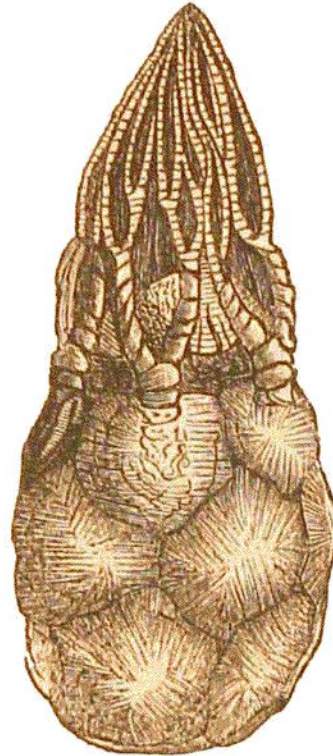


15. RADIARIA, CRINOIDEA, &c.—The *crinoidea*, or lily-shaped animals, are but sparingly distributed in the chalk—a circumstance, as you will hereafter



TAB. 51.—MARSUPITE FROM THE CHALK.

(Restored from specimens presented me by the Rev. H. Hoper, and G. A. Coombe, Esq. of Arundel.)

find, strikingly contrasting with the zoological characters of the older secondary formations. Stems of *encrinites* occur in the chalk and gault; and there is a small species of *apioocrinite*, which is peculiar to this formation.\* The most remarkable fossil of this class is the *marsupite*, which I have thus named from its resemblance, when closed, to a purse. The marsupite (Tab. 51) was a molluscous animal, of a

\* Geology of the South-East of England, p. 111.