ‘Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhone,’ pl. xxx, figs. 1 and 2, a fragment found at Jambles, Saône-et-Loire, which agrees very well with the specimen I have figured in Pl. XVIII, fig. 1, from the Rev. J. E. Cross’s collection; the sides are convex; the siphonal area narrow, and furnished with a round carina, which is absent from the mould.

Professor Quenstedt has figured and described, ‘Der Jura,’ p. 98, pl. xii, fig. 7, a fragment from his “Beta” limestone of Ofterdingen, under the name *betacalcis*, and this comes from the same horizon as *A. Boucaultianum*. It has many affinities with our large specimen; the crenulated carina appears to separate it from *A. Boucaultianum*; still it must not be forgotten that this is a single unique specimen, and that some of the type specimens in the Semur Museum, with their shell preserved, measuring from twelve to fifteen inches in diameter, show a disposition to a like crenulation on the central portion of the siphonal area, so that I am inclined to think that Quenstedt’s fragment, when better specimens are found, may turn out to be a true *A. Boucaultianum*.

Localities and Stratigraphical Position.—The Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S., collected his specimen, the only British one I know, from the Upper Bucklandi-beds of the Scunthorpe Ironstone, North-west Lincolnshire. A suite of several very fine specimens has been obtained from the Lower Lias near Semur, Côte-d’Or, and is in the Museum of that town. One noble Ammonite, with its shell preserved, which I measured, was upwards of twelve inches in diameter. Pl. XVIII, figs. 2, 3, represent a specimen reduced one third the natural size, in the collection of Monsieur Boucault of Semur, who collected it at Champlong, near that town. Several important characters of this rare Ammonite are here very well shown. I am indebted to my friend, M. Collenot, of Semur, for two specimens of this Ammonite, which he has kindly sent me to complete my description of the species. The largest specimen is 185 millimètres in diameter, the height of the aperture is 110 millimètres, its width 50 millimètres, and the diameter of the umbilicus 23 millimètres; the twenty-six lateral primary ribs are well seen; at the umbilical margin they bifurcate irregularly at about one third the height of the whorl, and toward the aperture become thickened at the side of the siphonal area and develop a tubercle on each; the centre of the area is narrow and flattened, and the ribs pass from one side to the other (fig. 3). The shell is preserved on a small portion only of a larger specimen, but enough remains to enable me to make out its remarkable structure; the shell is very thin, and bears a delicate sculptured surface, with lines following the flexure of the ribs, as is very well exhibited in Pl. XVIII, figs. 1 and 2; the lines, however, are much more delicate in the specimens sent me by M. Collenot than in those represented in d’Orbigny’s

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This regularity of succession, which the Semur Collection appears to prove, accords very well with what has been observed in other groups. Not only does the involution greatly increase in each succeeding species, but the septa become more complicated in outline, and the adult characteristics of the ribs and form are repeated at earlier and earlier stages in each species; the same law governs also the inheritance of the old-age characteristics of the individual. Thus, *Aeg. Boucaultianum*, which occurs latest in time, has the old-age characteristics sooner developed in its growth than any other form, showing that the acceleration or quicker reproduction of the characteristics extends to the whole life, affecting even the period at which old age begins,

AEGOCERAS LACUNATUM, *Buckman*. Pl. LVI, figs. 16, 17, 18.

AMMONITES LACUNATUS, *Buckman*. Geology of Cheltenham, 2nd ed., p. 105, pl. 11, figs. 4, 5, 1845.

— — *Quenstedt*. Cephalopoden, vol. i, p. 151, pl. xi, fig. 13, 1849.

— — *Quenstedt*. Der Jura, p. 98, pl. xii, figs. 4—6; 1858.

AMMONITES LACUNATUS, *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass. Bassin du Rhône, vol. ii, p. 120 pl. xxi, figs. 18—20, 1867.

Diagnosis.—Shell small, compressed, not carinated, composed of highly involute whorls, which are convex on the sides, of a uniform thickness throughout, and ornamented near the umbilicus with twenty-five to thirty short ribs, separated by deep valleys; the primary ribs soon divide into two or three branches; this division does not take place on all the ribs either regularly or at an equal distance from the umbilicus; often a second bifurcation takes place; the ribs are then strongly inflected towards the aperture, and form graceful curves on the sides of the shell, ending in from sixty to seventy costæ at the outer margin of a deep sulcus which occupies the middle of the siphonal area, and interrupts the passage of the costæ of the right towards that of the left side of the area; umbilicus very narrow.

Dimensions.—Diameter 30 millimètres; height of the last whorl 16 millimètres; width of the aperture 8 millimètres; amount of involution two thirds of the penultimate whorl.

Description.—This rare little Ammonite was first discovered by Professor Buckman near Cheltenham. It has been thought by some to be the brood of *Aeg. Charmassei*, and by others to be a young *Aeg. Boucaultianum*. It differs, however, specifically from both, and is an interesting form of the section *Angulati*.

The shell is small, compressed, and not carinated; the whorls, four or five in number, are inflated, convex on the sides, extremely involute, and embrace two thirds of a whorl

(fig. 16); they are covered with numerous small ribs, separated by valleys of equal width; near the umbilical margin there are twenty-five to thirty short, stout ribs, which soon bifurcate into two or three branches, and about the middle of the whorl become strongly flexed towards the aperture, ending in from sixty to seventy costæ, thickened towards their termination at the side of the sulcus, which occupies the middle of the siphonal area (figs. 17 and 18). In young specimens the sulcus is sometimes converted into a knotted carina, which, by subsequent evolution, afterwards develops the central sulcus. The test is rarely preserved, and is very thick for so small a shell; nevertheless, the ornamentation of the shell is sharply preserved on the mould, and all the inequalities of the exterior are repeated in the cast thereof. When the shell is preserved the sulcus appears to be narrower and not so deep.

Affinities and Differences.—M. Dumortier,¹ who has had many specimens of this species through his hands, says that the ornamentation of *Aeg. lacunatum* approaches much to those of young individuals of *Aeg. Charmassei* of the lower zone. Nevertheless, *Aeg. lacunatum* is much more compressed, its ribs are smaller and much more bent towards the aperture, and the sulcus is narrower and shallower than in *Aeg. Charmassei*. It forms part of a group of small Ammonites of the zone *Ammonites Davidsoni*; but, whilst the others appear to be limited to this zone, *Aeg. lacunatum* has a wider distribution in time than either of its other zonal associates. It is rarely found below the zone of *Arietites stellaris*. It is a very abundant species in many regions of the basin of the Rhone; the best specimens have been collected from the quarries of Noylay. It forms in France one of the most important Ammonites of the *Amal. oxynotus* zone. It is rare to find good specimens entire, still the fragments are abundant, and easily recognised.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The Gloucestershire specimens were collected out of the Lower Lias Shales and Limestone near the Midland Railway-cutting at Lansdown New Road, about the horizon of *Amaltheus oxynotus*, and this is the only locality in the county from which I have a record of this Ammonite. It occurs in the *Amal. oxynotus* zone at Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire coast, for the specimen of *Arietites Collenotii* = *denotatus*, figured in Pl. VI, from the zone *Amaltheus oxynotus* in Robin Hood's Bay, contains in its body-chamber a quantity of the matrix of the rock from which it was extracted, and in this limestone are several fragments of *Aeg. lacunatum*, showing both the ribbing on the sides of the whorls and siphonal area, with its deep central sulcus.

¹ 'Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' ii, p. 121.

Third Section.—ARMATI.

AEGOCERAS BIRCHII, *Sowerby*. Pl. XXIII; Pl. XXXII, figs. 5—8.

AMMONITES	BIRCHI,	<i>Sowerby</i> .	Mineral Conchology, vol. iii, p. 121, pl. 267, 1820.
PLANITES	—	<i>Haan</i> .	Ammon. und Goniatit., p. 82, No. 2, 1825.
AMMONITES	—	<i>Quenstedt</i> .	Petrefactenkunde; Cephalopoden, p. 86, 1849.
—	—	<i>d'Orbigny</i> .	Pal. Française; Terr. Jurass., p. 287, pl. 86, 1842.
—	—	<i>Oppel</i> .	Die Juraformation, p. 84, 1856.
AEGOCERAS	—	<i>Neumayr</i> .	Zeitschrift der Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft, B. xxvii, p. 906, 1875.
—	BIRCHII,	<i>Tate and Blake</i> .	Yorkshire Lias, p. 274, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls eight, narrow, sub-rotund, and slightly involute; sides compressed with numerous thick, blunt, straight ribs; on each of these two sharp tubercles are developed, which are all visible in the wide, open umbilicus; the tubercles are very sharp in young, and blunt in old shells; aperture sub-quadrangle, with lateral points only slightly grooved by the turn of the spine.

Dimensions—Large specimen.—Pl. XXIII. Diameter 160 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 95 millimètres; height of the last whorl 35 millimètres; width of ditto 35 millimètres.

Small specimen.—Pl. XXXII, figs. 5—8. Diameter 80 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 50 millimètres; height of last whorl 15 millimètres; width of ditto 15 millimètres.

Description.—This very distinct and characteristic Ammonite of the Lower Lias is readily distinguished by the round siphonal area with its numerous bi-tuberculated ribs.

The whorls increase so slowly in diameter, that in a large specimen before me, eight inches in diameter, there are only seven volutions of the shell; the sides of the whorls are convex and slightly flattened in the middle, they have from thirty-two to thirty-four thick, straight, lateral ribs, with two tubercles developed on each; the outer tubercle is the largest, and in some specimens becomes spinous; the inner is smaller and more obtuse, and the ribs disappear near the inner border.

The siphonal area (Pl. XXIII, fig. 2) is round, and in some specimens three or four fine transverse bands extend across the area from one outer tubercle to the other; and fine transverse lines of growth are seen on the shell figured in Pl. XXIII.

The spire is formed of very narrow whorls, which are slightly involute, and all are fully exposed.

The aperture is round above, flattened on the sides, and very little diminished by the turn of the spire (Pl. XXIII, fig. 2).

The septa are symmetrical, and have an extremely complicated arrangement of lobes and saddles; of these I am only able to figure a portion (Pl. XXXII, fig. 7). The

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points ; and when the shell has reached 35 millimètres in diameter, the lateral bifurcated expansions of the ribs impart marked features to the lateral figure of the shell.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 24 millimètres ; width of umbilicus 12 millimètres ; height of aperture 5 millimètres ; transverse width 5 millimètres.

Description.—Professor Quenstedt first recognised this very interesting Ammonite in the Lower Lias of Balingen and Ofterdingen, Würtemberg. It presents an assemblage of characters at different stages of growth which renders it a most interesting morphological study. In the first four whorls, and when the diameter of the tube does not exceed that of a crow's quill, the shell is smooth and without ribs ; and in this phase of growth it has a circular mouth-opening, and only fine striæ, scarcely visible without a lens, are seen in the siphonal area covering the smooth shell and bent towards the aperture. In the next stage of growth it develops fifteen short, stout, lateral ribs, which disappear from the siphonal area ; and after another whorl or so of growth the ribs extend outwards in thin, sharp folds, which shoot forth two spinous processes. The shell has now attained the size of a florin, and in this phase of growth the sides are ornamented with eighteen thin, sharp, compressed ribs, each terminating in a spinous process (Pl. XXVI, fig. 4), of which the outer spine is the largest ; in this stage of growth the aperture is much wider in its lateral than in its vertical diameter. The shell is nearly evolute, and in consequence the winding of the spire it is sometimes excentral, and then assumes the obliquity of a Turrilite ; from Captain Valdan finding some specimens in this condition in the Lower Lias of Augy-sur-Aubois, near St. Amand (Cher), with a spiral dextral shell, d'Orbigny regarded them as Turrilites, and figured them as such in the 'Paléontologie Française' (pl. 42, figs. 1—3), an error which is repeated in another evolute shell, the *Aegoceras Coynarti*. Both species were collected from the marls of the Lower Lias with *Gryphæa arcuata*. A similar error has been committed in mistaking the evolute *Arietites raricostatus* for a Turrilite, and figuring it as *Turrilites Boblayi*. The lobe-line is simple and is very well seen in one of my young specimens ; the siphonal lobe is the longest and terminates in projecting processes (fig. 2) ; the siphonal saddle is wide, with rounded denticles ; the lateral lobes are both about the same size and figure, and the lateral saddles are larger than the lobes ; the auxiliary lobes and corresponding saddles are too much concealed to admit of accurate description, the type, however, of the entire lobe-line is that of the character of a Capricorn *Aegoceras* in all its essential details.

Affinities and Differences.—*Aegoceras biferum* in early youth resembles the young of *Arietites semicostatus*, being like it smooth and destitute of ribs. In its second or ribbed phase it resembles a young form of *Aeg. Capricornus* with lateral ribs and a smooth siphonal area ; in its third stage, when it has acquired its winged ribs with compressed bi-spinous terminations, it presents a form unique amongst the group to which it belongs.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This is a very rare Ammonite. I have never seen any other examples in England except the few specimens I collected from the Great-Western Railway cutting in the Lower Lias Beds of Lansdown Road,

near Cheltenham, in a ferruginous marl, belonging to the *Amaltheus oxynotus*-zone, and from beds of the same horizon at Gloucester, obtained during the excavations made for the new docks. It certainly is not found at Lyme Regis, and is unknown in Yorkshire. Professor Quenstedt's original specimens were collected from the upper region of Lias β at Balingen, Ofterdingen, Betzingen, Württemberg. There this Ammonite is associated with *Belemnites acutus*, Mill; *Leda Romani*, Opp.; *Mytilus minimus*, Sow.; *Plicatula ventricosa*, Goldf.; *Gryphæa obliqua*, Sow.; *Rhynchonella oxynota*, Quenst.; according to Dr. Opper ('Juraformation,' p. 54).

AEGOCERAS PLANICOSTA, *Sowerby*. Pl. XXIV, figs. 1—8; Pl. XXV, figs. 1—3.

AMMONITES PLANICOSTA,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Mineral Conchology, vol. i, p. 167, tab. 73, figs. 1—5, 1814.
— LAXICOSTATA,	<i>Lamarck</i> . Anim. sans Vertèbres, t. vii, p. 638, 1822.
— PLANICOSTA,	<i>Young and Bird</i> . Yorkshire Coast, p. 248, pl. 13, fig. 6, 1822.
PLANITES PLANICOSTATUS,	<i>De Haan</i> . Monogr. Ammonit. et Goniolit., p. 92, No. 26, 1825.
AMMONITES —	<i>Young and Bird</i> . Yorkshire Coast, p. 259, 1828.
— ZIPHUS,	<i>Zieten</i> . Versteinerungen Württembergs, p. 6, tab. 5, fig. 2, 1830.
— PLANICOSTA,	<i>Voltz</i> . Jahrbuch f. Min. Geol., p. 272, 1830.
— CAPRICORNUS,	<i>Zieten</i> . Versteinerungen Württembergs, p. 6, tab. 4, fig. 8, 1830.
	<i>Von Buch</i> . Ueber Ammoniten; Abh. Berlin Acad. d. Wissensch., pl. iv, fig. 4 (1830), 1832.
— CAPRICORNUS,	<i>Roemer</i> . Versteiner. Nord-Deutsch. Oolithen-Gebirges, p. 192, 1836.
— PLANICOSTA,	<i>Bronn</i> . Lethæa Geognostica, p. 440, pl. xxiii, fig. 1, 1837.
TURRILITES COYNARTI,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Paléontol. Française; Ter. Jurassiques, p. 181, pl. 42, figs. 4—7, 1842.
AMMONITES CAPRICORNUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 158, 1843.
— DUDRESSIERI,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Pal. Française; Terr. Jurassiques, p. 325, pl. 103, 1844.
— CAPRICORNUS NUDUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, p. 81, tab. iii, figs. 6 a, b, 1849.
— — — —	Der Jura, p. 96, tab. 12, fig. 3, 1858.
AEGOCERAS PLANICOSTA,	<i>Neumayr</i> . Zeitschrift der Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft, p. 906, 1875.

Description.—This is one of the Ammonites about which much confusion exists, arising from the fact that in youth it very much resembles the young form of another Ammonite, so that when of about the same age specimens of both species are frequently mistaken for each other, whilst the morphological changes in form and structure with advancing life show how widely dissimilar the two forms are before they reach their mature condition. The one form, *Aegoceras planicosta*, Sow., appertains to the Lower Lias, and the other form, *Aegoceras capricornus*, Schloth., belongs to the Middle Lias.

The true position of *Aegoceras planicosta* was well defined by the slab containing this species, which Sowerby figured in 1812. Here we see it associated with *Arietites obtusus* in a mass of Marston stone found at Marston Magna, near Ilchester. Near Yeovil, in Somerset, also, large slabs of a similar rock full of this Ammonite are raised with their nacreous shells well preserved in clusters, some of the slabs are big enough to form the tops of small-sized sideboards and other pieces of furniture. The beauty of the marble depends upon the number of the Ammonites clustered together; the white pearly layer of their shells is most admirably preserved, whilst the chambers are filled in with fine brown crystallised carbonate of iron or carbonate of lime, which adds much to the colour and richness of the dark grey ground of the Lias Marble.

In the "Yorkshire Coast" the Rev. George Young early noted the specific character of this Ammonite, in alluding to Bird's very bad figure (pl. xiii, fig. 6); he says, p. 259 (2nd edit., 1828), "It is from the lowest shale at Robin Hood's Bay [zone of *Arietites obtusus*]; it is a small and handsome Ammonite, similar to *Ammonites maculatus*, having ribs that are sharp on the sides but flattened on the back. But the flat part in this Ammonite bears a much greater proportion to the rest of the rib, and it is therefore named *A. planicostatus*, Sowerby, Tab. 73 and 406. It is generally found in a pyritous state. In the older specimens a slight knob is sometimes found at each end of the flat part of the back."

Professor Quenstedt also noted that the variety with the broad ribs on the back was found only associated with *Ammonites Turneri* (= *obtusus*), from whence also the specimen figured in Zieten's "Württemberg" came and not from Gammelshausen as stated, where hardly any Lias is found. The figures given in the "Cephalopoden," Tab. iv, fig. 6 *a, b*, are representations of one form of this Ammonite which I collected from the *Stellaris*-bed at Lyme Regis, and which are drawn in Pl. XXIV, figs. 1 and 2, of this work, clearly proving the identity of the English and Württemberg shells.

The *Ammonites ziphus*, Hehl, figured in Zieten, and which was determined by Mr. Hehl, is distinguished principally by its elevated blunt spines placed at some distance apart. This fragment was regarded by its author as a distinct species; it was found in the Lias Sandstone near Boll. When we compare Zieten's figures with the forms I have figured from Lyme Regis, which are there associated with younger and older forms of the same species, one cannot doubt their identity (Pl. XXIV, figs. 4—7).

The next change in this species is characterised by the shortening of the ribs, which terminate in small tubercles developed near the lateral boundary of the siphonal area,

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verse lines of sculpture. In fig. 2 is represented a portion of the outer lamina of the shell showing lines and perforations highly magnified; in fig. 3 parallel lines formed by a finely-punctated surface are shown.

The siphonal area is large, convex, and wrinkled transversely in the adult; the spire is composed of whorls, which are about as wide as they are high, slightly flattened on the sides and only slightly involute. The aperture is nearly quadrate, mucronated on each side at the siphonal area, and gently grooved by the return of the spire. The septa, according to d'Orbigny—I have not seen the lobe-line—are divided into three lobes, of which the two external are formed of pairs of parts. The siphonal lobe is as long and wide as the principal lateral, and ornamented laterally with three branches, of which the inferior is bifurcated. The siphonal saddle, as large as the principal lateral lobe, is divided into three folioles of which the median has three festoons. The principal lateral lobe is divided into two large, nearly equal terminal branches, and four lateral digitations. The lateral saddle is formed of two parts almost equally bi-lobed; the inferior lateral lobe is oblique, and terminates in two unequal branches, of which the internal is the largest. The accessory lobe is provided with two small unequal points, a radial central line in parting from the extremity of the siphonal lobe touches the points of the principal lateral and passes well above the others.

Affinities and Differences.—In early age this species resembles *Aeg. capricornus*, whilst in its middle-age and adult conditions it is entirely different; this fact will be demonstrated when the shell-structure and morphology of that species is under discussion.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This species is found in the *Arietites obtusus*-zone at Lyme Regis, in the same horizon near Yeovil, at Marston Magna near Ilchester, in Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire, and the Midland Railway cutting, at Breden, and in other exposures of the same zone in other parts of the Vale of Glo'ster.

AEGOCERAS SUBMUTICUM, Oppel. Pl. XXVII, figs. 1 and 2.

AMMONITES NATRIX OBLONGUS, *Quenstedt.* Cephalopoden, p. 85, pl. 4, figs. 16 a—d, 1849.

— — — *Oppel.* Mittlere Lias Schwabens, Jahreshefte Württemberg, p. 73, pl. 1, fig. 5, 1853.

— SUBMUTICUS, *Oppel.* Die Juraformation, p. 158, 1856.

— — — *Dumortier.* Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône, tom. iii, p. 63, pl. xii, figs. 1, 2; pl. xlv, figs. 2—4, 1869.

— SUBMUTICUM, *Neumayr.* Systematik der Ammonitiden. Zeitschrift der Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft, p. 906, 1875.

Diagnosis.—Shell large, flattened on the sides, and slightly involute, umbilicus widely open; spire formed of eight whorls which have a convex margin and are slightly compressed on the sides, the last whorl has thirty-eight slender principal ribs, which are only slight elevations, and terminate in sharp prominent tubercles near the outer border of the siphonal area; the ribs are very feebly marked on the inner volutions; on the last whorl they first bend backwards, then incline forwards, and again bend back and terminate in tubercles. The siphonal area is broad and slightly convex; from the lateral tubercles transverse folds extend across the area, with several smaller elevations between; aperture subquadrate, wide and convex above, flattened on the sides, contracted and grooved below by the turn of the spire; shell extremely thin and well preserved in several parts.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 140 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 60 millimètres; height of the aperture 50 millimètres; greatest width above 50 millimètres; below, over the spire, 35 millimètres.

Description.—This is a rare form, and closely resembles the *Am. natrix oblongus*, Quenst., of the 'Cephalopoden,' and is one of the most elegant species of the ARMATI group.

The shell attains a considerable size, is gently compressed on the sides, and has a very wide umbilicus; it is, therefore, extremely evolute and fully exposes all the inner turns of the spire, which is formed of eight volutions that are round and slightly compressed and covered with delicate ribs; the last whorl has thirty-eight principal ribs, which are slightly elevated and directed forwards, and they all terminate in small tubercles near the outer border of the siphonal area. The ribs on the inner whorls are very slight elevations, whilst on the outer whorl they describe with sigmoidal curves, smaller intermediate secondary folds lying between them. The siphonal area is wide, convex, and without a trace of keel; large transverse folds pass across the area from one tubercle to another, with one or two smaller intermediate bands between the larger folds. The shell of this Ammonite is extremely thin, and very well preserved on some parts of the figured specimen, and shows that the tubercles were hollow cones filled in with the matrix in which the mollusc was embedded (fig. 1). These form prominences on the mould, which are all embraced and covered over by the turns of the spire. The aperture has a subquadrate figure, much higher than wide, and expanded at the outer side, where it acquires an increased extension by the hollow spines. Fig. 2 shows the size and form of the aperture, the squareness of the same, and the numerous ridges that cross the area between the larger folds.

Dumortier has figured a large fragment of this species, which exhibits its specific characters extremely well, including the structure of the tubercles as here described from my specimen.

The lobe-line is not visible either on the French or English specimens.

Affinities and Differences.—This species resembles *Aegoceras armatum*, Sow., in its general figure, but differs from that form in having larger whorls; more numerous and smaller tubercles; and a more quadrate aperture.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The figured specimen was collected at Lyme Regis; it is embedded in a grey Lias Limestone which occurs about the base of the Middle Lias. I had no other specimen from the same bed to check my diagnosis, but it is apparently the base of the *Aegoceras Jamesoni*-zone. I have not seen another specimen in any of the collections I have consulted.

AEGOCERAS ARMATUM, *Sowerby*. Pl. XXVIII, figs. 1—6; Pl. XXIX.

- AMMONITES ARMATUS, *Sowerby*. Mineral Conchology, vol. i, tab. 95, p. 215, 1815.
 — — *Young and Bird*. Yorks. Coast., p. 249, pl. xiii, fig. 9, 1822.
 — HASTATUS, *Young and Bird*. Ibid., pl. xiv, fig. 2, 1822.
 PLANITES FIBULATUS, *Haan*. Amm. et Goniol., p. 84, No. 8, 1825.
 AMMONITES ARMATUS, *d'Orbigny*. Paléontol. Française; Ter. Jurass., p. 270, pl. 78, 1842.
 — — *Quenstedt*. Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 157, 1843.
 — — *Simpson*. Monograph on York. Lias Ammon., p. 26, 1843.
 — — *Quenstedt*. Cephalopoden, p. 82, 1849.
 — — *Oppel*. Juraformation, p. 155, 1856.
 — — *Simpson*. Fossils of York. Lias, p. 64, 1855.
 — MILES, *Simpson*. Ibid., p. 65, 1855.
 — ARMATUS, *Schlönbach*. Mittleren Lias, Zeitschrift Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft, p. 511, Jahr 1863.
 — — *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass. du Bassin du Rhône, vol. iii, p. 59, pl. viii, figs. 1, 2, 1869.
 — — *Emerson*. Die Liasmulde von Markoldendorf, Zeitschrift Deutsch. geol. Gesell., p. 330, pl. x, fig. 4, 1870.
 AEGOCERAS ARMATUM, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 277, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell large, compressed; whorls slightly involute, umbilicus wide, and inner whorls all exposed; spire formed of from six to eight volutions; the outer whorl, according to age, with from eighteen to twenty ribs, which arise from small striæ at the umbilical suture, and enlarge as they advance towards the margin of the siphonal area, where they terminate in long, stony, tubular spines; between the principal ribs, and on the spines themselves, are other smaller transverse striæ; siphonal area wide, flattened, slightly convex, and ornamented transversely with a continuation of the same striæ that adorn the sides; spire composed of rounded or subquadrate whorls somewhat depressed and inclined towards the umbilicus; aperture subquadrate, the transverse exceeding the vertical in diameter.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 115 millimètres; width of umbilicus 55 millimètres; height of the aperture 30 millimètres; width 36 millimètres.

Description.—Much confusion appears to have existed among the local palæontologists of Yorkshire, where this Ammonite was first discovered, regarding the figure and

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known that it was to be found in older beds in Robin Hood's Bay. Mr. Simpson¹ says "I have now got a fair specimen of Sowerby's *A. armatus* which has caused so much trouble to naturalists, the very central whorls are imperfect, but there is sufficient to show that they are plain or nearly so; the succeeding whorls have the characters exhibited in Sowerby's figure. Where the spines have been knocked off there remain the oval disks. It would seem that when Mr. Strangeways visited Whitby this species was plentiful; but the specimen I have now described is the only one I have seen, and the one I formerly took to be *A. armatus*, Sow., I believe to be a different species, which I have named *A. miles*."

Like other species of the Armati section of the genus *Aegoceras*, *Aeg. armatum* exhibits different forms characteristic of the morphological phases of its growth. In early life the shell is smooth, and about the second whorl ribs commence to show themselves as transverse elevations, and on the fourth whorl small tubercles begin to make their appearance on their sides, and on the sixth whorl they have grown into large, thick, stout spines (Pl. XXVIII, fig. 3). The magnificent specimens figured in Pl. XXVIII, figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, represent the form this beautiful Ammonite assumes in middle age, when its ornamentation appears to have attained its most perfect state. Now we find the whorls are very slightly involute, a little rounded, and provided with thick ribs, which terminate on the outer side of the siphonal area in twenty strong prominent spines; these, when broken near their base, leave large disc-like marks on the mould; between the ribs are several (four or five) transverse striæ which pass between the ribs, extend across the area (figs. 2, 4, 5), and ornament this region; other smaller striæ creep over the spines themselves (fig. 3), so that the whorls in well-preserved specimens are finely sculptured with graceful lines. Through increasing age the spines are developed wider apart, the body-chamber grows very wide, and enormous recurved spines project from the sides of the siphonal area. I have figured a very fine example of one of these aged specimens of the natural size (Pl. XXIX), showing giant spines on the body-chamber and the comparative smallness of those on the inner whorls. This specimen was collected at Lyme Regis many years ago, and long adorned the cabinet of a local collector. It was purchased for the Museum of the Royal School of Mines and now forms part of their fine collection; it is figured for the first time.

Professor Quenstedt collected this Ammonite in Swabia, where the species is much smaller than our English specimens, but is well defined by the delicate folded striæ or fine concentric ribs which extend along the sides and across the area, among which, near the margin, large thick spines project on both sides, fewer, however, in number than in our specimens.

There are several varieties of this species which have received separate specific names from different authors. One of these, *A. miles*, Simpson, deserves more than a passing notice; the spire in this shell consists of six highly evolute whorls, which are round, slender, and all exposed in the umbilicus; the ribs, about sixteen in the last whorl, are wider apart, and each rib terminates near the siphonal margin in a long pointed spine; the lateral

¹ 'Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias,' p. 64, 1855.

striæ are fine, numerous, undulating, and annular; and the aperture has a roundish form. This is a much more smooth and elegant form than the typical *Aeg. armatum*, still it may be specifically identical with it. The smaller diameter of the whorls, and the greater distance the ribs are apart from each other, greatly diminish the number of the lateral spines, which are longer and more slender than in the typical specimens of *Aeg. armatum*; the lobe-line is likewise less complicated, and the septa are also more distant from each other than in fig. 6; the inner whorls are striated without ribs or spines. This is a most interesting form of the group *Armati*; and probably the discovery of other specimens may disclose some features in its form that may justify the distinction Simpson assigned to it.

In *Aegoceras armatum* (the typical form figured in Pl. XXVIII, figs. 1 and 3), in the middle period of life, the septal chambers are shallow and the lobe-line extremely convoluted, so that it is very difficult to follow its contouring. Professor d'Orbigny sketched a generalised diagram of this line from the specimen he possessed, whilst I have had the lobe-line traced on one of my specimens, and an enlarged drawing made therefrom (fig. 6), which shows that the true ramification of the lobe-line is much more complicated than d'Orbigny's figure led us to suppose. The siphonal lobe is as wide and almost as long as the principal lateral, and has on each side four lateral branches. The siphonal saddle is much wider and longer than the principal lateral lobe, and is divided into two unequal portions, the external of which is the largest and terminates in many folioles; and the internal portion has a similar termination. The principal lateral lobe is highly ornate, and from the wide base two large branches proceed from each side of the stem, which terminate in a long terminal foliated portion. The lateral saddle is small and narrow, and terminates in three folioles. The inferior lateral lobe is small and narrow, about one fourth the size of the principal, it develops three lateral and one long terminal branch; the accessory lobes are oblique and much ramified, and the whole lobe-line forms a most highly complicated contouring of foliations.

Affinities and Differences.—I have separated the *Armatum*- from the *Jamesoni*-zone because it constitutes an excellent Ammonite horizon, with an interesting series of elegant forms which range themselves around the original Sowerbyan type as a centre, and which commenced and terminated their existence with the dawn of the Middle Lias; they had, therefore, it would appear, a very limited life in time.

A great family likeness runs throughout the group, which requires accurate observation and a critical judgment to discover and define; all the species have the whorls more or less armed with spines, and with ribs and striæ extending across the siphonal area; in most of the species only one row of spines is developed along the margin of this area, whilst in others there are two distinct series of spines, as in *Aeg. densinodum*, Quenst., and *Aeg. brevispinum*, Sowerby; the septal chambers in all are very shallow, and the lobe-line is likewise highly convoluted.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The fine specimens figured in Pls. XXVIII and XXIX were obtained from the *Aegoceras armatum*-zone at Lyme Regis, and very

fine specimens have likewise been collected from similar beds at Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire, where Sowerby's type was found. I have found fragments of this species in the same zone in some exposures of the *Aeg. Jamesoni*-beds near Cheltenham.

AEGOCERAS MILLERI, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. XXXVII, figs. 10, 11.

Diagnosis.—Ammonite large, depressed, flattened on the sides, and slightly involute; shell very thin, not thicker than fine cardboard; whorls broad, much flattened across the siphonal area, vertical height two thirds that of the transverse diameter, sides with slight undulations, terminating in short tubular blunt knobs on the margin; the siphonal area and sides of the tubercles sculptured with a series of longitudinal elevations and depressions, which impart an ornate character to this region of the shell, and form a good specific feature for the distinction of the species.

The size of this Ammonite is unknown, seeing that fragments only have been found, the whorls being so slightly involute that no disc will hold together.

This species resembles *Aeg. muticum* in the position, form, and size of the tubercles, and likewise in the small amount of its involution; it differs from *Aeg. muticum*, however, in the absence of longitudinal striæ on the siphonal area (see fig. 10). The lateral view of the whorl (fig. 11) shows the arrangement of the tubercles on the margin of the area.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This fragment was collected by Professor Archibald Geikie, F.R.S., in Pabba, along with other fossils from the zone of *Aegoceras Jamesoni* sent by my friend to me to determine. Prof. Geikie at the same time requested that, should I meet with any new forms in the collection he had made, I should associate the name of Hugh Miller, of the Old Red Sandstone, with the Pabba beds as a memento of the valuable work he carried out by his researches among the Hebridean Lias beds in his cruise in the 'Betsey'; in compliance with my friend's request, and with very great pleasure in doing so, I dedicate this singular Ammonite to the memory of Hugh Miller.

AEGOCERAS LECKENBYI, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. XXX, figs. 1—7.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, with rounded whorls, one third involute, and a wide open umbilicus; sides of the whorls ornamented with primary and secondary ribs; the primaries vary from twelve to twenty-four in number, they are larger in size, and each rib develops a blunt elongated tubercle near the siphonal area and sends several smaller branches therefrom across the area; and the secondaries consist of numerous smaller sigmoidal annular radii interposed between the primaries, encircling this region which

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AEGOCERAS DAVÆI, *Sowerby*. Pl. XXXI, figs. 1, 2.

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 PLANITES — *de Haan*. *Ammonit. et Goniolit.*, p. 82, No. 3, 1825.
 AMMONITES — *Zieten*. *Versteiner. Württembergs*, p. 19, tab. xiv, fig. 2, 1830.
 — — *Roemer*. *Norddeutschen Oolithgebirg.*, p. 199, 1836.
 — DAVOËI, *Bronn*. *Lethæa geognost.*, p. 447, tab. xxiii, fig. 4, 1837.
 — — *Collegno*. *Bulletin Soc. géolog. de France*, x, p. 247, 1839.
 — — *Quenstedt*. *Flözgebirge Württembergs*, 171, 1843.
 — DAVÆI, *d'Orbigny*. *Pal. Franç. Juras.*, tom. i, p. 276, pl. 81, 1842.
 — — *Quenstedt*. *Cephalopoden*, p. 91, tab. 5, figs. 6, 1849.
 — — *Savi and Meneghini*. *Consid. Geologia Toscana*, p. 115, 1851.
 — — *Studer*. *Geologie der Schweiz*, t. ii, p. 31—35, 1853.
 — — *Meneghini*. *Nuovi Fossili Toscani*, pp. 10, 31, 1853.
 — DAVÖI, *Oppel*. *Mittlere Lias Schwabens, Jahreshefte Württemberg*, p. 80, 1853.
 — — *Quenstedt*. *Der Jura*, p. 132, 1858.
 — — *Von Hauer*. *Die Cephalopoden aus dem Lias der Nord-Ost-Alpen*, p. 54, pl. xvii, figs. 11, 12, 1856.
 — — *Chapuis*. *Terr. Sec. de Luxemb.*, p. 25, t. iv, fig. 5, t. v, fig. 1, 1858.
 — — *Dumortier*. *Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône*, tom. iii, p. 94, pl. xi, figs. 4—6, 1869.
 AEGOCERAS DAVOËI, *Neumayr*. *Zeitschrift der Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft*, p. 906, 1875.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; umbilicus wide; whorls round, slightly involute, covered on the sides and area with numerous simple, narrow, oblique ribs; on each revolution of the spire there are eight to ten round, obtuse tubercles developed near the middle of the whorl, and occupying the width of three ribs; siphonal area rounded, slightly depressed, and covered with numerous transverse close-set costæ; spire formed of eight whorls, which are round and slightly depressed on the outer margin; aperture roundish.

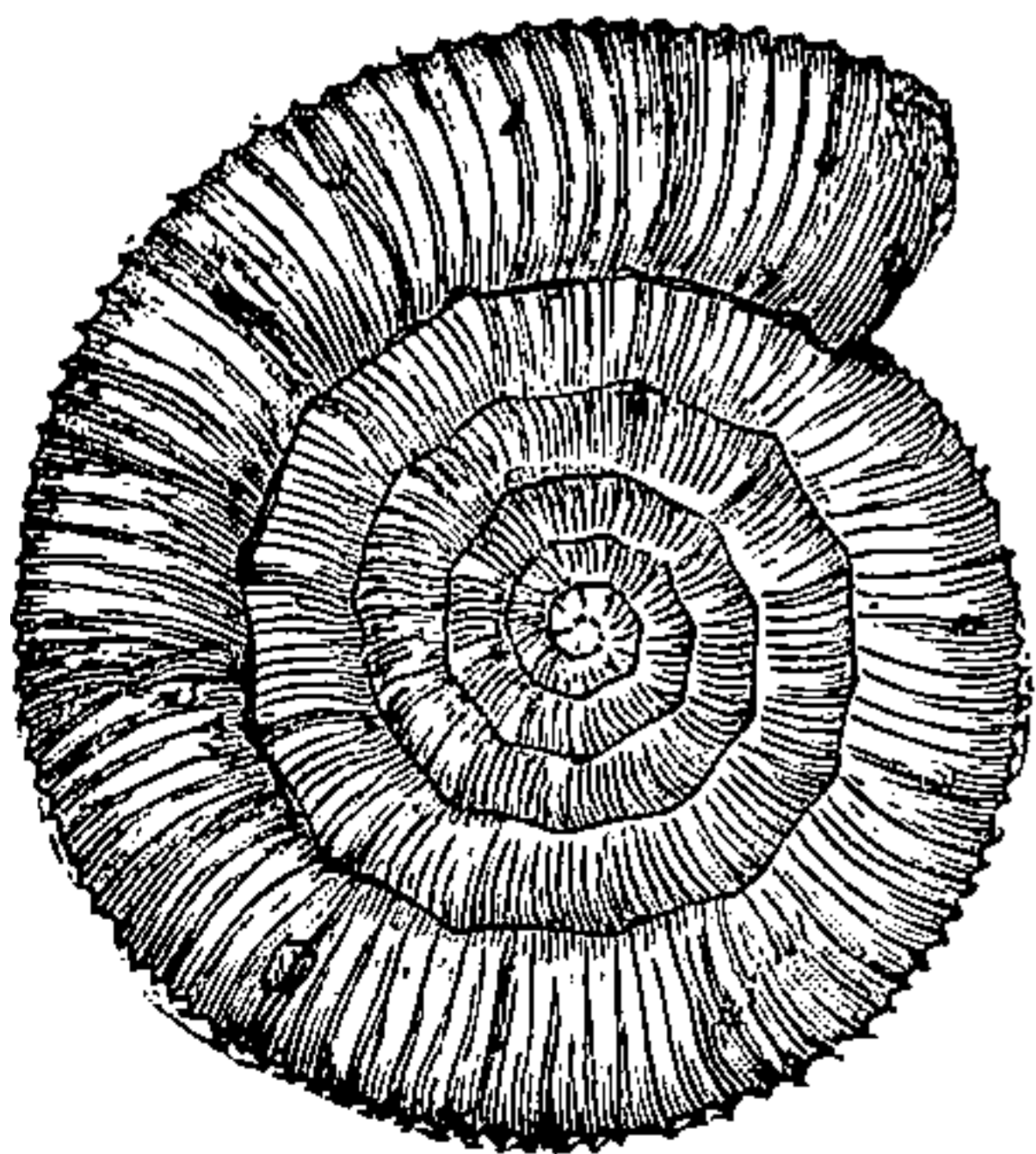


Fig. 188.—*Aegoceras Davœi*,
Sow.

Dimensions.—The large figured specimen; transverse diameter 112 millimètres; width of umbilicus under aperture 65 millimètres; vertical height of whorl 26 millimètres; transverse diameter 30 millimètres. The specimens found in general are much smaller, two before me measure transverse diameter 90 millimètres; width of umbilicus under aperture 55 millimètres; vertical height of last whorl 22 millimètres; transverse diameters 23 millimètres.

Description.—This beautiful Ammonite is a very rare British fossil. The specimen

here figured formerly belonged to my late friend, Mr. John Leckenby, F.G.S., who obtained it from Charmouth; it is one of the finest examples known, and is now in the Woodwardian Museum, Cambridge; the shell is discoidal and compressed, consisting of rounded whorls, which are only slightly involute, and closely clasp the penultimate volution; they are covered on the sides and area with a series of ribs and sulcations about equal in width throughout; on the sides the ribs are directed obliquely forwards, whilst across the siphonal area they are transverse and extremely regular. In typical shells each whorl develops from eight to twelve round blunt tubercles about the middle of the whorl, which occupy the space of two ribs and two sulcations; sometimes these tubercles have a thick envelope, and then they form spines; many specimens, however, are wanting in the tubercles, though in the figured specimen the projections are large and regular, and impart a very distinctive character to this Ammonite. The lobe-line is very complicated; the siphonal lobe, as long and wide as the principal lateral, is formed of three branches, two of which bifurcate. The siphonal saddle, as large as the principal lateral, is very irregularly divided into three folioles at the external side, and one at the internal. The principal lateral lobe divides into two large branches, the terminal one is very much ramified, and the external, nearly as large, is equally ramified. The lateral saddle is smaller than the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in four folioles. The lower lateral lobe is small, with five digitations, and the auxiliary lobe, still smaller, possesses three. The lobe-line has been extremely well figured by Quenstedt and d'Orbigny; none of the specimens which have passed through my hands show this structure so well, as they have all retained their shell (or portions thereof) which conceals the true septal suture.

Prof. d'Orbigny had the opportunity for studying the evolution of this Ammonite; he observes:¹—"This species, more or less compressed, varies much according to age. Up to a diameter of 25 millimètres the whorls are much depressed, and ornamented with from thirteen to fifteen long, sharp-pointed spines; this depression of the whorls is often remarked up to a diameter of 50 millimètres; beyond this diameter there are in general from eight to twelve tubercles; the whorls become more or less thick and compressed. At the largest diameter known (120 millimètres) the ribs become more prominent, and more irregular, and the tubercles are less regularly placed. The spines appertaining to the shell leave a truncated tubercle on the mould."

Affinities and Differences.—This species resembles *Aeg. Leckenbyi* in its ribs and spines, but is distinguished from that form by its tubercles being set much wider apart, by its regular oblique narrow ribs and valleys on the sides, and by the finer sculpture across the area; the structure of the lobe-line likewise presents an important difference between the two species.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This is a capital leading fossil for a certain horizon of the Middle Lias; the chief locality in England is the Green Ammonite-beds

¹ 'Paléontologie Française; Terr. Jurrassique,' t. i, p. 277.

near Charmouth, Dorset (see p. 89), where I have collected it associated with *Aeg. Bechei*, *Belemnites clavatus*, and *Monotis inaequalis*, all in the same slab. It is found in marls of the same horizon in Somersetshire and Gloucestershire.

Dumortier says:—"Of all the Ammonites of the Middle Lias *Am. Davœi* is the most important and most characteristic form; its ornamentation and size are more constant; and it presents itself always in the same horizon, that is to say, above the lowest beds of the Middle Lias, and in company with *Am. capricornus* and *Am. fimbriatus*. I do not know a bed at this level in which I have not found *Am. Davœi*." It has been collected in many Departments of France, as at Mulhausen and Uhrwiler, Bas-Rhin; near Nancy, Meurthe; Amaye-sur-Orne, and Vieux-Pont, near Bayeux, Calvados; Saint-Rambert, Ain; near Lyon, Rhône; Pouilly-en-Auxois, Semur, Venarey, Côte-d'Or; Metz, Moselle.

In Germany, near Boll; at Bargau, near Gmünd and Aalen; at Fützen between Donaueschingen and Schaffhausen.

In Italy, in the Appenines; in Red Limestone at Monte Calvi; in Grey Limestone Monti di Cetona, near Lake Como.

In Switzerland, in the Bernese Alps; and at Coulat and Fondement, near Bex.

AEGOCERAS TAYLORI, *Sowerby*. Pl. XXXI, figs. 5—7.

AMMONITES TAYLORI,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Mineral Conchology, vol. vi, p. 23, pl. 514, fig. 1, 1826.
— PROBOSCIDENS,	<i>Zieten</i> . Versteinerungen Württembergs, p. 9, pl. x, fig. 1, 1830.
— TAYLORI,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 176, 1843.
— LAMELLOSUS,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Pal. Franç.; Terr. Jurass., pl. 84, 1842.
— TAYLORI,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Ibid., p. 323, pl. 102, figs. 3—5, 1844.
— — COSTATUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, p. 136, tab. ix, fig. 20, 1849.
— — NODOSUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Ibid., 136, tab. ix, fig. 21, 1849.
— —	<i>Giebel</i> . Fauna der Vorwelt, t. iii, p. 697, 1852.
— —	<i>Oppel</i> . Mittl. Lias Schwabens, Jahresh. Württ., p. 92, 1853.
— CORNUTUS,	<i>Simpson</i> . Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 71, 1855.
— QUADRICORNUTUS,	<i>Simpson</i> . Ibid.
— TAYLORI,	<i>Oppel</i> . Die Juraformation, p. 165, 1856.
— —	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Der Jura, p. 135, pl. 16, fig. 8, 1858.
	<i>Schlönbach</i> . Die Eisenstein d. Mittler Lias; Zeitschr. d. Deutsch. geolog. Gesellschaft, p. 527, 1863.
AEGOCERAS —	<i>Tate and Blake</i> . Yorkshire Lias, p. 279, 1876.
—	<i>Neumayr</i> . Zeitschrift der Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft, p. 906, Jahr 1875.

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from that species. When it attains twenty millimètres in diameter it assumes its own typical distinctive shell characters.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—My figured specimen was collected in the zone of *Aeg. armatum*, near Charmouth; the same form is found at Robin Hood's Bay in beds of the same age; the two varieties mentioned by Quenstedt are likewise found there, and have been catalogued by Simpson as (a) *cornutus* = *costatus*, Quenst.; and (b) *quadricornutus* = *nodosus*, Quenst. These two forms certainly belong to one species.

The type specimen which Sowerby figured was found by Mr. Taylor, of Norwich, in a water-worn mass of indurated clay approaching ironstone and containing blende in Happisbury Cliff, Norfolk, where it was probably alluvial; it has likewise been found in the Middle Lias of Northamptonshire. A solitary specimen is catalogued by Professor Buckman, F.G.S., from Brickfields, Coltham-field, Hewletts Road, and Leckhampton, near Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. I have never seen a specimen from these beds.

In Germany, Professor Quenstedt collected it in the Middle Lias at Ofterdingen, Reutlingen, Jebenhausen near Goppingen; and Professor Oppel in the same horizon near Boll, Metzingen, and Hechingen, where it was common; in France it was collected by M. Engelhardt at Muhlhausen, Bas-Rhin, in a ferruginous matrix.

ÆGOCERAS DENSINODUM, *Quenstedt*. Pl. XXXVIII, figs. 5, 6; Pl. XXXIX, figs. 6—10. ' Pl. L, fig. 11, 12.

AMMONITES ARMATUS DENSINODUS, *Quenstedt*. Cephalopoden, tab. iv, fig. 18, p. 82, 1849.

— — — *Oppel*. Mittl. Lias Schwabens, Jahresh. Württ., p. 71, 1853.

ÆGOCERAS DENSINODUM, *Neumayr*. Zeitschrift der Deutsch. geol. Gesellschaft, p. 906, Jahr 1875.

Diagnosis.—Shell much depressed and flattened, whorls very slightly involute; umbilicus wide, with inner whorls all exposed; spire formed of from six to eight volutions outer whorl with twenty-four to thirty slender, oblique ribs directed backwards; each rib supports one small tubercle near its middle, and a large prominent knob at its termination near the margin; siphonal area very narrow and depressed, and ornamented with transverse striæ; body-chamber long, mouth enlarged with an oblong, trumpet-shaped aperture.

Dimensions—Large specimen.—Plate XXXVIII, figs. 5 and 6: transverse diameter 110 millimètres; diameter of umbilicus 60 millimètres; height of trumpet-shaped aperture, 40 millimètres; transverse width 27 millimètres.

Small specimen.—Plate XXXIX, figs. 6 and 7: transverse diameter 73 millimètres; diameter of umbilicus 40 millimètres; height of aperture 20 millimètres; transverse width 17 millimètres.

Description.—*Ammonites armatus*, according to Professor Quenstedt, presents two well-marked varieties: A, *Armatus sparsinodus*, and B, *Armatus densinodus*. After a careful study of the latter shell, which I have collected in different localities and in considerable numbers, I have erected it into a distinct species, as it exhibits characters which I have found to be specific and permanent.

The shell is discoidal, compressed and slightly involute, with a wide umbilicus, all the whorls being fully exposed in the medium-sized specimen (Pl. XXXIX, figs. 6 and 7). The flat sides are ornamented with twenty-five to thirty oblique ribs, which become visible above the spiral suture. Near the middle of their length they develop a small tubercle (fig. 8); beyond this the rib enlarges, and terminates at the margin of siphonal area in a round, blunt, prominent tubercle. In most of the specimens which have passed through my hands the ribs are inclined obliquely backwards, on which the double row of tubercles are very well developed (fig. 8). In other specimens, however, the marginal tubercles alone are developed, and the position of the inner series on the middle of the rib is indicated by a simple thickening of the lateral fold. The siphonal area is narrow, flat (figs. 7—9), and crossed by numerous transverse striæ; some of these pass from one large tubercle on one side of the area to those of the opposite side; in the inter-tubercular space three small striæ pass across, so that the area has a highly ornate appearance in well-preserved specimens, as in figs. 8 and 9.

In the large specimen, Pl. XXXVIII, figs. 5 and 6, and in a smaller individual of the same type, Pl. XXXIX, fig. 6, and Pl. L, figs. 11, 12, the medium row of tubercles is absent, and the ribs have the oblique backward inclined curve so characteristic of this species in the large specimen, which is exceptionally fine; and the termination of the body-chamber is greatly enlarged and forms a trumpet-mouthed expansion, which is likewise characteristic (Pl. XXXVIII, fig. 5); the body-chamber has a quadrate shape, the area is flat, and the whorl ornamented with thirty-eight ribs, the whole structure of the spire being exposed in the widely open umbilicus. The lobe-line is very complicated (Pl. XXXIX, fig. 10). The siphonal lobe is large and symmetrical, with three digitations on each side and two long terminal branches having serrated sides. The siphonal saddle is wide, and divided into three compartments, the internal and external being deep and terminating in folioles, and the central one narrow from the size of the partition. The principal lateral lobe is long, narrow, and branched; it has an irregular figure, the terminal portion ending in a long point. The lateral saddle is deep, terminating in two folioles like two oak leaves, with a narrow stem between them. The lateral lobe is long, narrow, and oblique, with a freely digitated margin. The auxiliary saddle is small and oblique, and ends in one foliole, and the auxiliary lobe is likewise small and oblique with lateral digitations.

The morphology of this species is very interesting. The facts I have noted were obtained from the study of a large assemblage of the brood of this species, collected from a thin bed in which they were entombed. In the first three volutions the young shell is quite smooth; in the fourth sharp ribs make their appearance with concave spaces

between ; at about the sixth volution of the spire the ribs begin to exhibit tubercles at their termination by the margin of the area, and in the seventh volution the second series of tubercles show themselves. In old age the volutions become less ornamented by first losing the inner row of tubercles, and, secondly, by the outer row becoming smaller and more rudimentary. In all these morphological changes, however, I note several points of difference between the evolution of this species and that of *Aeg. armatum*.

Affinities and Differences.—This species is undoubtedly closely related to *Aeg. armatum*, but it has altogether a more slender compressed shell, with a second row of tubercles on the ribs, and is more quadrate in the *ensemble* ; it has likewise a narrower siphonal area, and a much less complicated lobe-line. Compare Pl. XXVIII, fig. 6, with Pl. XXXIX, fig. 10, and Pl. XXVIII, figs. 1, 2, with Pl. L, figs. 11, 12.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I collected this species in the Armatus-bed at the base of the Aeg. Jamesoni-zone in St. Paul's district, Cheltenham, in the Middle Lias, whilst brick-earth was being dug for our town sewers. I have many beautiful examples from near Charmouth, Dorset, embedded in a hard ferruginous clay-ironstone, in fact, all the Armati from the Dorsetshire coast about this horizon are highly charged with ferric oxide. This Ammonite was found in the Jamesoni-beds of the Island of Pabba near Skye, and several specimens were collected for me from the lower beds of the Middle Lias at Ballintoy, Ireland. The specimens obtained from all these widely separated localities closely agree in their specific structure and petrological condition. Those from Ballintoy were embedded in a hard calcareous shale.

AEGOCERAS JAMESONI, *Sowerby*. Pl. XI, figs. 4—6 ; Pl. LI, figs. 1—6.

AMMONITES JAMESONI,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Min. Conch., vol. vi, p. 105, pl. 555, fig. 1, 1827.
— BRONNII,	<i>Römer</i> . Nord-deutschen Oolithen-Gebirge, p. 181, 1836.
— JAMESONI,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 31, 1843.
— REGNARDI,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Paléontologie Française ; Terr. Jurass., pl. 72, tom. i, p. 257, 1842.
— JAMESONI ANGUSTUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, tab. iv, fig. 8, 1849.
— — LATUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Ibid., tab. iv, fig. 1, 1849.
	<i>Oppel</i> . Mittlere Lias Schwabens, Jah. Württ., p. 76, 1853.
— JAMESONI,	<i>Oppel</i> . Jura-Formation, p. 159, 1856.
—	<i>Von Hauer</i> . Die Cephalopoden des Lias der Nordostlichen Alpen, pl. xix, figs. 1—3, 1856.
— — LATUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Der Jura, tab. xv, fig. 15, p. 125, 1858.

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extends along the middle of the siphonal area. The large specimen (Pl. LI, figs. 1, 2) from Mungar shows a very remarkable development of the ribs on the sides as well as on the siphonal area; these aged forms may, therefore, represent *Jamesoni latum*, Quenst. In the middle period the fossils figured in Pl. XI, figs. 4—6, and in Pl. LI, figs. 3, 4, may be taken as representing *Aeg. Jamesoni angustatum*, Quenst.; the sides of the whorls are convex and compressed, and the ribs slender and very numerous; in one specimen there are more than seventy ribs on the last whorl. Sometimes the ribs are fewer in number and stronger, as in the fig. 3, in which the forty-two ribs are sharp and prominent with wider intermediate valleys, presenting a strong contrast to fig. 4 on the same Pl. LI.

The Middle Lias in Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire, yields another variety of *Aeg. Jamesoni*, which has been described and figured as a new species by Professor Blake under the name of *Aeg. sagittarium*. I have long known this variety, which has roundish whorls nearly one-third involute, and large, sharp, sigmoidal ribs, about twenty-four in a whorl, with deep concave valleys between the ribs, which arch forward across the siphonal area. I have figured the young shell of this variety in Pl. LII, figs. 4, 5, and the large adult shell collected by the Rev. Mr. Cross, F.G.S., from the Jamesoni-Lias in Robin Hood's Bay. For further details consult the article on *Aegoceras sagittarium*.

The lobe-line is very well seen in several of my specimens. The siphonal lobe is shorter and wider than the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with three ramified branches. The siphonal saddle, much wider than the principal lateral lobe, divides into two nearly equal-sized foliations. The principal lateral lobe is long and much complicated, and divides into three ramified branches. The lateral saddle divides into two unequal parts, of which the internal is the most developed. The lateral lobe is slender and narrow, and consists of a single stem with lateral digitations; and the auxiliary saddle is narrow with a few irregular folioles.

The morphology of *Aeg. Jamesoni* is extremely interesting. Although only fragments of large whorls have been collected, I have found many very perfect specimens of the brood of this species in the Middle Lias of Leckhampton. A good example is figured, Pl. LI, figs. 5, 6; in this stage it is *Ammonites Bronni*, Römer. The shell is ribbed on the sides in the second turn of the spire; and in the fourth turn the sharp ribs acquire small tubercles by the side of the area, fig. 5; and as they arch across that space a well marked carina is observed on the mesial line, fig. 6. With the growth of the shell the tubercles decrease in size, and finally disappear in middle age; the area, becoming narrow and convex, gradually assumes the form delineated in Pl. LI, figs. 3 and 4, as the typical forms of middle life.

Affinities and Differences.—I have long collected the young of this Ammonite in the Middle-Lias brick-yards near Cheltenham; in this state it is *Am. Bronni*, Römer; another form is *Am. Regnardi*, d'Orb., and another variety *Am. venustus*, Dumortier. It is a very variable fossil, and has been a fertile field for species-mongers. I have specimens from Robin Hood's Bay identical with the Pabba examples; but the large, ribbed, figured specimen, with its undulated sides and waved area, is a very rare variety of this shell;

the finest examples known have been obtained from the Middle Lias at Heclingen, Würtemberg; these examples are identical with the Pabba types, one of which is figured on Pl. XI, figs. 4—6, and a second on Pl. LI, fig. 3. I have found only two fragments of a large shell in the Cheltenham beds, and both specimens belonged to the true Pabba type.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—*Aegoceras Jamesoni* is a leading fossil of the zone which it so well characterizes. It is found near Cheltenham, Gloucestershire; Fenny-Compton, Warwickshire; Munger, Somerset; Charmouth, Dorset; Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire; and in the islands of Mull and Pabba in the Hebrides.

Foreign Distribution.—In France it has been collected at Coutards and Bois-de-Trousse, near St. Amand, Cher; Sachi, Ardennes, Evrecy, Calvados; St. Rambert, Ain; near Lyons, Rhône.

In North-west Germany it has been found near Rottorf, Roklum, Hedeper, Harzburg, Liebenburg, Bodenstein, Kahlefeld, Willershausen, Oldershausen, Markoldendorf, Falkenhagen, and other localities. In South Germany it is found in Swabia in many localities, as at Pliensbach, near Boll, Soldelfingen, Hechingen, Balingen, &c.; in all the localities it occupies the same horizon, namely, at the base of the Middle Lias.

AEGOCERAS SAGITTARIUM, *Blake*. Pl. LII, figs. 1—5; Pl. LIIIA, figs. 1—6.

AMMONITES JAMESONI, *Simpson*. Foss. York. Lias, p. 48, 1855.

AEGOCERAS SAGITTARIUM, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 276, pl. vii, fig. 2, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; volutions five, uniformly rounded, and one-fourth involute; outer whorl one third the diameter in height with twenty-two to twenty-six slightly bent ribs moderately elevated, rounded, and disappearing near the margin of the siphonal area, which is in general smooth and convex, but sometimes has an elevated ridge which occupies the mesial line, and passes longitudinally round the shell; aperture oblong, narrower in the outer half.

Dimensions—Small specimens.—Pl. LII, fig. 4. Transverse diameter 56 millimètres; width of umbilicus 25 millimètres; height of last whorl 19 millimètres; height of aperture 18 millimètres; width 17 millimètres.

Large specimen.—Pl. LII, figs. 1, 2. Transverse diameter 240 millimètres; width of umbilicus 95 millimètres; height of last whorl 90 millimètres; width 50 millimètres.

Description.—This shell has been long known to me as a Yorkshire variety of *Aegoceras Jamesoni*, which I had separated from my Pabba types under a distinct diagnosis; now that Professor Blake has figured this form in his Yorkshire Lias under a specific name, priority of publication entitles him to precedence. I am indebted to the

Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S., for the loan of some large specimens of this Ammonite, one of these I have figured in Pl. LII, two-thirds the natural size, and I have another of much larger dimensions in my custody; it therefore attained a gigantic size, varying very little from the type figured.

The volutions are uniformly rounded, and about one-third or one-fourth of the width of a whorl is involute; the outer whorl in height is one-third the diameter of the shell, its sides are convex, and ornamented with twenty-five narrow, slightly bent ribs, which disappear in some shells near the margin of the area (Pl. LII, figs. 1—2), and in others extend across the space (Pl. LIIA, fig. 2). In such shells an elevated ridge is developed on the mesial line and runs longitudinally round the whorl, connecting the ribs with one another, as shown in Pl. LII, fig. 5, and Pl. LIIA, figs. 2, 4, and 6; and the ribs are separated by concave spaces three times the width of the ribs.

In most of the young shells which have passed through my hands, measuring from 50 to 60 millimètres in diameter, the ribs terminate in a thickened portion at the margin of the area, whilst the intervening space is smooth, as in Pl. LII, fig. 4 and fig. 5; in other specimens a central rudimentary carina distinctly shows itself, as in Pl. LIIA, fig. 2, and figs. 4 and 6. This is a true *Aeg. Jamesoni* character of early life. See Pl. LI, figs. 5 and 6, in which specimen it is very well seen. The shell is partially preserved in some of my smaller examples, which enables me to state that it is extremely thin.

The umbilicus is very open, and exposes all the inner whorls (Pl. LII, figs. 1, 2, 4; Pl. LIIA, figs. 3, 5).

The aperture is oblong (Pl. LII, fig. 2), it is widest at the inner side near the return of the spire, and tapers away at the outer side towards the siphonal area.

The lobe-line resembles the type of that of *Aeg. Jamesoni* (Pl. LII, fig. 3). The siphonal lobe is shorter and wider than the principal lateral. The siphonal saddle forms a regular arch, festooned with simple folioles on the sides, and at the termination. The principal lateral lobe is long and narrow; it has four lateral digits on each side, and one long terminal bifid process. The lateral saddle, much wider than siphonal, is festooned all round with bilobed leaves, the one side being almost the copy of the opposite. The lateral lobe is smaller than the principal, which it very much resembles in shape and digitations. The auxiliary saddle is nearly as large as the siphonal, which it much resembles in the style of its folioles; the accessory lobes are small oblique processes.

I consider the specimen figured in Pl. LII, figs. 1 and 2, as the best type of this form, as it differs very little from the specimens met with as *Am. Jamesoni* in most collections of Yorkshire Lias Ammonites. My old friend Mr. Leckenby, F.G.S., often pointed out from a type specimen he had, the points wherein he considered the Yorkshire shell to be different from the true *Am. Jamesoni*, Sow., of the Mineral Conchology.

The specimen figured in Pl. LIIA, figs. 1 and 2, was collected in Robin Hood's Bay, from the same rock whence the large specimen was obtained; in this example the

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margin of the siphonal area, the other at some distance from the spiral suture; siphonal area narrow, convex, carinated; aperture narrow, elongated, and flattened laterally.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 84 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 45 millimètres; height of aperture 20 millimètres; transverse width 15 millimètres.

Description.—This Ammonite is supposed to be the *bipunctatus* of Schlotheim—be that as it may, it certainly is the *bipunctatus* of Römer, who has very accurately described it in his 'Versteinerungen, &c.' The shell is discoidal, compressed, and flattened on the sides of the whorls, which support two rows of small blunt tubercles, the one row bound the margin of the siphonal area, the second row is developed at some distance from the spiral suture; and between the two tubercles a short, straight rib extends. The whorls are for nearly one-third their height involute, and the turn of the spire just covers and encloses the outer row of tubercles, whilst the inner row is visible on the whorls up to the earliest turns of the spire. The shell slopes very obliquely, at an angle of 30° from the inner row of tubercles to the foregoing whorl, so that the umbilicus has a stair-like aspect from the flat step or side of the whorl, and the inclined riser which leads to it. I know of no other Ammonite that has this feature so well shown, and which has been very well represented in fig. 1. The siphonal area is narrow and angular in consequence of the development of the carina. From the outer tubercles a continuation of the ribs extends obliquely forward towards the aperture, with other intermediate striæ having a like direction; so that good specimens with the shell preserved have the area ornate with fine oblique lines stretching forward from the marginal tubercles towards the central carina. The aperture is quadrate and elongated (Pl. XXXVIII, fig. 2), one third less in the transverse than the vertical diameter.

The lobe-line is extremely convoluted (fig. 4). The siphonal lobe is wider and shorter than the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with three branches, of which the lowest is large and pyramidal. The siphonal saddle is wider than the principal lateral lobe, and formed of two very wide, much ramified, unequal parts, the largest being the innermost. The principal lateral lobe is formed on each side of three short single branches inferiorly, and the two lateral formed of two branches. The lateral saddle is narrower and deeper than the siphonal, and festooned into folioles which are unequally divided by a projecting process, the innermost being the larger of the two groups. The lateral lobe has three unequal branches, the terminal being sharply pointed. The auxiliary saddle is oblique, and formed of two unequal parts, the external being the larger.

I have found the Aptychus of this species in the body-chamber of a moderate-sized fragment (fig. 3); it has a central ridge, from which oblique lines contour the Aptychus, which was a thin structure with fine striations running in an opposite direction to the contouring lines of the lobe.

This Ammonite attains a considerable magnitude. I have collected many fragments, which indicated a shell at least 200 millimètres in diameter. The very small amount of

the involution of this species accounts for the fragmentary condition in which it is found, seeing that the volutions have a very feeble support from the turns of the spine.

Affinities and Differences.—This species very much resembles *Aeg. Maugenesti*, found with it in the same bed. It is distinguished from that species by its more compressed shell and its carina, by its ribs limited to the middle of the whorl, and by the two tubercles between which the ribs are limited. These two Ammonites are certainly very nearly allied, although they are distinct.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected this species from the Middle Lias of Leckhampton, near Cheltenham, associated with *Aeg. Maugenesti*, *Aeg. Ibez*, and *Aeg. Loscombi*; and it is found in the same horizon in Somersetshire.

Foreign Distribution.—In the Middle Lias of France at Saint Amand, Cher; at Atys and at Maltol, near Caen, Calvados; Venarey, near Semur, Côte-d'Or; near Avallon, Yonne; Saint Fortunat, La Pointe d'Orchex, Rhône; Somme-Thonne, Luxembourg.

Germany, Middle Lias, Kahlefeld; in Swabia it is associated with *Aeg. Ibez* and *Aeg. Maugenesti*, as near Cheltenham. A beautiful specimen (Pl. LXIX, figs. 2, 3, 4) from the Middle Lias of Würtemberg is here figured.

AEGOCERAS MAUGENESTI, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. XXXVII, figs. 1, 2.

AMMONITES MAUGENESTI, *d'Orbigny*. Pal. Franç.; Terr. Jurrass., t. i, p. 254, pl. 70, 1842.

- MAUGENESTII, *Quenstedt*. Cephalopod., p. 99, tab. v, fig. 1, 1849.
- MAUGENESTI, *Oppel*. Mittl. Lias Schwabens, p. 77, tab. 2, fig. 3, 1853.
- — *Oppel*. Jura-Formation, p. 160, 1856.
- — *Von Hauer*. Cephalopod. Lias N.-O. Alpen, Denk. Akad. Wissen., p. 53, tab. xvi, figs. 7—9, 1856.
- MAUGENESTII, *Quenstedt*. Der Jura, p. 132, tab. xvi, fig. 5, 1858.
- MAUGENESTI, *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass. du Rhône, vol. iii, p. 69, 1869.
- — *Seebach*. Hannov. Jura, p. 82, 1864.
- — *Emerson*. Lias von Markoldendorf, Zeit. Deut. geol., p. 311, 1870.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed, sub-carinate; whorls slightly involute, compressed, and flattened on the sides, which are ornamented with from twenty to twenty-four distant equal-sized ribs, straight, erect, and terminating in a row of tubercles at the outer margin of the siphonal area, which is wide, obtuse, and angulated.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 58 millimètres; width of umbilicus 28 millimètres; height of the aperture 20 millimètres; width of ditto 18 millimètres.

Description.—The shell of the species very much resembles that of *Aeg. Valdani*;

the whorls between are broader and not so high; like it, however, it is depressed, discoidal, and slightly carinated, without a distinct keel; the sides of the whorls are flattened, and transversely ornamented with from twenty to twenty-four ribs, according to the age of the shell. They commence at a short distance from the spiral suture, and ascend radially straight to the margin of the siphonal area, where they terminate in small prominent tubercles (fig. 1). The area is ridged in the middle, and declines on each side at a low angle. The row of tubercles from the termination of the ribs bounds this region, which is a clear, angulated, and well-defined area (fig. 2). The spire is composed of compressed whorls, flattened on the sides and angular externally, with a sloping riser internally. The aperture is quadrate, compressed on the sides, and arched in the line of the area; the height is greater than the breadth, and it is wider near the spiral suture than toward the outer margin.

The lobe-line is extremely complicated. The siphonal lobe is about the same size as the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with simple digitations, and two branches, of which the last is the most highly ramified. The siphonal saddle, much wider than the principal lateral lobe, is formed of two unequal branches; the internal is the larger, and is formed of three foliations. The principal lateral lobe divides into five branches, which are bifurcate or trifurcate, and unequally disposed. The lateral saddle is smaller than the siphonal, and divided into two unequal foliations; the internal is the larger and formed of three foliations. The lateral lobe is oblique, and furnished with four unequal branches. The auxiliary saddle is small, and formed of three leaves, and there are two or three small additional oblique auxiliary lobes.

Affinities and Differences.—This species very much resembles *Aeg. Valdani*; it is, however, a thicker shell, and the whorls are wider and not so high as in that species. It has only one row of tubercles on the sides, and the ribs are straighter, more erect, and prominent, and arise much nearer the spiral suture than in *Aeg. Valdani*. The lobe-line differs, likewise, in its style of ramification; the aperture is wider, more angular, and narrower near the spiral suture than at the outer margin, the opposite to the form and dimensions that prevail in *Aeg. Valdani*. It much resembles some of the young shells of *Arietites Sauzeanus* from the *Ariet. Bucklandi*-beds of the Lower Lias; the absence of a keel and the ribbing on the siphonal area clearly distinguish the two shells from each other. It resembles *Aeg. brevispina* in some respects; still the absence of a carina in that species affords a diagnostic character between them.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected this Ammonite from the zone of *Aegoceras Ibeæ* in the brick-pits of the Middle Lias at Leckhampton, near Cheltenham, associated with *Aeg. Valdani*, *Aeg. Loscombi*, and *Aeg. Ibeæ*. It has been found in the same horizon at Munger, near Radstock, by Mr. Tawney, F.G.S.; in the *Aeg. Jamesoni*- and *Ibeæ*-beds at Fenny Compton by Mr. Beesley, F.G.S.; in beds of the same age near Ilminster, Somersetshire, by Mr. Chas. Moore, F.G.S.; and between Lyme Regis and Charmouth, Dorset, associated with *Aeg. Loscombi*, by several collectors.

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specific name *brevispina*. The type specimen was collected by the late Sir Roderick Murchison from the Middle-Lias Shales at Pabba; and I have had another specimen sent me by Professor Geikie, F.R.S., for determination, collected by him from the Middle Lias Pabba.

The specimen figured in Plate L, figs. 13 and 14, was collected by the Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S., from the *Aeg. Jamesoni*-beds of Robin Hood's Bay. In this specimen the sides of the whorls are much flattened, and each small, oblique, forward-directed rib carries two small tubercles; the spire is so slightly involute that both tubercles are visible on the sides in all the six turns of the spire. The siphonal area of this specimen, shown in fig. 14, exhibits a convex surface crossed at intervals by the ribs which stretch transversely from one tubercle to the other. The intermediate concave valleys are smooth and without ornament. The lobe-line is very complicated (Pl. XXXII, fig. 4). The siphonal lobe is shorter and wider than the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with four branches, each many-digitate. The siphonal saddle is as large as the principal lateral lobe and divided into two equal foliations by a projecting process. The principal lateral lobe has a very irregular figure provided with three large ramified terminal branches and several small upper ones. The lateral saddle smaller than the siphonal is divided into two unequal foliations, of which the internal is the larger. The lateral lobe and the auxiliary lobes are small and very oblique, the whole forming a highly complicated structure.

Affinities and Differences.—This species resembles *Aegoceras Valdani* and *Aeg. Birchii* in having two rows of spines upon the lateral ribs of its shell. It differs, however, from *Aeg. Valdani* in possessing a round siphonal area, crossed by folds and depressions, and a more simple lobe-line; and from *Aeg. Birchii* in having flatter ribs, smaller tubercles, a narrower siphonal area and wider folds thereon, and in possessing a much less complicated style of lobe-line.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—It occurs in the Middle Lias of Pabba in the *Jamesoni*-zone, likewise in the same horizon at Robin Hood's Bay, Huntcliff, and Normanby, Yorkshire. The specimens figured Pl. L, figs. 13, 14, came from Robin Hood's Bay.

Foreign Distribution.—In France it is found at Saint-Christophe, Saône-et-Loire; Saint-Amand, Cher. In North Germany it is the associate of *Aegoceras Jamesoni* in all the localities that I have noted for that Ammonite. In South Germany it occurs at Gammelshausen, Hechingen, and Balingen.

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AEGOCERAS PETTOS, *Quenstedt*. Pl. XXXVII, figs. 5—7, Pl. LXIX, figs. 5—6.

- AMMONITES CRENATUS, *Zieten*. Versteinerung. Württembergs, p. 1, tab. i, fig. 4, 1830.
 — PETTOS, *Quenstedt*. Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 178, 1843.
 — GRENOUILLOUXI, *d'Orbigny*. Paleontol. Française; Terr. Jurassique, tome i, p. 307, pl. 96, 1842.
 — PETTOS, *Quenstedt*. Die Cephalopod., p. 179, tab. 14, fig. 8, 1849.
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 AEGOCERAS — *Neumayr*. Zeitschrift der Deutsch. geol. Gesellsch., p. 906, 1875.
 — GRENOUILLOUXI, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 280, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; umbilicus narrow, deep; whorls half involute, sides ornamented with twenty-five short, oblique, mucronated ribs; from each tubercle three transverse striæ proceed across the siphonal area, which is wide, depressed, slightly convex, and without a carina; aperture depressed, narrow in the vertical, wider in the transverse diameter.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 33 millimètres; width of umbilicus 15 millimètres; height of aperture 8 millimètres; transverse diameter 15 millimètres; amount of involution one half the height of the whorl.

Description.—This is a very rare fossil in the Middle Lias of England, although a very common Ammonite in the Numismalmergel of Germany, and of the Lias moyen of France. The shell is discoidal, compressed, and with a very deep umbilicus; from the spiral suture a series of short, oblique, regular ribs proceed, which end about the middle of the whorl in a rounded tubercle on the mould, and a thorny spine when the test is preserved, from each tubercle a fasciculus of two or three striæ passes across the area and join those from the opposite side; the siphonal area is convex and depressed, and well defined by the oblique tubercles developed on the margin, from whence the fasciculi of transverse striæ proceed to unite with their fellows from the opposite side along the middle line of the area. The whorl is widest along the row of the mucronated ribs, whence it slopes sharply inwards towards the spiral suture, for this reason, the umbilicus is deeply concave; the line of the spiral suture lies outside the tubercles, and the umbilicus thus acquires an ornate appearance. The aperture is transverse, depressed, arched, and angular on the sides; the septa are symmetrical, and the lobe-

line describes three lobes and three saddles. The siphonal lobe is wider, and as long as the principal lateral; it is ornamented on each side with four branches, of which the two superior form single points; the third has two, and the fourth four. The siphonal saddle is a little wider than the principal lateral lobe, its space is divided laterally into wide leaves, and terminates in one bi-lobed and two tri-lobed folioles. The principal lateral lobe is outwardly formed of three digitations, and internally of six unequal processes, and terminates in one long digit. The lateral saddle, one third wider than the principal lateral lobe, divides into two nearly equal-sized leaves, each formed of three folioles. The small lower lateral lobe has an irregular figure, one long lateral digit is directed inwards, and there are two small laterals on each side and a long terminal process. The auxiliary saddle, half the size of the lateral, is divided into two portions; the small auxiliary lobe is oblique, and formed of a single digitation.

Affinities and Differences.—This shell very much resembles *Stephanoceras Blagdeni*, Sow., figs. 157, 158, p. 251, from the Inferior Oolite. In the breadth of the whorls it is a very variable species; the marginal tubercles are also always more or less approximated, and the transverse striæ across the siphonal area are not by any means constant as regards number and elevation. It cannot be mistaken for any other shell in the Middle Lias, as its specific characters are so prominent and well developed.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—It has been collected from the *Jamesoni* beds at Fenny Compton, Warwickshire; Munger and Paulton, Somerset; and Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire.

In France it is rare at Coutards près St. Amand-Montrond, Cher; Avallon, Yonne.

In Germany it is found in the *Jamesoni*-bed at Ofterdingen and Gammelshausen.

I have several specimens from the Numismalmergel at Riederich near Metzgingen and

One of these is figured Pl. LXIX, figs. 5, 6.

AEGOCERAS GAGATEUM, *Young and Bird*. Pl. XXXVII, fig. 8, 9.

AMMONITES GAGATEUS,

Young and Bird. Yorkshire Coast, 2nd ed., p. 255, pl. xii, fig. 7, 1828.

Simpson. Monograph on the Ammonites of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 13, 1843.

— Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 45, 1855.

— NEGLECTUS, — Ibid., p. 45, 1855.

— INTEGRICOSTATUS, — Ibid., p. 46, 1855.

CERCUS, — Ibid., p. 47, 1855.

— ILLATUS, — Ibid., p. 39, 1855.

AEGOCERAS GAGATEUM,

Tate and Blake. Yorkshire Lias, p. 275, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; umbilicus wide, whorls round, inner margin

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Description.—The above diagnosis and the following description are in Sowerby's own words:—"The flattened sides of this Ammonite distinguish it from the young state of *A. planicosta* independently of its much larger size. When young neither has any appearance of spines; when old the last whorl of the *latacosta* has only slight indications of tubercles, which consist of two small knots upon each ray on each side. The *planicosta* has one large spine in place of two, and that only upon some of the rays. A Lias fossil. All the specimens I have seen except one are from the alluvium; that one is from Lyme; it is about three inches and a half in diameter, and was liberally presented by Mrs. Murchison. One specimen, nearly four inches in diameter, shows the little knots upon the rays; it is in the collection of W. Peete, Esq., of Dartford. Several small ones have been found by Miss Baker, of Braunston, in what is called a gravel-pit."

Having examined the original Sowerbyan type of *latacosta*, and compared it with other Ammonites from the same Green Ammonite-bed, I am prepared to state that *latacosta*, Sow., is the middle-age condition of *Aegoceras Henleyi*, which I shall describe in the following article. As this statement may excite doubts in the minds of some persons, I have taken the precaution to have Sowerby's type shell, now in the British Museum, drawn, Pl. XXXII, fig. 1; and I have quoted *in extenso* Sowerby's own words, viz. those he had written on the subject; for nothing is so difficult to eradicate as our early notions, whether true or false, of the specific forms of organic bodies.

AEGOCERAS HENLEYI, *Sowerby*. Pl. XXXIII, figs. 1, 2, and 3.

AMMONITES HENLEYI, *Sowerby*. Mineral Conchology, vol. ii, p. 161, tab. 172, 1817.

— HENLEYI, *Reynès*. Géol. et Paléontol. Aveyronnaises, p. 88, pl. i, fig. 2, 1868.

AEGOCERAS — *Tate and Blake* (pars). Yorkshire Lias, p. 281, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell with external whorl inflated, internal whorls discoidal and compressed; composed of six volutions, all exposed; inner whorls with simple, obtuse, annular ribs, separated by concave valleys, the ribs flattened as they pass over the siphonal area; part of the outer whorl much expanded, and ornamented with numerous fine, narrow ribs on the sides, which split up beyond the outer tubercles into two or three branches, before they pass across the area; all the ribs have two tubercles more or less developed, and very prominent on those of the last whorl; aperture large, oblong, without processes.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 135 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 55 millimètres; height of the aperture 55 millimètres; transverse diameter 50 millimètres.

Description.—Much confusion has long existed regarding the natural history of this Ammonite, so much so that nearly all the authors have mistaken *Aegoceras striatum*

Reinecké, for *Aeg. Henleyi*, Sowerby, although the two fossils are sufficiently distinct from each other, *Aeg. striatum* having large, highly involute whorls, a narrow umbilicus, with a constant uniform growth and ornamentation, whilst *Aeg. Henleyi* has a slightly involute shell with a wide umbilicus, and changes its outward whorl in a remarkably sudden manner at about its sixth volution. In this stage of its growth it much resembles *Aeg. striatum*; and, as the inner whorls are seldom preserved with the outer whorl in consequence of the evolute character of the shell, the two species have been usually grouped together and known in most works as *Aeg. Henleyi*, whilst Reinecke's capital species has been entirely lost sight of.

In early age this Ammonite has a compressed discoidal shell, with slightly involute whorls, flattened on the margin, and ornamented with simple, obtuse ribs on the sides, each having two small tubercles; the inner row very small, the outer row larger, and both can be detected with the finger when they are seen with difficulty. From the outer tubercles the rib forms a prominent arch over the siphonal area with deep valleys between. In this condition it is figured and described as *Aeg. latacosta*. In the adult state the shell is entirely transformed by the sudden enlargement of the body-chamber (fig. 2), the ribs of which become much smaller and more numerous, and the two rows of tubercles are enlarged and form conspicuous objects in the ornamentation of the shell; those of the inner row remain small, and those of the outer row grow more elongate; and from each the rib splits into two or more branches before it crosses the wide siphonal area, which region is thus highly sculptured by the numerous fine lines that traverse it from side to side (fig. 3). A change of form in the morphology of the shell is observed in most Ammonites at different periods of their lives, as we have seen in *Aeg. planicosta*, *Aeg. biferum*, and others; but in none is the transformation scene so rapid and complete as in *Aeg. Henleyi*, and in a nearly allied form, *Aeg. heterogenum*. When examining my specimens many naturalists have remarked that they looked as if two different Ammonites had been joined together by mistake.

When Sowerby figured the specimen collected by Mr. Henley, it was only the body-chamber that was known, which forms the arc of a much larger circle than a corresponding fragment of *Aeg. striatum*; this important fact in relation to a specific character was overlooked, and its general likeness led to the belief in their identity; nor was it until the figured specimen was discovered that the difference became evident which exists between *striatum* and *Henleyi*.

The lobe-line is very imperfectly shown; the siphonal lobe is as long as the principal lateral, and divides into several small side digitations (fig. 1). The siphonal saddle is not shown. The principal lateral lobe has several small side and two long terminal branches. The lateral saddle is small, and so likewise are the lateral lobe and the auxiliaries.

The aperture is very large, in consequence of the rapid expansion of the body-chamber (fig. 2); it is arched above and flattened at the sides, and is apparently destitute of any lateral appendages.

Affinities and Differences.—In the young shell, *Aeg. latacosta* resembles *Aeg. capricornus*, although the style of ribbing in the two shells is different; *Aeg. capricornus* has rounder whorls with simple obtuse ribs without spines. Compare Pl. XXXII, fig. 1, with Pl. XXXIV, fig. 1.¹ In both species it is the sixth whorl which becomes suddenly enlarged, *Aeg. latacosta* becoming *Aeg. Henleyi*, and *Aeg. capricornus* evolving *Aeg. heterogenum*. No description can do justice to the remarkable morphological change effected in the sixth whorl of their shells, and so I have given good figures of the best examples I know, for it is very difficult to obtain a specimen of *Aeg. heterogenum* now on the Yorkshire coast, and it is equally rare to find one of *Henleyi* at Charmouth; in fact, the example I have figured in Plate XXXIII is the only one I know that shows the inner and outer whorls *in situ*, as it lived in the Middle-Lias Sea.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have obtained all my specimens of *Aeg. Henleyi* from the Green Ammonite-bed, near Charmouth, where it is associated with *Aeg. Davæi*, *Aeg. Bechei*, *Lytoceras fimbriatum*, and *Phylloceras Loscombi*; for details of the petrology of this remarkable bed the reader is referred to p. 89. A portion of the shell is preserved on one of the whorls, where it is seen to be very thin, and many of the fine striæ which cross the area are only feebly impressed on the mould. In one large specimen with six whorls the *latacosta* condition continues up to a diameter of 130 millimètres, whilst in a dwarfed shell with six whorls it continues to 70 millimètres, from which I infer that it is not the size of the shell, but the number of the whorls which indicates the age of the Ammonite, and determines the excessive development of the body-chamber of this remarkable Ammonite. *Aeg. Henleyi* appears to be a rare species in France. The late Dr. Reynès, who made the study of Lias Ammonites a speciality, knew only two specimens in the Aveyron, both of which had been collected from limestones of the Middle Lias at St. Jean-d'Alcapies in company with *Lytoceras fimbriatum*, Sow., *Aeg. Bechei*, Sow., and *Gryphæa cymbium*, the same associates with which it lies in the Green Ammonite-bed of the Dorsetshire coast.

ÆGOCERAS CAPRICORNUS,¹ *Schlotheim*. Pl. XXXIV, figs. 1—8.

AMMONITES CAPRICORNUS, *Schlotheim*. Petrefaktenkunde, p. 71, 1820.

— MACULATUS, *Young and Bird*. Geol. Survey, p. 248, pl. xiv, fig. 12, 1822.

— — *Phillips*. Geol. of Yorkshire, pl. xiii, fig. 11, 1829.

— — *Quenstedt*. Cephalopoden, p. 85, tab. iv, fig. 7, 1849.

— — *Simpson*. York. Lias Fossils, p. 48, 1855.

As to the synonymy of this Ammonite, I may observe that Dr. K. Schlönbach made a very careful study of the Schlotheim Collection in the Mineralien-Kabinet of Berlin,

¹ In the explanation of Pl. XXXIV this species is termed in error *Ægoceras maculatum*.

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AEGOCERAS HETEROGENUM, *Young and Bird*. Pl. XXXV, figs. 4—6; Pl. XXXVI, figs. 1—4.

- AMMONITES HETEROGENES, *Young and Bird*. Geol. Surv., p. 264, pl. xiv, fig. 7, 1828.
 — HYBRIDA, *d'Orbigny*. Paléontol. Franç. Terr. Jurass., t. i, p. 285, pl. 85, 1842.
 — — *Oppel*. Mittlere Lias Schwabens, Jahr. Würt., p. 53, pl. iii, fig. 3, 1853.
 — HETEROGENES, *Simpson*. Fossils York. Lias, p. 69, 1855.

Diagnosis.—Shell irregular in form; whorls six, all exposed; inner whorls small, round, and slightly involute, with annular obtuse ribs; body-chamber greatly enlarged, forming the outer whorl; ribs more closely approximated, and having two rows of tubercles developed on each; from the outer marginal tubercle the ribs split up into two or three divisions, and cover the convex siphonal area with fine transverse striæ; aperture wide, oblong; lobe-line highly complicated.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 125 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 50 millimètres; height of the body-chamber 50 millimètres; height of penultimate whorl 20 millimètres; height of aperture 52 millimètres; width 50 millimètres.

Description.—This is another very remarkable Ammonite closely related to *Aeg. Henleyi*, like it the body-chamber in the sixth whorl becomes much expanded, and assumes a form and livery widely different from that exhibited in early life. It was well remarked of this species by the Rev. George Young, when he proposed the species, "that it is one of the most singular of all our Ammonites, the outer whorl of which has also two rows of knobs. The interior part of the shell is comparatively flat, with ribs rather prominent and flattened on the back, very much like those of *Am. maculatus*; near the outer whorl the ribs begin to have two slight knobs on the sides, and on that whorl the ribs grow depressed and the knobs elevated, making two prominent rows, as is sometimes the case in the outer whorls of the *Am. perarmatus* in the Oolite formerly noticed. But the most remarkable circumstance to be stated is, that the last part of the outer whorl suddenly swells to a great thickness, as if it had belonged to another shell; the difference being the more striking, as the ribs in this part, instead of being flattened on the back, are split into three at the outer row of the knobs. The mouth, as in the last species, is sub-heptangular. We may name this singular shell *Am. heterogenes*."

Pl. XXXV, fig. 4, shows the side view of a small specimen. Here the two rows of tubercles are very prominent, the inner row being at some distance from the spiral suture, and the outer row near the margin of the area; the intervening ribs, fig. 5, show the front view of the tubercles: we observe also how the obtuse annular ribs are set widely apart on a whorl of moderate width with tubercles developed on the margin of the round area. In fig. 6 we note the sudden expansion of the body-chamber, the width of the siphonal

area, the increasing prominence of the tubercles, and the ribs proceeding from them becoming split up into two or three divisions, thus covering the area with lines of transverse sculpture. In Pl. XXXVI, fig. 1, we have another specimen of still larger size collected in Robin Hood's Bay; here we observe a closer approximation of the ribs as they approach the aperture, and their comparative smallness when contrasted with those on the penultimate whorl. In fig 2 the thick obtuse ribs seen on the front view of this fossil, form a remarkable contrast to the narrow transverse ribs which regularly cover the wide convex siphonal area so well delineated in fig. 3 of the same plate.

The lobe-line is extremely complicated (fig. 4). The siphonal lobe is as long and wide as the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with extended branches, of which two are transverse. The siphonal saddle as wide as the principal lateral lobe terminates in three foliations, of these the central is the largest, with a trifid foliole; the principal lateral lobe is highly ornate, with two large external and two small internal branches, and a long terminal ramified branch. The lateral saddle ends in two unequal foliations. The lateral lobe is small and divides into three digitations, and the auxiliary lobes are much smaller and end in single digits.

Affinities and Differences.—*Aegoceras heterogenum* very much resembles *Aegoceras Henleyi* in having a youthful form of shell entirely different from its adult condition, both having passed through a remarkable transformation in the figure and capacity of the body-chamber about the sixth volution of their growth. I have compared the two forms very closely with each other, and my specimens lead me to the conclusion that *Aeg. latacosta*, the young form of *Aeg. Henleyi*, is distinct from *Aeg. capricornus*, the young condition of *Aeg. heterogenum*, and that the adult states of both species are evidently distinct from each other.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite is very rare on the Yorkshire coast; it is occasionally found at Huntcliff, and in Robin Hood's Bay in beds referred to the zone of *Aegoceras capricornus*. I have one example from a ferruginous shaly band, and another, figured in Pl. XXXVI, which I collected from the Marlstone of Yorkshire.

AEGOCERAS ACUTICOSTATUM, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. XXXV, figs. 1—3, 7.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; whorls rounded and slightly involute; sides ornamented with twenty-four sharp waved ribs, which pass round the margin and disappear from the middle of the siphonal area; umbilicus wide; inner whorls all exposed; aperture oblong.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 85 millimètres; width of umbilicus 33 millimètres; height of aperture 30 millimètres; transverse diameter 25 millimètres.

Description.—This is a very distinct form, which belonged to the cabinet of my late friend, Mr. J. Leckenby, F.G.S., and was collected from the *Aegoceras Jamesoni* beds of

Robin Hood's Bay ; it very much resembles one of the forms of *Aeg. Jamesoni*, var. *sagittarium*, in the cabinet of the Rev. J. E. Cross, F.G.S., and may indeed prove to be such, but in the absence of more specimens for comparison I shall retain the name I gave it long ago.

It is a regular, well-formed Ammonite, with rounded whorls, which are only slightly involute. The ribs, which are sharp and narrow with a sigmoidal flexure, arise from a thickened root. At the spiral suture they wind up the side and over the margin (fig. 1), and vanish in the middle of the siphonal area (fig. 3), which is convex and smooth ; near the turn of the penultimate whorl (fig. 2) the ribs are sometimes enlarged before they terminate, leaving only a narrow smooth space in the middle of the area. The umbilicus is wide, and the inner whorls are all fully exposed. The aperture is oblong and a little flattened at the sides.

The lobe-line (fig. 7) is apparently simple ; the siphonal lobe is longer and wider than the principal lateral, and has a few digitations with two terminal points. The siphonal saddle is small and terminates in three small leaves. The principal lateral lobe is narrow and oblique with four digitations on each. The lateral saddle is wide and much larger than the siphonal, it terminates in three chief foliations and several smaller ones. The lateral lobe is larger than the principal lateral, with three lateral on each side and two terminal digitations. The auxiliary saddle has a foliated termination, and the auxiliary lobes are small with oblique digitations.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite resembles some of the transition phases in the evolution of *Aeg. sagittarium*. I know of no other form with which to compare this Cephalopod, which remained long unnamed in my old friend's collection, and is now figured and described for the first time.

AEGOCERAS PORTLOCKII, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. XLVIII, figs. 4, 5.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, and carinated ; whorls compressed, slightly involute, thicker at the spiral suture, and tapering towards the keel ; sides ornamented with stout regular ribs, having a well-defined sigmoidal figure, and being well rounded throughout ; carina stout, into which the ribs appear to blend, the space between the ribs concave and smooth.

Dimensions.—I have only the fragment of a whorl.

Description.—This fragment was collected by the Irish Geological Survey, and represents a form which I have from the *Aeg. Jamesoni* beds of Robin Hood's Bay. The whorls are wide and slightly involute ; they are covered with strong, regular rounded ribs, having a sigmoidal flexure, and all obliquely placed at regular intervals apart, and concave intermediate spaces between them. The carina is thick and prominent, and the ribs, slightly enlarged before they terminate, appear to blend into the keel. The specimen

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with age develops spines; this *Aeg. Carusense* never does. It is altogether a unique Ammonite from the basement bed of the Middle Lias.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have found this species in the *Aeg. Jamesoni* beds, Swindon Road, near Cheltenham.

ÆGOCERAS SLATTERI, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. L, figs. 1—8.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed; whorls high, two thirds involute; sides ornamented with thick, obtuse, curved ribs, which alternate with concavities of the opposite side; siphonal area convex and smooth, the knobs of the ribs alternating on the margin; aperture oblong, narrow.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 55 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 15 millimètres; height of aperture 23 millimètres; transverse diameter 13 millimètres.

Description.—This singular Ammonite was collected by my friend Mr. T. J. Slatter, F.G.S., of Evesham, from the Lias of Broughton, near Pershore. The specimens are all fragmentary, and therefore I describe it with some hesitation; the shell is discoidal and much compressed; the whorls high and quite one half involute (fig. 1); the sides ornamented with bent, obtuse, recurved ribs, which thicken out into knobs at the margin of the siphonal area; the ribs on the right side of the shell correspond to concavities on the left, so that the costæ on the right and left sides alternate with each other, which becomes very obvious when we examine the specimens (figs. 2, 4, 5). In early life the shell appears to have resembled an *Amaltheus*, and had a small carina in the centre of the area (figs. 6, 7), which carina appears to be covered over by the future whorl as in fig. 3, and to be indicated in fig. 4. The thin shell is only partially retained on a portion of some of the fragments. In the larger segments the siphonal area is rounded and marked by transverse lines, and the terminal knobs of the ribs form conspicuous objects in the specimen delineated in fig. 5.

The lobe-line (fig. 8) is very simple. The siphonal lobe is about the size of the principal lateral with three lateral digitations on each side, and a single terminal point. The siphonal saddle is wide and deep and terminates in three principal foliations. The principal lateral lobe is nearly as long and a little wider than the siphonal, and has three lateral digitations on each side, with a bifid termination. The lateral saddle in size and structure very much resembles the siphonal, and has four terminal folioles around its termination. The lateral lobe is smaller than the principal lateral, the outer margin is serrated, and its terminal portion bushy. The auxiliary lobe is very small and simple.

Affinities and Differences.—The style of the ribs in this species has no parallel among the Lias Ammonites; at first I thought it might be an accidental monstrosity or an acquired alternate character of ribbing from descent, as all the specimens hitherto found possess the

alternation of the ribs on the two sides of the shell. Until more specimens are found I must treat it as a distinct species, and dedicate it to my friend whose industry disinterred it and brought it under my notice.

Stratigraphical Position.—Mr. Slatter found it in the Lias beds at Drake's Broughton, near Pershore, Worcestershire, where it was associated with the following list of fossils which he has kindly contributed.

LIST OF FOSSILS FROM THE LOWER AND MIDDLE LIAS, BROUGHTON, NEAR PERSHORE.

Cephalopoda.

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| <i>Aegoceras Slatteri</i> , Wright. | <i>Phylloceras Salisburgensis</i> , Von Hauer. |
| — <i>sagittarium</i> , Blake. | — <i>Nodotianus</i> , d'Orb. |
| <i>Amaltheus oxynotus</i> , Quenst. | <i>Belemnites brevis secundus</i> , Quenst. |
| — <i>Simpsoni</i> , Bean. | — <i>acutus</i> , Mill. |
| <i>Phylloceras Loscombi</i> , Sow. | <i>Nautilus striatus</i> , Sow. |

Gasteropoda.

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| <i>Cerithium rotundatum</i> , Terq. | <i>Actæonina secale</i> , Terq. |
| — <i>Collenoti</i> , Terq. et Piette. | — <i>fragilis</i> , Dünk. |
| <i>Chemnitzia crassissima</i> , Tate. | — <i>striata</i> , Terq. and Piette. |
| <i>Dentalium minimum</i> , Strickland. | — <i>tritium</i> , Terq. |
| — <i>elongatum</i> , Münst. | <i>Turbo admirandus</i> , Tate. |
| <i>Pleurotmaria foveolata</i> , Deslong. | — <i>solarium</i> , Terq. and P. |
| <i>Trochus Thetis</i> , Münst. | |

Lammellibranchiata.

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| <i>Macrodon numismalis</i> , Tate. | <i>Nucula variabilis</i> , Sow. |
| — <i>intermedius</i> , Simp. | — <i>navis</i> , Piette. |
| <i>Astarte amalthei</i> , Quenst. | — <i>cordata</i> , Goldf. |
| — <i>cingulata</i> , Terq. | <i>Leda Renevieri</i> , Oppel. |
| <i>Avicula cuneata</i> , Terq. and Piette. | <i>Mytilus numismalis</i> , Oppel. |
| — <i>inæquivalvis</i> , Sow. | <i>Protocardium oxynoti</i> , Quenst. |
| <i>Cardinia hybrida</i> , Stutch. | — <i>truncatum</i> , Sow. |
| — <i>crassissima</i> , Stutch. | <i>Ostræa arcuata</i> , Lamark. |
| <i>Cardita multcostata</i> , Phillips. | <i>Plicatula</i> , sp. |
| <i>Hippopodium ponderosum</i> , Sow. | <i>Limæa acuticosta</i> , Goldf. |
| <i>Leda acuminata</i> , Goldt. | <i>Lima gigantea</i> , var. <i>minima</i> , Sow. |
| <i>Nucula inflexa</i> , Quenst. | <i>Pecten calvus</i> , Goldf. |
| — <i>Galathæa</i> , d'Orb. | |

*Brachiopoda.**Rhynchonella variabilis*, Schloth.*Annelida.**Ditrypa quinquesulcata*, Münster.*Crinoidea.**Pentacrinitis scalaris*, Goldf.AEGOCERAS POLYMORPHUM, *Quenstedt.* Pl. XL, figs. 1—3.

AMMONITES POLYMORPHUS,

Quenstedt. Cephalopoden, p. 86, tab. iv, fig. 13, 1849.

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LINEATUS,

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Der Jura, p. 128, tab. xv, fig. 14, 1858.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, with numerous—about seven—whorls, which are slightly involute, and have their sides covered with innumerable fine hair-like striations, which arise above the spiral suture and ascend obliquely forwards towards the siphonal area, over which they pass and join the striæ from the opposite side. Shell extremely thin, leaving all the markings on the mould; body-chamber occupies nearly an entire whorl.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 45 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 22 millimètres; height of the aperture 15 millimètres; transverse diameter 9 millimètres.

Description.—This is a very difficult fossil to determine, as the specimen is badly preserved, and is the only one that has been found. I have, however, put it well together, and enlarged the drawing two diameters; the shell is in part existing, and is extremely thin. The whorls are only slightly involute, and have their sides ornamented with numberless fine striations, which arise above the spiral suture and are directed obliquely forwards towards the aperture; they all pass over the siphonal area, forming a series of little ridges there; the body-chamber occupies nearly an entire whorl, judging from the portion that remains and what is lost.

The aperture is oblong, arched above, and flattened at the sides; there does not appear to have been any lateral processes; the mouth aperture corresponding with the oblique sweep of the hair-like ribs.

The lobe-line is not complicated, and resembles the style of *Aeg. Jamesoni*. The siphonal lobe (fig. 3) is narrow, and as long as the principal lateral lobe. The siphonal saddle is wide, and ends in four foliations. The principal lateral lobe is long, and has several lateral and two terminal branches, both of which have trifid processes. The lateral saddle is smaller than the siphonal, and ends in one large internal and two smaller external foliations. The lateral lobe is very small and ends in three points.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite so closely resembles *Am. polymorphus lineatus*, Quenstedt, that after much consideration I have determined to treat it as such, although I confess my disinclination to decide species upon such insufficient evidence as

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Affinities and Differences.—This fossil closely resembles some forms of *Aeg. capricornus* or *maculatum*, and may be only a variety with more pronounced characters of that species.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This specimen was collected from the Middle Lias Limestone at Charmouth, where it appears to be rare.

AEGOCERAS STRIATUM, *Reinecke*. Pl. XLII, figs. 1—5.

NAUTILUS STRIATUS,	<i>Reinecke</i> . Naut. et Arg., No. 32, p. 85, pl. viii, figs. 65, 66, 1818.
AMMONITES HEPTANGULARIS,	<i>Young and Bird</i> . Yorkshire Coast, 2 ed., p. 263, pl. xiv, fig. 1, 1828.
— STRIATUS,	<i>Zieten</i> . Versteinerung. Württemburgs, p. 7, tab. v, fig. 6, 1830.
— CHELTIENSIS,	<i>Murchison</i> . Geol. of Cheltenham, 1st Edit., p. 19, 1834.
— STRIATUS,	<i>Römer</i> . Nord-deutsch. Oolith-gebirg, p. 199, 1836.
— —	<i>Bronn</i> . Leth. geog., p. 449, tab. xxiii, fig. 7, 1837.
— —	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Flözgebirge, Württembergs, p. 177, 1843.
— —	— Cephalopoden, p. 135, tab. ix, fig. 24, 1849.
— HENLEYI,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Paléontol. Française Terr. Jurass., p. 280, pl. lxxxiii, 1842.
— —	<i>Simpson</i> . Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 70, 1855.
— STRIATUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Der Jura, p. 134, tab. xvi, figs. 9, 10, 1858.
— —	<i>Dumortier</i> . Dépôts Jurass. du Bassin du Rhone, III, p. 76, pl. xviii, fig. 1, 1869.
AEGOCERAS STRIATUM,	<i>Tate and Blake</i> . Yorkshire Lias, p. 281, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell inflated, whorls depressed, one half involute, sculptured with numerous delicate, longitudinal striations; outer whorl very thick; sides flattened and provided with two rows of tubercles; ribs arise near the siphonal suture, and unite in the inner row of tubercles; from thence sometimes one, sometimes two, short, straight, slender ribs proceed and unite in the second series of tubercles which bound the margin of the siphonal area; from each marginal tubercle nearly always two strong ribs proceed, which pass transversely across the area; umbilicus small, deep, and narrow; inner row of tubercles alone visible in the spiral volutions; aperture roundish or of a heptangular form.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 130 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 34 millimètres; height of the aperture 65 millimètres; transverse diameter 75 millimètres. The smaller specimen has the same relative proportions and dimensions.

Description.—I have already pointed out the error palæontologists have committed in confounding this shell with the true *Aeg. Henleyi*, Sow., although it had long ago been accurately described by the Rev. George Young in his 'Yorkshire Coast,' who says:

—“ This is a rare and singular shell from the Hawsker shore, armed with a double row of spines placed on angular ridges on the sides. Between the two rows are irregular ribs, running from the inner knobs to the outer, and each generally splits into two elevated ribs on the back, partly fimbriated, whereas on the inner part of the whorl, within the interior row of knobs, the ribs are replaced by numerous slender striæ. The space between the rows is also slightly striated; the whorls are few, the outer being very large, and the central part forming a deep cavity or umbilicus; interior whorls are much concealed; the back is rounded, but seems to acquire an angle behind, near the aperture, which therefore approaches the heptangular. On account of this we may name this species *Am. heptangularis*.” It is very evident from this description that Young had clearly discerned the specific distinction between this shell and *A. Henleyi*, a difference which has been entirely overlooked by many subsequent authors. Sir Roderick Murchison, in his ‘Geology of Cheltenham,’ figured this fossil as *Am. Cheltenhamensis*, and subsequently d’Orbigny, in his ‘Paléontologie Française,’ gave a very fine figure of it under the name *Am. Henleyi*, whilst he correctly quoted Reinecke’s figure and species, and erroneously confused it with Sowerby’s *Henleyi* in his synonymy of the species.

The shell is largely inflated and ornamented longitudinally with innumerable small fine striations; the sides of the shell have throughout two rows of large tubercles, the inner row connected with the spiral suture by numerous fine striæ, and the outer with the inner row by short, straight, split ribs. The outer row of tubercles is developed on the margin of the siphonal area, and from each tubercle proceeds the strong band which passes across the area, and joins its fellow, on the mesial line from the opposite side. The siphonal area is convex, depressed, and boldly sculptured with transverse bands and intermediate concave depressions. The outer whorl is very large, and nearly conceals the penultimate whorl, which is more than one half involute. The whorls in this Ammonite increase very rapidly in every dimension, and they consequently leave a narrow, deep umbilicus, in which less than half of the inner whorls are visible, the internal row of tubercles decorating the margin of the spire.

The lobe-line is very complicated. The siphonal lobe (fig. 5) is a little shorter and narrower than the principal lateral lobe, and ornamented with three branches. The siphonal saddle as wide as the principal lateral lobe, terminates in three foliations of oak-leaf forms. The principal lateral lobe terminates in three large branches, with lateral ramifications. The lateral saddle terminates in two unequal foliations. The lateral lobe is oblique, smaller than the principal, but has a similar figure. The auxiliary saddle has three contracted foliations, and the auxiliary lobe ends in several digitations.

The aperture is large, wide, and expanded, and has a rounded or a heptangular form.

This species assumes in early life the specific form and ornamentation I have described, and does not pass through any apparent metamorphoses so peculiarly characteristic of *Aeg. Henleyi* and *Aeg. heterogenum*. The longitudinal striations so distinctive of the species are found only in the structure of the shell, and are not observed on the

mould, whilst the ribs and tubercles on the sides and siphonal area are distinctly visible throughout.

Affinities and Differences.—The outer whorl of *Aeg. striatum* resembles the body chamber of *Aeg. Henleyi*, but the inner whorls are quite distinct in form and structure in the two shells. The umbilicus is deep and narrow in *Aeg. striatum* and wide and open in *Aeg. Henleyi*, and the arc of the circle described by *Aeg. striatum* is that of a much smaller circle than the one which is represented by *Aeg. Henleyi*. The one Ammonite (*Aeg. Henleyi*) undergoes an important change of form about the sixth whorl of its age the other (*Aeg. striatum*) appears to retain its form and characters without much change through life.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This appears to be a very abundant and leading Ammonite of the Middle Lias, with an extensive distribution in time and space. It is found in the *Henleyi* zone at Fenny Compton, Warwickshire; Radstock, Somersetshire; Lyme Regis, Dorsetshire; and Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire. In Gloucestershire it is found in the *Aeg. Henleyi* zone of the Cotteswolds Hills at Hewletts, near Cheltenham, Whitcombe, near Gloucester, and in other exposures of these beds.

Foreign Distribution.—In France the late Professor d'Orbigny noted this species at Saint Amand, Cher; Fontaine-Étoupe-Four, Croisilles, Curçy, Landes, Calvados; Breux, Meuse; Mulhausen, Bas Rhin; Pouilly, Semur, Venarey, Côte-d'Or; Avallon, Yonne; the late Mons. Dumortier cites Saint-Fortunat, Saint-Cyr, Saint-Diedier, Rhône; he collected a magnificent example, 190 millimètres in diameter, in a region where Jurassique fossils are little known, in the middle of France, at the foot of the Pyrenees, at Albas, Aude. In Germany the typical example figured by Reinecke was discovered in Coburg. In Swabia it is found pyritic, associated with *Amaltheus ibex* in the middle region of *Amaltheus margaritatus*, but it is not obtained from either higher or lower zones.

AEGOCERAS BECHEI, *Sowerby*. Pl. XLI, figs. 1—5.

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| AMMONITES BECHEI, | <i>Sowerby</i> . | Mineral Conchology, vol. iii, p. 143, pl. 280, 1821. |
| — | — | <i>Zeiten</i> . Versteinerungen Württembergs, p. 37, tab. xxviii, fig. 4, 1830. |
| — | — | <i>d'Orbigny</i> . Paléontol. Française Terr. Jurass, t. i, p. 278, pl. lxxxii, 1842. |
| — | — | <i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, p. 135, 1849. |
| — | — | <i>Von Strömbeck</i> . Obere Lias. Zeitschr. Deutsch. geol. Gess., v, p. 82, 1853. |
| — | — | <i>Simpson</i> . Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 70, 1855. |

Diagnosis.—Shell globose, last whorl much inflated, highly involute, and entirely covered with fine longitudinal striations; sides ornamented with two rows of small

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Köchlin Schlumberger¹ has, through a series of strict investigation of a quantity of material from Mende, Lozère, and Venarey, Côte d'Or, arrived at the conclusion that *Am. Henleyi* and *Am. Bechei*, as figured by d'Orbigny, do not belong to two different species, but constitute only varieties which, through transition forms, are completely united into one species. The two forms are bracketed together in the works of Quenstedt, Opper, Dumortier, and by Professors Tate and Blake in their Yorkshire Lias. Still, notwithstanding these authorities, the fact remains that the two species lie close together in the same bed on the Dorsetshire Coast, without any transition forms uniting them.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite is found in the Upper Marls without mica, near Charmouth, Dorset, in which many specimens are found associated with *Lytoceras fimbriatum*, *Aegoceras striatum*, *Phylloceras Loscombi*, *Nautilus semistriatus*, &c. I have found a specimen in the Green Ammonite Bed of the same section above the marls in company with *Aeg. Davæi* and *Monotis inæquivalvis*. It likewise has been collected from the Middle Lias at Fenny Compton, Warwickshire, and in Northamptonshire; as well as in Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire, from the zone of *Aeg. capricornus*=*Aeg. Henleyi*.

Foreign Distribution.—In France it has been collected in the Middle Lias below the beds with *Gryphæa cymbium* at Saint-Rambert, Ain; at Courtards, near Saint-Amand, Cher; at Fresnay-le-Puceux, at Curcy, at Vieux-Pont, Calvados; at Semur and Venarey, Côte-d'Or; and Avallon, Yonne, by several distinguished palæontologists. Professor Quenstedt says Sowerby makes two species, *Am. Bechei* and *Am. Henleyi*, out of *Am. striatus*, observing “*Am. Bechei*, with its rounded back, finer ribs, smaller tubercles, and more rapid increase in thickness, is very often found in Würtemberg. Whilst *Am. Henleyi*, with its hexagonal mouth-opening, larger ribs, stronger tubercles, slower increase in thickness, and indistinct longitudinal striæ, lies deeper, and in Würtemberg is more rare.” ‘Cephalopoden,’ p. 135.

Family.—ARCESTIDÆ,² Mojsisovics, 1875.

This interesting family, containing the genera *Arcestes*, *Didymites*, *Lobites*, *Ptychites*, *Pinacoceras*, *Sageceras*, *Amaltheus* and *Schloenbachia*, and comprising for the most part the first Ammonites that appeared in the Trias seas, has the ancient genus *Arcestes*, Suess, as its type. The shell is usually more or less globose, or has largely inflated sides, occasionally it is compressed and carinated; it is either smooth, or possesses an ornate surface, formed of transverse folds, costæ, or fine longitudinal striations. The lobe-line in *Arcestes* is very complicated and formed of many divisions, each having a central stem with short, transverse, and oblique digitations, the whole constituting most intricate folia-

¹ ‘Bullet. Soc. Géol. de France,’ Juin, 1854, p. 628.

² See page 238 of this Monograph.

tions on the mould. The body-chamber is long in the older forms, thus in *Arcestes* it is a whorl and a half, and in *Amaltheus* two thirds of a whorl in length. The mantle-impression in *Arcestes* has left deep constrictions around the aperture of the body-chamber, which are absent from the polythalamous portion of the shell.

Arcestes, *Didymites*, *Lobites*, *Ptychites*, *Pinacoceras* and *Sageceras*, are obtained only from the Trias; *Amaltheus* from the Trias, Lias, and Jurassic rocks, and *Schloenbachia* is limited to the Cretaceous formation.

Genus III.—AMALTHEUS. *Montfort*, 1808.

- Genus—AMALTHEUS, *Montfort*. *Conchyliologie Systematique*, t. i, p. 91, 1808.
 Family—AMALTHEI, *von Buch*. *Ueber Ammoniten*, *Abh. Akad. Berlin*, pp. 143, tab. 3, fig. 3, 1832.
 — *d'Orbigny*. *Paléontologie Française Terr. Crétacés*, t. i, p. 407, 1840.
 AMALTHEEN, *Quenstedt*. *Cephalopoden*, p. 92, 1849.
 AMALTHEI, *Giebel*. *Fauna der Vorwelt*, b. iii, p. 537, 1852.
 — *Pictet*. *Traité de Paléontologie*, 2nd ed., t. ii, p. 676, 1854.
 — *Seebach*. *Hannoversche Jura*, p. 139, 1864.
 OXYNOTEN, *Beyrich*. *Ueb. Cephalopd. Muschelkalk. der Alpen*, p. 136, 1867.
 Genus—PLEUROCERAS, *Hyatt*. *Bulletin Mus. Comp. Zool. Harvard Coll.*, p. 89, 1866.
 AMALTHEUS, *Hyatt*. *Ibid.*, p. 90, 1866.
 — *Mojsisovics*. *Jahrb. geol. Reichsanstalt*, p. 580, 1869.
 — *Waagen*. *Palæontographica*, b. xvii, p. 201, 1870.

This genus is characterised by having a compressed discoidal shell; the siphonal area narrow, sharp, and keeled; the ribs when present are all flexed forward and end in a keel or plaited ridge (fig. 190). The external shelly lamina in some species develops fine longitudinal spiral lines. The body-chamber is short, about one half to two thirds of a whorl. The mouth-border of the shell is simple, the ventral portion ending in a long projecting process. The lobe-line is extremely complicated and very difficult to trace. The siphonal lobe is shorter than the principal lateral, which is mostly broad and wedge shaped.

This genus presents three distinct types of shell form which appeared together about the same period of time, they are therefore not derived from each other, but descendants of different groups; the first of these has *Amaltheus Greenoughi* and *Amal. Guibalianus*, the second *Amaltheus oxynotus*, and the third *Amaltheus margaritatus* as their representatives.

Dr. Waagen states that a horny divided *Anaptychus* has been found in some species. This genus has an extensive range in time. In the Trias is found *Amal. megalodiscus*,

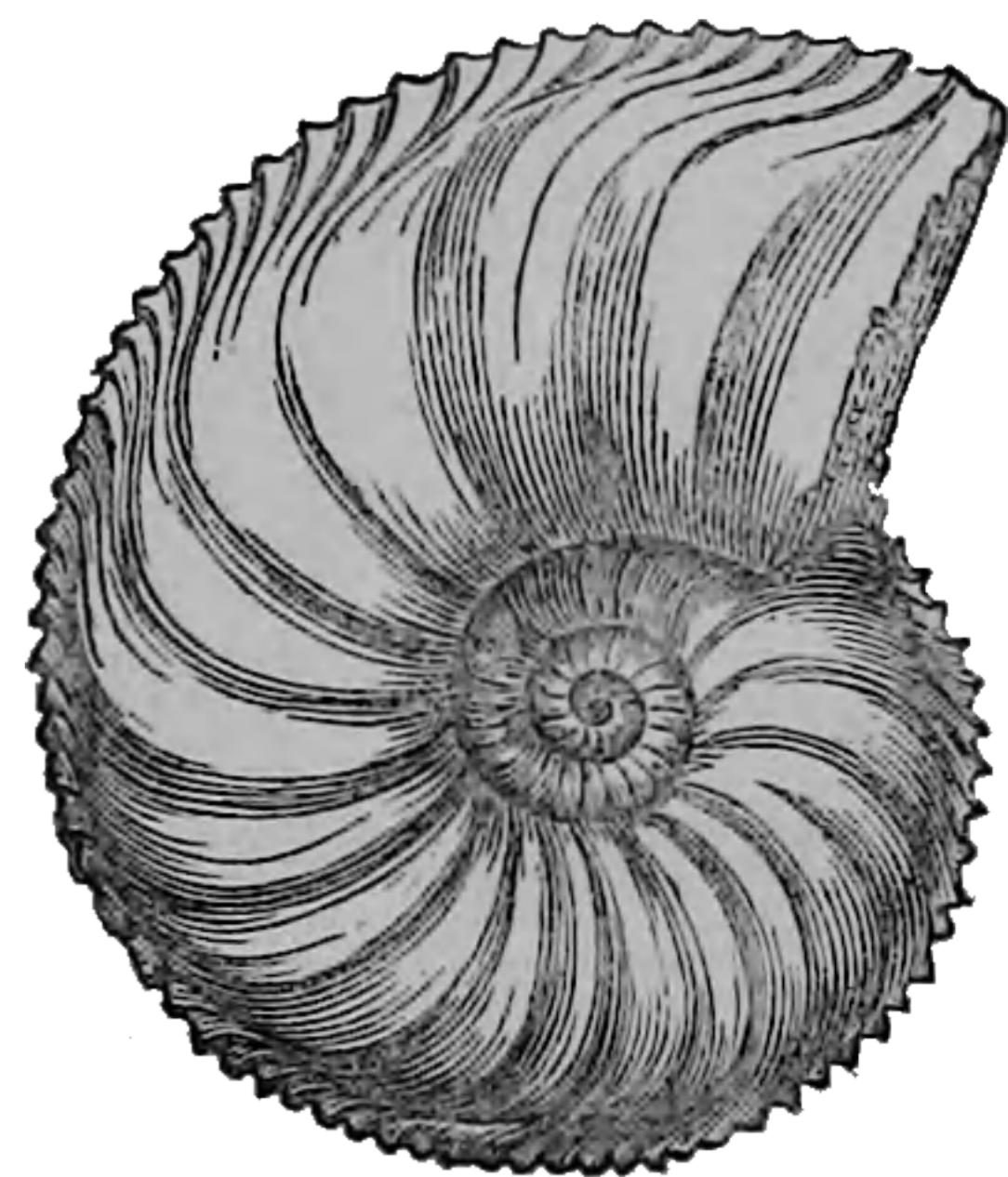


FIG. 190.—*Amaltheus cordatus*, Sow.

Beyrich, *Amal. Sansovinii*, Mojsisovics. In the Lias *Amaltheus Greenoughi*, Sow., *Amal. Guibalianus*, d'Orbigny, *Amal. oxynotus*, Quenst., *Amal. Lymensis*, Wright, *Amal. margaritatus*, Montfort, *Amal. spinatus*, Brug. In the inferior Oolite, *Amal. discus*, Sow., *Amal. Truelli*, d'Orbig. In the Oxfordian, *Amal. Chamusseti*, d'Orb., *Amal. cordatus*, Sow.

AMALTHEUS GREENOUGHII, Sowerby. Pl. XLIV.

AMMONITES GREENOUGHII, Sowerby.	Mineral Conchology, vol. ii, p. 71, tab. 132, 1816.
—	— De Haan. Ammonit. et Goniatit., p. 131, 1825.
—	— Lonsdale. Trans. Geol. Soc., 2nd series, iii, p. 272, 1832.
—	— Guidoni. Boué Journal de Geologie, iii, p. 276, 1831.
—	— Morris. Catalogue of British Fossils, p. 173, 1843.
—	— Giebel. Fauna der Vorwelt, iii, p. 554, 1852.
—	— Studer. Geologie der Schweiz, ii, p. 36, 1853.
—	— Von Hauer. Deutsch. Akad. Wissenschaften Cephalopoden Nordöst. Alpen, p. 46, taf. xii, 1856.

Diagnosis.—Shell large, discoidal, compressed; whorls two-thirds involute, outer whorl slightly convex, obscurely undulated by sixteen to eighteen straight, nearly obsolete ribs; inner whorls with prominent costæ; mouth-aperture elliptical and deeply indented by the penultimate volution.

Dimensions.—Plate one half the natural size. Transverse diameter of the specimen 440 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 150 millimètres; height of the last whorl 180 millimètres.

Description.—I searched the Sowerbyan Collection of Ammonites in the British Museum with green labels attached, Sowerby's mark of the figured species, for the original *Am. Greenoughi*. The type was in such a state of decomposition from the iron pyrites it contained that it could not be disturbed unless at the risk of its falling to pieces. On searching among the Ammonites stored upon the top of the glass cases in the duplicate room, I found a magnificent specimen of this Ammonite which forms the subject of Plate XLIV, the figure being one half the natural size; unfortunately it had no label attached indicating its locality, but from the petrological character of the matrix in which it was embedded, it probably came from the Lias at Lyme Regis.

Sowerby¹ says "this rather singular Ammonite is often formed of pyrites of rich golden and iridescent tints, and crystallised in the greatest variety of forms, from octaëdron to the icsaëdron, following the undulations of the chambers and the most attenuated ramifications of the spreading folliculæ, sometimes forming in the place of shells, &c. &c., occasionally filled with a great variety of crystals of carbonate of lime an inch or more in length." Specimens vary in size from twelve to eighteen inches or even more. The outer whorl has

¹ 'Mineral Conchology,' vol. ii, p. 71, 1816.

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AMMONITES GUIBALIANUS, *Bronn.* *Gesch. d. Natur.*, iii, pt. i, p. 44.

— — *Oppel.* *Die Juraformation*, p. 86, 1856.

— — *Dumortier.* *Depôts Jurass. du Bassin du Rhône*, ii, p. 140, 1867.

Diagnosis.—Shell compressed, carinated; whorls compressed, and extremely involute; sides convex, numerous sigmoidal ribs extend from the spiral suture to the carina, with short supplementary ribs on the upper half of the wider valleys; siphonal area narrow, with sloping sides, a central carina, and oblique transverse ribs, aperture elliptico-lanceolate, much indented by the penultimate whorl; lobe-line extremely complicated.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter of figs. 6 and 7, 133 millimètres; width of umbilicus 20 millimètres; height of aperture 75 millimètres; width 35 millimètres. Figs. 3, 4, transverse diameter 70 millimètres; width of umbilicus 16 millimètres; height of aperture 40 millimètres, width 22 millimètres. Figs. 1, 2, transverse diameter 50 millimètres; width of umbilicus 12 millimètres; height of aperture 27 millimètres; width?

Description.—I have figured three specimens of this Ammonite and given their respective dimensions to show that very little change takes place in the growth of this species, which attains dimensions very much greater than the shell figured in 6 and 7. selected for the type figure of this fossil, because in early life its ribs are more defined and in old age they become obsolete. M. Dumortier states “that his largest specimen came from Lournand; it is 245 millimètres in diameter; the width of the last whorl $46/100$; the thickness $26/100$; the size of umbilicus $18/100$. The last whorl has thirty-six ribs or folds slightly marked, and which appear less flexed than the ribs of the inner whorls. This specimen is furnished with lobes up to its extremity, consequently its transverse diameter when provided with its body-chamber must have exceeded 360 millimètres.” My largest specimen measures 245 millimètres in diameter, the width is 70 millimètres, the height 120 millimètres, and the width of the umbilicus is 35 millimètres.

The shell is compressed and sharply carinated, and ornamented with from thirty-six to forty ribs; the number, however, differs in different specimens. Most of the ribs pass from the spiral suture to the carina undivided, many of them, however, bifurcate, and a number of short secondary ribs make their appearance between the primaries in the wider valleys (fig. 7). In some young shells the ribbing is very regular (figs. 1 and 2), whilst in others it becomes irregular as in fig. 4, in which the primary ribs are few in number and the secondaries numerous. The ribs describe a sigmoidal flexure and bend forward towards the carina, their increase in number depends either upon the bifurcation of the primary rib or on the introduction of short small secondaries in the upper part of the whorl.

The spire is composed of six whorls which are extremely involute, and the umbilicus is consequently deep and narrow, the inner whorls being mostly concealed by the matrix.

The siphonal area is narrow, and slopes down to the sides; the keel varies, sometimes it is obtuse, sometimes acute, and in general it is marked with fine lines of shell growth, which impart a serrated structure to the carina when the shell happens to be preserved.

The aperture has an elliptico-lanceolate figure, and is deeply occupied by the penultimate whorl.

The lobe-line is very complicated, and drawn with difficulty. Fig. 5 is from a tracing made upon a mould, which shows the lines most distinctly; it differs somewhat from the figure given by d'Orbigny. The siphonal lobe, longer and much larger than the principal lateral lobe, is formed of a large terminal branch and three other branches on each side. The siphonal saddle, much wider than the principal lateral lobe, terminates in five-lobed folioles. The principal lateral lobe has a central stem with two lateral divisions on each side and two terminal branches. The lateral saddle is one third wider than the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in five- or six-lobed folioles. The lateral lobe, much smaller than the principal, has an oblique stem with small lateral branches on each side, and a terminal twig with trifid digits.

The auxiliary saddles, three in number, diminish in size from without inwards, and the three auxiliary lobes are short with many points on their margins.

The septa are closely approximated in the shell, and when the lobe-lines are seen *in situ* on the sides, they exhibit a most complicated labyrinth of lines very difficult to trace out on the mould.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite occupies, as d'Orbigny remarked, an intermediate position between *Amal. margaritatus* and *Amal. cordatus* (fig. 190). It is distinguished from both by its more prominent and better defined carina, and the absence of the cordlike structure of the one shell and the serrated structure of the other. Its whorls likewise are much more involute, and its lobe-line very different from both.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have found this Ammonite near Cheltenham, and possess a good series of well-preserved examples from the *Amal. oxynotus*-bed of the Lower Lias. I know no Ammonite which maintains, so constantly and with so little change, its specific form through all its morphological history as does this species.

AMALTHEUS OXYNOTUS, *Quenstedt*. Pl. XLVI, figs. 4—6.

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| AMMONITES MAEANDRUS ? | <i>Zieten</i> . | Die Versteinerung. Württembergs, p. 12, tab. ix, fig. 6, 1830. |
| — | OXYNOTUS, <i>Quenstedt</i> . | Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 161, 1843. |
| — | POLYOPHYLLUS, <i>Simpson</i> . | Monograph of the Ammonites of Yorkshire Lias, p. 39, 1843. |
| — | ROBINSONI, — | Ibid., p. 42, 1843. |
| — | BUCKII, — | Ibid., p. 42, 1843. |
| — | OXYNOTUS, <i>Quenstedt</i> . | V. Leonhard and Bronn's Jahrbuch, p. 87, 1845. |
| — | CULTELLUS, <i>Buckman</i> . | Geology of Cheltenham, p. 103, tab. xii, figs. 4, 5, 1845. |
| — | OXYNOTUS, <i>Quenstedt</i> . | Petrefactenkunde Cephalopod., pp. 98, 262, tab. v, fig. 11, 1849. |

AMMONITES OXYNOTUS,	<i>von Hauer.</i>	Jahrbuch der k. k. geol. Reichsanstalt, iv, p. 754, 1853.
— POLYOPHYLLUS,	<i>Simpson.</i>	Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 81, 1855.
— ROBINSONI,	—	Ibid., p. 83, 1855.
— BUCKII,	—	Ibid., p. 84, 1855.
— DEJECTUS,	—	Ibid., p. 85, 1855.
— OXYNOTUS,	<i>von Hauer.</i>	Cephalopod. der Nordöst. Alpen, Deukschr. Akad. Wissensch., p. 48, Taf. xiii, figs. 4—10, 1856.
— —	<i>Oppel.</i>	Die Juraformation, s. 85, 1856.
— —	<i>Wright.</i>	Quart. Jour. Geol. Soc., vol. xvi, p. 407, figs. 1, 2, 1860.
— —	<i>Dumortier.</i>	Dépôts Jurass. du Bassin du Rhône, ii, p. 143, tab. xxxiii, figs. 1—5, 1867.
AMALTHEUS	—	<i>Tate and Blake.</i> The Yorkshire Lias, p. 291, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, very much compressed; whorls five, extremely involute, inner volutions scarcely exposed; outer whorl very high, half the diameter of the shell; inner margin rounded, sides convex, outer margin thin, sharp, and cutting; sides slightly convex, with thirty to forty irregular folds limited to the middle, and which at two thirds of the whorl bifurcate, the branches bending forward at an acute angle towards the aperture; umbilicus very narrow, aperture lanceolate.

Dimensions.—This species varies much in size, and in old age attained a considerable diameter. I have collected specimens from one inch and a half, or 40 millimètres, up to one foot, equal 300 millimètres, in diameter, with the body-chamber, all of which are in my collection. I consider the shell figured (Pl. XLVI, figs. 4, 5, 6) as a good type form of this species in middle age, and which gives the following measurements:—Transverse diameter 90 millimètres; width of umbilicus 18 millimètres; height of aperture 51 millimètres; greatest width 18 millimètres.

The late Monsieur Dumortier collected a number of specimens of different sizes from Lournand, Jambles, St. Helene, St. Fortunat, and in his excellent work has given the measurements of six of these for comparison.¹

Diameter.	Height of last whorl.	Thickness of last whorl.	Size of umbilicus.
20 mill.	45/100	25/100	28/100
71 „	45/100	17/100	18/100
86 „	46/100	17/100	19/100
185 „	47/100	20/100	23/100
220 „	45/000	12/100	20/100
330 „	44/000	23/100	21/100

¹ 'Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' ii, p. 143.

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The morphology of this Ammonite has been closely studied; when examined at 7 millimètres in diameter, the sides of the whorls are slightly more convex in proportion than in older shells, and ten or twelve wide folds are noticed around the umbilicus, the first indications of the lateral ribs; at 20 millimètres, the shell remains still proportionally thicker, the carina very little elevated forms a small round keel separated from the ribs, and the shell in this condition resembles *Am. maeandrus*; Reinecke; at 50 millimètres, the shell assumes its typical form, which it retains to 130 millimètres; it now, however, begins to lose its ribbed foldings on the body whorl; and at 160 millimètres, the cutting edge becomes thickened and the shell less compressed; but from first to last the specific characters scheduled in the diagnosis are well preserved throughout its life history.

The study of some large specimens of this Ammonite with their shell well preserved, enabled the late M. Dumortier¹ to complete an observation he had already made on other Ammonites, on the structure of the shell in a good state of preservation. He found the test to consist of two very distinct laminæ; an internal layer very thick near the umbilicus, diminishing progressively in proportion as it approaches the margin, where it is as thin as a sheet of stout paper; and an external layer, very thin on the contrary, near the umbilicus, and thickening progressively as it approaches the margin, where it acquires a thickness of 3 millimètres. By this arrangement a process of compensation is established by which the general thickness of the shell is maintained throughout.

Affinities and Differences.—*Amaltheus oxynotus* resembles three other species associated with it in the same zone, these are *Amal. Lymensis*, *Amal. Simpsoni*, and *Amal. Wiltshirei*. It differs from *Am. Lymensis* in having an open umbilicus, a lesser convexity of the sides, and a different style of the ribs; from *Amal. Simpsoni* in having a more compressed shell, much flatter around the umbilicus, and a different texture of shell structure; from *Amal. Wiltshirei*, with its closed umbilicus, in possessing an open umbilicus; ribs entirely different, and a distinct shell structure.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite is the leading fossil in beds which separate the zone of *Arietites obtusus* from the zone of *Arietites raricostatus*, and which are so well shown in Gloucestershire, Dorsetshire, and Yorkshire (see p. 52). This bed is very rich in many species of Ammonites.

Foreign Distribution.—It is found in Swabia and Würtemberg. In France it was collected in abundance, according to Dumortier, at St. Fortunat, St. Cyr, Lournand, St. Helene, and Jambles; and, according to Opper, he found very large specimens in the Blue Limestone of Nancy.

It is singular that d'Orbigny has not figured a true *Amal. oxynotus* in his *Paléontologie Française*, although it certainly occurs in abundance in the basin of the Rhône.

Ammonites lynæ; d'Orb., *Ammonites Cöynarti*, d'Orb., and *Ammonites Collenoti*, d'Orb.,

¹ 'Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' ii, p. 145.

which some authors consider to be synonyms of *Amal. oxynotus*, are certainly very different species according to our reading of their outlines, markings, and lobe-lines.

AMALTHEUS LYMENSIS, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. XLVI, figs. 1—3.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, much compressed; whorls extremely involute, umbilicus occluded by the volutions; outer whorl very high, nearly two thirds the diameter of the shell; sides regularly convex, covered with delicate sigmoidal folds, which make one sweep without interruption from the inner to the outer margin; siphonal area thin, sharp, and cutting, aperture lanceolate, nearly half its height occupied by the turn of the penultimate whorl.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 105 millimètres; height of the last whorl 65 millimètres; width 21 millimètres.

Description.—This beautiful Ammonite is the southern representative of *Amal. oxynotus* of the midland and northern counties. It is found in a thin bed of dark pyritic marl near Black Venn, between Charmouth and Lyme. This species is highly charged along the septa with sulphide of iron, whilst the chambers are filled with crystallised carbonate of lime; these specimens are, therefore, well adapted for cutting and polishing from the beautiful contrast afforded by the ferruginous and calcareous elements of which this fossil is composed.

The sides are regularly convex, and ornamented with from fifty to sixty sigmoidal folds, which proceed in regular order from the inner to the outer border, the upper curve of the rib being inclined towards the aperture (fig. 1) without any change in the angle of the curve or bifurcation in the rib itself, as seen in *Amal. oxynotus* (fig. 4); the outer whorl embraces the entire shell, and the umbilicus is entirely occluded thereby.

A section of one of the shells, 45 millimètres in diameter, discloses some points in the anatomy of the shell which cannot otherwise be observed in the outer whorl of this specimen. There are twenty-five chambers, each being surrounded by a thin line of sulphide of iron, the septa between the iron lines being composed of carbonate of lime. The whorls in this specimen are six in number and they are all filled in with crystallised carbonate of lime. The shell is extremely thin, consisting of two lamina, on the outer of which fine hair-like lines of growth impart a delicate and ornate sculpture to it.

The lobe-line is very complicated. I have had a good example carefully figured from an accurate tracing on the mould (fig. 3). The siphonal lobe is wide, and has two small lateral and one large terminal branch on each side, the two sides forming pairs. The siphonal saddle is as large as the lobe, and terminates in two large, bi-lobed folioles, and three smaller, two on the outer and one on the inner side of the saddle. The prin-

cipal lateral lobe is as long but not so wide as the siphonal; its sides have two small lateral digitations and a terminal one divided into two branches. The lateral saddle is deeper and narrower than the siphonal, and terminates in one short foliole on the outer and a longer and more complicated foliole on the inner side. The lateral lobe is much smaller than the principal lateral, and has three lateral digitations and a longer trifid terminal one. The auxiliary lobe terminates in two folioles, and the other auxiliary lobes and saddles are small, insignificant processes. A comparison between the lobe-line of this shell and that of *Amal. oxynotus* figured on the same plate (fig. 5) will enable the student to realise the difference between the two lobe-lines of these two representative species, which have been hitherto confused together as one and the same species.

Affinities and Differences.—The more regular convex form of the shell, the regularity of the line of flexure of the folds, the difference in the arrangement of the lobe-line, the occlusion of the umbilicus, and extreme involution of the spire, form a group of diagnostic characters by which this Ammonite may be easily distinguished from *A. oxynotus*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I only know this species from the pyritic Marl Bed near Black Venn, between Lyme and Charmouth, in the zone of *Amal. oxynotus*. On some of the fossils I have observed young shells of *Aegoceras densinodum* adhering to their surface. For the other forms in the *Amal. oxynotus* Bed I must refer to pp. 52—55 of this work.

AMALTHEUS SIMPSONI, *Bean*. Pl. XLVII, figs. 4—7.

AMMONITES SIMPSONI, *Bean*, MS. Simpson's Monograph on Ammonites of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 37, 1843.

— — *Simpson*. Fossils of the Yorkshire Lias, p. 79, 1855.

AMALTHEUS — *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 291, pl. viii, fig. 4, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, very much compressed; whorls four or five, extremely involute, the inner seven eighths concealed; outer volution one half the diameter of the shell, and inflated and rounded near the spiral suture; ribs nearly obsolete; sides with twenty undulating folds limited to the inner two thirds, outer third with numerous fine striæ bent forward toward the aperture; the keel thin, sharp, and cutting; aperture acutely lanceolate.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 100 millimètres; height of the outer whorl at aperture 50 millimètres; transverse diameter of the small shell (fig. 6) 40 millimètres; height of the aperture 20 millimètres.

Description.—The only example of this shell I have seen is the one figured, which now belongs to the Woodwardian Museum, and was formerly the property of my old friend Mr. John Leckenby, F.G.S., in whose collection I studied it. This shell is distinguished from *Amal. oxynotus* by the inflation of the inner third of the whorls, the lesser

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The extreme involution of the shell and the size and height of the outer whorl are the distinguishing features of this Ammonite. The sides are regularly convex, and ornamented with numerous slightly-elevated folds, best seen on the surface of the mould; in the lower two thirds they have a gentle inclination forward, in the upper third they bend more towards the aperture, a style of curvature which appears to be common to the entire group of the *Oxynoti*. The shell is only partially preserved. It is thin on the sides and thicker near the umbilicus; the surface appears to have had fine lines on the surface, which followed the bend of the folds. Both my specimens have suffered in cleaning, and the delicate shell sculpture is indistinguishable. The keel is blunt, from a thickening of the shell around this region, and I have failed to observe the position of the siphuncle. The aperture is extremely lanceolate, and deeply encroached upon by the turn of the spire and the penultimate whorl.

The lobe-line is a very elegant and complicated foliation (fig. 3). The siphonal lobe has two long terminal diverging branches on each side, and several lateral ones with many digitations. The siphonal saddle is very complicated, and divided into two portions by a long central branch; the folioles are numerous, narrow, and deep. The principal lateral lobe is a large complicated structure, it has two large lateral branches internally, and three small digitations externally, and two branched terminal twigs. The lateral saddle is nearly as large as the principal lobe, and ends in four or five long, narrow-branched folioles. The lateral lobe is much smaller than the principal lateral, and has two lateral branches on each side, and a terminal one with three divisions. The lateral saddle is smaller but more regularly formed than the principal saddle, and terminates in many foliations. The auxiliary lobes, four or five in number, are elegantly branched, and the auxiliary saddles diminish in the size and number of their parts as they approach the umbilicus, the great height of the whorl necessitates a greater number and extension of the auxiliary lobes and saddles.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite very much resembles *Amal. Lymensis*. It is altogether a more rotund shell, with more convex sides, and has a different style of lobe-line, which is apparent when we compare Pl. XLVII, fig. 3, with Pl. XLVIII, fig. 3.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite was obtained from the Green Ammonite Bed, near Charmouth, containing *Belemnites longissimus*, Miller, and *Belemnites elongatus*, Miller, and others that are indeterminable. I have found no other shells associated with it.

AMALTHEUS IBEX, *Quenstedt*. Pl. XXXIX, figs. 4, 5.

AMMONITES IBEX,	<i>Quenstedt</i> .	Flözgebirge Würtembergs, p. 179, 1843.
—	BOBLAYEI, <i>d'Orbigny</i> .	Paléont. Française Terr. Jurass., p. 251, tab. 69, 1842.
—	—	<i>Buckman</i> . Murchison's Geology of Cheltenham, pl. xii, fig. 1, p. 89, 1845.
—	IBEX,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, p. 101, tab. 6, fig. 6, 1849.
—	—	<i>Oppel</i> . Mittlere Lias, Jahr. Würt., p. 87, t. 2, fig. 7, 1853.
—	BOBLAYEI,	<i>Morris</i> . Catalogue of British Fossils, p. 290, 1854.
—	IBEX,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Der Jura, p. 119, tab. xiv, fig. 5, 1858.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls two thirds involute, flattened on the sides, and ornamented with twenty-five to thirty short, wavy folds, which vanish at about two thirds the height of the whorl; siphonal area narrow, with twenty-five thick transverse nodules, the apparent termination of the bi-flexed lateral folds; aperture oblong, truncated anteriorly.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 80 millimètres; width of umbilicus 15 millimètres; height of aperture 40 millimètres; width 17 millimètres.

Description.—This very beautiful Ammonite is seldom well preserved, it is in general found in nodules of the Middle Lias, sometimes with its shell in a semi-fossil condition, and oftener in the form of moulds with a well defined sculpture thereon. The shell is discoidal and compressed; the volutions, five or six in number, are extremely involute, and the last whorl forms the conspicuous part of the disc; its sides are flattened, slightly convex, and ornamented with a number of bi-flexed folds or ribs, which are more pronounced in middle-aged shells like fig. 5, which shows a specimen in my collection magnified; here the ribs consist of two sets, the inner series occupy two thirds of the whorl, they are all flexed obliquely forward, and terminate abruptly in a thickened portion; the second series commence near the outer third, and pass very obliquely toward the margin where they form thick knobs which extend transversely across the siphonal area; between the series are found free indistinct ribbon-like impressions. In older shells, as in the specimen (fig. 4), the ribs on the middle of the volution are not so prominent, and gradually diminish on the body-chamber. The siphonal area is very narrow, and the obtuse knobs, developed at intervals in this region, resulting from the outer series of ribs impart a striking feature to the shell of this species, and liken it to the horn of an *Ibex*. The aperture is oblong and flattened on the sides; and the volutions of the inner whorls, from the narrowness of the umbilicus, can only be seen in young specimens. The lobe-line is peculiar, and has been well described and figured by d'Orbigny. As none of my specimens show this structure I quote his description.

“The siphonal lobe is as wide and much shorter than the principal lateral lobe, and

ornamented with three points, of which the inferior one is bifurcated. The siphonal saddle is as wide as the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in five rounded leaves resembling palettes. The principal lateral lobe is formed of five branches, of which the large terminal one is trilobed. The lateral saddle, as wide as the principal lateral lobe, is composed of six leaves rounded like those in the siphonal saddle. The lower lateral lobe, one third smaller than the principal lateral, is ornamented also with five unequal branches. The other lobes gradually diminish in length and ornamentation as they approach the umbilicus."

Professor d'Orbigny appears to have had more than 100 specimens of this Ammonite before him for comparison, and from his study of these varied forms at different ages has made the following observations.¹ "This species is without contradiction one of the most singular in its varieties of age. Up to a diameter of 7 millimètres it is smooth, with a round inflated margin; its whorls are narrow, and frequently marked with deep furrows, which pass over the siphonal area; these furrows suddenly cease at this period of growth, the whorls become flattened and enlarged, and almost carinated on the siphonal area; they remain thus more or less for some time according to the individuals, and then commence to assume some lateral undulations. The nodosities on the back, and all the external ornaments, only usually show themselves when the shell attains about 20 millimètres in diameter, then the nodosities increase in size with the growth, whilst the radiating ribs of the sides appear, on the contrary, to become attenuated up to the greatest diameter of which we have knowledge. Among the large number of specimens that I have had the opportunity of comparing, I have found one remarkable variety having closer lateral ribs, with the knobs on the back at least three times as numerous as in the other specimens."

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite has few affinities in structure with its congeners, the large nodosities formed in the siphonal area by the rib-like structure that develop these, liken it to *Amaltheus margaritatus*; it is readily distinguished from that species by the greater width of the area, by its being more obtuse, and provided with much larger and fewer tubercles than are found in *Amal. margaritatus*. In early age the shell is without lateral spines, and the lobe-line much less complicated than in *Amal. margaritatus*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected this Ammonite in nodules of ochreous Middle Lias from brick pits at Hewletts Hill, Southam, and Leckhampton, Gloucestershire; and Mr. Beesley records it from the *Jamesoni* Beds at Fenny Compton, Warwickshire. In France it has been collected from the Middle Lias at Coutards, Vallée de Saint-Pierre, près de Saint-Amand, Cher, Fresnay-le-Puceux, Calvados.

In Germany this shell is found in Swabia associated with *Aeg. Maugenesti*, *Aeg. bipunctatum*, *Aeg. centaurus*, and *Aeg. Valdani*.

¹ 'Paléontologie Française Terr. Jurassique,' tom. i, pp. 252 and 253.

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Dimensions.—Large shell, Pl. LIII.—Transverse diameter, 200 millimètres; width of umbilicus, 52 millimètres; height of aperture, 92 millimetres. Small shell, Pl. LVI, fig. 15.—Diameter, 67 millimètres; width of umbilicus, 15 millimètres; height of aperture, 33 millimètres.

Description.—This has been a long well-known shell of the Middle Lias. De Montfort, who established the genus, says “the *Amaltheus* is still more flat than *Planulites* and *Ellipsolitis*. Many of the petrified shells of the genus have still preserved their nacre and lustre, others are ochreous and ferruginous. We find some that are more than five inches in diameter. The back of the *Amaltheus*, instead of being rounded, is carinated and armed with a crest, which renders the mouth triangular lanceolate. The specimen I figure is still nacreous, and came from the environs of Anvers. This genus is very numerous in fossil species; we find them in all the cabinets, but we do not yet know their living analogues, and for this reason we are obliged to place *Amaltheus* among sea shells, which perhaps happily hazard may bring to light some other day.”¹

The shell is very much compressed and carinated; the sides of the whorls are ornamented with slightly elevated transverse ribs, which arise straight from the sides of the spiral suture, they first bend backwards and then incline forward towards the margin, where they vanish; the siphonal area is narrow, and has on its outer border a rope-like prominent keel formed by a number of small short ribs which become imbricated, and incline forward in a ridge-like form (Pl. LIV, figs. 1, 2, 3).

The spire is composed of six whorls (Pl. LIII), which are nearly two thirds involute; the outer whorl very large and embracing, leaves, however, all the inner turns of the spire visible. The whorls are very much compressed, they are thickest around the umbilicus and taper gently away towards the outer border. In well-preserved specimens more than two thirds of the width of the whorl is covered with fine, close-set, punctated lines, which follow the turn of the spire, and apparently proceed from the outer lamina of the shell; they are very well represented in Pl. LIII and Pl. LVI, figs. 10 and 15. The aperture is very narrow and compressed (Pl. LIV, fig. 1), and forms an acute angle with slightly convex sides. The lobe-line is very complicated (Pl. LIII, fig. 1). The siphonal lobe is as wide but shorter than the principal lateral lobe, and ornamented on each side with two large lateral, each subdivided into several secondary, branches. The siphonal saddle is much wider than the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in five long leaves separated by prominent branches. The principal lateral lobe is highly developed, consisting of a central stem and several branches, two smaller internal and one larger lateral branch, with a long terminal branch having several lateral digitations. The lateral is much smaller than the siphonal saddle, and terminates in four folioles much divided around their edges. The inner lateral lobe is much smaller than the principal lateral, and has a central stem with four lateral branches, all the sides of which are much incised. The auxiliary saddle is small with two terminal foliations, and the auxiliary lobes are small with sharp

¹ ‘Conchyliologie Systematique,’ tom. i, p. 91, 1808.

points for digitations. A radial line extended from the umbilicus to the siphonal lobe would pass through the middle of the principal lateral and touch the points of all the others.

The evolution of this Ammonite is extremely interesting. Several years ago I obtained a series of young shells from the *Amal. margaritatus*-bed near Reutlingen, Würtemberg, which show the morphological phases through which the shell passes. When it has attained the diameter of 10 millimètres, the sides of the whorls are round, and the straight ribs develop small tubercles about the middle, each rib then curves forward towards the keel (Pl. LVI, figs. 13 and 14); in the next stage (figs. 11, 12) the ribs are better defined, and the tubercles more prominent; the siphonal area is proportionally much wider and forms a ridge with two angles as is shown in the aperture (fig. 12). Another variety, about the same age, is delineated in figs. 8, 9, the whorls are wider, and the ribs and tubercles more pronounced in figs. 19, 20. When the diameter of 17 millimètres is attained the whorls are still round, the ribs distinct, and develop a tubercle near the middle of their height, the ribs then bend sharply forward towards the aperture; the keel is now prominent with ridge-like, short, supplementary ribs set obliquely forward between the primaries. Fig. 10, with a diameter of 22 millimètres, has the ribs well-marked, the tubercles blunted, and the outer half of the whorl encircled by fine longitudinal lines; the keel well marked and carinated, is notched by the angular ridge-like pieces. Figs. 6, 8, representing a form of 20 millimètres in diameter, has all the parts of the shell already described more fully developed, and the siphonal area exhibits its sharp prominent ridge and angular sides, bounded by a prominent tubercle on each side. A specimen before me, 31 millimètres in diameter, is a perfect example of the form figured by Quenstedt as *Amaltheus coronatus*, which has round whorls, short thick ribs, prominent tubercles, and two branches from each inclined towards the aperture; the keel prominent and nodulated, is altogether a very pronounced variety of the usual type. When the shell has attained 40 millimètres in diameter it then becomes *Amal. depressus*, Quenst. The ribs are biflexed and flat; the keel rope-like and carinated, and the shell ornate with longitudinal punctated lines which encircle the outer whorl; the spines begin now to disappear, though they are seen all round the turns of the inner whorls when we examine the umbilicus. When the tubercles cease to be developed the shell assumes the form of its adult condition. In another specimen, of 70 millimètres diameter, the shell has attained all the characters so well displayed in the large adult shell, beautifully delineated in Pl. LIII.

Affinities and Differences.—The remarkable form which the keel assumes in this species resembles *Amaltheus ibex*, but is distinguished by its narrower area, acute rope-like carina, more triangular whorls, and more complicated lobe-line; some of its varieties assume shapes that resemble *Amal. spinatus*, but the ribs and spines of that species, with the thickness of its whorls, and the breadth of the siphonal area, form distinguishing characters by which the two species may be readily diagnosed from each other.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected fine specimens of this

Ammonite from the Marlstone Rock Bed at Gretton, near Winchcombe, and at Dumbleton and Alderton, Gloucestershire; South Petherton, Somerset; near Charmouth, Dorset; associated with *Lytoceras fimbriatus*, where I have found them in the same block of rock. Professor Judd has collected numerous specimens of large size and great beauty in the Middle Lias Clays of Ouston, Billesdon, Roscart, Rutlandshire. In Yorkshire it is collected at Hawsker, Staithes, Rockcliff, Hummersea, Huntcliff, and Saltburn, from coast sections of the Marlstone Beds.

In France it has been collected from the Upper Beds of the Middle Lias in all the departments in which strata belonging to the *Amal. margaritatus* zone occur.

In Germany, in Alsace, near Uhrweiler, it is found in all its varieties in blue clay, beautifully preserved with its calcareous shell; at Metz, near the banks of the Moselle, imbedded in blue clay in great numbers. It is found in Swabia in many localities, and is widely distributed through the Middle Lias of Würtemberg; it is found at Wasseraltingen, Kirchheim, Metzingen, Sondelfingen, Breitenbach, Hinterweiffer, Hechingen, Frommern, Aselfingen, and at Wutach, according to Oppel, and in numerous localities throughout North Germany according to Brauns.

AMALTHEUS ENGELHARDTI, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. LXX.

AMMONITES ENGELHARDTI, *d'Orbigny*. Paléontol. Française; Terr. Jurass., i, pl. 66, p. 245, 1842.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls compressed; sides flat and longitudinally costated; costæ consist of elevated ridges of shell closely approximated with longitudinal narrow valleys between the ridges; external costæ more closely approximated; siphonal area narrow, sharp, and cutting; aperture oblongo-lanceolate.

Dimensions: English specimen.—Transverse diameter 205 millimètres; width of umbilicus 30 millimètres; height of aperture 110 millimètres.

French type specimen.—Transverse diameter 250 millimètres, in relation to the diameter width of the last whorl $\frac{40}{100}$; amount of involution $\frac{12}{100}$; thickness of the last whorl $\frac{16}{100}$; width of umbilicus $\frac{20}{100}$.

Description.—The shell of this interesting Ammonite is much compressed, subcarinated, and ornamented on the sides with small longitudinal costæ, not much elevated, and more closely approximated on the outer half of the shell. When the shell, which is extremely thin, is preserved the longitudinal costæ are crossed by very fine transverse striæ resulting from the growth of the shell, and giving a highly ornate appearance to the sides of the whorl. The extreme tenuity of the shell renders the opportunity rare for inspecting.

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rounded and slightly crenated by striæ; aperture triangular or slightly ovate. Found in the ironstone bands of the Middle Lias along with *A. Hawskerensis*."

Affinities and Differences.—This species very much resembles *Amal. margaritatus*, of which it may be only a variety of that well-defined form. Those naturalists who insist upon the distinctness of the two species point to the longitudinal ribbing of the shell, the larger amount of the involution of the whorls, and smallness of the umbilicus in *Amal. Engelhardti*, the more complicated convolutions of the suture-line and the minute subdivisions of the lobes and saddles, and likewise the fact that the same characters are persistent throughout its life-history which approximate to, but are distinct from, some of the more lenticular varieties of *Amal. margaritatus*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite has been collected from the upper portion of the Marlstone beds of the Middle Lias at Grettan Hill, near Winchcombe, and at Stinchcombe Hill by Dursley, localities which have yielded all the fine specimens I have obtained in Gloucestershire. It is found in the same bed at Yeovil, South Petherton, and Ilminster, Somersetshire, along with *Amal. spinatus*. In Yorkshire it is collected from the *Amal. spinatus-zone*, in the rich ironstone beds at Eston, Upleatham, Hawsker, &c., so that its true horizon is the uppermost strata of the Middle Lias.

AMALTHEUS SPINATUS, *Bruguière*. Pl. LV, figs. 1 and 2; Pl. LVI, figs. 1—5.

AMMONIS CORNU,	<i>Lachmund.</i> Oryctogr. Hildesheim, p. 49, 1669.
— —	<i>Lister.</i> Hist. Animal. Angliæ, p. 207, tab. vi, fig. 3, 1678.
— —	— Synops. Conchyl., Edit. alt., tab. 1041, fig. 21, 1770.
— —	<i>Baier.</i> Oryctographia norica, p. 64, tab. 3, figs. 4, 5, 1708.
— —	<i>Leibnitz.</i> Protogæa, p. 41, tab. 5, 1749.
— —	<i>Knorr and Walch.</i> Petrif., tom. ii, t. A II, fig. 1, 1755.
AMMONITES SPINATA,	<i>Bruguière.</i> Encycl. Méthod., t. i, p. 40, No. 14, 1792.
— —	<i>Bosc.</i> Buffon de Déterville, t. v, p. 176, 1801.
— —	<i>Roissy.</i> Hist. des Mollusques, t. v, p. 25, 1805.
NAUTILUS COSTATUS,	<i>Reinecke.</i> Naut. et Argon., p. 87, tab. ix, figs. 68, 69, 1818.
AMMONITES ANGULATUS,	<i>Schlotheim.</i> Die Petrefaktenkunde, p. 70, No. 16, 1820.
— COSTATUS,	— Ibid., p. 68, No. 12, 1820.
— SPINATUS,	<i>Haan.</i> Mon. Amm. et Goniates, p. 102, No. 1, 1825.
— HAWSKERENSIS,	<i>Young and Bird.</i> Geol. Survey, p. 258, pl. xiv, fig. 6, 1828.
— —	<i>Phillips.</i> Geol. of Yorkshire, pl. xiii, fig. 8, 1829.
— COSTATUS,	<i>Zieten.</i> Versteiner. Würtemb., p. 5, pl. iv, fig. 7, 1830.
— —	<i>Roemer.</i> Norddeut. Oolithengebirg., p. 188, No. 16, 1836.
	<i>Bronn.</i> Leth. geognostica, Bd. i, p. 436, t. xxii, fig. 12, 1837

AMMONITES	HAWSKERENSIS,	<i>Simpson.</i>	Foss. York. Lias, p. 90, 1855.
—	SPINATUS,	<i>d'Orbigny.</i>	Pal. Française, Ter. Jurass., t. 52, p. 209, 1842.
—	COSTATUS,	<i>Quenstedt.</i>	Die Cephalopoden, pl. v, figs. 10 <i>a, b</i> , 1849.
—	SPINATUS,	<i>Giebel.</i>	Fauna der Vorwelt, Bd. iii, p. 537, 1852.
—	—	<i>Chapuis et Dewalque.</i>	Fossiles terr. secondaires, Mém. cour. l'Acad. Roy., tom. xxv, p. 49, pl. vi, fig. 4, 1854.
—	—	<i>Morris.</i>	Catal. British Fossils, p. 295, 1854.
—	—	<i>Dumortier.</i>	Dépôts Jurassiques, partie iii, p. 213, 1869.
—	—	<i>Brauns.</i>	Untere Jura, p. 240, 1871.
AMALTHEUS	—	<i>Neumayr.</i>	Zeitschr. Deutsch. geol. Gesellsch., Bd. xxvii, p. 886, 1875.
—	—	<i>Tate and Blake.</i>	Yorkshire Lias, p. 295, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, slightly involute; umbilicus widely open; ribs prominent, sharp, bituberculated, separated by wide valleys, straight on the sides, and bent suddenly towards the aperture at an acute angle; siphonal area wide and concave; keel prominent, crenated, with small chevroned ribs, convex anteriorly; aperture quadrangular, outer border with two sinuses separated by the median carina, inner border slightly grooved by the turn of the spire.

Dimensions—large shell.—Pl. LV. Transverse diameter 180 millimètres; width of umbilicus 75 millimètres; height of aperture 60 millimètres, width 70 millimètres.

Smaller shell.—Pl. LVI, fig. 5. Diameter 100 millimètres; width of umbilicus 43 millimètres; height of aperture 34 millimètres, width 30 millimètres.

Smallest shell.—Pl. LVI, fig. 1. With test preserved showing the sharpness of the spines, ribs, and carina. Diameter 53 millimètres; width of umbilicus 22 millimètres; height of aperture 17 millimètres, width 18 millimètres.

The measurements of the French specimen, given by Professor A. d'Orbigny, were made on a shell, 135 millimètres in diameter, and the proportions in relation to the diameter were—width or height of the last whorl $\frac{31}{100}$, involution of the whorls $\frac{7}{100}$, thickness of the last whorl $\frac{31}{100}$, width of umbilicus $\frac{40}{100}$.

Description.—This is one of the most characteristic Ammonite-forms from the upper beds of the Middle Lias, always presenting its typical features and appearing as a leading fossil in the horizon to which it is limited. The shell is discoidal, compressed, with a wide siphonal area, having an elevated keel in the middle with concave depressions on each side; the keel is formed of short chevroned ribs, which produce a carinated structure with small arches, the convexities of which are directed forwards; the ribs, twenty-two to twenty-four in number, are sharp and straight on the sides, and bent forward towards the aperture at the angle; they each carry two tubercles, one blunt near the umbilical space, and another sharp, prominent, and thorn-like, near the siphonal angle; these spines are very distinct when the shell is preserved, as in Pl. LVI, fig. 1, but are not so demonstrable on the mould; the angle formed by the bending of the rib develops another considerable prominence of

shell, which has been mistaken for a third tubercle; the sides have wide concave valleys which separate the ribs from each other and clearly define their structure and character.

The whorls are slightly involute, and the umbilicus is therefore widely open, exposing the straight sides of all the ribs with their bituberculated eminences on each, and hence the umbilicus of this Ammonite has a highly ornate interior, which, together with the breadth of the siphonal area, and its bold, oblique ribbings and carinated keel, cause this species to be one of the handsomest shells in the Lias formation, as may be seen in this figure on Pl. LV. The aperture is nearly quadrangular, it presents two sinuses on its external border, which are separated by the median carina, and the inner border is slightly indented by the return of the spire (Pl. LV, figs. 1 and 2, and Pl. LVI, figs 3 and 5).

The sutural-line is rather complicated, and forms three lobes and as many saddles. The siphonal lobe is as long but not so wide as the principal lateral (Pl. LVI, fig. 4), it is ornamented on each side with four lateral branches and a terminal tuft of digitations. The siphonal saddle, wider than the principal lateral, is rounded above and divided into three accessory lobules, their size augmenting in length and width from without inwards. The principal lateral lobe is wide below, and ornamented with five branches, two lateral and one large terminal, each having several simple digitations. The lateral saddle is much smaller than the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in one round terminal and two lateral, unequal folioles on each side; of the two accessory lobes the external is the longest, and consists of a stem with several simple digitations, the internal is short and terminates in a point. The auxiliary saddles are very small, and terminate in two folioles.

The morphology of this species, when traced by a series of specimens, is very interesting. Up to a size of 2—3 millimètres the shell is entirely smooth with a round siphonal area, and its sides are covered with short, straight ribs; the siphonal area remains round until it attains 7 millimètres in diameter. The median line now becomes slightly prominent, and when a diameter of 12 millimètres is attained a keel makes its appearance. When the shell has grown to 34 millimètres in diameter, it has acquired all its ornamentation, and at 54 millimètres the row of external tubercles is very large and prominent. At about 180 millimètres (Pl. LV) it has attained its full measure of development; as old age draws on the ribs are not so numerous, and the tubercles are less prominent. There are some differences in the form of the shells which may probably depend upon sexual characters, such as a greater or lesser flattening of the shell in certain individuals, but as this is a problematical subject, I merely touch upon it here, as we have no facts on which to found any decided opinion.

Affinities and Differences.—In early life this species very much resembles *Amaltheus margaritatus*, but as growth proceeds its specific characters gradually evolve themselves, and finally new lines of development separate each form into its own special type, the narrow siphonal area of *Amal. margaritatus* with its deeply carinated keel, the longitudinal lines of punctations and lateral undulatory folds on the sides, produce a form widely different from the typical *Amaltheus spinatus* figured in Pl. LV.

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Family.—LYTOCERATIDÆ, *Neumayr*, 1875.

This family includes several genera which differ very much in external form, but closely resemble each other in internal structure. The shells are elongated cones rolled into cornute whorls, more or less involute, in the spire. They have a short body-chamber about two thirds the length of last turn; the mouth-aperture is circular and slightly produced on the columellar side. So far they have characters in common, but in the form of the shell, and in the morphological changes at different periods of life, the divergence from a common type is extreme. This becomes evident when we compare *Lytoceras* and *Phylloceras* with each other and these again with *Hamites*, *Turrilites*, and *Baculites*, all of which are grouped together in the natural family Lytoceratidæ.

Genus IV.—LYTOCERAS, *Suess*, 1865.

Shell discoidal, more or less flattened; umbilicus wide and open, exposing all the inner turns of the spire; the whorls round and loosely embracing each other. Body-chamber two thirds the length of the last whorl; mouth-border simple in the lateral and ventral sides, with a lappet-like production resting on the preceding whorl at the columellar side.

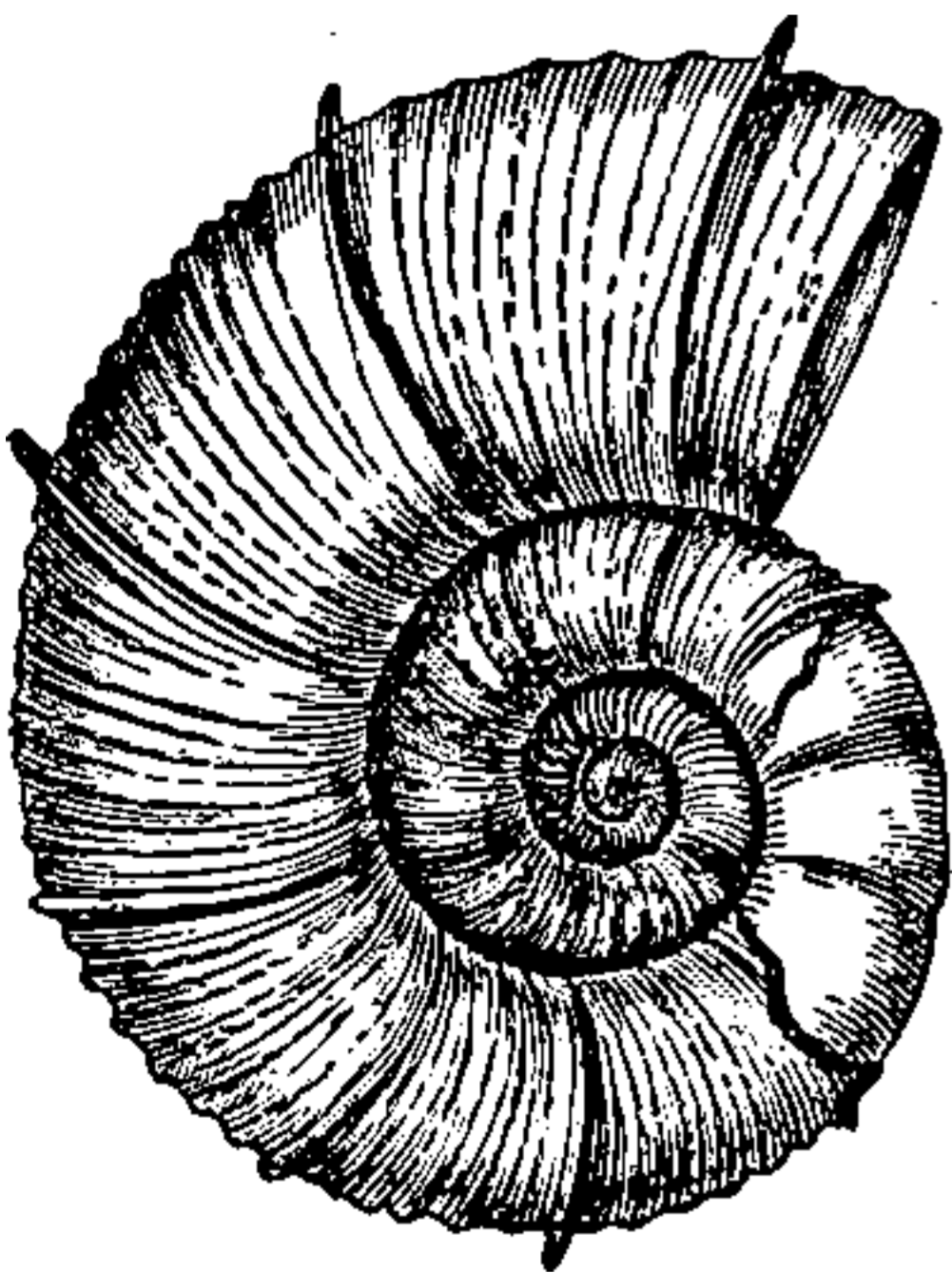


FIG 193.—*Lytoceras fimbriatum*, Sow.

The shell is highly ornate by the presence of transverse parallel lines of growth which encircle the whorl, crossed at right angles by longitudinal ridges, these together form a remarkable reticulate structure in *Lytoceras cornucopia*, Young (Pl. LXXIII). The shell of several species is ornamented with wing-like elevations forming prominent fringed ribs as in *Lyt. fimbriatum*, (Pls. LXXI and LXXII), or deep intermittent depressions formed from previous contractions of the aperture as in *Lyt. hircinum*, (Pl. LXXV, fig. 4), or rounded ribs as *Lyt. torulosum* (Pl. LXXVI, fig. 4).

The suture-line is very complicated and very well shown in *Lyt. cornucopia* (Pl. LXXIII, fig. 3). The lobes are few in number but much branched; the lateral lobes and saddles are much divided into small, uniform, symmetrical digitations; there are only two lateral, one very large principal, and a small lateral, with a large columellar lobe covered by the preceding whorl, see (Pl. LXXIII, fig. 3). The siphonal lobe is small and narrow, and almost concealed by the wide-spreading branches of the principal lateral.

The genus *Lytoceras* is found first in the Trias, where it is represented by *Lyt. Morloti*, Hauer; *Lyt. sphærophyllum*, Hauer; *Lyt. patens*, Mojs.; and *Lyt. engyrum*, Mojs.

In the Lias it appears in the Marlstone (Middle Lias) as *Lyt. fimbriatum*, and *Lyt. lineatum*, in the Upper Lias in the zone of *Harpoceras bifrons* as *Lyt. cornucopia*, and in the zone of *Lyt. Jurense* as *Lyt. Jurense*, *Lyt. hircinum*, and *Lyt. torulosum*.

LYTOCERAS FIMBRIATUM, *Sowerby*. Pls. LXXI, fig. 1; LXXII, figs. 1—4.

- AMMONITES FIMBRIATUS, *Sowerby*. Min. Conchology, vol. ii, p. 145, pl. 164, 1817.
 — — *Hann.* Amm. et Goniât., p. 135, No. 79, 1825.
 — — *Keferstein.* Naturgesch., ii, 401, 1834.
 — — *von Buch.* Pétrif. remarq., tab. viii, fig. 2, 1831.
 — — *Roemer.* Norddeutschen Oolithgeb., p. 194, 1836.
 — — *Zieten.* Versteinr. Würtemb., p. 16, tab. xii, fig. 1, 1830.
 — — *d'Orbigny.* Pal. Fr., Terr. Jurass., t. i, p. 313, pl. 98, 1842.
 — LINEATUS var. FIMBRIATUS, *Quenstedt.* Flözgebirge Würtemb., p. 171, 1843.
 — — — Cephalopoden, p. 103, 1849.
 — LINEATUS, *Oppel.* Mittlere Lias Schwabens, p. 50, 1853.
 — FIMBRIATUS, *Morris.* Catal. British Fossils, p. 292, 1854.
 — — *Simpson.* Yorkshire Lias, p. 40, 1855.
 — — *von Hauer.* Cephalopod, N. E., Alp., p. 62, pl. xxii, figs. 1—4, 1856.
 — LINEATUS, *Quenstedt.* Der Jura, p. 134, tab. xvi, fig. 13, 1858.
 — FIMBRIATUS, *Dumortier.* Dépôts Jurassiques, partie iii, p. 92, 1869.
 — — *Brauns.* Untere Jura, p. 234, 1871.
 LYTOCERAS FIMBRIATUM, *Neumayr.* Zeitschr. Deutsch. geol. Gesellsch., Bd. xxvii, p. 893, 1875.
 — — *Tate and Blake.* Yorkshire Lias, p. 297, 1876.

Description.—This Ammonite was first figured and described by Mr. James Sowerby from a specimen collected at Lyme Regis by the late Dr. Buckland. The fragment that formed the subject of the Plate was very imperfect and has long been much misunderstood. Sowerby¹ says “that the mouth in a full-grown shell is furnished with an undulated reflected lip or ruffle, and the more or less perfect formation of this at various periods produces either undulating lines of growth, some of which are obtuse and others acute, or thin, annular fimbriæ surrounding the volutions at certain intervals. The obtuse lines of growth are indented at their backs, but straight towards the mouth and indicate that the undulation of the lip is strongest at the back of it. The whorls do not appear to have been very numerous; the shell is thin, and the margins of the septa have rounded lobes.”

The very beautiful specimens figured in Pls. LXXI and LXXII obtained from the Marlstone beds at Lyme Regis, exhibit in a satisfactory manner the anatomy of the shell of this splendid Ammonite. The shell is discoidal and formed of a round, elongated cone, a little compressed on the sides and rolled up into a disk, the volutions of which

¹ ‘Mineral Conchology,’ vol. ii, p. 145, tab. clxiv.

are only slightly involute. The shell is thin and ornamented transversely with from eighty to one hundred elevated striæ, the free margins of which in perfect specimens are fimbriated as shown in Pl. LXXI, and between these striæ, as they cross the siphonal area, a number of smaller intermediate striæ are introduced. Besides these regular fimbriated annular striæ the outer whorl exhibits from eight to twelve prominent plates, which stand boldly outwards and embrace the entire circumference of the volutions. These remarkable processes are finely preserved and carefully cleaned out in the splendid specimens figured in Pls. LXXI and LXXII.

The siphonal area is well rounded (Pl. LXXII; fig. 3), and partitioned off by the wing-like foliations; the body-aperture (Pl. LXXII, fig. 2) is oblong, only slightly grooved by the last turn of the spire; the sides are a little compressed, and the lip is thickened by an oral band shown to be a product of the mantle, which periodically put on increased formative activity and developed annular bands of shell-growth eight or ten times during the evolution of the last whorl.

The sutural line is very complicated, and the siphonal lobe (Pl. LXXII, fig. 4) is much smaller than the principal lateral. Each stem has four lateral branches, of which the two posterior are the longest and most digitate. The siphonal saddle is small and divided into two portions by the multidigitate character of the lobes.

The principal lateral lobe is very large and springs from a thick stem which divides into two large branches, each of which subdivides into a number of digitations producing an arborescent character in this well-developed lobe, as shown in Pl. LXXII, fig. 4.

The principal lateral saddle is much smaller than the lobe and formed of two unequal parts by a central secondary lobe, the external portion is the largest and most ramified.

The internal lateral lobe is about half the size of the principal, and like it has a central stem bifurcating into two branches which subdivide into several smaller branchlets.

The accessory lobe is formed of small oblique digitations, and the corresponding saddle is proportionately wider than the others, where it rests upon the involution of the spire.

The evolution of this species is only imperfectly known. D'Orbigny stated that when a young shell had attained a diameter of 12 millimètres and retained its test, he had noticed transverse striæ and indications of laminæ. In older shells these characters became more developed; in one shell, 30 millimètres in diameter, the specific characters were well shown, and the lateral striæ were very small; the vertical laminæ on the sides were inclined obliquely forward, and were vertical across the area.

The mould when entirely denuded of its shell is smooth; at those parts where laminæ have existed, depressions instead of prominences, may be observed; these mark the former successive terminal apertures of the body-chamber.

Affinities and Differences.—This species has been often confused with *Lytoceras cornucopia*. In *Lyt. fimbriatum* the whorls are narrower and compressed on the sides,

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that both represent a similar object. This affords an illustration of the confusion and misunderstanding arising from authors publishing imperfect specimens as types of species, and imparts a lesson to all palæontologists to exercise the greatest care in the selection of well-preserved examples for figures of new species. If this be not done endless trouble is entailed on those who in after years have to consult plates in original works; in fact it may be truthfully said that many of the figures of our predecessors are utterly useless and misleading when critically compared with better examples of the objects themselves that have been subsequently discovered.

This specimen from my collection has much of the thin shell well preserved; and the delicate fimbriæ on the free side of the numerous annular ribs are all directed obliquely forward, indicating the ornate character of this beautiful Cephalopod when it floated in the Jurassic sea. The whorls are extremely evolute, hence the fragmentary condition in which it is so often found. The penultimate whorl when perfect exhibits four wing-like projections at about equal recurrent intervals in the length of the whorl, the last whorl, which appears to have been the body-chamber of the Cephalopod, has only one of these processes, although they appear to have been developed in the inner whorls.

Affinities and Differences.—I consider this form to be only a fine-ribbed variety of *Lytoceras fimbriatum*, and I assume that the shells figured in Pl. LXXI and Pl. LXXII are the most perfect types of the species.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I collected this specimen at Lyme Regis from a dark, shaly stratum of the Middle Lias, which readily wasted away when washed in water, but which has since dried up hard and has well preserved my formerly fragile specimen.

LYTOCERAS CORNUCOPIA, *Young and Bird*. Pl. LXXIII, figs. 1—3.

- AMMONITES CORNUCOPIA, *Young and Bird*. Geol. Surv. York., p. 252, pl. xii, fig. 6, 1822.
 — NITIDUS, — Ibid., p. 256, pl. xii, fig. 8, 1828.
 — BALTEATUS, *Phillips*. Geol. York., pl. xii, fig. 17, 1829.
 — FIMBRIATUS, *Simpson*. Monogr. Amm., p. 16, 1843.
 — — *Zieten*. Versteiner. Würtemb., p. 16, pl. xii, fig. 4, 1830.
 — — *Bronn*. Leth. geognostica, Bd. I, p. 441, Tf. xxiii, fig. 2, 1837.
 — CORNUCOPIA, *d'Orbigny*. Paléontol. Française, Ter. Jurass., tom. i, p. 316, pl. 99, 1842.
 — CORNUCOPIÆ, *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurassiques du Rhône, partie iv, p. iii, pl. xxix, 1874.

- AMMONITES FIMBRIATUS, *Quenstedt*. Flözgebirge, p. 260, 1843.
 — CORNUCOPIÆ, *Giebel*. Fauna der Vorwelt, Bd. iii, p. 396, 1852.
 — — *Chapuis et Dewalque*. Terr. Second., Mém. Cour. Acad. Roy.,
 t. xxv, p. 60, pl. viii, fig. 2, 1854.
 — CORNUCOPIA, *Simpson*. Fossils of York. Lias, p. 40, 1855.
 — FASCIATUS, — Ibid., p. 41, 1855.
 — FIMBRIATUS, *Brauns*. Der untere Jura, p. 235, 1871.
 LYTOCERAS CORNUCOPIÆ, *Neumayr*. Zeitschrift Deutsch. geol. Gesell., Bd. xxvii,
 p. 893, 1875.
 — CORNUCOPIA, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 298, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal; whorls round and slightly depressed, encircled with from eighteen to twenty prominent, annular, undulating fimbriæ, with erect lamellæ; surface of the shell covered with transverse and longitudinal striæ, which cross each other and produce a successive series of small quadrate cellular depressions in the shell texture; whorls nearly evolute; siphonal area convex; aperture flattened at the sides.

Dimensions.—The figure is half the natural size. Transverse diameter 320 millimètres; width of umbilicus 126 millimètres; height of aperture 120 millimètres; transverse diameter of aperture 110 millimètres.

Description.—This is a very handsome Ammonite, which sometimes attains considerable dimensions. The finest specimen I have seen is in the Geneva Museum, for which it was purchased from a celebrated French collection of Upper-Lias fossils from Verpillière, Isère. By the kind permission and aid of my friend, Monsieur P. de Loriol, I had a very accurate delineation of this specimen, of the natural size, drawn by Monsieur Lunel, of Geneva, and have reduced his figure one half natural size to come into the plate. Having failed to discover in any of our museums an English specimen good enough for delineation in this work, I have had the French specimen drawn as a magnificent example of the typical characters which this species exhibits and especially in the ornamentation of its beautiful sculptured surface.

The shell is discoidal and slightly compressed on the sides. The whorls are round and nearly evolute, so that the whole of the inner whorls are fully exposed. The outer whorl is encircled by eighteen annular undulating fimbriæ, with erect, pointed lamellæ directed backward, the whole of the rest of the surface being covered with transverse and longitudinal striæ, which cross each other at right angles and evolve a consecutive series of small quadrate or polygonal cellular depressions, with raised walls, in the texture of the shell. The whorls are almost evolute, and the whole of the six volutions are exposed in the fine specimen herein figured. The siphonal area is round, and on it the elegant sculpturing of the shell is well displayed. The aperture is nearly round and only slightly flattened on the sides. In the opening lies embedded in the matrix a specimen of *Harpoceras bifrons*, one of the leading shells of the Upper Lias, and indicating the zone to which *Lyt. cornucopia* belongs.

The sutural line is extremely tortuous and followed with much difficulty; it forms three lobes and three saddles and some accessory parts. The siphonal saddle is smaller than the principal lateral lobe, and divides into two branches, each of which terminates in trifold folioles. The siphonal lobe is much smaller than the principal lateral, and formed of two nearly equal parts, deeply divided in the middle. The principal lateral lobe forms two large, highly-ramified branches (Pl. LXXIII, fig. 3), which arise from a multibranching stem. The outer lateral saddle is much smaller than the superior lateral lobe, its central stem divides into two trifold folioles, with a central stem dividing them (fig. 3). The inner lateral lobe is not half the size of the principal lateral, and its stem, with lateral twigs, divides into two nearly equal-sized trifold terminal branches. The auxiliary saddle terminates in three folioles, and the auxiliary lobe is very short and divides into two long branches.

The late Professor A. d'Orbigny had an opportunity of studying some young forms of the shell, and his observation amounts to this that *Lyt. cornucopia* is very variable in form according to the different states of conservation in which it is found, and the precise age when it is examined; a shell of the diameter of 25 to 30 millimètres is ornamented with striæ united into fasciculi, and each is separated from the other by a furrow. Like *Lyt. fimbriatum* it has, according to the age of the individual, prominent undulating fimbriated ribs. When the external layer of the shell exists there are small ribs with very prominent festoons; when this layer is wanting the inner layer still retains feeble impressions, the mould, however, only shows a surface altogether smooth.

Affinities and Differences.—This species is closely related to *Lyt. fimbriatum*, it has the rounded whorls, prominent ribs, and fimbriated margin of that species, but the whorls are larger and more evolute, and the lobes and saddles are somewhat different.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite is collected from the Upper Lias with *Harpoceras serpentinum* at Whitby and Runswick, and with *Stephanoceras annulatum*, according to Prof. Blake, at Millington, Yorkshire. I have not met with it in the Midland Counties, nor in any collection of Upper-Lias fossils derived from this region, so conclude it is a rare form in the Midland district.

Foreign Distribution.—Professor d'Orbigny enumerates Ligny, near Lyon; Muhlhausen, Gundershofen, Bas-Rhin; Mende, Lozère; Fressac, Gard; Belvédère près de St. Amand, Cher; Clapier, Aveyron; Charolles, Saône-et-Loire.

Monsieur Dumortier¹ says *A. cornucopia* "is one of the most persistent and most important fossils of the zone; it is accompanied throughout by *A. bifrons*, and is recognised of all sizes. The mines of Verpillière have yielded a great number of very beautiful specimens (Pl. LXXIII an example), some of these were 400 millimetres in diameter. The test is well preserved, and does not appear to have suffered the least alteration in its form."

¹ 'Études Paléont. sur les Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' tom. iv, p. 113, 1874.

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it has four lateral branches on each side, which augment in size from without inwards; the terminal branch is the largest and bifurcated. The siphonal saddle is as large as the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in eight folioles, four on each side, which are nearly the copies of each other. The principal lateral lobe is almost symmetrical in structure, there are two short branches on each side of the stem near the base, and two large terminal branches, which bifurcate and trifurcate in their terminations, and are deeply divided by a small accessory saddle. The lateral saddle nearly resembles the siphonal in magnitude, structure, and symmetry. The inner lateral lobe is about half the size of the principal; the stem has two short lateral processes on each side, and the summit divides irregularly into three branches. The inner lateral saddle is much smaller than the outer lateral saddle, and terminates in three folioles. The auxiliary lobes, three in number, are small and unimportant.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite appears to vary very little at different periods of growth, preserving nearly always the same form. Some specimens, however, are more convex and compressed than others; a few have the thickest portion of the shell near the umbilicus, from whence the shell is bevelled away towards the siphonal area, and the body-chamber then assumes a somewhat triangular form. I have large specimens of this from the Lias of Wasserafingen, which strongly resemble the large forms obtained from Frocester Hill; in other varieties, as in the type fossil, a very fine mould, figured by Zieten, Verstein. Würtemb., tab. lxxviii, the whorls are more curved and inflated than is the case in the beautiful specimen I have figured in Pl. LXXIV, figs. 3—5, in which the bevelling away of the shell between the side wall and the umbilical suture is very well shown, as well as the suture-line on its sides.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected this Ammonite from the hard argillaceous shales at the base of the yellow sand above the Alum Shale at Blea Wyke, near Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire, associated with *Harpoceras variable*, *H. insignè*, and *H. striatulum*, and other fossils of the *Jurensis*-zone. In Gloucestershire I know it only from the Ammonite bed of the Liassic sands at Frocester Hill.

Foreign Distribution.—Prof. Quenstedt has shown the importance of this zone of the Upper Lias in Würtemberg and Swabia; Prof. Leonhard in Baden; Profs. Strombeck, Ewald, and Credner in North Germany in many localities. Prof. R. Lepsius has described the *Jurensis*-Mergel in Lower Elsass; M. Terquem near Metz, Moselle; M. H. Harté near Bayeux. In addition Thouars, Deux-Sèvres; Verpillière and St. Quentin, Isère; Charolles, Saône-et-Loire; Mont d'Or, near Lyons, Saint-Romain, St. Fortunat, Poleymieux, Rhône; Semur, Côte d'Or; Saint-Julien, Charlieu; and Uhrweiler-Selzbrunnen, Bas-Rhin, may be cited as localities where this shell has been collected, and where the zone of *Lytoceras Jurensis* is developed. I have given the geographical distribution of this zone of life in Europe somewhat in detail as it has been much misunderstood by English geologists, and has not received the consideration to which it is entitled from students of Jurassic geology.

LYTOCERAS HIRCINUM, *Schlotheim*. Pl. LXXV, figs. 4—7; Pl. LXXVI, fig. 6.

AMMONITES		<i>Knorr</i> . Sammlung von Merkwürdigkeiten, pt. ii, pl. i, figs. 1, 2; pl. A, fig. 12, 1750.
AMMONITES HIRCINUS,		<i>Schlotheim</i> . Petrefaktenkunde, No. 19, p. 72, 1820.
—	—	<i>De Haan</i> . Ammonit. et Goniolit., p. 130, 1825.
—	INTERRUPTUS,	<i>Zieten</i> . Verstein. Würtemb., tab. xv, fig. 3, 1830.
—	OBLIQUÈ INTERRUPTUS,	<i>Schübler</i> in <i>Zieten</i> . Ibid., tab. xv, fig. 4, 1830.
—	GERMANII,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Pal. Franç., Ter. Jurass., p. 320, pl. 101, 1842.
—	HIRCINUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Flözgebirge Würtemb., p. 273, 1843.
—	—	— Cephalopoden, p. 103, tab. vi, figs. 10 a, b, c, 1849.
—	—	<i>Giebel</i> . Fauna der Vorwelt, Bd. iii, p. 402, 1852.
—	—	<i>Oppel</i> . Jura Formation, p. 254, 1856.
—	LECKENBYI,	<i>Lycett</i> . Cotteswold Hills Handbook, p. 123, pl. ii, fig. 7, 1857.
—	HIRCINUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Der Jura, p. 280, tab. 40, figs. 3—8, 1858.
		<i>Brauns</i> . Der Mittlere Jura, p. 103, 1869.
		<i>Dumortier</i> . Dépôts Jurassiques, tom. iv, p. 117, 1874.
LYTOCERAS HIRCINUM,		<i>Neumayr</i> . Zeitschr. Deutsch. geol. Gesellsch., Bd. xxvii, p. 893, 1875.
—	GERMANII,	<i>Tate and Blake</i> . Yorkshire Lias, p. 298, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, not carinated; whorls one-third involute, flattened on the sides, narrowing and rounded at the siphonal area; shell with small, annular, oblique ribs, interruptedly sulcated with twelve to fourteen marked constrictions, which are deepest on the siphonal area; umbilicus widely open; aperture oval.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 60 millimètres; width of umbilicus 18 millimètres; height of aperture 25 millimètres.

Description.—This Ammonite is nearly always found in England as a mould (Pl. LXXV, figs. 4—7) and seldom has any shell preserved. The mould is discoidal, compressed, the sides convex and flattened, the siphonal area narrow and extremely convex, but not carinated. When the shell, which is extremely thin, is preserved (Pl. LXXVI, fig. 6) it is ornamented with numerous delicate oblique striations or fine costæ; and on the last whorl there are about twelve to fourteen oblique sulcations, which were occupied by prominent ribs that extended beyond the intermediate costæ. The sulci are deeper and more marked on the siphonal area; and, as they approach the aperture, the constrictions are very deep in the two outer whorls; but are absent in the inner ones, and they likewise disappear in the old shells. The spire is formed of six very narrow cylindrical

whorls, which are about one-third involute. The aperture is oval or oblong, convex at the sides, tapering towards the area, and slightly grooved by the return of the spire. The sutural line is simple, and forms very symmetrical lobes and saddles. The siphonal lobe, almost as long and wide as the principal lateral, is furnished on each side with three points, and one branch with four. The siphonal saddle terminates in two unequal folioles, of which the external consists of three festoons and the internal of two. The principal lateral lobe divides into two terminal branches, of which the external is the larger. The lateral saddle terminates in one large external and two smaller internal festoons; the three other small auxiliary lobes decrease in size from without inwards.

Affinities and Differences.—The number of the large ribs which occupy the sulcations varies from twelve to fourteen, they resemble the annular fimbriæ seen on *Lyt. fimbriatum*. The intermediate oblique annular ribs in French specimens, according to d'Orbigny's figure, are in general extremely small, whilst in German forms, according to Zieten, they are larger (Pl. LXXVI fig. 6). When the shell was complete this Ammonite must have had a very elegant form. When the shell is absent, as is almost always the case in English specimens, the mould is smooth, with deep, wide, smooth constrictions on the outer and first inner whorls.

When the shell attains the diameter of seventy millimètres, according to d'Orbigny, it loses its ribs and sulci entirely, and becomes altogether smooth; the whorls then are very large and always much inflated, and very unlike the inner whorls of the shell.

This Ammonite, by its periodical interrupted constrictions in middle life, manifests affinities with *Lyt. fimbriatum* and *Lyt. cornucopia*; it differs from both, however, in having deep permanent sulcations on the mould, which are absent in these species; the suture-line likewise is much less complicated, and the whorls are compressed and never cylindrical. A perfect specimen of this fossil would display one of the most beautiful Ammonite structures with which I am acquainted, but the extreme thinness of its delicate shell, with the small amount of involubility in the whorls, renders it one of the Ammonite gems of the Lias formation. It resembles *Lyt. torulosum* (Pl. LXXVI, fig. 5) in general form, but differs from that species by its recurrent constrictions.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected several fragments from the *Jurensis*-bed at Frocester Hill; and Prof. Blake reports a single fragment from Blea Wyke, Yorkshire Coast, associated with *Harpoceras striatulum*. The specimen figured Pl. LXXVI, fig. 6, is from Germany.

Foreign Distribution.—Schlotheim collected his numerous examples from the *Jurensis*-Schicht at Aschach, north-east of Amberg, in the Oberpfalz; Zieten's examples came from Gross-Eislingen and Wasseralfingen; it has been collected likewise from the same zone at Altdorf, Heiningen, Uhrweiler, and Muhlhausen. D'Orbigny states that this Ammonite was collected from the uppermost beds of the Upper Lias of the Charolles, Saône-et-Loire; in the environs of Salins, Jura; at Villenotte, near Semur, Côte-d'Or; and at Verpillière, Isère.

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fimbriatum, but it is distinguished from that and other congeneric forms by its large convex ribs and deep valleys, and by the well-defined striations which adorn the convex surface of the ribs, whilst it wants the longitudinal striæ that are seen on the shells of *Lyt. fimbriatum* and *Lyt. cornucopia*; it is evidently a well-marked species of the group to which it belongs.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have only seen fragments of a mould referred to this species in connection with the *Harp. opalinum*-bed at Frocester Hill, Chideock Hill, and Burton-Bradstock, near Bridport, Dorsetshire, associated with *Harpoceras opalinum*, *Turbo capitaneus*, *Gervillia lata*, *Rhynchonella cynocephala*. This bed forms a thin stratum, rich in many well-preserved specimens of these mollusks.

Foreign Distribution.—The *Torulorum*-zone is very well exposed in many parts of Germany; the type specimen of *Lyt. torulosum* was found at Stufenberg. Professor Quenstedt collected it at Gomaringen, Aselfingen, and Wutzch. In the vicinity of Kloster Banz a considerable number of the leading fossils of this zone have been collected, and many of them were figured in Goldfuss. It has been carefully described by Professor Lepsius in his 'Unter Elsass.' This zone is found in many of the Departments of France, as Jura and Doubs; Milhau, Aveyron; Lozère; at St. Quentin and Verpillière, Isère; and in the Sarthe and Calvados.

Family.—LYTOCERATIDÆ—*continued.*

Genus V—PHYLLOCERAS, *Suess.*, 1865.

Shell discoidal, highly involute, with delicate sculpture sometimes supporting contractions or elevations, or having the shell covered with fine striæ, which describe graceful curves inclined towards the aperture. Body-chamber short; aperture simple, with lateral or aural processes, directed forwards; suture-line highly tortuous, forming eight or nine lobes on each side of the mesial line; saddles bladder-shaped, with well-rounded terminations; body-chamber widely expanded and fan-shaped, with undulating radii, as seen in *Phylloceras heterophyllum*, Sow. (fig. 194).

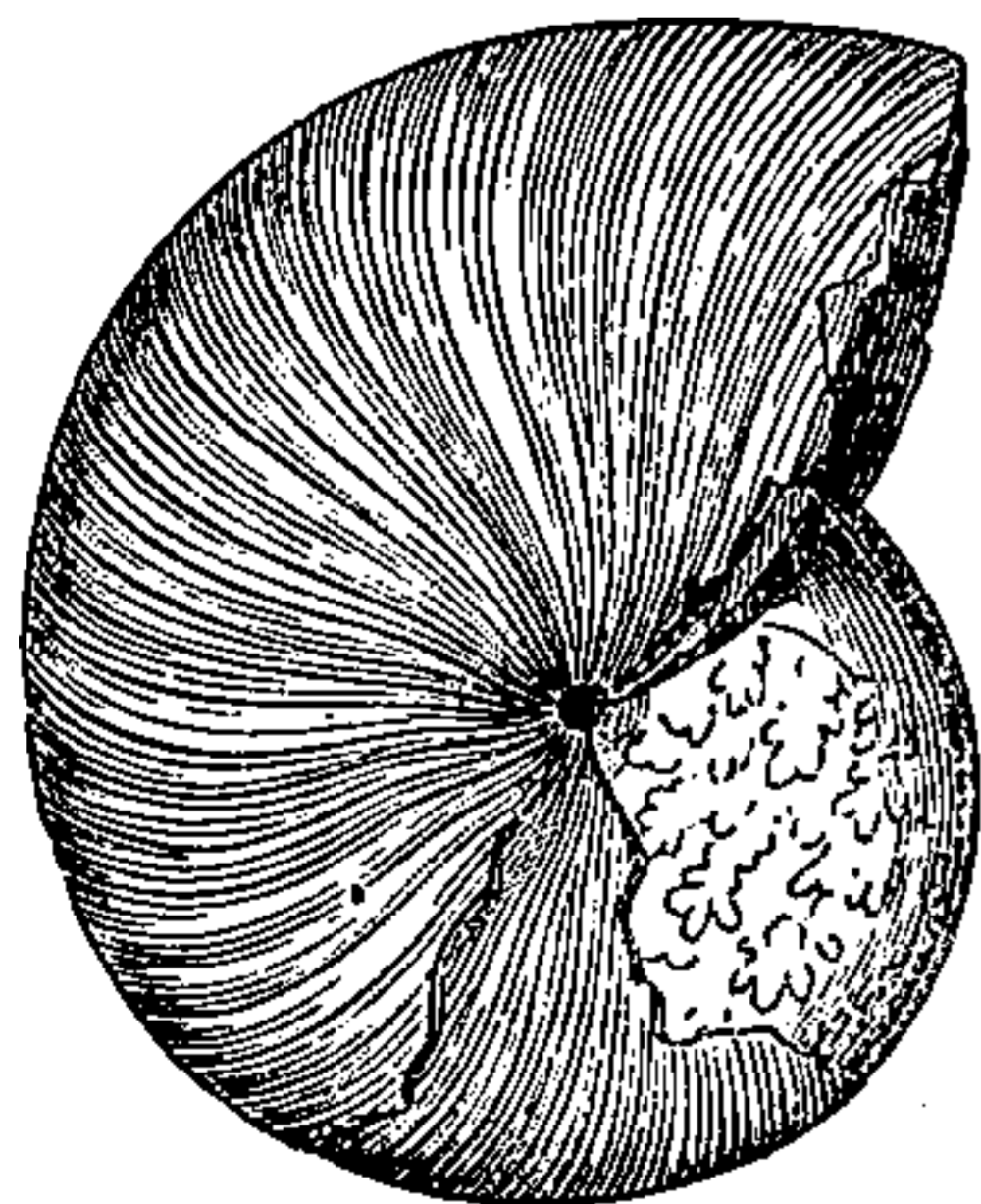


FIG. 194.—*Phylloceras heterophyllum*, Sow.

Professor Neumayr distinguishes in the Dogger and Malm four subgroups, of which the following are the types:—1. *Phyll. heterophyllum*, Sow.; 2. *Phyll. tatricum*, Pusch; 3. *Phyll. capitanei*, Catullo; 4. *Phyll. ultramontanum*, Zieten.

This genus first appears in the Trias, where we find *Phyll. debile*, Hauer, *Phyll. despectum*, Mojs., *Phyll. Neojurensis*, Quenst., *Phyll. occultum*, Mojs., *Phyll. pumilum*, Mojs., *Phyll. invalidum*, Mojs.

In the Middle Lias appear *Phyll. Loscombi*, Sow., *Phyll. Buvignieri*, d'Orb., *Phyll. Zetes*, d'Orbig.

In the Upper Lias *Phyll. heterophyllum*, Sow., *Phyll. subcarinatum*, Young.

In the Oxfordian we find *Phyll. tatricum*, Pusch; *Phyll. viator*, d'Orb.; *Phyll. Hommairei*, d'Orbig.; *Phyll. Zignodianum*, d'Orbig.

In the Cretaceous rocks we find *Phyll. subalpinum*, d'Orbig., *Phyll. Vellidæ*, d'Orbig.: and Professor Waagen has figured and described¹ several interesting species closely allied to European forms from the Upper-Jurassic rocks of Kutch, Western India.

PHYLLOCERAS LOSCOMBI, *Sowerby*. Pl. XL, figs. 4, 5.

AMMONITES	LOS COMBI,	<i>Sow.</i> Mineral Conch., vol. ii, pl. 183, 1817.
GLOBITES	—	<i>Haan.</i> Ammon. et Goniatit., p. 147, 1825.
AMMONITES	—	<i>d'Orbigny.</i> Pal. Franç., Ter. Jurass., p. 262, pl. 75, 1842.
—	LOS COMBII,	<i>Morris.</i> Catalogue of British Fossils, p. 173, 1843.
—	HETEROPHYLLUS NUMISMALIS,	<i>Quenst.</i> Cephal., p. 100, tab. vi, fig. 5, 1849.
—	—	<i>Oppel.</i> Mittl. Lias, p. 48, tab. ii, fig. 9, 1856.
—	LOS COMBI,	<i>Oppel.</i> Juraformation, p. 162, 1856.
—	—	<i>Dumortier.</i> Dépôts Jurassiques Bassin du Rhône, t. iii, p. 78, 1869.
PHYLLOCERAS	—	<i>Neumayr.</i> Zeitschr. Deutsch. geol. Gesell., Bd. xxvii, p. 903, 1875.
—	—	<i>Tate and Blake.</i> Yorkshire Lias, p. 296, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell very thin, discoidal, compressed; whorls wide, four fifths involute; sides flattened and slightly convex, covered with delicate, transverse, biflexed striæ which, on passing over the narrow, round siphonal area, develop prominent folds; aperture oblong, widest near the spiral suture; umbilicus narrow, exposing the inner whorls.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 140 millimètres; width of umbilicus 20 millimètres; depth of the last whorl 75 millimètres; height of aperture 70 millimètres; transverse diameter 33 millimètres.

Description.—This beautiful shell is a very characteristic fossil of the "Green Ammonite-bed," Middle Lias, near Charmouth. It is here nearly always found firmly embedded in the matrix, so that a correct outline of the shell is seldom obtained. The specimen I have figured is one of the finest I have seen. The shell is extremely thin and lustrous, of a discoidal figure, and covered with delicate striæ on the body-chamber, and with small, biflexed ribs on the inner whorls. The shell is thickest around the spiral suture near the umbilicus, and some specimens have likewise an elevated ridge or longitudinal carina rising about the middle of the height of the whorl; from this elevation proceed a number of oblique striæ which extend backwards towards the area. In the two best specimens I possess the longitudinal carina and the oblique backward-directed striæ,

¹ 1. 'Palæontologia Indica,' Ser. ix. 2. (Jurassic fauna of Kutch) p. 25, pls. v—vii, ix, 1875.

are very plainly visible. None of the shells I have examined have the suture-line preserved; and, as Prof. d'Orbigny had examples showing this character, I give the chief points of his description. "The septa are symmetrical, divided on each side into six lobes and saddles formed of unequal parts. The siphonal lobe is much shorter than the principal lateral lobe, formed of three branches, of which the terminal one ends in three twigs. The siphonal saddle is as large as the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in five oval, spatuliform leaves. The principal lateral lobe is long and ornate; it has three branches without and two within, all very unequal. The second lateral has much the same figure as the principal lateral, but does not attain to one half its size. The three auxiliary lobes have irregular branches, and the three auxiliary saddles terminate in oval leaflets."

D'Orbigny likewise observed that "*A. Loscombi* is a very variable species. The mould is in general smooth, nevertheless some specimens are found, considered to be the young of this species, with slightly marked transverse constrictions very closely approximated. It is, perhaps, one of the forms which exhibits the most marked variation at different ages. Up to the diameter of 5 millimètres its whorls are only one half involute, the umbilicus is very wide, and the shell ornamented transversely by a spiral revolution of six, deep, transverse, oblique constrictions. These constrictions and this form continue for a longer or shorter time in different individuals; sometimes the constrictions disappear and the whorls enlarge up to the diameter of 8 millimètres, although in others this state continues up to the diameter of 20 millimètres: this is the extreme limit observed in which the shell preserves the ornamentation of youth." Terr. Jurass., tom. i, p. 265.

M. Dumortier found a fragment of this species 190 millimètres in diameter at Mazaugues, Var; which carried its lobes up to the last extremity, proving that it had attained to much larger dimensions. The shell was in part preserved, and permitted him to see the small lines radiating very equally and regularly and forming an elegant ornamentation; these lines, slightly flexed, are strongly inclined forward, and afterwards describe a round sinus on the area where they preserve all their value" ('Dépôts Jurasiques,' tom. iii, p. 78).

Affinities and Differences.—This species, both in its form and the structure of the suture-line, closely resembles the *Phylloceras heterophyllum*; it is readily distinguished from that species by its open umbilicus, the structure of the lobes, and by the siphonal lobe being formed of single elements, whilst in *Phyll. heterophyllum* they are in pairs.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite is a leading Mollusk of the Green Ammonite-bed, the zone of *Aeg. Davæi* in the Middle Lias. I have it in the same zone from Thackwell's brickfields, Leckhampton, and Professor Blake reports it from the same horizon in Robin Hood's Bay and Huntcliff, Yorkshire, where it is rare.

In France it has been collected in the Middle Lias which it characterises at Coutards and near Saint Amand, Cher.; Mulhausen, Bas-Rhin; Vieux-Pont and Bayeux, Calvados; Venavey, near Semur, Côte-d'Or; Saint Hélène, Saone-et-Loire; Mazaugues, Var.

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irregular, both as regards the size and number of their folioles. The auxiliary lobes are placed at irregular distances apart and decrease in magnitude towards the innermost lobe, which is quite rudimentary.

Affinities and Differences.—*Phyll. Buvignieri* very much resembles *Amm. lynæ*, d'Orb., in its compressed, extremely involute shell, with its almost occluded umbilicus, and in the style and structure of the suture-line; but though it wants the festooned carina, and has a narrower umbilicus than *Amm. lynæ*, the affinities are very close indeed.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This species is marked on the ticket, *Belemnites-acutus* zone, Ballintoy. I have a small specimen of this species, 5 millimètres in diameter, which exhibits all the characters of the large and middle specimens. So it appears to retain its specific form through life, the only difference I detect is that the young shell is proportionately thicker and its siphonal area rounder than in the large figured example with its subcarinated area. The figured specimen belongs to the Belfast Museum.

PHYLLOCERAS ZETES, *d'Orbigny*, Pl. LXXVII, fig. 1—3.

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| | AMMONITES HETEROPHYLLUS AMALTHEI, <i>Quenstedt</i> . | Cephalopoden, p. 100, pl. 6, fig. 1, 1846. |
| | ZETES, | <i>d'Orbigny</i> . Prodrome de Paléontologie, étage 9, No. 55, 1849. |
| — | HETEROPHYLLUS AMALTHEI, <i>Oppel</i> . | Der mittlere Lias Schwabens, p. 47, 1853. |
| | ZETES, | <i>Studer</i> . Geologie der Schweiz, t. ii, p. 36, 1853. |
| | | <i>Von Hauer</i> . Cephalopoden Nord-est Alpen, p. 56, pl. xviii, figs. 1, 3, 1856. |
| | | <i>Oppel</i> . Die Juraformation, p. 169, 1856. |

Diagnosis.—Shell compressed, discoidal, highly involute; umbilicus small, narrow, open, exposing the inner whorls. Shell very thin, marked with delicate hair-like lines, all inflected forward; sides flattened, smooth; siphonal area round; lobe-line very tortuous, developing from nine to eleven lobes.

Dimensions.—The figured specimen: transverse diameter 180 millimètres; height of the last whorl at aperture 100 millimètres; greatest width near the spine 45 millimètres; width of umbilicus 20 millimètres. A larger specimen in my collection measures as follows: transverse diameter 294 millimètres; height of last whorl at aperture 170 millimètres; greatest near spire 90 millimètres; width of umbilicus 30 millimètres.

Description.—The *Heterophyllidæ* form a remarkable natural group closely related to each other by form and structure, differentiated, however, by fairly-marked specific

characters. Professor Quensted described these Ammonites as one species, and named what he considered their varieties by the zones in which they were found, hence we have *Phyll. heterophyllus numismalis* = *Phyll. Loscombi*, Sow., *Phyll. heterophyllus amalthei* = *Phyll. Zetes*, d'Orbig., *Phyll. heterophyllus Posidoniae* = *Phyll. heterophyllus*, Sow.

Phylloceras Zetes has a discoidal shell, much compressed and extremely involute, the last whorl enveloping nearly the entire disc. The sides are flat, and gently bevelled toward the siphonal area, which is narrow and round; the greatest width of the disc being around the umbilical elevation. The shell is extremely thin, and sculptured with very fine lines of growth, which are straight on the inner and gracefully bi-flexed on the walls of the body-chamber. The siphonal area is narrow and smoothly rounded, and the small syphon lies immediately beneath the shell (fig. 2), where the longitudinal line indicates its position. The umbilicus is narrow from the extreme involution of the spiral, which envelopes four fifths of the lateral surface of the whorls (see fig. 1). The suture-line is extremely complicated, but very beautiful in its tracery, forming nine lobes in its varied convolutions. The siphonal lobe is short and wide, having four lateral branches on each side, the innermost is small, the second and third have several branches, and the fourth or terminal one ends in two lanceolate twigs. The siphonal saddle is wider than the siphonal lobe, and ends in numerous folioles, which are larger on the inner than on the outer side of the saddle, from the root of which supplementary lobules arise (see fig. 3). The principal lateral lobe is very large, being much longer and wider than the siphonal, it has an arborescent appearance, having a thick stem with two lateral branches on each side, after which it bifurcates, and gives off two longer branches, the external branch bends over towards the syphon and sends out six branches, three long, extending into the siphonal saddle, and three smaller, bending towards the inner side. The inner terminal branch divides into two branchlets, which send out lanceolate terminations. The outer lateral saddle is long and narrow, and terminates in from six to eight long, narrow folioles. The inner lateral lobe is about the same length, but much narrower than the principal lateral, and composed of a central stem with five lateral branches on each side and a long terminal branch, each dividing into lanceolate points, having a style of incision much resembling the principal. The inner lateral saddle is much shorter and narrower than the outer lateral saddle, and terminates in three branched folioles; there are six auxiliary lobes, which much resemble each other in structure in having a solid stem with a number of sharp lanceolate lateral and terminal branches. The lobes diminish in length and width from without inwards, and the six auxiliary saddles have their sides foliated nearly after the same fashion.

The extremely complicated suture-line of this species produces one of the most beautiful foliated structures that I am acquainted with in Ammonites; a portion is delineated in fig. 3, and is beautifully drawn in Quenstedt's 'Cephalopoden,' tabl. vi, fig. 1.

Affinities and Differences.—This species very much resembles *Phylloceras hetero-*

phyllum, Sow., found in the Upper Lias of Whitby; the following differences I have long observed after a careful comparison of many good examples with each other:

1st. The shell is much more compressed in *Phyll. Zetes* than in *Phyll. heterophyllum*. The sides are much flatter, and the siphonal area narrower.

2nd. The umbilicus is wider in *Phyll. Zetes*, and permits all the inner whorls to be seen, whilst in *Phyll. heterophyllum* the umbilicus is almost occluded.

3rd. The suture-line consists of a much more angular tracery, a finer subdivision of the parts of the lobes, and much smaller folioles in the saddles than what we observe in *Phyll. heterophyllum*. Any one in the habit of studying these shells has no difficulty in deciding on the species from an examination of the suture-line alone. In figs. 3 and 4 I have given accurate drawings of the suture-line in the two species for comparison.

4th. The lines of growth on the shell are more marked in *Phyll. heterophyllum*, and the wonderful fan-like folded expansion of undulating ribs, which I have for the first time delineated in Pl. LXXVIII, fig. 1, and which characterise the body-chamber of *Phyll. heterophyllum* have not yet been observed in any of the fine examples of *Phyll. Zetes* hitherto collected.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—My specimens of *Phyll. Zetes* were obtained from the *Amal. spinatus*-bed at South Petherton, Somersetshire, and from the same horizon at Grettan, Gloucestershire. In Swabia, according to Dr. Oppel it is found at Breitenbach, with *Am. amaltheus gigas*, and in a rich pyritic bed at Bachs, and near Sondelfingen in the Baling region. Von Hauer obtained his fine example from the dark red limestone of Enzesfeld, North-eastern Alps. Studer reports many localities in the Bernese Alps of Switzerland, where he has found this species; and Meneghini collected a specimen in the Upper Lias of Sibilla and a broken fragment at Spezzia.

Dr. Oppel collected one specimen from the Middle Lias of Normandy. Its lobes are so different from those of the true *Phyll. heterophyllum*, Sow., that he was convinced a separation from that species was necessary, and this he carried out in his 'Jura-formation,' p. 169.

PHYLLOCERAS HETEROPHYLLUM, *Sowerby*. Pl. LXXVII, fig. 4; Pl. LXXVIII, figs. 1, 2.

AMMONIS CORNU,

Martin Lister. Synops conchyliorum, (Edit. alt.)
tab. 1049, fig. 24. 1770.

— NAUTILITES,

J. Baier. Oryctogr. noric., p. 60, tab. ii, fig. 1, 1708.

AMMONITES HETEROPHYLLUS,

Sowerby. Mineral Conchology, pl. 266, 1820.

NAUTILUS WHITBIENSIS,

Young and Bird. Geol. Yorkshire Coast, Pl. xiii,
fig. 1, 1822.

GLOBITES HETEROPHYLLUS,

Haan. Ammon. et Goniol., 148, 1825.

AMMONITES —

Phillips. Geology of Yorkshire, pl. xiii, fig. 2, 1829.

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Hartmann. Versteiner. Würtemb., p. 21, 1830.

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Buckland. Bridgewater Treatise, pls. 38, 39, 1836.

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specimen under notice. The two fragments which I have examined appear to indicate a much larger total development. The reason which prevents us from attributing this fossil to the vegetable kingdom is the thickness of the body, which is from two to three millimètres, and which seems to diminish on leaving the base of the fan. Ought we to regard it as a fragment of the test of an unknown Ammonite of very large size?" This extract from the work of so good an observer proves the importance of having found the body-chamber *in situ*, thus settling the question of its true nature. During a visit I paid some time ago to the Woodwardian Museum, Cambridge, I found a portion of a very large fan of this shell, which was then unknown to the museum authorities. This I identified and described, and it has now passed out of the unknown into the region of known fossils.

The shell is somewhat compressed, and uncarinated, with a narrow umbilicus nearly hidden. The spire is composed of very involute whorls, which almost entirely embrace the preceding ones; and the whorls, which are always oval, rounded, and compressed, have their greatest width at the inner third near the spire, and they are especially wider here than at the entire half of the shell. The sides of the shell and area are covered with fine radiating lines which curve gently forward towards the aperture (Pl. LXXVIII, fig. 1). The size of the lines varies with the age of the shell; in youth they are extremely narrow, but in the middle-aged shells they become more and more developed. As old age advances the body-chamber of this grand shell (Pl. LXXVIII, fig. 1) assumes a fan-like structure, in consequence of the lines being grouped into bundles of fasciculi, which radiate outwards in gentle flexures from the umbilicus to the siphonal area, in elegant waved undulations, as shown in our plate of this fine specimen, now in the British Museum, reduced one half the natural size. It will be noted that the mould behind the suture-line is entirely smooth, whilst in front of that line it develops the undulating folds which produce the fan-shaped structure seen in the body-chamber of this magnificent specimen, and which I believe up to this hour is quite unique. The radiating undulations appear to exist on the body-chamber only inasmuch as on the moulds of the chambered portions of this fossil we fail to observe those radiating depressions which constitute so important a character in the body-chamber of this remarkable Cephalopod.

The suture-line forming the lobes is extremely complicated, and formed of single parts (Pl. LXXVIII, fig. 2). The siphonal lobe is shorter, but as wide as the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with two branches, the inner being small, the outer much ramified. The siphonal saddle is wide, and terminates in five large, oval, unequal leaves.

The principal lateral lobe is very large, and provided on each side with three ramified branches, and a long terminal branch divided into three wide foliations; the lateral saddle, longer than the siphonal, terminates in six unequal leaves, the three internal leaves being smaller, whilst the three outer ones have large oval folioles which make conspicuous figures on the mould; the inner lateral lobe resembles the principal lateral in structure, but is not more than two thirds the size of the principal; the first and second auxiliary saddles are formed of five folioles, the others of only three. The

auxiliary lobes all preserve the same form, but become less and less complicated as we trace them from without inwards. When we describe a radial line from the digital points of the siphonal lobe to the digital points of the auxiliaries, it touches the points of all the others, and cuts the terminal branches of the principal lateral. The near approximation of the chambers, and the great development of the suture-line, produces on the surface of the mould of this Ammonite a number of figures which are as difficult to trace out as they are beautiful to behold.

Professor d'Orbigny had an opportunity of examining several young forms of this species, and stated that a shell ten millimètres in diameter had absolutely the same form and the same lobes as the adult, and was entirely smooth, and that it did not acquire striæ until it had attained a diameter of from twenty to thirty millimètres.

The mould is always entirely smooth. When the inner lamina of the shell was preserved he remarked that striæ were only slightly visible, but when the external layer of the shell existed the striæ were well shown.¹

The late Mons. Dumortier² observed of this Ammonite "that the veritable *A. heterophyllus*, Sow., is very different to the *A. Zetes* of the Middle Lias. The specimens of large size from Verpillière, Isère, are remarkably beautiful, both as regards their well-preserved forms as well by the perfection of the details of their ornaments;" and again, "upon some examples of moderate size we remark from six to seven radiated depressions, very slight upon the last whorl, but which terminate upon the siphonal contour by a round prominence and form a sinus in front. As all the other characters remain unaltered this peculiarity is to be considered as an accidental variety of *A. heterophyllus*." This was doubtless a mould of the fan-like portions of the body-chamber which had lost its shell, whilst the fragments which Dumortier figured as "*corps de nature inconnue*" were in fact the shell of the fan without the mould on which it rested.

Affinities and Differences.—In the Jurassic rocks we find five species of Ammonites, which may all be referred to the group *Heterophyllidæ*. 1st. *Phyll. Loscombi* of the Middle Lias, with a large umbilicus, without ribs in early life, and the suture forming six lobes. 2nd. *Phyll. Zetes*, d'Orbigny, from the Middle Lias (the *Amal. spinatus*-zone) distinguished from *Phyll. heterophyllum* by more compressed whorls, a wider umbilicus, and a different suture-line. 3rd. *Phyll. heterophyllum*, the type of the group, which has just been described in detail. 4th. *Phyll. Calypso*, from the Upper Lias, distinguished by the five flexed contractions observed on the last whorl of the spire. 5th. The *Phyll. tatricum*, Pasch, from the Lower Oxfordian, with six to eight bent constrictions of the outer whorl, which is very involute and covered with a thick shell finely sculptured, with minute striæ. All these Jurassic *Heterophyllidæ* are very distinct from other members of the same natural family which are found in the Cretaceous formations.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—*Phylloceras heterophyllum*, Sow., is found in

¹ 'Paléontologie Française, Terr. Jurassiques,' tom. i, p. 340, 1842.

² 'Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône,' tom. iv, p. 105, 1874.

the Upper Lias at Whitby and Boulby, in Yorkshire; Lyme Regis, Dorsetshire; Dumbleton and Alderton, Gloucestershire. The Whitby specimens are by far the most beautiful and best preserved.

Foreign Distribution.—In France it has been collected at Fontaine-Étoupe-Four, Croiselle, Calvados; Charolles, Saône-et-Loire; Thouars, Deux-Sèvres; Chevillye, Sarthe; Avallon, Yonne; Semur, Côte-d'Or; Mende, Lozère; Verpillière, Isère; Saint-Rambert, Ain; Gundershoffen, Haut-Rhin.

Luxembourg.—In the Marnes de Grande Cour.

In Germany.—In the Posidonomyen-schiefer of Altdorf, Bavaria, Boll, and Württemberg.

PHYLLOCERAS SUBCARINATUM, *Young and Bird*. Pl. LXXXI, figs. 1, 2, 3.

NAUTILUS SUBCARINATUS,		<i>Young and Bird</i> . Geol. York. Coast, p. 255, pl. xii, fig. 7, 1822.
AMMONITES	—	<i>Phillips</i> . Geol. of Yorksbire, p. 167, pl. xiii, fig. 3, 1835.
—	—	<i>Simpson</i> . Monogr. on Ammonites, p. 8, 1843.
—	—	<i>Morris</i> . Catalogue of British Fossils, p. 145, 1843.
—	—	<i>Catullo</i> . Ammonit. delle Alps. Venete, pl. 13, fig. 3, 1846.
—	—	<i>Bronn</i> . Index Palæontologicus, p. 60, 1848.
		<i>Giebel</i> . Fauna Vorwelt, Bd. iii, p. 747, 1852.
		<i>Morris</i> . Catalogue of British Fossils, 2nd ed., p. 295, 1854.
		<i>Oppel</i> . Die Juraformation, p. 251, 1855.
		<i>Simpson</i> . Fossils of York. Lias, p. 37, 1855.
		<i>Guembel</i> . Beschr. d. Bayr. Alpen, p. 474, 1861.
		<i>Oppel</i> . Paläontol. Mittheilungen, p. 140, pl. 44, figs. 1, 2, 1862.

PHYLLOCERAS SUBCARINATUM, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 297, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, extremely involute, inner volutions nearly concealed, outer whorl one-half the diameter of disk; sides convex, inflated, covered with straight or slightly flexed obtuse irregular radii, obsolete near aperture; striæ very numerous, fine, annular, irregular, diverging; siphonal area wide, with central ridge, and two flattened bands on each side; umbilicus narrow and deep. Aperture ovate, widest at the spiral border and bevelled away towards the area.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 100 millimètres; breadth of area 18 millimètres; height of aperture 50 millimètres; width of whorl at the aperture 40 millimètres; width of umbilicus 15 millimètres.

Description.—*Phylloceras subcarinatum* has been long known to the Yorkshire naturalists, and is remarkable for its dissimilarity from other congeneric forms; still this

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Family.—AEGOCERATIDÆ—*continued*.*Genus* VI—HARPOCERAS, *Waagen*, 1869.

Family—FALCIFERI, *Von Buch*, 1832.
 — *d'Orbigny*, 1841.
 FALCIFEREN, *Quenstedt*, 1849.

Family—DISCI SIVE CLYPEIFORMES, *Giebel*, 1852.
 FALCIFERI, *Giebel*, 1852.
 — *Seebach*, 1864.

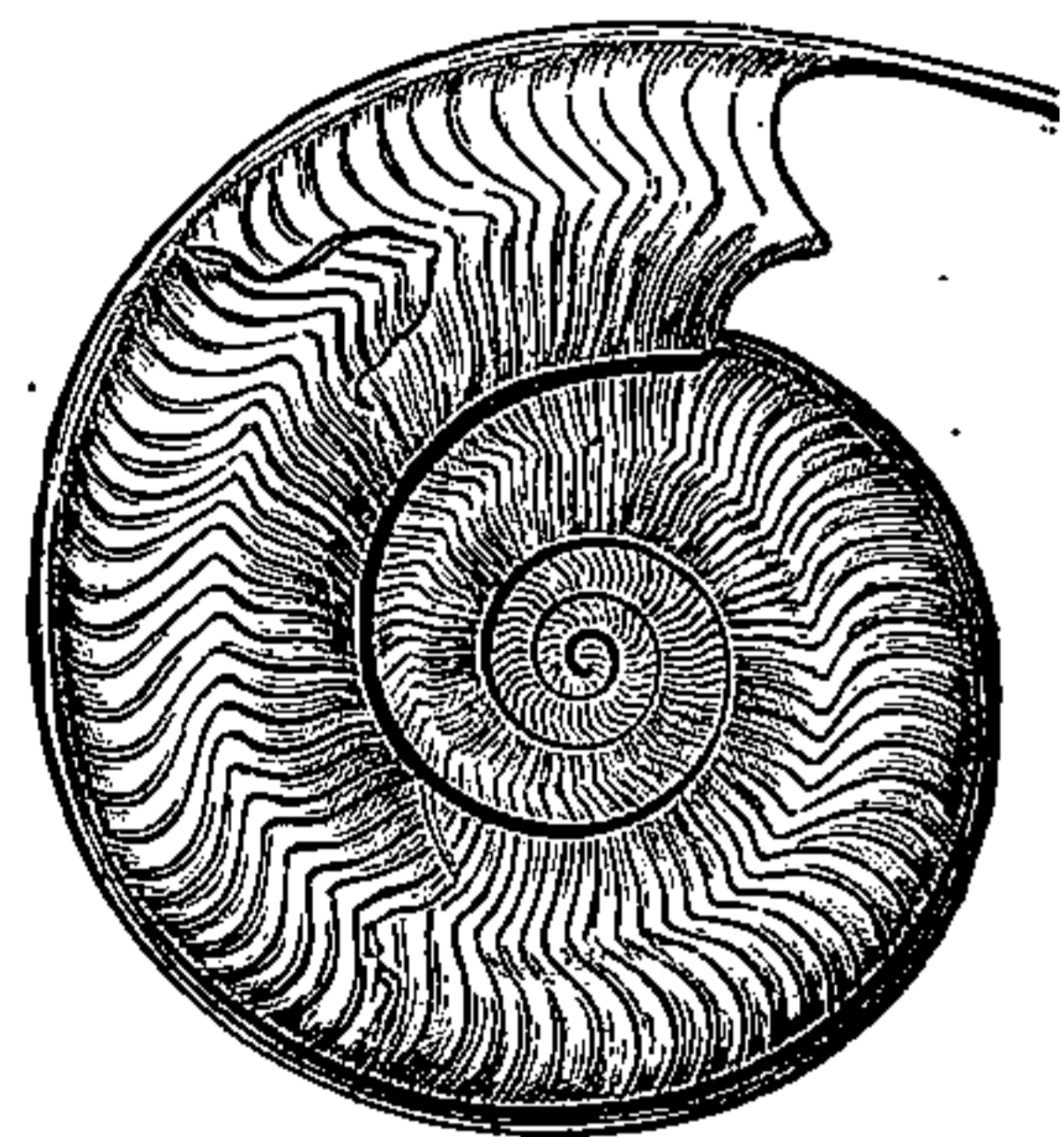


FIG. 194.—*Harpoceras serpentinum*, *Reinecke*

The Falciferi of *Von Buch* have long been recognised as a remarkable group of Ammonites, which have undergone several changes of nomenclature, still all authors agree on the special characters on which they were originally described and figured for the first time in the 'Ueber Ammoniten.' The external outline of their shells is of various forms, the ventral area is always keeled with a round or angular border; the sides of the whorls are ornamented with elegant falciform ribs of various degrees of thickness. The aperture of the shell is in general sickle-shaped, with lateral auricles and a long, pointed ventral process, as seen in one of the typical forms, *Harpoceras serpentinum*, *Reinecke* (fig. 194). The body-chamber is from one half to two thirds the length of the whorl. The suture-line is moderately ramified. The siphonal lobe is in general short and bifurcate, with divergent branches, and always shorter than the principal lateral lobe, which is usually largely ramified; the inner lateral lobe is much smaller than the principal, and succeeded by several still smaller auxiliaries.

The *Aptychus* is thin calcareous and bivalved, with a shelly coating and several longitudinal folds, as seen in *Harpoceras Levisoni* (Pl. LXI, fig. 4).

When the shell is preserved the radii on the sides of the whorls in many species are in the highest degree fine and delicate, as in *Harpoceras opalinum*. It is the external lamina of the shell which fills in all the unevenness between the thickness and divisions of the folds of the inner lamina. All these folds have a falciform figure; they first bend forward, then incline backward, and near the siphonal area again turn forward towards the aperture, so that a well-formed, strongly-bent sickle is described thereby. The siphonal area in general forms a sharp ridge, which sometimes contains the siphuncle and gives a marked character to the shell. The umbilicus is usually well open, although in a few species it is contracted. The *Falciferi* are very rich in species, which well characterise the horizons in which they are found.

The oldest forms are found in the Middle Lias. They are very numerous in the Upper Lias, which is the metropolis of the species; they are found in the Lower and Middle Jurassic rocks, finally disappearing in the Kimmeridge Clay with *Harpoceras Zio*, *Oppel*.

HARPOCERAS ANTIQUUM, *Wright*, nov. sp. Pl. LVII, figs. 1—4.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, and carinated, volutions one-half involute, sides convex and flattened; ribs formed of many biflexed striæ, sometimes prominent, and always well bent forward towards the aperture; keel thick, prominent, and in parts crenated.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 180 millimètres; height of aperture 70 millimètres; thickness 40 millimètres; width of umbilicus 60 millimètres.

Description.—This shell very much resembles *Am. Normanianus*, d'Orb., in its style of ribbing; but, as the specimens that have come under my observation are all fragmentary and belong to a much larger and older specimen than d'Orbigny's figure, which was drawn natural size, the difference between my fragments and d'Orbigny's shell may be only those of increased age rather than of specific distinction. *Am. Normanianus* is much less involute, and has a wider umbilicus than *Harpoceras antiquum*. The discovery of younger and better specimens of this shell will enable future observers to solve the problem; as I have no trace of a suture-line on any of the fragments, one of our best guides is absent.

The shell is much compressed, carinated, and provided with a strong keel; the whorls are nearly one-half involute, and are thickest at the spiral suture; thence they diminish towards the siphonal area, which is narrow and lanceolate and terminates in a thick keel. The sides are traversed transversely by a number of unequal, highly flexed falciform ribs, made up apparently of a number of striæ, which unite in fasciculi, and form unequal, obtuse costæ on the sides. The keel is thick, cord-like, and prominent, and makes an important element in the structure of the shell. The test is very well preserved in some of the fragments, the transverse fracture of these exposes the crystalline structure of the thin shell, which does not exceed one millimètre in thickness. The structure and falciform flexures on the sides of the whorls are well seen in two fragments, delineated in Pl. LVII, figs. 3 and 4. Both of these specimens have the shell preserved, so that we have here the true character of the ribs, with their shelly covering transformed into ferrous disulphide (FeS₂), by which the microscope markings on the test are preserved. As the shell increases in size (Pl. LVII, fig. 1) the ribs lose their prominence, the siphonal area becomes thicker and rounder, and the keel is more defined.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite is nearly allied to *Am. Normanianus*, d'Orb. It is, however, more regularly ribbed, the ribs remain single and do not bifurcate; the volutions are more involute, and the umbilicus wider than in that species. There is, however, a very near affinity between the forms, which can only be satisfactorily settled by a careful comparison of more specimens.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite was collected by the Rev. J.

E. Cross, F.G.S., and Peter Cullen, from a shaly ferruginous pyritic bed of clay in the north corner of Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire Coast, referred by them to the *Aeg. Jamesoni*-zone of the Middle Lias, and containing other fossils of this zone.

HARPOCERAS NITESCENS, *Young and Bird*. Pl. XLIX, figs. 2—7.

AMMONITES NITESCENS,

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— RADIANS AMALTHEI,

— NITESCENS,

— NORMANIANUS,

— FALCIFER,

— ALGOVIANUS,

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Young and Bird. Geol. Surv. York. Coast, p. 257, 1828.

Simpson. Monogr. Ammon., York. Lias, p. 45, 1843.

Oppel. Mittl. Lias Schwabens, p. 51, tab. 3, fig. 1, 1853.

Simpson. Fossils of Yorksh. Lias, p. 87, 1855.

Oppel. Juraformation, p. 168 (non d'Orb.), 1856.

Quenstedt. Der Jura, p. 173, tab. 22, fig. 28, 1856.

Oppel. Palaeontol. Mittheilung, p. 137, 1862.

Regnès. Géol. et Paléontol. Aveyron., pl. ii, fig. 1, 1868.

HARPOCERAS ALGOVIANUM,

Tate and Blake. Yorkshire Lias, p. 302, pl. viii, fig. 1, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, carinated, and slightly involute; volutions six, inner very little concealed; sides of whorls flat, with from twenty-five to thirty straight, sharp ribs, developing a series of blunt tubercles near the siphonal area, and then bending forward to the keel, which is thick and prominent without lateral sulci; aperture oblong, with straight sides; suture-line very complicated.

Dimensions.—A prolonged search in the Whitby Museum during the summer of 1881, with Mr. Simpson, among some of the unfigured species of Lias Ammonites recorded in his list, afforded me an important insight into the characters of several of his species, and I had the pleasure of finding in the type specimen of *Am. nitescens* an unmistakable example of the *Am. Algovianus*, *Oppel*. I was anxious to have figured Young's type shell, but Mr. Simpson will not allow any specimen to leave the building; afterwards I had the good fortune to find a specimen of this shell in my friend Mr. Slatter's cabinet, collected from the *Amal. margaritatus*-bed in the Midland Counties, and figured in Pl. XLIX, figs. 2, 6, and 7. Much better examples of this species are found in the Marlstone near Chipping-Norton, where it occurs in a brown sandy bed, which has well preserved the shell-texture. I am indebted to Mr. James Windus of that town for the small specimen I have figured (3, 4, and 5), and which I have magnified two diameters, as the fossil was too small to exhibit its characters without enlargement.

The shell is compressed and carinated. The sides of the whorls are flat, and ornamented with straight, simple, angular, well spaced-out ribs, which develop a series of obtuse tubercles at the side of the area before they bend suddenly forward towards the aperture. In the centre of the siphonal area is a high, prominent, sharp keel, which conceals and overlaps the siphuncle that lies beneath, and this structure is very well shown in

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PLANITES SERPENTINUS,	<i>De Haan.</i>	Amm. et Goniast., p. 89, No. 20, 1825.
AMMONITES CÆCILIA,	—	Ibid., p. 112, No. 21, 1825.
— MULGRAVIUS,	<i>Phillips.</i>	Geology of Yorkshire, p. 136, 1829.
— FALCIFER,	<i>Zieten.</i>	Versteiner Würtemb., pp. 9, 16, tabs. vii, fig. 4, and xii, fig. 2, 1830.
— SERPENTINUS,	<i>Roemer.</i>	Versteiner. Nord-Deutsche Oolithgeb., p. 185, 1836.
— —	<i>d'Orbigny.</i>	Pal. Franç., Terr. Jurass., tom. i, 215, pl. 55, 1842.
— —	<i>Quenstedt.</i>	Flözgebirge Württembergs, p. 258, 1843.
— —	<i>Quenstedt.</i>	Die Cephalopoden, tab. vii, fig. 3, 1849.
— —	<i>Chapuis et Dewalque.</i>	Terr. second. Luxemb., p. 68, pls. ix, fig. 4, and x, fig. 1, 1854.
— —	<i>Morris.</i>	Catalogue of British Fossils, p. 295, 2nd ed., 1854.
— MULGRAVIUS,	<i>Simpson.</i>	Fossils of Yorksh. Lias, p. 73, 1855.
— SERPENTINUS,	<i>Dumortier.</i>	Dépôts Jurassiques du Bassin du Rhône, p. 50, 1874.
HARPOCERAS SERPENTINUM,	<i>Newmayr.</i>	Zeitschr. Deutsch. geol. Gesellsch., Bd. xxviii, p. 909, 1875.
— —	<i>Tate and Blake.</i>	Yorkshire Lias, p. 307, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed, and carinated; whorls flat, with lateral sulcus. upper border sloping towards the siphonal area, inner border abruptly truncated at the umbilical margin; ribs 100, transverse, rugose, and undulated; curved forward in the middle, and abruptly truncated at the umbilical margin; siphonal area rounded, sloping, with a subacute elevated carina in the middle, towards which the lateral ribs bend forward. Suture-line tortuous, forming four lobes. Aperture with lateral processes, and a long projecting abdominal spine.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 180 millimètres; height of last whorl 60 millimètres; width of ditto 30 millimètres; width of umbilicus 80 millimètres.

Description.—This beautiful Ammonite is a capital leading fossil for the determination of the horizon in which it is found; the shell has received so many different names that it is well to master the synonymy of the species. In early life and before the ribs have acquired their special form, it is readily mistaken for *Harp. radians*; when it has attained a diameter of forty millimètres the ribs become flexed and curved in the middle; and they retain this form until old age, when the ribs gradually disappear, and the last whorl bears a smooth shell.

An adult form of this Ammonite was well figured by Reinecke in 1818 as *Argonauta serpentinus*, and the young form as *A. Cæcilia*. Sowerby, in 1821, figured an adult specimen from the Upper Lias of Ilminster as *Am. Strangewaysi*, and the young form thereof as *Am. falcifer*. The following year Young and Bird figured it as *Am. Mulgravius*.

The shell is compressed, discoidal, strongly carinated, and provided with a prominent carina; the whorls are flattened and slightly convex; their sides covered with numerous

rugose, highly-flexed ribs (fig. 1), which proceed from the umbilical margin, pass forward, and at about two-fifths of their length form a prominent curve backwards; then again turn forwards in a graceful bend towards the siphonal area, sweeping away towards the aperture by the side of the subacute keel (fig. 2). The whorls are flattened, and about one fourth involute, down the middle of the sides is a shallow depression or lateral sulcus, into which the curved portion of the ribs dips; the siphonal area is narrow, and formed by the forward bending of the ribs, and the straight, prominent, elevated keel, which is not distinct from the ribs, but appears to be formed by their union. The spire is composed of five or six whorls, which are all fully exposed in the wide umbilicus, the amount of involution being about one fourth part of their height which leaves all the inner volutions fully exposed. The spiral margin of the whorls is very acute, abrupt, and angular, imparting a remarkable stair-like character to the umbilicus of this species.

The aperture is oblong and compressed; the sides have two lateral lappets as shown in the woodcut (Fig. 194), and the abdominal portion extends outwards in the form of a long projecting spine, intimately associated with the lateral curving forward and retreating backward of the inflected ribs.

The suture-line is very complicated (figs. 1 and 3); the siphonal lobe is narrow, and much shorter than the superior lateral, it is ornamented on each side with five digitations, and is larger at the base than at the summit of the lobe.

The siphonal saddle is two-fifths wider than the principal lateral lobe, and is divided into two unequal portions, by a long accessory lobe, the internal being the largest, much resembling in size and structure the inner lateral lobe. Each of the compartments of the siphonal saddle terminates in six or seven folioles.

The principal lateral lobe has a large complicated structure, having a thick stem, ornamented on each side with five or six long digitations, the internal branches being the longest, with a large terminal tuft at the summit.

The lateral saddle is much smaller than the principal lateral lobe, and has a very irregular form from the unequal size of its folioles. The internal lateral lobe is much smaller than the principal lateral, being about one third the width and one half the length of that large lobe. It has a very irregular form, with two lateral and one terminal bifid branches.

The first auxiliary saddle, having a similar form, is about one half the size of the lateral saddle. The two auxiliary lobes are small, the largest resembles in miniature the principal, and the smaller is simple and bifid. The chief character to be noted in the suture-line of this species is the excessive development of the principal lateral lobe and the great size of the siphonal saddle, with its long accessory lobule. This structure is very fairly delineated in the suture-line drawn *in situ* on the side of fig. 1 and in the outline of fig. 3.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite resembles *Harpoceras radians*, *Harpoceras*

bifrons, and *Harpoceras Levisoni*; it is distinguished from *Harpoceras radians* by having wider and flatter whorls, a less circumscribed keel, with less prominent ribs, a lateral sulcus, and a different suture-line. It is distinguished from *Harpoceras bifrons* by having wider whorls, smaller and more numerous rugose ribs, with a much smaller and shallower lateral sulcus, the want of the tricarinated and bisulcated siphonal area, and a difference in the structure of the lobes and saddles. It differs from *Harpoceras Levisoni* in having wider and less involute whorls, of the same form and structure in youth as in adult age; whilst in *Harp. Levisoni* the young shell has large obtuse ribs, and a carina with lateral sulci, and style of building resembling the young shells of the genus *Arietites*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—*Harpoceras serpentinum* has been collected from the zone of *Harpoceras bifrons* at Stinchcombe, Frocester, and Stroud, in Gloucestershire; Bloxam, Oxfordshire; and many localities in Rutland; from the Santon Railway-cutting, in north-west Lincolnshire; and from numerous exposures of the Upper Lias on the Yorkshire coast, and known there under the names *A. Mulgravius* and *falcifer*.

Foreign Correlations.—I have devoted several pages of this work to the correlations of the Upper-Lias beds of north and south Germany, and several of the departments of France, and I must refer to pages 129—136 for ample details on the correlation of the *Harp.-serpentinum* beds in these countries.

HARPOCERAS BIFRONS, *Bruguière*, 1792. Pl. LIX, figs. 1—4.

CORNU AMMONIS,	<i>Lister</i> . Hist. Animal. Angliæ, tab. vi, fig. 2, 1678.
— —	<i>Baier</i> . Oryctogr. noric., p. 65, tab. iii, fig. 9, 1708.
— —	<i>Rumphius</i> . Thesaurus, tab. 60, fig. A.D., 1739.
— —	<i>Lister</i> . Synop. Conch. (Edit. alt.) tab. 1041, fig. 20, 1770.
— —	<i>Walcott</i> . Petrifications near Bath, p. 32, fig. 41, 1775.
AMMONITES BIFRONS,	<i>Bruguière</i> . Encycl. Méthod., tom. i, p. 40, 1792.
— —	<i>Bosc</i> . Buffon de Déterville, tom. v, p. 176, 1801.
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— WALCOTTI,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Mineral Conchology, vol. ii, p. 7, pl. 106, 1815.
— HILDENSIS,	<i>Young and Bird</i> . Geol. Yorksh. Coast, pl. xii, fig. 1, 1822.
— BIFRONS,	<i>Haan</i> . Amm. et Goniât., p. 108, No. 13, 1825.
— —	<i>Deshayes</i> . Coquilles character., p. 236, pl. 7, fig. 7, 1831.
— —	<i>Giebel</i> . Fauna der Vorwelt, Bd. iii, p. 518, 1852.
— —	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Paléont. Française, Terr. Jurass., p. 219, pl. 56 1842.
— —	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, p. 108, t. 7, figs. 13, 14, 1849.
— —	<i>Chapuis et Dewalque</i> . Terr. second. Luxemb., p. 66, pl. ix, fig. 3, 1854.
— WALCOTTI,	<i>Simpson</i> . Foss. Yorksh. Lias, p. 99, 1855.

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species, he noticed that, as in other carinated Ammonites, the keel did not appear until the shell had attained the size of from two to four millimètres in diameter, and commenced to develop at the same time, the folds on the sides of the whorl indicating the appearance of the ribs. The deep lateral sulcus made its appearance when the shell had attained seven millimètres in diameter. The then shell continued to grow with all its ornaments. The whorls were proportionally larger in the young than in adult specimens. Soon the ribs became less prominent, and the sides less inflated, and when the diameter of 140 millimètres had been reached the ribs entirely disappeared, and the shell appeared almost smooth, and the lateral sulcus was then only feebly marked and less shallow than in early life.

Affinities and Differences.—*Harpoceras bifrons* makes one of the remarkable group *Falciferi*, among which there are many characters common to the whole. It resembles very much *Harpoceras serpentinum*, and is regarded by some as only a variety of that species; there are, however, several organic features which distinguish them: 1. The three carinæ on the siphonal area and the two lateral sulci on each side of the median keel; 2. The deep longitudinal sulcus which divides the whorls along their length, the outer two thirds of the side having convex ribs, and other narrow portions being inflated and smooth; 3. The suture-line is very different also in the two forms. It has many affinities with *Harpoceras Levisoni*; these, however, will be pointed out in the following article, which will embrace the history of that species.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This is one of the characteristic fossils of the Upper Lias, and is the type form of the zone it represents; it is found at Crickley, Frocester, and Stinchcombe Hills sections, and at Alderton, Grettan, Dumbleton, Gloucestershire; at Bloxam, Oxfordshire; several localities in Rutland, Santon, north-west Lincoln; and Whitby, Yorkshire, the metropolis of the species; from the last locality my beautiful figured specimen was obtained.

Foreign Distribution.—I must refer to my 'Correlation of the *Harp. bifrons*-zone,' pp. 127—136 of this Monograph, for an exhaustive account of the distribution of this horizon of life in north and south Germany, France, and Switzerland.

HARPOCERAS LEVISONI, *Simpson*. Pl. LX figs. 1 and 2; and LXI, figs. 1—6.

AMMONITES LEVISONI, *Simpson*. Monogr. on Ammonites of Yorksh., p. 99, 1855.

— BOREALIS, *Seebach*. Der Hannover. Jura, p. 140, taf. vii, fig. 5, 1864.

— COMENSIS, *Reynès*. Géol. et. Paléontol. Aveyron, pl. 5, fig. 6, 1868.

— LEVISONI, *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass., part. iv, p. 49, pl. ix, figs. 3, 4, 1874.

HARPOCERAS — *Tate and Blake*. Yorksh. Lias, p. 307, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, carinated, with a very wide umbilicus;

whorls flat on the sides, ribs obtuse, sigmoidal, equal in width to the intervening valleys. Carina thick and slightly elevated, with indistinct furrows on each side; inner whorls strongly ribbed, outer much smoother; aperture quadrate, with lateral lappets and an abdominal projection.

Description.—This form is nearly allied to the preceding species. The shell is compressed, discoidal, and carinated. The whorls are narrow, and about one-third involute. The sides are flat, and ornamented with broad, obtuse, sigmoidal ribs, separated by valleys of a like breadth. The ribs are thicker and more prominent in the inner whorls, but the last whorl of the adult shell has very obtuse distant undulations, which gradually become by degrees a nearly smooth surface. The inner or spiral side of each whorl is well rounded down at right angles to the previous one, so that the wide umbilicus of this species presents a succession of flat terraces of a stair-like form. The siphonal area is round, with a smooth, thick, low carina rising in the middle of two indistinct depressions, one on each side. The evolution of this Ammonite differs from some of its congeneric forms. In early life the suture-line develops on each side three lobes and three saddles composed of single parts. The siphonal lobe, a little narrower and shorter than the principal lateral lobe, is divided by the median line up to one third of its height, and presents only one chief terminal point and several lateral digitations. The dorsal saddle very wide, almost twice the size of the principal lateral lobe, is divided by a small accessory lobe into two portions, each of which terminates in obtuse shallow folioles. The principal lateral lobe is an elongated mass, ornamented on each side with three or four simple digitations, and terminates in several branches, of which the two central are the longest. The lateral saddle is long and narrow, about half the width of the siphonal; it lies in the sulcus, and is seen with difficulty; it terminates in a few obtuse shallow folioles. The internal lateral lobe is small, about one fourth the size of the principal, it bends inwards, and has a few lateral digitations, terminating in a longer lanceolate process. The auxiliary saddle is very short and bilobed. The auxiliary lobe is less than the internal lateral, and is armed with lateral digits and a terminal point; it lies well down towards the spiral suture on the slope of whorl.

A radial line stretched from the extremity of the siphonal lobe cuts the three last digitations of the principal lateral lobe, but does not approach any of the others.

In its morphology this species forms a remarkable contrast to *Harp. bifrons*; when of the diameter of forty-five millimètres, it possesses thick, prominent ribs, has a low keel, and two sulci on the area, and in this condition it very much resembles an *Arietites*, as shown in Pl. LXI, figs. 1 and 2. The next volution exhibits the ribs more obtuse and distant from each other; and in the following volution the ribs have a highly sigmoidal curve, are well inclined backwards, and then curved forwards upon the area. This style of ribbing is very well shown in the beautiful shell figured in Pl. LXI, figs. 5 and 6, from the Upper Lias of Ilminster. The fine large adult shell, which forms the subject of

Pl. LX has a singular history. One half of this specimen was discovered at Grettan, Gloucestershire, a long time ago, in the turning over of a heap of rubbish, from whence it came into my hands. I found the inner costated whorls of its early condition very well displayed in the fragment, and a portion of its adult state as well. I promised my collector a good fee if he would find the rest of the fossil, which I was certain, from the fractured surface, remained in the heap; after a two days' search a second fragment was found, which when placed in position still left a gap. Again I renewed my promise, and another long search over the stuff disclosed the third missing fragment. Soaking the mutilated specimen in boiling water I detached all the fragments, and having cleaned their fractured surfaces, cemented them together and produced the fine *Harpoceras Levisoni* figured in Pl. LX. The shell is converted into crystallised carbonate of lime, which completely conceals the mould and much of the suture-line; this line, however, is shown in the young ribbed shell (Pl. LXI, fig. 3).

The siphonal lobe is long, the sides present several digitations, and it terminates in a long divergent branch. The siphonal saddle is twice the width of the lobe, it has an accessory lobule arising in the middle, and dividing the space into two compartments, which terminate in many shallow folioles. The principal lateral lobe is a large mass with four or five lateral digitations, and a round head surmounted by four digitations (Pl. LX, fig. 1, and Pl. LXI, fig. 3). The lateral saddle is smaller than the siphonal, it is unequal in form, inclines towards the principal lobe, and terminates in five or six shallow, obtuse folioles. The inner lateral lobe is much smaller than the principal, it has several lateral digitations, and a terminal lanceolate one. The auxiliary lobes and saddles were small and imperfectly shown in the specimen examined.

In the outer portion of the body-chamber of one specimen (Pl. LXI, fig. 4) is one half of the *Aptychus*. This body is covered with oblique ribs, and lies in the longitudinal line of the shell.

The aperture is elongated (Pl. LXI, fig. 6), flattened on the sides, and rounded at the outer margin; at the lower portion of the side near the spire is a projecting convex lateral lappet (fig. 5), with a concavity, above which it ends in a long projecting abdominal process, well delineated in Pl. LXI, figs. 5 and 6.

Plate LXI, figs. 1 and 2, are accurate delineations of a young shell sent to me for determination more than thirty years ago. The build of this shell with its fifteen robust prominent oblique ribs and deep intervening valleys (fig. 2), and broad siphonal area, having a central keel and lateral furrows, so closely resembled an *Arietites* that I thought a mistake had been made when it was said to have been collected from the Upper Lias of Ilminster, and I told my friend, the late Dr. Lycett, who sent the small-ribbed Ammonite to me for determination, that, if there was no mistake about its horizon, it must be the young form of some larger Ammonite, which at that time we did not know. It was not until many years afterwards, when I found a similar Ammonite in the interior whorls of an undoubted *Harp. Levisoni* that the real truth dawned upon me.

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sometimes found. Confusion has been introduced into the history of this Ammonite in consequence of d'Orbigny having mistaken this shell for *Ammonites complanatus*, Bruguière, which is a different species and not well defined by its author "*Ammonites striis simplicibus undulatis obliquis, sulco utrinque intermedio carina acuta*," Bruguière, 'Encycl. Méthod.,' tom. i, p. 38. This diagnosis applies equally to two distinct forms; *a*, those in which the keel is not separated from the sides, and forms only the continuation thereof, and *b*, those in which the area shows three carinæ with two intermediate sulci. The first form has *Harp. exaratum* for its type, the second has *Am. bicarinatus*, Münster (in Zieten), for its type. D'Orbigny's pl. 114, figs. 1, 2 is an admirable delineation of *Harpoceras exaratum* and perfectly in accordance with a very good figure given by Chapuis and Dewalque under the name *Am. complanatus*. In *Harp. exaratum* the shell is discoidal, depressed, carinated, and extremely involute, the volutions concealing three fourths of the whorls, and the height of the outer whorl about one half the diameter of the disc; the radii are numerous, always biflexed and simple, appearing as if etched out with a graver, as expressed by the name, and extended upon the keel, which is not separated from the sides, of which it is only a continuation, and upon which they are prolonged in a marked manner. The very numerous radii parting from the spiral junction first incline forward, then bend backward, and again sweep forward in such a manner as to describe a sickle-shaped curvature; and, as they are all simple, it follows that the radii stand wide apart around the siphonal area, and are closely set together in a very regular form near the spiral angle (Pl. LXII, fig. 1). The umbilicus is narrow and deep with an angular margin without being trenchant, and the inner edge of each whorl overhangs part of the next whorl; this form of the spire permits a much larger portion of the inner volutions to become visible than would have been the case had the margin inclined outwards instead of inwards. The overhanging of the whorls constitutes a difference between *Harp. exaratum* and *Harp. bicarinatum*. In *Harp. bicarinatum* the inner sides of the whorls are vertical or nearly so.

The evolution of *Harp. exaratum* is well shown in two or three specimens collected by me in one mass from the jet-rock. One of the shells is only 21 millimètres in diameter, yet the sides are well ribbed with prominent radii, and there is a small carina on the siphonal area; the proportions and ornamentation of the young shell are clearly similar to those of the larger specimen found with it in the same mass of stone.

D'Orbigny united with his *Am. complanatus* the *Am. bicarinatus*, Zieten, and stated (p. 355) that the young shells of *Am. complanatus* show a tricarinate siphonal area, and he figured in his pl. 114, fig. 3, a small *Am. bicarinatus* in support of his assertion. In this the learned author was mistaken, as the young shell of *Harp. exaratum*, which is identical with his *Am. complanatus*, has only a single carina in the area. In fact, *Harp. bicarinatum* is a distinct form, for from its flattened sides and square area two small lateral carinæ arise on each side of the keel; three specimens before me from Milhaud, Aveyron, support this determination.

Dumortier has figured and described an Ammonite under the name *Am. exaratus*, which is very different from Young's typical shell; this is either a defaced specimen or another form. The plates which I consider to contain good figures of *Harp. exaratum* are those given by d'Orbigny, pl. 114; Dumortier pl. x and xi, figs. 1, 2; and the medium-sized shell drawn in Pl. LXII, figs. 1—3, in this work. The late Dr. Reynès in his 'Monographie des Ammonites,' Marseille, 1879, pl. iv, "Ammonites du Lias supérieur," figs. 4, 5, 6, gave admirable delineations of this species under the false name *Am. elegans*, Sow.

Affinities and Differences.—The *Falciferi* of Von Buch, whilst truly one of the most natural families of the Ammonoida, is at the same time one of the most difficult to differentiate into specific forms. Mere descriptions without carefully drawn and accurate delineations are in a great measure valueless, hence the confusion which exists in testing several of the species of this group. The difficulty an author experiences in detecting mistakes is very great, unless he has a set of good type specimens to refer to for comparison; seeing so much depends on the shape of the whorl, the style and diameter of the ribbing, the amount of involution, the inversion, eversion, or verticality of the spiral angle, the structure of the keel, the contouring of the suture-line, and the form of the appendages of the aperture; and so closely balanced are all these points with each other that without an actual comparison of typical specimens mistakes of identity are readily made.

Harpoceras exaratum closely resembles *Harp. serpentinum* in general outline, but differs in the following details:—The sides are more convex, the whorl is higher, the involution greater, the umbilicus narrower, and the sigmoidal valleys between the radii are much more sharply defined; the longitudinal sulcus also so characteristic of *Harp. serpentinum* is absent.

Harp. exaratum differs from *Harp. bicarinatum*, Münster; in the latter the sides are flatter, the area squarer, with a low keel and two lateral carinæ on the boundaries of the area; the involution is likewise greater, and the radii broader, less numerous, and very falciform (see Pl. LXXXII, figs. 9, 10, 11).

Harp. exaratum resembles *Harp. Lythense*; but in the latter the outer whorl is higher, the ribs fewer, larger, and rounder; the umbilicus narrow, the spiral angle very acute, and the sides of the walls vertical, exposing all the inner volutions; the aperture is sagittate, the upper portion sloping away toward the keel.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This fine Ammonite, which sometimes attains 210 millimètres in diameter, is found in the zone of *Harp. serpentinum*, Upper Lias, at Whitby, Yorkshire.

HARPOCERAS LYTHENSE, *Young and Bird*, Pl. LXII, figs. 4, 5, and 6.

- AMMONITES LYTHENSIS, *Young and Bird*. Geol. Surv. Yorksh. Coast, p. 267, 1828.
— — *Phillips*. Geology of Yorkshire, pl. xiii, fig. 6, 1829.
— — *Simpson*. Monogr. of Lias Ammonites, p. 33, 1843.
— CONCAVUS, *d'Orbigny*. Terr. Jurass., p. 358, pl. 116, 1842.
— LYTHENSIS, *Oppel*. Juraformation, p. 24, 1856.
— — *Quenstedt*. Der Jura, p. 248, tab. xxxv, fig. 5, 1858.
— — *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass., partie iv, p. 56, pl. xi, figs. 9, 10, 1874.

HARPOCERAS LYTHENSE, *Tate and Blake*. Yorksh. Lias, p. 304, pl. ii, fig. 4, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell stout, discoidal, depressed, and carinated; volutions four or five, nearly concealed; outer whorl in height exceeding the semi-diameter of the disc, thicker near the inner margin (which is acute, with rectangular walls), and sloping towards the outer margin, which terminates in a thick keel; inner half of the whorl longitudinally depressed and almost smooth, outer half sloping from a ridge towards the siphonal area, and covered with strong, obtuse, bent radii, which vanish on the side of the area; umbilicus narrow, with deep sides, rising stair-like from a sunken pit-like depression; aperture high and compressed, acute towards the margin, and deeply grooved by the return of the spire.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 95 millimètres; height of last whorl 50 millimètres; height of aperture 50 millimètres; breadth 23 millimètres; width of umbilicus 17 millimètres.

Description.—This is a well-known, and highly-characteristic species of the Upper-Lias beds near Whitby, which has been sadly misrepresented by bad figures. It may truly be said that Mr. Gawan's delineation of *Harp. Lythense* is the first accurate representation of the Yorkshire type. D'Orbigny, under the false name *Am. concavus*, figured a French shell obtained from the Upper Lias, which he identified with Sowerby's *Am. concavus*; this was a grave mistake, as the *Am. concavus*, Sowerby, is a very different shell, belonging to the *Harp.-Sowerbii* zone of the Inferior Oolite. I have no doubt therefore that the subject of d'Orbigny's figure is a true *Harp. Lythense*, which differs little from the typical form which this species assumes in the Yorkshire beds, and of which I have selected a very fine average specimen for the beautiful figure in Pl. LXII, figs. 4—6.

This shell is stout, depressed, discoidal, and carinated; the whorls are deep and extremely involute, the outer whorl exceeding in height the semi-diameter of the disc; on the inner half of the whorl there is a slightly depressed, longitudinal space, which near the middle rises into a low ridge, whence to the margin the side slopes away to the area, and forms a good character of the species; the keel is strong, but often absent, as the syphon lies safely buried in the mould of the shell; the keel is formed by a continuation of the sides, and is separated from them by a slight lateral depression. The

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HARPOCERAS OVATUM, *Young and Bird*. Pl. LXIII, figs. 4, 5, 6, 7.

AMMONITES OVATUS, *Young and Bird*. Geological Survey, p. 251, pl. xiii, fig. 4, 1822.

— — *Phillips*. Geology of Yorkshire, pl. xiii, fig. 10, 1829.

— — *Simpson*. Monogr. of Lias Ammonites, p. 35, 1843.

— — — Fossils of the Yorksh. Lias, p. 76, 1855.

HARPOCERAS CÆCILIA, *Reinecke*. Tate and Blake's Yorksh. Lias, p. 305, pl. ii, fig. 6, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, and carinated; whorls ovoid, one half involute; radii sigmoidal, bifid, each feebly-developed stem divides into two branches, of which from fifty to sixty are found on the convex side of one volution; the inner margin slopes evenly down to the penultimate whorl without any spiral angle; keel sharp, prominent, and entire, having two narrow shallow grooves on each side thereof. Aperture ovate, sides with convex lateral lappets, and a short projecting abdominal spine.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 105 millimètres; height of the last whorl 40 millimètres; width of umbilicus 29 millimètres; height of aperture 28 millimètres; width 23 millimètres.

Description.—This is a well-marked form in the Upper-Lias beds near Whitby; it often occurs as a rough, irregular-formed, discoidal, compressed shell, having ovoid whorls, which are one half involute; the inner third of the whorls slopes gently down to the spire without any angular margin such as is seen so well marked in *Harp. exaratum*, *Harp. Lythense*, and *Harp. elegans*; the sides of the whorls are, in fact, nearly convex in a regular well-formed shell, sometimes, however, the inner third of the whorl protrudes beyond the convex curve; the ribs arise by a number of feeble striæ from the inner margin, which soon coalesce and form stems, and each soon divides into two branches; the ribs are all twice bent, first a little forward, then well bent backward, and, lastly, again well directed forward; the radii are not prominent (Pl. LXIII, fig. 4).

The shell slopes away to the siphonal area, which is the narrowest portion of the volution. The keel is sharp, narrow, entire, and prominent, with two small longitudinal sulci on each side of it, on which the forward directed portion of the ribs finally vanish (Pl. LXIII, fig. 6).

The aperture is oval, and the walls form two lateral convex lappets and a forward-directed abdominal spine; just before the aperture the walls of the shell become slightly expanded, and show irregular foldings (Pl. LXIII, figs. 4, 5).

The suture line is of the *radians* type. The siphonal lobe is large, with two widely-diverging branches, and is nearly the size of the siphonal saddle, which is provided with an accessory lobule that divides the space into two unequal folioles, the inner one being the largest. The principal lateral lobe is very large; it has three lateral denticles on each side, and a long terminal branch; the lateral saddle likewise ends in two folioles,

with several leaf-like cells on the sides. The inner saddle is constricted in the middle, and surrounded by numerous folioles on the sides. There are three thick auxiliary lobes, and three narrow saddles between them, where they disappear under the spiral suture. The suture line is seen *in situ* on Pl. LXIII, fig. 4, and an enlarged drawing of it is carefully drawn in Pl. LXIII, fig. 7.

Affinities and Differences.—*Harp. ovatum* is distinguished from the other congeneric species by its ovoid whorls without vertical or concave folds at the inner margin, by having a prominent keel with two lateral sulci, and by being provided with only faint sigmoidal radii, every two springing from a common stem. This species more closely resembles *Harp. radians* than any of the other forms with which it is associated in the Upper Lias of Yorkshire.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This species appears abundant in the jet-rock and hard shales of the Upper Lias near Whitby and Runswick; it is rather an abundant fossil, but most of the examples are very rough and deformed; it is rare, therefore, to find so good an example as the one which I have figured as a type of the species.

HARPOCERAS ELEGANS, *Young and Bird*, Pl. LXIII, figs. 1—3.

AMMONITĒS ELEGANS, *Young and Bird* (non *Sowerby*). *Yorksh. Coast*, p. 267, pl. xiii, fig. 11, 1828.

— CANDIDUS, *d'Orbigny*. *Terr. Jurass.* (no description), pl. 63, 1842.

— ELEGANS, *Simpson*. *Monogr. of the Lias Ammon.*, p. 31, 1843.

— — — *Fossils of the Yorksh. Lias*, p. 72, 1855.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, subcarinated; whorls slightly convex, two-thirds involute; spiral angle acute, with a concave slope on the penultimate whorl; inner third concave, outer two thirds slightly convex; siphonal area narrow, sloping, with an elevated ridge in the middle; radii simple, sigmoidal, well marked in young shells, and becoming very delicate with age; aperture elongated and sagittate, with two slightly prominent lateral lappets.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 100 millimètres; height of the last whorl 38 millimètres; width of umbilicus 24 millimètres; height of aperture 27 millimètres; width 20 millimètres.

Description.—This is another common Whitby Ammonite which has hitherto been badly drawn, as shown in pl. xiii, fig. 11, of *Young and Bird's* work. Some authors refer this Ammonite to *Ammonites elegans*, *Sow.*, but none of the specimens I have examined correspond with *Sowerby's* figure, which does not appear to be a Lias shell at all; as I have not seen the type specimen I refrain from further criticism. The figure which approaches nearest to this fossil is that given by *d'Orbigny* in his pl. lxiii, under the name

Ammonites candidus, d'Orb., 'Lias supérieur,' but oddly enough the author has omitted to give any description of his plate, nor does he make any allusion to it either in the text of his great work 'Paléontologie Française,' or in his 'Prodrome Paléont.:' I believe, however, in the identity of the *Am. candidus*, d'Orb., with *Harp. elegans*, Young.

The elegance of this Ammonite and the persistency of its beautiful lines long attracted my attention, and I have collected many examples from the jet-rock and hard shale of the Upper Lias near Whitby; where it was at one time a very common species. The specimen I have figured is a very good type of this form. The shell is thin and very well preserved in the figured specimen, which displays the structure of the radii in the shelly laminae itself, and the impressions they leave upon portions of the mould exposed to view.

The shell is discoidal, compressed, and subcarinated. The keel does not form a distinct prominent elevation, but is a protruding ridge rising from the middle of the siphonal area, and is formed by the union of radii from the two sides joining together along the mesial line; the inner third of the whorl is slightly concave, and the outer two thirds convex and sloping upward into the keel. Some authors describe this species as possessing a sharp, prominent, entire keel, which does not agree with the foregoing description, so it is right to state that my definition applies to specimens which have the shell-structure preserved entire, whilst in other specimens in which the mould only exists the keel is much more distinct. The inner or spiral angle is acute and elevated (Pl. LXIII, fig. 1), and slopes inwards in a concave curve towards the penultimate whorl. The umbilicus, although narrow, is much exposed by the successive slopes of the inner volutions of the spire.

The shell thin, smooth, and shining, is ornamented on the sides in younger specimens by moderately prominent sigmoidal ribs, which gradually become less defined in older specimens, and finally degenerate into the very fine radii on the body-chamber.

The aperture is narrow, elongated, and sagittate; it has short, convex, lateral lappets, and a prolonged abdominal spine, with a thickening of the shell around the aperture.

The mould of this species, when entirely denuded of its shell, has a very smooth, shining appearance, and the very characteristic concave sloping of the inner margin of the whorls, already noted, is now more conspicuous; so that it is readily distinguished from its congeneric associates by this character alone.

Affinities and Differences.—It differs from *Harp. Lythense* in having narrower whorls and smaller ribs in youth, and by wanting them in age. The sloping concave character of the inner margin of the spire in *Harp. elegans* forms a marked contrast to the acute spiral angle and vertical marginal wall of the umbilicus in *Harp. Lythense*.

It differs from *Harp. exaratum* by the absence of the well-marked regular sigmoidal ribs and deeply grooved valleys possessed by that species, and by the want of the concave marginal slope of the whorls, which forms so good a diagnostic character; this also distinguishes it from *Harp. Lythense*, and it is equally good as a diagnostic trait of character between *Harp. elegans* and *Harp. exaratum*.

Harp. elegans is nearly related to *Harp. ovatum*; the latter, however, has convex

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to arrive at the truth. One small specimen, 5 millimètres in diameter, was costated and carinated like the outer whorl of the same species 40 millimètres in diameter. So that both the form, ornamentation, and figure are retained with very little change through life in this species. My learned friend, Professor Quenstedt, with his usual accurate eye for the discrimination of Ammonite forms, has described the following varieties of *Am. radians*:

- a. *Radians depressus*, which is identical with *Ammonites striatulus*, Sowerby.
- β. *Radians compressus*, resembling *Am. Capellinus*, Reinecke; its outer whorl is much higher than in *Am. radians depressus*.
- γ. *Radians quadratus*, Quenst., of the type of *Am. radians depressus*; the keel has two lateral grooves on each side as in *Harp. bifrons*.
- δ. *Radians costula*, Rein.
- ε. *Radians comptus*, Rein., an intermediate form between Reinecke's *Ammonites radians* and Quenstedt's *Ammonites ammonius*, to which *Harpoceras opalinum* and *Harpoceras Murchisoni* appertain.

The septa are well displayed in figures 1 and 4, Pl. LXIV. They are symmetrical and are on each side divided into three lobes and three saddles, formed of single parts. The siphonal lobe is narrower and shorter than the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with three digitations and two terminal divergent branches. The siphonal saddle is as large as the principal lateral lobe and divided by an accessory lobe into two unequal portions, the internal portion being the largest, and both terminate in many large unequal-sized folioles. The principal lateral lobe is large and ornamented on each side with five short and three elongated terminal branches, with numerous points to each branch. The lateral saddle is one third less than the principal lateral lobe and ends in large leaf-like expansions. The inner lateral lobe is not one half the size of the principal, its sides have several irregular digitations; besides these regular lobes there are two or three auxiliary lobes which are both short and irregular in figure.

The morphology of this species shows that at the diameter of 5 millimètres the keel and ribs were developed, the latter chiefly on the area first, afterwards appearing on the sides. At 24 millimètres diameter there were nearly forty ribs; at 43 millimètres diameter fifty-four ribs; at 70 millimètres diameter there were seventy ribs; and at 128 millimètres diameter the shell had ninety-four ribs, so that the number of the ribs of *Harpoceras radians* was in a direct ratio with the diameter of the shell. In the large German specimen, belonging to the British Museum Collection (Pl. LXIV, figs. 5, 6, 7), which attains 135 millimètres in diameter, there are ninety-six ribs.

Affinities and Differences.—*Harpoceras radians* very much resembles *Harp. serpentinum* both in form and ribbing. Its whorls, however, are not so high, and its ribs are only flexed and not bent in the middle; the sides are likewise convex, more involute, and not truncated at the inner border.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite attains a full development in

the *Lyt. Jurensis* zone at Frocester Hill, from whence the shell drawn on Pl. LXIV, figs. 1—3 was collected; the large specimen, figs. 5, 6, 7, on the same Plate, was obtained from the equivalent horizon in Germany, the locality is unfortunately not recorded. I have a beautiful specimen from the Upper Lias of Somersetshire, depicted on Pl. LXXXI, fig. 4. Most of the examples of *Harpoceras radians* from Frocester and Nailsworth Upper Lias Sands are small, compressed, thick, stout shells.

HARPOCERAS STRIATULUM; *Sowerby*. Pl. LXXXIV, figs. 4, 5, 6.

AMMONITES STRIATULUS,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Min. Conchol., vol. iv, p. 23, tab. 421, fig. 1, 1823.
— LINEATUS,	<i>Schlotheim</i> . Petrefactenkunde, p. 75, No. 24, 1820.
—	<i>Zieten</i> . Verstein. Württembergs, p. 12, pl. ix, fig. 7, 1830
— STRIATULUS,	— Ibid., p. 19, pl. xiv, fig. 6, 1830.
— COMENSIS,	<i>Von Buch</i> . Petrif. remark, pl. ii, figs. 1—3, 1831.
— THOUARSENSIS,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Terr. Jurass., p. 222, pl. 57, 1842.
— RADIANS DEPRESSUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, tab. vii, figs. 4—6, 1849.
— COMENSIS,	<i>Chapuis and Dewalque</i> . Mém. Cour. Acad. Roy. Belgique, t. xxv; Fossil Luxembourg, p. 63, pl. ix, fig. 1, 1854.
— STRIATULUS,	<i>Simpson</i> . Fossils York. Lias, p. 87, 1855.
—	<i>Oppel</i> . Die Juraformation, p. 248, 1856.
	<i>Dumortier</i> . Dépôts Jurassiques, partie iv, p. 64, pl. xvi, fig. 1, 1874.
— THOUARSENSIS,	— Ibid., p. 63, 1874.
HARPOCERAS STRIATULUM,	<i>Tate and Blake</i> . Yorkshire Lias, p. 308, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, depressed, carinated; whorls about one third involute, convex on the sides; radii short; biflexed slender, vanishing from the inner third, thereby producing a smooth open umbilicus; siphonal area narrow, sloping towards the sides; radii terminate near the keel, which is small, trenchant, and bounded by two shallow sulci. Aperture elliptical; suture-line tortuous; septa wide apart.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 60 millimètres; width of the umbilicus 25 millimètres; height of aperture 18 millimètres; width of aperture 13 millimètres.

Description.—This Ammonite, evidently the *Am. radians depressus*, Quenst., and *Am. Thouarsensis*, d'Orbig., is easily distinguished from *Am. radians*, Reinecke, by the smooth inner portion of its convex whorls, from which the ribbing is absent, a character *Sowerby* failed to delineate in his otherwise good figure. The other point to which he attached so much importance, and upon which he founded the name *striatulus*, is seldom present, as the striæ only exist on the outer lamina of the shell which is seldom preserved. The baldness of the inner side of the whorl is a most persistent character, as the several specimens before me from different localities satis-

factorily prove. The shell is discoidal and compressed; the whorls about one third involute, are convex on their sides, and the outer two thirds of the height of each are ornamented with from forty to fifty short, slender, biflexed ribs; the inner third of the whorl, where it slopes towards the umbilicus is smooth, and from the summit of the slope the ribs commence; sometimes they are single, and sometimes they bifurcate, each stem dividing into two branches. The ribs first bend forward then backward, and again sweep forward towards the area and terminate at the side of a shallow sulcus, from which rises a thin prominent keel; the umbilicus is wide and the inner whorls are exposed, these have an ornate character as each whorl is smooth internally and ribbed externally. The aperture is either ovate or elliptical according to the amount of compression of the sides; the suture-line is well shown in many of my specimens, the chambers appear to have been large, as the septa are moderately distant from each other, and are composed of three lobes and three saddles with smaller auxiliaries. The siphonal lobe is as wide as but shorter than the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with three short points and two single terminal branches. The siphonal saddle is one third larger than the principal lateral lobe, and divided into two unequal parts by an accessory lobe which arises from the concave surface, the whole ending in large folioles. The principal lateral lobe is large; it has two or three points on the sides and three longer terminal processes on the summit, and forms a conspicuous object on the side of the mould as it remains well apart from all the others. The lateral saddle is one third narrower than the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in two long folioles. The inner lateral lobe is about half the size of the principal and has an irregular figure with two or three small lateral points. The auxiliary saddle is wide, shallow, and trilobed, and the auxiliary lobes, two or three in number, are small and pointed, and pass into the ventral lobe, which is entirely concealed by the turns of the spire.

Affinities and Differences.—Some authors regard this species as the true type of *Harp. radians* and synonymous with it, I have, however, endeavoured to show the affinities and differences which exist between the two forms that lived together in the same sea abounding with congeneric species; still *Harp. striatulum* preserved the characters I have pointed out most persistently through life. And the same observation applies to the forms of this species recognised as *Am. Thouarsensis*, d'Orbig., and *Am. Comensis*, von Buch, in the respective French and German formations.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected this species from the dark Greyish Marl at Blea Wyke, near Robin Hood's Bay, associated with *Harpoceras variabile* and *Harp. insigne*, both characteristic fossils of the *Lyt. Jurensis* zone. I have collected this shell likewise from the *Lyt. Jurensis* Ammonite bed at Frocester Hill, Gloucestershire; these are the only localities I know in England. Sowerby's type specimen came from Blea Wyke, near Peak Hill, Robin Hood's Bay, Yorkshire, where it was collected by Mr. Crawford, of Scarborough, who sent the Ammonite to Sowerby; the specimen I have figured (Pl. LXXXIV, fig. 4) was collected by myself from the same locality.

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ness as they advance, and terminating abruptly by the side of the carina; the size and regularity of the tubercles, the straightness of the ribs, and the manner they end by the side of the thick round keel, distinguish this species from all other congeneric forms. When it attains a diameter of 120 millimètres the tubercles begin to disappear, the costæ fine down into depressed radii, and the keel becomes blunt and disappears, the outer whorl and the body-chamber change their form and become triangular, and the shell assumes a form which I have represented in Pl. LXVI. Just about the point where this metamorphosis takes place we notice on the mould a remarkable constriction, always in that portion of the shell where the septa are present; it is always unique, and never present before or after. At one time I was of opinion that the constriction might have been the result of an accident to the mollusk or to its shell during life; afterwards, however, I observed like constrictions in other specimens at the diameter of 120 millimètres, and hence it occurred to me that the Ammonite changed its lines of growth when it had attained that magnitude, just as we have a similar metamorphosis at a definite age in *Aegoceras heterogenum* of the Middle Lias. The two specimens delineated in Pl. LXV, figs. 1 and 4, show the constriction described, and a large imperfect specimen, 210 millimètres in diameter, from Heiningen, Würtemberg, in my collection, has a little mark on the mould at 120 millimètres diameter. In both the figured specimens referred to, the form of the whorl changes beyond the constriction; the whorls which up to that mark had been of a rounded or elliptical figure, begin henceforth to assume a distinctly triangular outline. In the beautiful and accurate plate of *Am. insignis* given by d'Orbigny (Pl. 112) this fact is very well represented, although nothing is stated in the text relating to the change of form by that most accurate observer, who appears to have had a large series of specimens illustrative of the morphology of *Harp. insigne*. On this subject our author states that "this species is without contradiction one of the most remarkable in reference to its changes of form according to the age and sex of individuals. An example of the diameter of 4 millimètres is entirely smooth, with a round back without keel. Another of a diameter of 5 millimètres presents some slight prominences around the umbilicus, and preserves them for some time without an indication of a carina. When the diameter has reached 10 millimètres the lateral costæ, the tubercles, and the carina become conspicuous. At the diameter of from 15 to 20 millimètres fourteen tubercles and thirty-two costæ can be counted. There are seventeen tubercles and thirty-eight costæ when the shell is of the diameter of 50 millimètres. A compressed specimen at the diameter of 125 millimètres showed thirty-four tubercles and eighty-four costæ. The period of degeneracy commences sooner or later according to individuals. With a diameter of 180 millimètres in bulky inflated specimens the tubercles sometimes cease; the ribs at 210 millimètres; the remaining portion being very smooth throughout."

I am able to supplement this account of the morphology of *Harpoceras insigne* by facts disclosed during the study of an interesting example of this Ammonite collected from the light-coloured marly beds of Upper Lias at Sheepscombe, near Painswick,

Gloucestershire. The diameter of this specimen is 225 millimètres. The body-chamber is not complete up to the aperture, although it has left indications on the mould showing the limits of its internal extent. The body-chamber occupies the whole of the last whorl. The shell of the body-chamber appears to have been quite smooth, the whorl is compressed and triangular, without carina and ribs, and on a portion of the penultimate whorl the ribs have vanished, and the carina has disappeared. The suture-line is so well preserved in the mould that it affords a safe guide for these observations.

Affinities and Differences.—This Ammonite resembles *Harp. variable*, by the series of tubercles and fasciated ribs around the umbilicus. It is, however, a much thicker and less elegant shell, and the whorls are likewise more rotund and not so high, the keel is likewise much thicker and never attains the extreme elevation and remarkable structure seen in *Harp. variable*. Its ribs are likewise less flexed and the siphonal area much broader in *Harp. insigne* than we shall find it to be in *Harp. variable*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite forms one of the leading fossils in the *Lyt. Jurensis* zone in England. I have collected it at Frocester Hill, Sheepscombe, near Painswick, and at Ozleworth, all in Gloucestershire.

Foreign Localities.—In France it is a common species in the Upper Lias above the zone with *Harp. serpentinum*, and *Harp. bifrons*. According to Dumortier it is found at Saint-Cyr, Poleymieux, Saint-Fortunat, St. Romain, Limas, La Verpillière, Semur, St. Julien, St. Nizier, Charnay, Fressac, Mortières, Vaux; Fevroux, Ain; Besançon, Thouars, Mort, Charolles, St. Quentin; and it is to be seen in the Museum at Lyons. In Germany it lies in the uppermost stratum of the Upper Lias, the zone of *Lyt. Jurensis*, near Heiningen, Meiningen, Reichenbach, Hechingen, also near Uhrweiler-les-Vignes, Bas-Rhin.

HARPOCERAS VARIABILE, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. LXVII, figs. 1—6; LXVIII.

- AMMONITES OBLIQUATUS, *Young and Bird*. Yorksh. Coast, p. 265, 1828.
 — BEANII, *Simpson*. Ammonites York. Lias, p. 36, 1843.
 — VARIABILIS, *d'Orbigny*. Paléontol. Française, p. 350, pl. 113, 1842.
 — — *Chapuis et Dewalque*. Mém. Cour. Acad. Roy. Belgique; Fossiles du Luxembourg, t. xxv, p. 64, pl. ix, fig. 2, 1854.
 — — *Oppel*. Die Juraformation, p. 250, 1856.
 — DISPANSUS, *Lycett*. Trans. of the Cotteswold Club, vol. iii, p. 5, 1865.
 — VARIABILIS, *Dumortier*. Dépôts Jurass., partie iv, p. 77, 1874.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, carinated; volutions one half involute; sides convex, transversely costated; costæ sigmoidal, inflated towards aperture, and fasciated; fasciculi arise from a tubercle situated near the inner margin, in general a single

rib between the tubercles; siphonal area narrow, keel very thin and extremely prominent, distinct from the siphuncle; aperture compressed, sagittate, acute; suture-line tortuous, four lobed.

Dimensions.—Pl. LXVII, fig. 1. Transverse diameter 140 millimètres; width of umbilicus 45 millimètres; height of aperture 55 millimètres; width of aperture 27 millimètres.

Pl. LXVII, figs. 3, 4, var. *dispansum*. Transverse diameter 85 millimètres; width of umbilicus 25 millimètres; height of aperture 35 millimètres; width of aperture 18 millimètres.

Pl. LXVIII. Transverse diameter 210 millimètres; width of umbilicus 75 millimètres; height of aperture 75 millimètres.

Description.—This beautiful Ammonite is one of the most dominant forms of the *Lyt. Jurensis*-zone in Gloucestershire, from whence all the fine examples so accurately delineated in Pls. LXVII and LXVIII were collected. The shell is discoidal, much compressed and excessively carinated; the volutions, six in number, are one half involute; the whorls are ornamented with from sixty to seventy transverse sigmoidal costæ, all inflected towards the aperture; most of these are fasciated, and arise in pairs from well-marked tubercles developed around the inner margin, whilst others are short and single, and lie between the fasciated pairs; there is in general one simple rib between each fasciculus. The siphonal area is narrow (Pl. LXVII, fig. 2), in which the inflected costæ all terminate; from the centre arises a very narrow, extremely prominent keel (figs. 1, 2, 5, 6), which is rarely preserved, it stands straight out from the shell, and is situated outside and entirely distinct from the siphuncle (fig. 2), where it is well delineated. Here we observe that an accidental fracture of a portion of the shell has exposed some of the chambers and the siphuncle is shown *in situ* beneath the outer lamina of the shell. The prominent calcareous carina has been entirely broken away from the area and was evidently independent of, and detached from, the siphuncle, which really lies embedded within the shell itself. In Pl. LXVII, figs. 3, 4 I have figured an example of the *dispansum* variety, from the sands at Frocester Hill. The sides are more convex and run out into a narrower area, with a thinner and sharper keel, the lateral costæ are smaller and more numerous, and the fasciated bundles less pronounced. The Ammonite described as *Am. Beanii*, Simp., is undoubtedly the same as d'Orbigny's *Am. variabilis*, and it was the discovery of this species in the Grey Marl, zone of *Lyt. Jurensis* at the Peak, that settled the point as to the age of that bed with me. This species and *Harp. striatulum*, which I found associated together, proved that the Frocester Sands and the Grey Marls at the Peak were upon the same horizon of life.

The aperture is narrow, and elongated (Pl. LXVII, figs. 2, 6), and sometimes lanceolate, as in Pl. LXVII, fig. 4.

The suture-line is extremely tortuous, and in its contour develops four lobes and four saddles. The siphonal lobe is as wide but shorter than the principal lateral, and is

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sands, *A. variabilis* does not pass higher than the lowest fossiliferous beds of the sands; both are very limited in their vertical range, and never occupy the same horizon. Both in the young and adult conditions of growth *A. dispansus* is always more discoidal than the other; the figure of the back more especially differs in its acute keel, the tubercles upon the inner margin of the volutions are much more faintly marked, and unlike those of *A. variabilis* they are irregular; they give origin to numerous fasciated sigmoidal radii; in *A. variabilis* the radii constitute rigid, nearly straight, and comparatively prominent ribs; the septa in *A. dispansus* have the lobes much more simple, less pointed, and less produced; the test is preserved very rarely and only in young specimens, it is delicate, and exhibits the fine hair-like sigmoidal radii much more distinctly than the casts. Specimens and fragments are very abundant at Frocester Hill; at Haresfield Hill they are present, but are badly preserved. The largest specimen in my possession is five inches and a half across, but very few exceed three inches."

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The type form I have collected from the sands between the Lias and Inferior Oolite near Bridport. The specimen (Pl. LXVII, figs. 1 and 5) came from that locality. The *Harp. dispansum* type (Pl. LXVII, figs. 3, 4) was collected at Frocester Hill and Pl. LXVIII near Nailsworth, Gloucestershire.

HARPOCERAS AALENSE, *Zieten*. Pl. LXXV, figs. 8—10; Pl. LXXX, figs. 1—3; Pl. LXXXII, figs. 1—4.

NAUTILUS COMPTUS? *Reinecke*. Naut. et Argon., p. 57, tab. 1, figs. 5, 6, 1818.

AMMONITES SIGMIFER? *Phillips*. Geol. of Yorksh., pl. xiii, fig. 4, 1829.

— AALENSIS, *Zieten*. Versteiner. Württemberg, p. 37, pl. xxviii, fig. 3, 1830.

— RUGATULUS, *Simpson*. Fossils of Yorksh. Lias, p. 73, 1855.

— AALENSIS, *Oppel*. Die Juraformation, p. 248, 1856.

— MOOREI, *Lycett*. Cotteswold Hills Handbook, p. 122, pl. i, fig. 2, 1857.

HARPOCERAS AALENSE, *Tate and Blake*. Yorksh. Lias, p. 303, 1876.

Diagnosis.—*a. Adult condition.*—Shell discoidal, much depressed, carinated; whorls compressed, two fifths involute, inner border untruncated, sides slightly convex, closely covered with fine, simple, irregular striæ bent forward and inclined toward the carina, which is neither elevated nor distinct.

b. Young condition.—Striæ much larger, more unequal, distant, and distinct; siphonal area thinner and more trenchant; aperture narrow, elliptical.

Dimensions.—*Large specimen*, Pl. LXXX, figs. 1, 2 (= *Ammonites Moorei*, *Lycett*): transverse diameter 85 millimètres; height of whorl 30 millimètres; width of umbilicus 35 millimètres; width of aperture 15 millimètres.

Small specimen (Pl. LXXXII, figs. 1, 2, *Ammonites Aalensis*, *Zieten*) transverse

diameter 39 millimètres; height of whorl 16 millimètres; width of umbilicus 14 millimètres; width of aperture 9 millimètres.

Description.—This Ammonite has long been a puzzle to naturalists, seeing that the young shells agreed very well with Zieten's pl. xxviii, fig. 3, whilst the adult shells approached *Harpoceras opalinum*. I therefore, by the kindness of Professor Fraas, of Stuttgart, obtained some type specimens of *Am. Aalensis* collected from the Grey Marl of the Lias beds of Wasserelfingen near Aalen, from whence Zieten's type was derived, and on comparing these German specimens with a series obtained from the Ammonite bed of Frocester Hill, I found them to be identical with shells of the same size, and that the large shell which my late friend Dr. Lycett figured in his handbook as a new species under the name *Am. Moorei*, was in fact the adult condition of *Harpoceras Aalense*, Zieten (Pl. LXXV, fig. 9). In order to understand the history of this species we must study *Harp. Aalense* in its young and adult conditions (Pl. LXXXII, fig. 1, Pl. LXXX, fig. 1). In youth the radii are larger and wider apart, of unequal size, and always simple, the carina is acute and distinct, and the striæ are sometimes grouped in bundles together near the inner edge (Pl. LXXXII, fig. 1). When the shell reaches 30 millimètres in diameter an important change takes place; the striæ become smaller and more closely approximated, they cover the sides and pass over the carina in close apposition; the change from the large costæ of the young shell to the fine striæ of the outer whorl of the larger forms is very sudden, and affords a strong contrast, when seen within the umbilicus.

In the adult, so well figured in Pl. LXXX, figs. 1—3, and in Pl. LXXV, figs. 9, 10, the beauty and regularity of this species are well delineated. The shell is discoidal, much depressed, and carinated; the whorls are two fifths involute; the sides covered with very numerous, small, single, biflexed striæ, which become hair-like and more closely set together in larger shells; so numerous are they, in fact, in the specimen I have figured, that they are counted with difficulty on the body-chamber. The whorls slope towards the previous volution, and are equally rounded towards the carina, which is not elevated or distinct from the area, and forms only its acute summit. The suture-line (Pl. LXXX, fig. 3) resembles that of *Harp. radians* (Pl. LXIV, fig. 4). The siphonal lobe is short and wide, it has several lateral digitations and two divergent terminal points. The siphonal saddle is wide, and divided by a small accessory lobe into two nearly equal spaces, which terminate in three folioles on each side. The principal lateral lobe is large; with three lateral digits on each side and two terminal points at its summit. The lateral saddle is small, and the inner lateral lobe, about one third the size of the principal, has a few digits on its circumference. The accessory saddle is a shallow space leading to two small auxiliary points.

The test of *Harp. Aalense* is very thin, and in general well preserved. The mould exhibits the form and direction of the radii in great perfection, better, in fact, than in those specimens which have retained their test.

Affinities and Differences.—*Harp. Aalense*, Ziet., resembles *Harp. radians*, Rein.; it

is, however, more compressed, the siphonal area more acute, without a distinct keel, and its fine, hair-like striæ pass over the ridge; the radii, likewise, are more unequal in size, and differ much during their evolution; the difference observed in the character of the radii in young and old shells forms another point of comparison which ought not to be omitted in treating of the affinities of this beautiful Ammonite, which is still more closely related to *Harpoceras opalinum*. A critical comparison of *Harp. Aalense* with *Harp. opalinum* will, however, be more in place in the article devoted to the description of that most interesting and beautiful form (p. 463).

The young forms of *Harp. Aalense* present a wide range of variability in the ornamentation of the shell, and it is only after the acquisition of a number of examples of genuine types, and a critical comparison of these with one another, that we realise the fact that we have first to learn the morphology of the species before we can study the varieties. In Pl. LXXXII, figs. 1—4, I have given accurate delineations of two examples of *Harp. Aalense* from the Lias beds of Wasserelfingen near Aalen, a deposit and locality from whence Zieten's type specimens were collected. These shells lead up, by a series of changes, from the young form (Pl. LXXXII, fig. 3) through a largely costated variety to a smaller costated form and up to a still finer ribbed variety which makes a transition link to the adult form presented by some of the smaller forms of *Harp. Moorei* (Pl. LXXX, fig. 1). Now, all these varieties I have in years past collected from the upper sands of Frocester Hill, and a few from a like bed at Nailsworth, Gloucestershire, and from Burton, Bradstock, and Chideock Hill, Dorsetshire. The English and the German varieties match each other so closely that we are bound to admit the forms mentioned are the necessary changes the organism has passed through in the evolution of the species.

Reinecke appears to have figured the young form with fine costæ under the name of *Nautilus comptus*, and Lycett a variety under that of *Am. Moorei*, whilst Zieten has figured the most typical shell (Pl. LXXV, fig. 8) as *Am. Aalensis*. In truth, all these forms are readily united by the intermediate links which one finds in a tray full of examples obtained from the Upper Lias Sands.

The variety "*Harp. comptum*" of Reinecke is in the young state distinguished by having fine, closely arranged, sigmoidal radii, which are fasciated at irregular intervals by folds of growth; subsequently the fasciated character disappears in older forms.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—*Harpoceras Aalense* is limited to the *Opalinum* zone of Frocester Hill and Nailsworth, and is found in the same horizon at Burton Bradstock and Chideock Hill, Dorsetshire. This Ammonite is a leading fossil in the upper part of the *Lyt. Jurensis*-marl at Wasserelfingen near Aalen, and this same stratum has a wide distribution through Germany, as at Gundershoffen, and Uhrviller, Bas-Rhin; in France at Saint-Quentin, Isère, and the environs of Saint-Rambert, Ain; Saint-Romain, Rhône; and Verpillière, Isère, where magnificent specimens are obtained from the ironstone bands.

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HARPOCERAS BICARINATUM, *Münster*. Pl. LXXXII, figs. 9, 10, 10a, 11.

- AMMONITES BICARINATUS, *Münster*. In Zieten's *Versteiner Würtemberg*, p. 21, pl. xv, fig. 9, 1830.
- ELEGANS, *Sowerby*. *Mineral Conchology*, vol. i, p. 213, pl. 94, 1815.
- — *Phillips*. *Geol. York.*, pl. xiii, fig. 12, 1829.
- COMPLANATUS, *d'Orbigny*. *Paléontol. Française, Terr. Jur.*, p. 353, pl. 114, figs. 1—4, 1842.
- BICARINATUS, *Quenstedt*. *Der Jura*, p. 578, 1858.
- — *Dumortier*. *Dépôt Jurassique, partie iv*, p. 55, pl. xi, figs. 3—7, 1874.

Diagnosis.—Shell compressed; whorls broad, sides flattened and ornamented with simple, narrow, nearly equal, biflexed costæ, separated by well-marked sulcations; siphonal area obtuse, with a small, central, vertical carina raised on a flat, and two lateral ridges which bound the flanks and form therewith an acute angle; umbilicus narrow, with vertical walls; aperture compressed, elongated, subquadrate.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 49 millimètres; width of umbilicus 6 millimètres; height of last whorl 25 millimètres; width of aperture 12 millimètres.

Description.—This beautiful little Ammonite has occasioned much confusion in the description of the "falcifers" of the Upper Lias beds, in consequence of d'Orbigny having figured in his plate 114, fig. 3, a shell of *Am. bicarinatus* as the young shell of his *Am. complanatus*.

Harp. exaratum (*complanatum*, d'Orb.) has a round siphonal area and prominent keel (Pl. LXII, figs. 1—3), whilst *Harp. bicarinatum* has a flat area, small central keel, and two lateral ridges separating the area from the flanks. I have a series of four fine specimens from Milhaud, Aveyron, before me, which show this character very well. The specimen I have figured (Pl. LXXXII, figs. 9, 10) is the only English example I know. There is a neatness and angularity about the entire outline of this Ammonite which serve to distinguish it. Dumortier put this question to a crucial test, he broke up several large specimens of *Am. complanatus*, d'Orb., for the purpose of procuring their small interior whorls in order to compare them with true forms of *Am. bicarinatus*. The result of this comparative study convinced him that there was nothing to justify the union of the two shells, and that *Am. bicarinatus* was a good species, well separated by the form of its carina and whorls, which never varied, and that none of the examples of *Am. complanatus*, d'Orb., which he had obtained had shown a structure of the siphonal area similar to the one so accurately delineated in figs. 9 and 10, Pl. LXXXII.

The whorls are oval and the spire extremely involute, so that the last whorl occupies one half the diameter of the disc; the costæ arise by simple, hair-like stems around

the umbilicus, and widen as they pass singly over the sides, describing a double flexure thereon and terminating in the lateral ridge which bounds the area. The umbilicus is very narrow with vertical walls and shows all the inner whorls.

The suture-line is complicated (Pl. LXXXII, fig. 10 *a*) ; the siphonal lobe is short and narrow ; the siphonal saddle very large, with a long oblique accessory lobe which divides the area into two spaces ; the external is the smallest and its walls are incised by six or eight folioles ; the internal is nearly as large as the principal lateral, and here are twelve folioles in the walls. The principal lateral lobe is very large and surrounded with ten long denticles ; the lateral saddle is likewise large and the walls have many folioles ; the external lateral lobe is much smaller than the principal, it has two side branched denticles, and a terminal tuft ; the auxiliary lobes and saddles, four in number, diminish in magnitude from without inwards, and present nothing of interest before reaching the umbilicus.

This species exhibits abroad many varieties in its young state ; some have the sides flattened and the area angulated, others have sides and area gracefully curved, some have the costæ delicate, regular, and closely arranged, others unequal and deep, with distant sulci between ; hence these various forms have been mistaken for other species. In the adult condition, however, this Ammonite preserves a very uniform figure and ornamentation, and is a very characteristic fossil of the zone of *Lyt. Jurensis*.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—The specimen figured (Pl. LXXXII, figs. 9, 10) belonged to the late Dr. Lycett who collected it from the Lower Sands near Nailsworth, it is now the property of the Museum, Geological Survey, Jermyn Street. Fig. 11, Pl. LXXXII, is copied from d'Orb., Pal. Franç. 'Terrains Jurassiques,' tom. i, pl. 114, fig. 3.

HARPOCERAS OPALINUM, *Reinecke*. Pl. LXXX, figs. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

NAUTILUS OPALINUS,	<i>Reinecke</i> .	Nautil. and Argonaut., p. 55, figs. 1, 2, pl. i, 1818.
— MÆANDRUS,	—	Ibid., p. 56, tab. 1, figs. 3, 4, 1818.
AMMONITES PRIMORDIALIS,	<i>Schlotheim</i> .	Die Petrefactenkunde, No. 8, p. 65, 1820.
— CARINATUS,	<i>Haan</i> .	Ammon. et Goniât., p. 139, 1825.
— PRIMORDIALIS,	<i>Zieten</i> .	Versteiner Würtemb., p. 5, tab. iv, fig. 4, 1830.
— OPALINUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> .	Flözgebirge, p. 285, 1843.
—	—	Cephalopoden, p. 115, tab. 7, fig. 10, 1849.
— PRIMORDIALIS,	<i>d'Orbigny</i> .	Paléont. Franç., Terr. Jurassiques, p. 235, tab. 62, 1842.
— OPALINUS,	<i>Quenstedt</i> .	Der Jura, p. 307, tab. 42, fig. 8, 1858.
—	—	<i>Lycett</i> . Proc. Cotteswold Nat. Club, vol. iii, p. 5, 1865.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed, and subcarinated ; volutions six, two thirds involute ; sides slightly convex or flattened, inner margin concave, outer margin

sloped into a trenchant, slightly prominent carina without a keel, over which fine striæ pass; test moderately thick, striated with many fine, falciform depressions, sometimes fasciated; siphuncle lies immediately beneath the carina, which envelopes it; aperture elongate, sagittate, with projecting lateral lappets, and a long abdominal spine; suture-line tortuous.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 115 millimètres; width of umbilicus 25 millimètres; height of aperture 50 millimètres; width of ditto, 24 millimètres.

Description.—This beautiful Ammonite characterises the uppermost stratum of the Liassic sands in Gloucestershire and Dorsetshire, where I have collected it *in situ*. In Germany this same stratum with *Lytoceras torulosum* is classified with the Brown Jura or Lower Oolite, but the English sections have induced me to place it with the Ammonites of the sands. I have taken a specimen at Haresfield in a block of rock with its impression on the Lower Oolite which rested immediately upon it, so high does it range.

The shell is compressed, discoidal, and strongly carinated, but without a distinct keel; the volutions, six in number, are about two thirds involute, raised a little in the middle, convex on the outer half, and slightly depressed on the inner. The whorls are likewise concave at the inner margin, where they embrace the umbilicus, and curve towards the siphonal area, where they form a trenchant carina without a distinct keel, producing an acute bevelled edge over which striæ pass from the right to the left side of the shell, as shown in Pl. LXXX, figs. 7 and 8.

The surface of the shell is ornamented with innumerable fine striations, rather unequal in size, biflexed in figure, and extending uninterruptedly from the umbilicus to the area. The striæ are sometimes fasciated at the inner margin from the clustering together of so many striæ into a limited space. In many shells this is wanting, but may be noted in the two fine examples (Pl. LXXX, figs. 4, 6). The aperture is compressed, elongated, and sagittate. The sides have, when perfect, long, narrow, lateral lappets and a projecting abdominal spine, all of which leave their impression on the mould of the body-chamber.

The suture-line is tortuous, and forms six lobes on each side. The siphonal lobe is shorter and as wide as the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with two branches, of which the terminal one is bifid. The siphonal saddle is wide and divided into two portions by a long accessory lobe; the innermost is the widest and terminates in two complex and one simple foliole, the outer portion is long and narrow and develops several lateral folioles. The principal lateral lobe has a long, stout, straight stem, with three digitations on each side and three terminal branches. The lateral saddle is very symmetrical, and as large as the principal lateral lobe; it is divided into two parts by a short accessory lobe at the base, and the sides and bottom terminate in a number of rounded leaves. The inner lateral lobe is narrower and shorter than the principal lateral, and its sides and terminal portion develops many pointed digitations. The outer auxiliary saddle is rather large, developing a number of folioles; the first auxiliary lobe is a little smaller than the

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seen in the Frocester Hill shells, and we miss the two varieties with obtuse backs and distant radii which constitute the varieties '*costula*' and '*regularis*;' perhaps, however, these deficiencies might also disappear upon examining good Swabian collections. The septa are identical both in Swabian and Cotteswold shells, the observer should, however, be careful to examine both sides of the Gündershöfen specimens, as in one now before me the septa of the right side exhibit a singular abnormal change from the true design, which, however, is perfect upon the left side, and the general figure of the shell has nothing peculiar; this variability does not occur in Frocester Hill shells.

“ Quitting the examination of specimens I will now advert to the literature of the species; the first figure and description is that of the '*Nautilus*' *opalinus* of Reinecke. Quenstedt, in his several works, has figured forms of the variety '*Moorei*' with the volutions much enveloped as *Am. opalinus*, and has also given examples of *Aalensis* and of *costula* as distinct species. D'Orbigny, in his '*Paléontologie Française*,' has figured an aged shell resembling the variety '*Moorei*,' but unusually inflated, as *Am. candidus*, afterwards changed to *Am. primordialis* upon an erroneous idea that it was the species figured under that name by Schlotheim. Upon another plate he has figured both young and aged examples of the allied species *Am. Aalensis*, which are very truthful in all the details of their ornamentation; a comparison of the septa figured by him of the two supposed species which are taken from some of the last-formed chambers of aged shells will show that in both the pattern and the design are the same, and that the differences are of the most trifling description, if these, indeed, are not attributable to the artist; the descriptions of *Am. primordialis* and *Am. Aalensis* are also substantially alike, if in both we may use the word *costa* and *striæ*. The author in question makes no reference to the *Am. opalinus*, Reineck.”

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite is entirely limited to the uppermost bed of the *Harp.-opalinum* zone. I have collected it only in these localities: Frocester, Haresfield, Gloucestershire; and at Burton Bradstock and Chideock Hills, Dorsetshire.

HARPOCERAS DISCOIDES, *Zieten*. Pl. LXXXII, figs. 12, 12a, 13.

AMMONITES DISCOIDES, *Zieten*. Verst. Würtz., p. 21, pl. xvi, fig. 1, 1830.

— — *d'Orbigny*. Paléontol. Française, Ter. Jurass., p. 356, pl. 115, 1842.

— — *Oppel*. Die Juraformation, p. 245, 1856.

— — *Quenstedt*. Der Jura, p. 283, pl. 40, fig. 7, 1858.

Diagnosis.—Shell compressed, carinated; whorls broad, nearly entirely involute; sides compressed, slightly convex, and covered with biflexed sulcated undulations; umbilicus nearly occluded; siphonal area narrow, lanceolate, and slightly serrated; aperture very deep, broad at the base, and narrowly lanceolate at the outer border.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 70 millimètres; height of the last whorl at aperture 38 millimètres; transverse width at thickest part 15 millimètres; height of aperture 35 millimètres; width of umbilicus 5 millimètres.

Description.—This is a very rare Ammonite in the Cephalopoda-bed of Frocester, and the specimen I have figured is the largest I have collected; it agrees so well with *Zieten* and *d'Orbigny's* figures that there is no doubt about the identity of the species.

The shell is much compressed, strongly carinated, and provided with a very small keel. The whorls are broad and the last exceeds in depth more than half the diameter of the disk, so that the shell is extremely involute with a very small umbilicus. The sides are ornamented transversely with simple, equal, biflexed costæ, which spring separately from the circumference of the umbilicus, and gently and gracefully bend forward, then incline backwards, and afterward shoot forward towards the outer border, the costæ are separated by shallow sulci which have a similar curve to the costæ (Pl. LXXXII, fig. 12).

The siphonal area is narrowly lanceolate, and provided with a short and slightly prominent keel. The spire is composed of compressed whorls which are angular towards the umbilicus and trenchant at the border, the umbilicus is very narrow with declining walls. The aperture forms an acute angle, rounded at the base (fig. 13). The suture-line is very complicated, and as none of my specimens show the beautiful lines of this structure, I have copied *d'Orbigny's* capital figure of the same. The chambers are symmetrical and divided on each side into nine lobes and nine saddles formed of single parts.

The siphonal lobe nearly as long and much wider than the principal lateral lobe, is provided with four branches; of these the inferior branch is very large and oblique. The siphonal saddle, twice as large as the principal lateral, is divided into two large unequal-sized branches, of which the internal is the widest, with a very large

accessory lobe. The principal lateral lobe, large and oblong, is adorned on each side with five ramified branches, not including the terminal branch. The lateral saddle, nearly as large as the principal lateral lobe, is surrounded by nine folioles. The auxiliary lobes are seven in number, the first is large and the inner six rapidly diminish in size as they approach the umbilicus and are separated by as many small saddles with foliated walls. A radial line extended between the siphonal lobe and the umbilicus would pass beneath all the other lobes.

Prof. d'Orbigny¹ had the opportunity of examining a young form of *Harp. discoides*, he says at the diameter of 5 millimètres it has a smooth, round, siphonal area, which soon becomes angular but remains smooth up to a diameter of 10 or 11 millimètres. The simple transverse costæ and sulci afterwards begin to appear, and are nearly as equally spaced out as they are in the adult. Each additional whorl contains a greater number than the penultimate whorl, and thus the number of the costæ and furrows increases with the growth of the shell.

Affinities and Differences.—This species very much resembles *Harp. exaratum* in the width of the whorl, and in the flexures of the costæ, which in both are simple and distinct throughout, both have a small umbilicus with a similar involution of the whorls. In the siphonal area lies the difference, *Harp. discoides* has a sharp trenchant area, whereas in *Harp. exaratum* there is a central keel with two lateral furrows, and two outer carinæ bounding the area.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I have collected three or four specimens of this shell from the Upper Sands at Frocester Hill in the zone of *Harp. opalinum*. The largest example I possess is the one now figured. In France it has been obtained from many localities where the *Harp.-opalinum* zone crops out as at Milhaud, Aveyron; near Fontenay, Vendée; Sant-Rambert, Ain; Uhrviller, Bas Rhin; near Lyons, near Salins, Jura; la Verpillière, Isère; Privas, Ardèche; Fressac, Gard; la Cride, Var; St. Fortunat, Rhône; St. Romain, Rhône; whenever this beautiful little Ammonite is found it may be considered to be a leading fossil of the *Harp.-opalinum* zone.

¹ 'Paléontologie Française, Terrains Jurassiques,' tom. i, p. 357.

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group, and resembles an elegant form of that species observed in the passage-beds between the *Amaltheus-spinatus* and *Stephanoceras-commune* zones in Dorsetshire.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—Mr. Beesley collected his specimen at Adderbury. Mr. Edwin A. Walford collected those he kindly sent me for inspection from Chipping Warden, Northamptonshire, where it is associated with *Stephanoceras commune* and forms approaching *Stephanoceras crassum*.

HARPOCERAS NORMANIANUM, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. LXXXIII, figs. 1, 2.

AMMONITES NORMANIANUS, *d'Orbigny*. Paléontol. Française, Terr. Jurassiques, p. 291, pl. 88, 1842.

Diagnosis.—Shell compressed, carinated, bisulcate, and slightly involute; whorls compressed, convex in the middle, and flattened at the marginal and spiral sides, regularly costated transversely, with upwards of seventy simple biflexed radii with nearly equal sulci between. Siphonal area narrow; carina prominent, having a narrow groove on each side; aperture quadrate, compressed on the sides, and roundly angulated.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 85 millimètres; width of umbilicus 40 millimètres; height of aperture 25 millimètres; width 17 millimètres.

Description.—The Ammonite figured on Plate LXXXIII, figs. 1, 2, resembles *Am. Normanianus*, *d'Orb.*, more closely than any other that has passed through my hands. It has the same number of simple costæ equally biflexed, a like amount of involution, but in addition it has two small lateral grooves on each side of the carina which are absent in *d'Orbigny's* type shell; how far this may be a variable or persistent character is unknown.

Locality.—I found this specimen in one of the cases of the British Museum with the MS. name I have retained; the shell was numbered, but the locality from whence it had been collected was not mentioned. Judging from the petrology of the matrix it appears to be Middle Lias.

The existence of the small, bell-shaped Aptychus in the body-chamber induced me to have the specimen figured.

Family.—AEGOCERATIDÆ—*continued.**Genus VII.*—STEPHANOCERAS. *Waagen*, 1869.

<i>Family</i> —CORONABII,	<i>Von Buch.</i> Abh. könig. Akad. Wissensch. Berlin, Ueber Ammoniten, p. 145, 1832.
CORONATEN,	<i>Quenstedt.</i> Cephalopoden, p. 175, 1849.
PLANULATI,	<i>Pictet.</i> Traité de Paléontologie, t. ii, p. 693, 1854.
CORONATI,	<i>Seebach.</i> Hannoversche Jura, p. 147, 1864.
<i>Genus</i> —PERONOCERAS (<i>pars</i>), <i>Hyatt.</i>	Foss. Cephalopods; Bulletin of the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard's College, Cambridge, Mass., vol. i, p. 85, 1863—1869.
DEROCERAS (<i>pars</i>), —	Ib., p. 84.
DACTYLIOCERAS (<i>pars</i>), —	Ib., p. 95.
STEPHANOCERAS,	<i>Waagen.</i> Formenreihe, Benecke's Beitr., ii, 247, 1869.
—	<i>W. Neumayr.</i> Zeit. Deutsch. Geol. Gesellschaft, Bd. lxxvii, p. 915, 1875.

The general form of the shell in the genus *Stephanoceras* is very variable; the siphonal area is in general large and round without keel, border, or channels, and the sculpture is often highly ornamental. From the umbilical suture rises a short stout rib which often ends in a tubercle at the middle or upper part, from which spines project as in *Steph. Deslongchampsii* (fig. 202); from the tubercle two or three smaller costæ pass over the area and unite with their fellows from the opposite side. Sometimes the tubercles are absent, and a number of fine encircling costæ complete the sculpture, as seen in *Stephanoceras commune* and

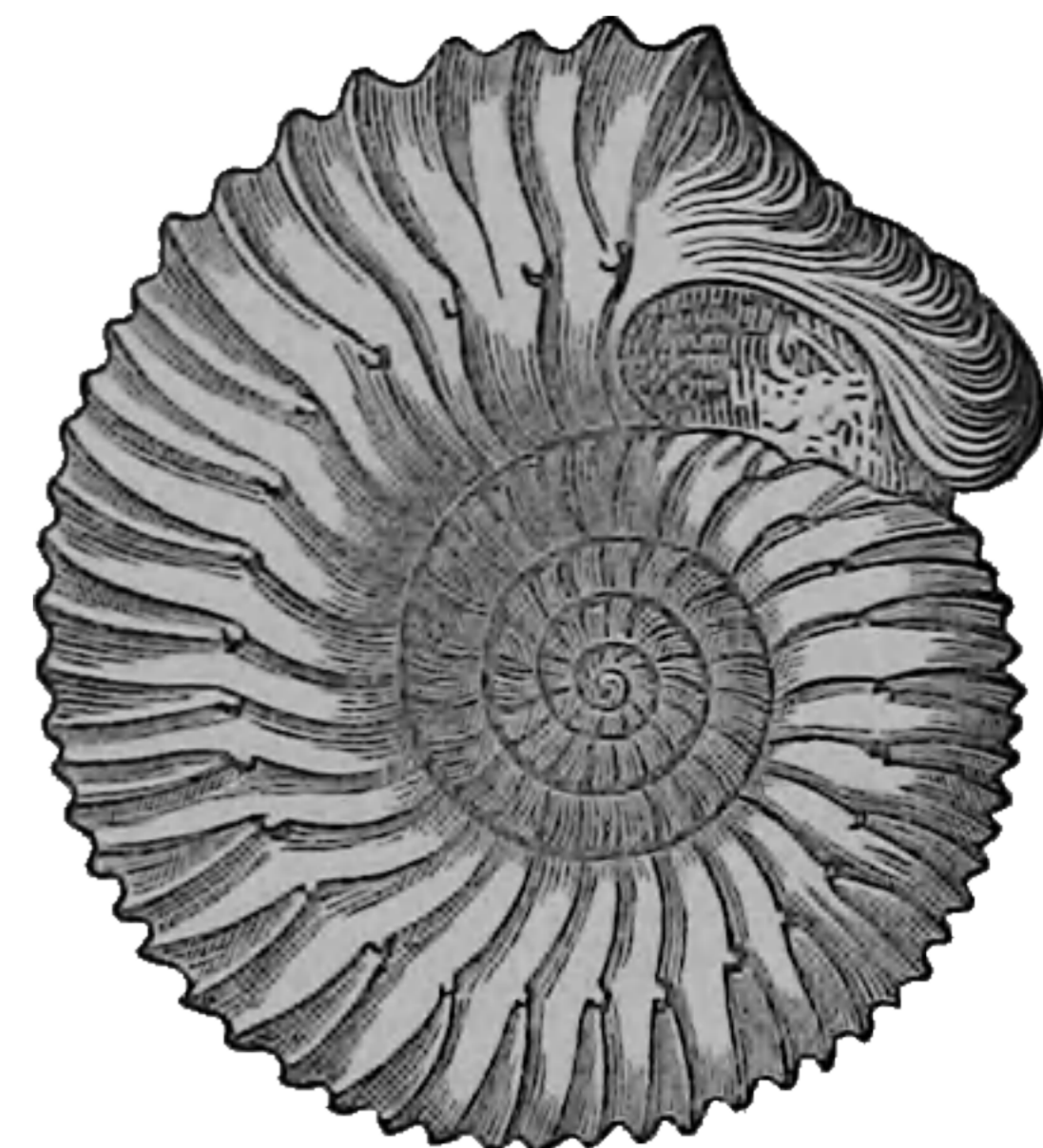
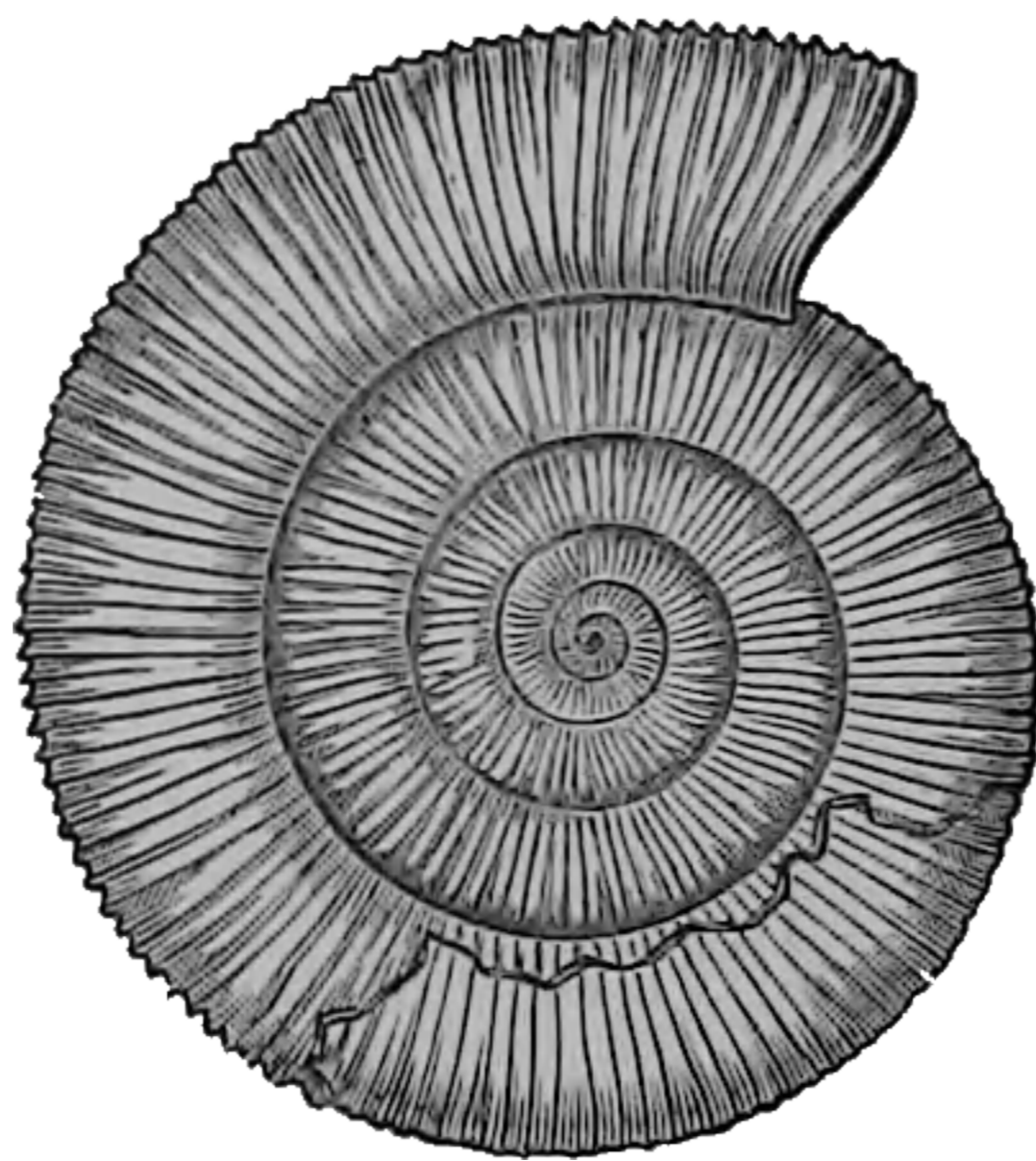
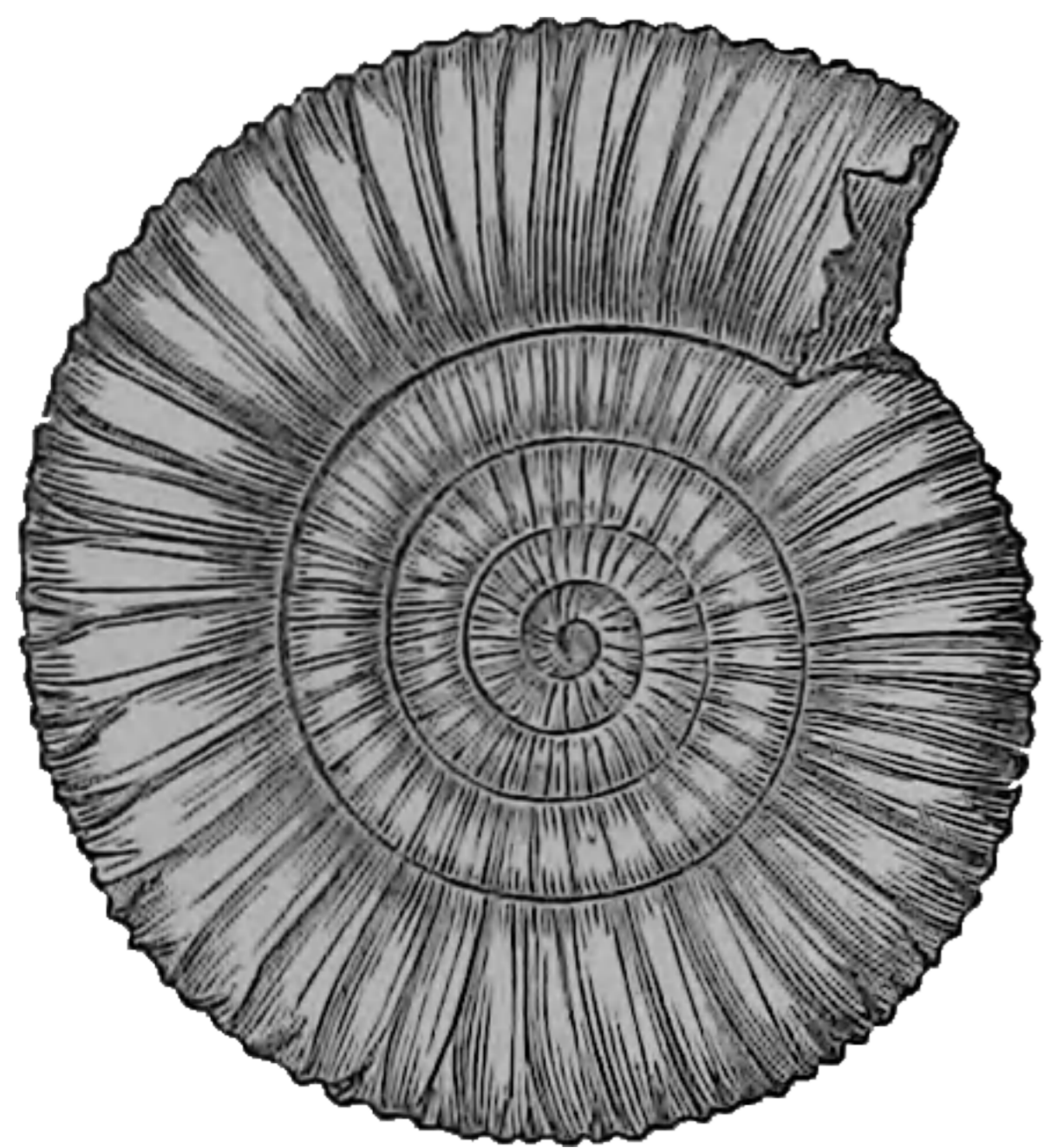


FIG. 196.—*Stephanoceras commune.* FIG. 197.—*Stephanoceras annulatum.* FIG. 198.—*Stephanoceras Braikenridgii.*

in *Stephanoceras annulatum* in which the style of costation just described is very well shown.

The border of the aperture is encircled either by a broad band as in *Steph. commune*, or lateral lappets are produced and inflected as in *Steph. Braikenridgii*, in which they are often conspicuous and well preserved (figs. 198 and 199). In *Steph. Blagdeni*, *Steph. Humphriesianum*, and *Steph. Deslongchampsii* the mouth is encircled with a broad band. The body-chamber varies from one half to one and a quarter whorls in length. The suture-line is much ramified. The siphonal and principal lateral lobes are nearly of equal length; the inner lateral is much smaller and there are several auxiliary branches.

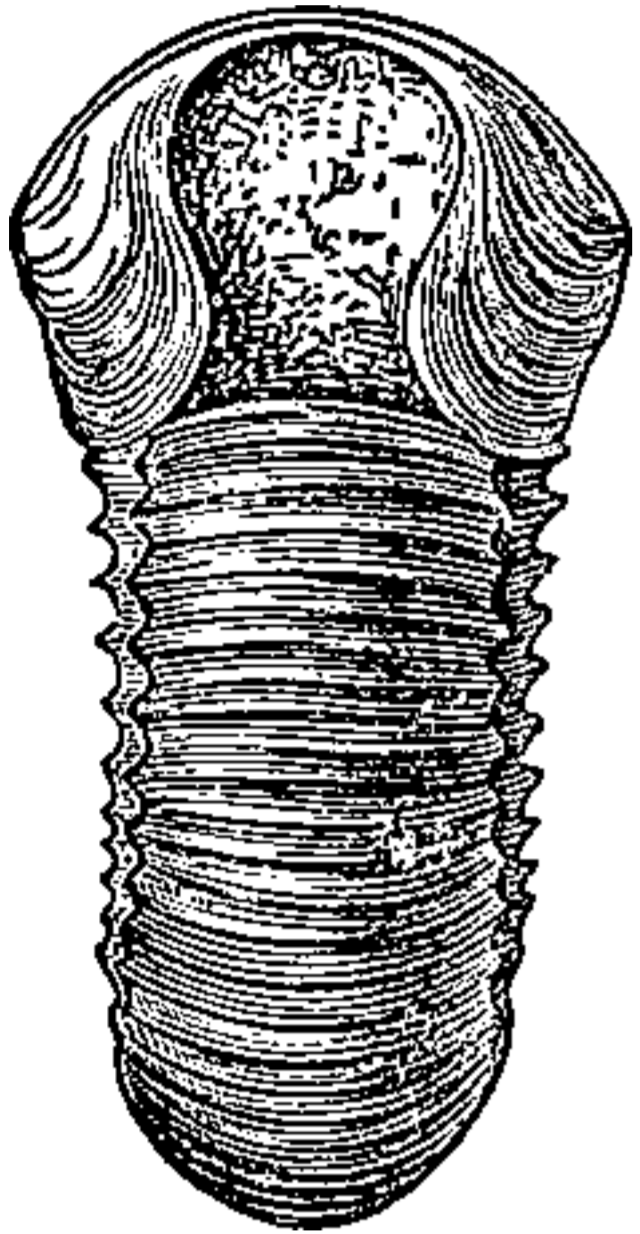


FIG. 199.—*Stephanoceras Braikenridgii*.

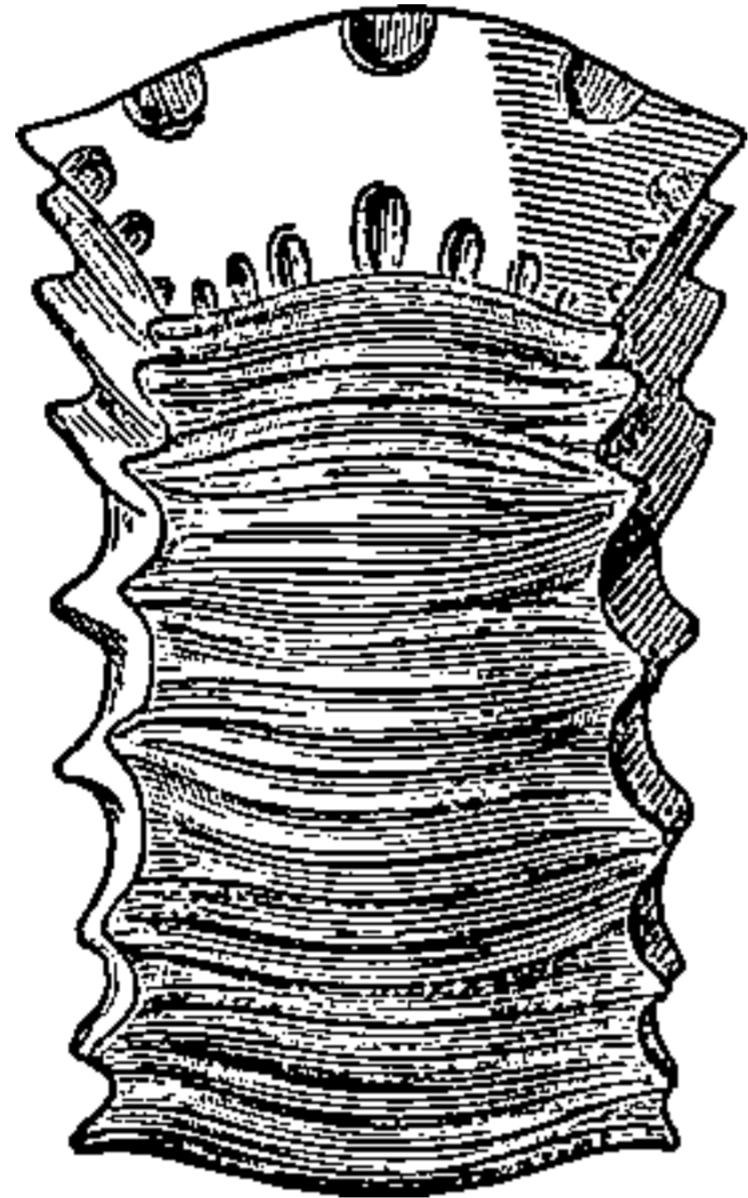


FIG. 200.—*Stephanoceras Blagdeni*.

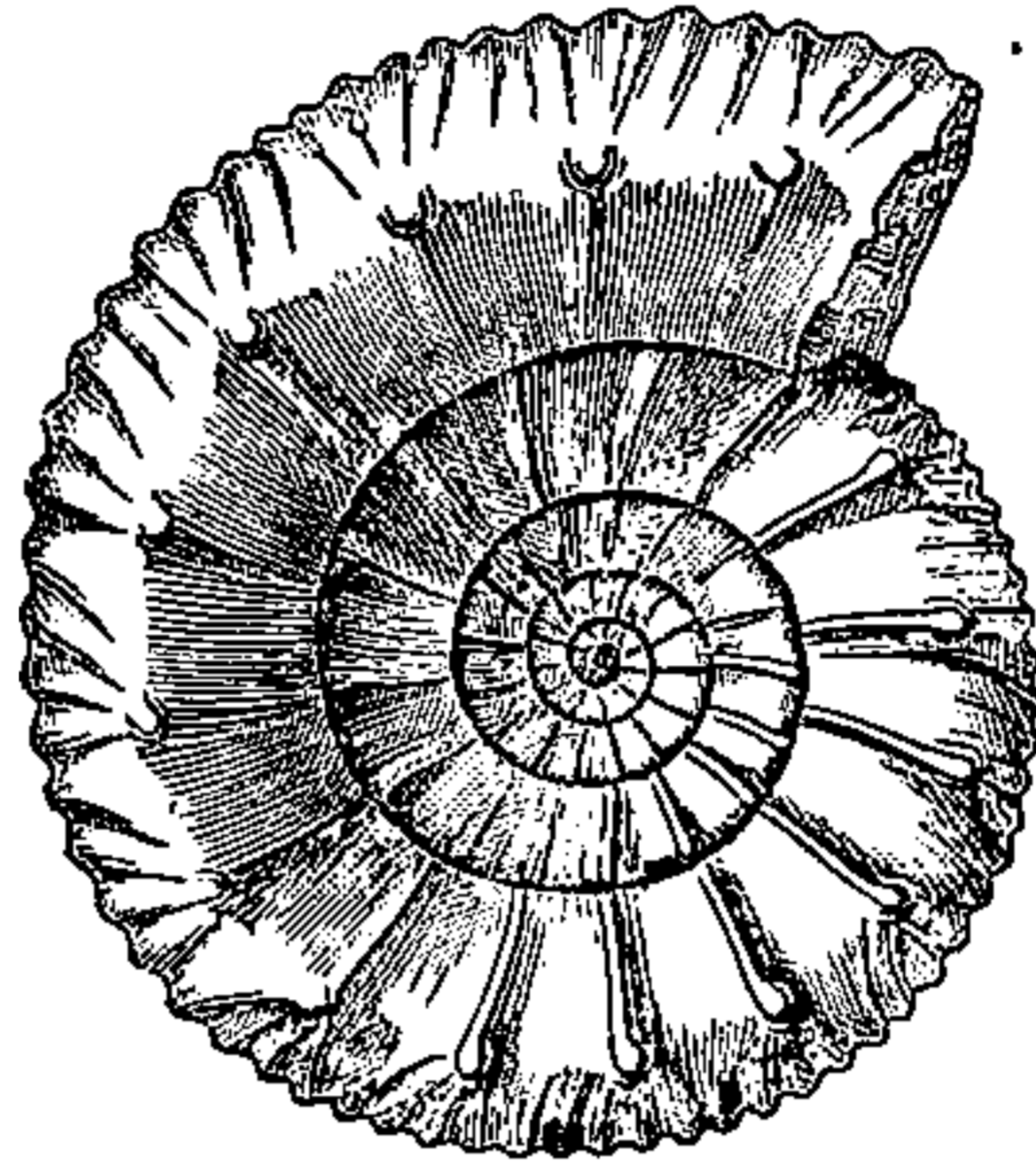


FIG. 201.—*Stephanoceras Blagdeni*.

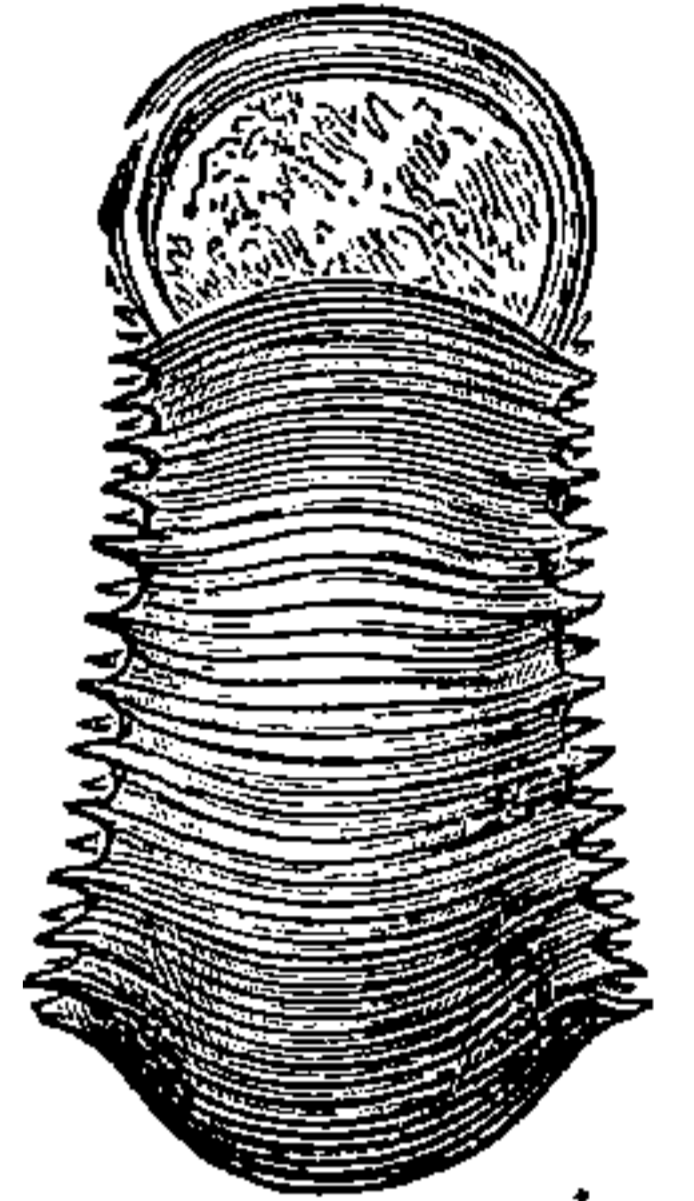


FIG. 202.—*Stephanoceras Deslongchampsii*.

Many characteristic species appear for the first time in the Upper Lias, as *Steph. commune*, *Steph. annulatum*, *Steph. crassum*, *Steph. fibulatum*, and *Steph. subarmatum*. The zone of *Steph. Humphriesianum* in the Inferior Oolite is a great depository of the species of this genus both in England and in France. In this horizon we find—

Stephanoceras Braikenridgii, Sow.

— *Brocchii*, Sow.

— *Brongniarti*, Sow.

— *coronatum*, Brügg.

— *Blagdeni*, Sow.

Stephanoceras Deslongchampsii.

— *Gervillii*, Sow.

— *Humphriesianum*, Sow.

— *Sauzei*, d'Orb.

— *linguiferum*, d'Orb.

The Aptychus is bivalved, calcareous, and very thin, and has upon its external surface numerous small granules.

The genus *Stephanoceras* appears to have certain near relations with the genus *Aegoceras* through the species *Aeg. pettos* of the Middle Lias (see p. 363).

The group represented by other Jurassic forms, as *Stephanoceras modiolare*, Luid., and *Stephanoceras macrocephalum*, Schloth., stands well apart from the more compressed forms of *Harpoceras* in the Upper Lias. All the varieties of the *Macrocephali* are globose from the extreme involution of the spire and the narrowness of the umbilicus; they also possess a remarkably complicated suture-line. This genus has very few forms in the European Jurassic rocks and occupies a limited horizon in them, commencing with *Stephanoceras macrocephalum* in the Cornbrash of England and

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the convexity of which are directed towards the aperture. The spire is composed of round whorls, a little higher than they are wide; in some varieties the whorls incline towards a quadrate section and embrace the penultimate whorl feebly so that this species is extremely involute. The aperture exhibits nearly a round or sub-orbicular section being hollowed out below to receive the return of the spire. In Pl. LXXXIII, figs. 3, 4, I have figured a specimen of *Stephanoceras commune* from the British Museum Collection which has the mouth aperture well preserved. There is first a circular constriction, and then a round, prominent band surrounding the aperture; there are no side lappets; and it is worthy of note that the mantle of the animal, when producing this termination, formed the simple rib on the side and bifurcate ribs which extend across the area. This specimen shows also that the dwelling chamber of *Stephanoceras commune* was very short and occupied little more than half the length of the last whorl of the shell. The suture-line (Pl. LXXXIV, fig. 3) forms three lobes and three saddles on each side. The siphonal lobe is long but wider than the principal lateral, and develops on each side four digitations terminating in two pointed processes. The siphonal saddle is much larger than the principal lateral lobe, and terminates in three unequal, trilobed folioles. The principal lateral lobe has an irregular figure, having three digits on each side and a terminal obtuse one. The lateral saddle is small and oblique, terminating in four unequal folioles. The inner lateral lobe is small and oblique, and terminates in two points, the auxiliaries are quite rudimentary.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This Ammonite, as its name implies, is one of the most common fossils in the Upper Lias, and was at one time found in great numbers near Whitby, some parts of the beach at one time were literally paved with nodules containing them; in those days a cart load might have been had in a short time; the fossils were usually inclosed in nodules and it was for these the search was made, as the nodules were largely used in the manufacture of Roman cement; the demand having exceeded the supply, they are now no longer abundant.

Although this species is so common in England, Prof. d'Orbigny stated that he did not know it in France; however, since that time, Dumortier has figured a very good example from the Ironstone Sands at la Verpillière, Isère; where it is associated with *Stephanoceras annulatum*.

It is very commonly met with as a leading fossil in the Upper Lias strata of Northampton, Warwick, Gloucester, Somerset, and Dorset, and has a wide distribution in these counties.

STEPHANOCERAS ANNULATUM, *Sowerby*. Pl. LXXXIV, figs. 7, 8, 9.

NAUTILUS ANGUINUS,	<i>Reinecke</i> . Nautil. et Argonaut., fig. 73, 1818.
AMMONITES ANNULATUS,	<i>Sowerby</i> . Min. Conchol., vol. ii, p. 41, pl. 222, fig. 5, 1819.
PLANITES ANGUINUS,	<i>Haan</i> . Amm. et Goniât., p. 89, 1825.
AMMONITES ANNULATUS,	<i>Young and Bird</i> . Yorksh. Coast, p. 253, pl. xii, fig. 11, 1828.
	<i>d'Orbigny</i> . Paléont. Franç., Terr. Jurass., p. 265, pl. 76, figs. 1, 2, 1842.
—	<i>Simpson</i> . , Monoçr. on Ammonites, p. 21, 1843.
—	<i>Quenstedt</i> . Cephalopoden, p. 173, tab. xiii, fig. 11, 1849.
STEPHANOCERAS ANNULATUM,	<i>Tate and Blake</i> . Yorkshire Lias, p. 299, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls round, narrow, a little depressed on the sides, and slightly involute; costæ small, slender, flattened, annular, and very numerous, some simple, others bifurcate, and both alternate; siphonal area round, and truncated beneath for the return of the spire.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 80 millimètres; width of umbilicus 45 millimètres; height of aperture 20 millimètres; width of aperture 20 millimètres.

Description.—The shell of *Stephanoceras annulatum* presents a marked difference to the other forms of the *Steph. commune* group, like them it is discoidal and a little compressed on the sides; the whorls are narrow, round, and each revolution of the spire is ornamented with one hundred and thirty slender costæ, flat on the edge, and cut out as neatly and sharply from the shell as if they had been chiselled with a tool (Pl. LXXXIV, fig. 7); the costæ are all of the same size and directed obliquely forward, some are simple and annular passing over the area undivided like rings, whilst other bifurcate at the margin, so that the two forms alternate singly or doubly with one another. Considerable irregularity in this arrangement, however, is sometimes visible, and in those cases two or three simple costæ alternate with one bifurcate rib. In early life and up to a diameter of fifty millimètres, there was alternately one simple rib and a bifurcate rib encircling the area, with increased dimensions; when the shell had attained to eighty millimètres in diameter, the number of bifurcated ribs began to increase and the simple annular costæ to diminish. The umbilicus is widely open and exposes all the inner whorls of the spire, which consists of seven whorls a little higher than they are wide; all are slightly involute. The aperture is oval and only feebly grooved by the return of the spire.

Affinities and Differences.—*Stephanoceras annulatum* resembles *Stephanoceras commune* (Pl. LXXXIV, fig. 1), but is distinguished by its more numerous, slender ribs less

regularly bifurcated, more closely placed together and neatly cut as with a tool, and in addition by its annular, straight ribs which are not bent forward at the point of inflection.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—This species is found in ironstone nodules in the Upper Lias of Whitby in the zone of *Stephanoceras commune*.

STEPHANOCERAS FIBULATUM, *Sowerby*. Pl. LXXXV, figs. 5—11.

AMMONITES FIBULATUS, *Sowerby*. *Min. Conchol.*, vol. iv, p. 147, pl. 407, fig. 2, 1823.

Young and Bird. *Geol. Surv. York. Coast*, p. 262, pl. xiii, fig. 9, 1828.

— — *Simpson*. *Monogr. on Ammonites*, p. 22, 1843.

— ANDREÆ — *Yorkshire Lias*, p. 59, 1855.

STEPHANOCERAS FIBULATUM, *Tate and Blake*. *Yorkshire Lias*, p. 301, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; whorls round on the area, flattened on the sides, and slightly involute; spire entirely exposed; costæ numerous, united in pairs by a small, smooth tubercle near the outer margin, then split again into two or three arched costæ on the area where they join their fellows. Section of aperture subquadrate.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 85 millimètres; breadth of area 20 millimètres; height of aperture 22 millimètres; width of umbilicus 46 millimètres.

Description.—One of the most obvious characters in this very beautiful Ammonite is the uniting of the radii by knobs, like a button and loop; in some specimens this style is very uniform, in others modifications are observed; for example, in one shell two of the radii unite on the knob, and then a single rib passes up between them, bifurcates and extends over the area; in other examples three ribs are seen to be united. The whorls are flattened on the sides and ornamented with upwards of fifty sharp, oblique costæ (Pl. LXXXV, figs. 6 and 7) which commence at the spiral suture, ascend obliquely upwards and forwards to the border of the siphonal area, where a spiny tubercle is developed, from this point two small costæ arise and cross the area in an arched form, the convexity being directed towards the aperture. The siphonal area is round and highly ornamented by the ribs which cross it with great regularity. The costæ on the inner whorls are usually small, so that within the umbilicus the shell is in general fine-ribbed, presenting a marked contrast in this respect to the highly ornamented sides of the last whorl. Mr. Young, who had a large series of this species in his possession, says in his 'Survey of the Yorkshire Coast,' "Some of the inner whorls are marked with double ribs meeting in the knobs, and then parting into three on the back; and on the outer whorl or whorls, we find strong, single ribs, knobbed, each splitting into three beyond the knobbed towards the back. In some specimens, the ribs on the outer whorl are alternately knobbed and plain; in each case the

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whorls are subquadrate, wider than high, and slightly involute, they are transversely ornamented with 36 to 42 small costæ which commence at the spiral suture and cover the sides, some remain single, whilst others unite in pairs and form a tubercle which develops a long outward directed spine; the tubercles and spines occupy the margin of the inner whorls and form a deep spiny umbilicus. On the outer whorl the tubercles begin to disappear, and the costation then consists of a simple bifurcate rib which sends its branches across the area. The siphonal area which is broad and flat, is closely adorned with small costæ derived from the fasciated tubercles, as well as from the intermediate simple ribs that pass freely and singly up the sides and over the area. The spire is formed of subquadrate whorls compressed in contact with each other and marked by the elongated spines that proceed from the tubercles along the line of the spiral suture. The aperture in section is subquadrate, and when the termination is preserved it is found to consist of a circular contraction and a round thickened band similar to the appendage I have figured as appertaining to *Steph. commune* in Pl. LXXXIII, fig. 3. The septa are symmetrical on each side, the principal lateral lobe is large and terminates in three large branches; the lateral saddle is narrower than the principal lobe and terminates in two large folioles of which the internal is the largest. The inner lateral lobe has an irregular figure terminating in two horn-like points.

Affinities and Differences.—I have figured two types of this Ammonite, the large tumid specimen (Pl. LXXXV, figs. 2, 3) from the Upper Lias of Chipping Warden, Northamptonshire. The specimen (Pl. LXXXV, fig. 1) with large knobs and fasciated costæ resembles a variety of *Stephanoceras fibulatum* from the Upper Lias at Whitby. This last specimen is not a satisfactory example, still it is the best I could obtain of the species at Whitby.

STEPHANOCERAS RAQUINIANUM, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. LXXXVI, figs. 5, 6, 7. Pl. LXXXVII, figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8.

AMMONITES REQUINIANUS, *d'Orbigny*. Paleont. Fr., Terr. Jurass., p. 332, pl. 106, 1842.

— — *Chapuis et Dewalque*. Mem. Cour. Acad. Roy. Belgique, t. xxv, Foss. du Luxembourg, pl. vii, fig. 1, 1854.

— — *Quenstedt*. Der Jura, p. 251, 1858.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal; whorls tumid, one half involute, transversely costated; sides inflated, covered with short, straight ribs, twenty to thirty, commencing at the umbilicus, and half way up the side becoming tuberculated, fasciated, and

split up into two or three smaller costæ, which pass across the outer margin and join those of the opposite side. Siphonal area large and convex; aperture depressed, subquadrate.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 45 millimètres; height of last whorl 18 millimètres; width of umbilicus 15 millimètres; height of aperture 18 millimètres; width of aperture 19 millimètres.

Description.—The shell of this species is very thick; the whorls are one half involute and depressed, much wider than deep; the sides are inflated and costated, with from twenty-two to thirty-two short, straight ribs, which commence at the umbilicus and terminate at the lateral border of the siphonal area, either in a small blunt tubercle or a fasciation of the ribs; from these points two or three minute costæ pass across the area and unite with their fellows from the other side of the shell; besides the small costæ proceeding from the tubercles or fasciated group there are other simple costæ which pass between the ribs from the umbilicus and the area, and others between the costæ on the area and contribute to the increased costation which adorns the broad siphonal area of this beautiful form.

The siphonal area is very broad, depressed, and convex, and closely covered with fine transverse costæ. The spire, composed of depressed whorls, is wider than high, and embraces half of the preceding whorl. The aperture is semilunar and depressed, convex above and concave below, where it receives the return of the spire.

The septa are symmetrical, and form on each side two lobes of single elements and two large saddles. The siphonal lobe is as long and much wider than the principal lateral, and ornamented on each side with three branches, of which the lower one has five points. The siphonal saddle terminates in three unequally festooned folioles. The principal lateral lobe terminates in three branches, which are slightly digitate. The lateral saddle is neither so deep nor wide as the siphonal, and ends in four shallow folioles, divided by an accessory lobule; the auxiliary lobes are rudimentary.

Prof. d'Orbigny¹ investigated the morphology of this species, and found that at the diameter of 20 millimètres it possessed nineteen costæ; at the diameter of 35 millimètres it possessed twenty-seven, but at the maximum height it had forty-eight. The Professor stated also that in youth it had always an intermediate rib between the fasciated pair, whilst the bifurcated ribs alone prevailed in adult forms. He noticed that when the test was preserved the costæ were prominent, but they stood out very feebly on the mould, and sometimes disappeared altogether from the area; further, that when the aperture possessed the termination of the oral appendage the mouth of the shell had a much smaller diameter than the rest of the whorl.

Affinities and Differences.—This shell differs from *Stephanoceras Braunianum* (Pl. LXXXVI, fig. 4) in having inflated sides and a convex area; in the ribs on the sides being shorter, and in the general costation being neater.

¹ 'Paléontologie Française, Terr. Jurassiques,' tom. i, pp. 333.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—I collected three specimens of this shell many years ago from the Upper Lias clay at Stinchcombe Hill. I also obtained one small tolerably perfect specimen from the Upper Lias sands at Nailsworth. The species appears to be rare in Gloucestershire, seeing that I have never met with it in other collections.

STEPHANOCERAS BRAUNIANUM, *d'Orbigny*. Pl. LXXXVI, figs. 3, 4; Pl. LXXXVII, figs. 5, 6.

AMMONITES BRAUNIANUS,

d'Orbigny. Paléont. Fr., Terr. Jurass., t. 104, fig. 3, 1842.

— — — *Chapuis et Dewalque*. Mem. Cour. Acad. Roy. Belgique, t. xxv (Foss. du Luxembourg) pls. vi and vii, fig. 2, 1854.

STEPHANOCERAS BRAUNIANUM, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 300, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell discoidal, compressed; area round, flat; whorls quadrate, slightly involute, transversely costated; costæ thirty-six to forty, straight, simple, approximate, externally mucronated near the margin, and bifurcated over the area:

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 35 millimètres; height of last whorl 12 millimètres; width of umbilicus 18 millimètres; height of aperture 10 millimètres; width of aperture 12 millimètres.

Description.—The shell of this species has a neat quadrate form, the outer whorl, is slightly involute, flat on the sides, which are covered with thirty-six straight, simple, acute ribs, which terminate in a point situated at the angle of the siphonal area; here the rib bifurcates, the two smaller costæ pass over the flat area and both form a curvature the convexity of which is directed forward. The siphonal area is flat and convex, provided with twice as many costæ as are seen on the sides. The spire is composed of depressed subquadrate whorls, which are only slightly involute. The section of the aperture is subquadrate, and slightly grooved by the return of the spire.

Neither of my specimens exhibit the suture-line. In Pl. LXXXVI, figs. 3, 4, I have figured a very perfect small example of this species (magnified $2\frac{1}{2}$ diameters) which displays the structure of the test very well.

Affinities and Differences.—In its general form it somewhat resembles *Stephanoceras commune*, but it differs from that species in possessing sharp prominent tubercles at the angle of the area, in the whorls being less in number, and in the costæ being coarser.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—My two specimens were both collected from lower sands at Nailsworth belonging to the upper portion of the *Lytoceras Jurensis* bed, which is well developed there.

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museum, when searching for another Ammonite. The fossil is one of the finest examples of this grand species extant, and shows the remarkable flattening-in of the spiral margin of the whorl where it encircles the umbilicus; the same specific character is displayed even more perfectly in the beautiful little mould of this species figured in Pl. LXXIV, figs. 3—5. The Earl of Enniskillen's specimen was not known to me when Pl. LXXIV was drawn, and the German mould being at that time the best example I could figure, it was given as a type. My description of the species had been written for a considerable time before this giant *Lytoceras Jureense* was found, so that I was unable to do more than give the reference to Pl. LXXIV on p. 413.

AMALTHEUS LENTICULARIS, *Young and Bird*. Pl. LXXXII, figs. 14 and 15.

AMMONITES LENTICULARIS, *Young and Bird*. Geol. Surv. Yorkshire, p. 269, 1828.

— — — *Simpson*. Monogr. on Ammonites, p. 37, 1843.

— — — Fossils of Yorksh. Lias, p. 79, 1855.

AMALTHEUS ENGELHARDTII, *Tate and Blake*. Yorkshire Lias, p. 294, 1876.

Diagnosis.—Shell much compressed; inner whorls nearly concealed, outer whorl one half the diameter of the disc; sides slightly convex; siphonal area very thin, forming a sharp, feebly crenulated edge at the border; umbilicus narrow, with upright walls; sides covered with fine transverse striæ, slightly bent; beneath the transverse radii four or five longitudinal obsolete lines; aperture narrow and acutely triangular.

Dimensions.—Transverse diameter 73 millimètres; height of aperture 40 millimètres; transverse diameter at base 12 millimètres; width of umbilicus 13 millimètres.

Description.—The rare example of *Amaltheus lenticularis*, Young, now for the first time figured, shows very clearly the flat, involute, obsolete-radiated, longitudinally-striated, sharp-pointed character of the species, which is a rare form in the Yorkshire Lias and of which Mr. Young¹ says:—"The last shell of this family which we shall name is more lenticular than any that we have seen. The exterior part of the whorl runs to a thin edge, plain or very faintly crenated; the sides are smooth, or marked with very faint undulating lines; the central part is an umbilicus, with upright sides, the inner whorls being scarcely visible, and the aperture forms a triangle, of which the outer angle is extremely acute, owing to the thinness of the edge. This rare species, found in the Lias bands, may fitly be termed *Ammonites lenticularis*." The authors of the 'Yorkshire Lias' regard this Ammonite as a form of *Amaltheus Engelhardti*, but with this view I cannot agree.

The beautiful specimen I have figured was presented by my old friend, the late Mr.

¹ 'Geological Survey of the Yorkshire Coast,' 2nd ed., pp. 268, 269, 1828.

John Leckenby, F.G.S., of Scarborough, to the Royal School of Mines Museum, London, as a very good type of a rare Yorkshire species.

Locality and Stratigraphical Position.—*Amaltheus lenticularis* is found in the zone of *Amaltheus spinatus* in the rich Ironstone beds at Eston, and Upleatham, near Saltburn, also at Hawsker. I am indebted to my friend Mr. E. T. Newton, F.G.S., Palæontologist to the Geological Survey, for calling my attention to this specimen now figured for the first time.

In the preceding portions of the Monograph¹ I have referred to the remarkable curved plates, sometimes calcareous and sometimes horny, occasionally found in position within the shell of the Ammonite, and I have drawn attention to the fact that the distinctive character of the structure of the plates is associated with modifications of the septa and of the general ornamentation of the shell, as well as with geological position. Since these remarks were in type, I have had drawn on Plate LXXXVIII four specimens derived from the Oolitic and Liassic beds, which may be taken as representatives of the calcareous and divided forms (*Aptychi*) and of the horny and undivided ones (*Anaptychi*).

Figure 1 of Plate LXXXVIII represents an almost perfect *Aptychus* from the upper beds of the Inferior Oolite of Leckhampton Hill. It consists of thin shelly laminæ, exhibiting lines of growth, and is in length 140 millimètres and in breadth 95. I imagine it must have belonged to *Cosmoceras Parkinsoni*. In my cabinet is an example of this species from the upper beds of the Inferior Oolite at Halfway House, near Yeovil. The specimen is 500 millimètres in diameter, and has its last chamber transversely fractured, the curve and size of which agrees very nearly with that of the *Aptychus*.

Figure 2 is a drawing of an *Anaptychus*, which I dislodged from the outer chamber of a large *Arietites stellaris*, taken out of the Lower Lias strata of Charmouth. This body is bell-shaped, corneous, highly undulated on the surface and displays the lines of growth. It is difficult to understand how bodies so irregular, as are many of the *Anaptychi*, could have fitted the internal surface of the final chamber.

Figure 3, from the British Museum, but without locality, is another of the bell-shaped *Anaptychi*. It has a thickened central column and lateral biflexed undulations passing off on each side. The upper part of the body runs out into a pear-shaped process.

Figure 4 is also from the British Museum, but has no label of locality. The fossil appears to have been in its original condition a symmetrical structure, and resembled in

¹ Pp. 182—185, general statement; p. 269, account of forms belonging to *Arietites*; p. 307, to *Aegoceras*; p. 383, to *Amaltheus*; p. 430, to *Harporoceras*; p. 472, to *Stephanoceras*.

some degree a horse's hoof. Around its convex border, and within each half of the body as well as towards the two projecting terminations, there are traces of a muscular attachment. This *Anaptychus* is another of the bell-shaped type. Its figure reminds me of a very fine *Anaptychus* contained in the body chamber of a large *Arietites Bucklandi*, which had been used in building a part of the Bath Station, and which I saw protruding from the stone the last time I visited that city.

The lists of British fossils given in my account of the Zones of the Lias Formation (pp. 14—149), and derived from the Memoirs of various authors, contain references to a few species of Ammonites not figured by me. The omission has arisen from the fact that these forms have not come before my notice in any of the English museums or private cabinets I have investigated. In all probability the identification of the Ammonites in question with foreign species was not perfectly accurate.

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