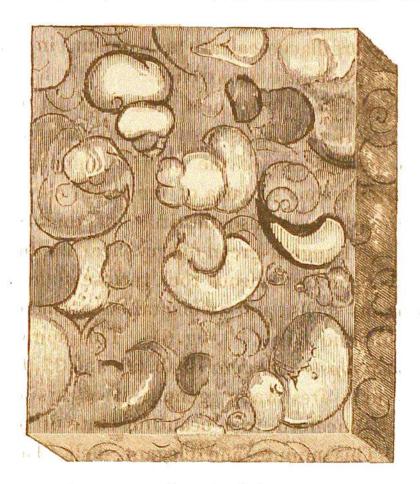
alone remain, the interstices being filled up with indurated marl, or calcareous concretions. In the



TAB. 78.—POLISHED SLAB OF SUSSEX MARBLE.

(Composed of paludinæ and cyprides.)

coarser varieties are cavities left by the decomposition of the shells; in the compact masses the shells are transmuted into calcareous spar, and the whole has been permeated by a crystalline calcareous infiltration, of various shades of grey, blue, and ochre, interspersed with pure white; polished slabs display innumerable sections of the inclosed shells, and rival in interest and beauty many foreign marbles. In these specimens you perceive the