

impressions of the leaves have often come under my notice; they bear considerable resemblance to the foliage of the *Yucca*. For the instruction of the student, outlines of leaves are given in *Lign.* 44, fig. 1. *c, c*, showing their form, and mode of attachment to the scars on the stem.* In one specimen of the inner axis, the stem naturally separates into two portions; the lower one presenting a convexity, over which the fibres from the outer surface pass, and extend towards the opposite side (see *Lign.* 44, fig. 3.); the corresponding articulation is hollow, and fits close upon the convexity, leaving on the side a cavity, shown at fig. 3^a: this marks the origin of a blossom, or floral axis, the axis of the pannicle. On some portions of the stems there are deep pits, which so closely resemble those observable in the *Dracæna*, where the resinous secretion of that plant (called dragon-blood) is collected, that it is probable they had a similar origin. These plants were nearly related to the *Dracæna*, or rather to *Xanthorrea*, (a native of New Holland,) the stem of which has the same structure, as to its essential character, and is sometimes dichotomous, or branched, like the *Clathrariæ* (*Geol. S. E.* p. 233.). Small fruits, resembling the seeds or kernels of some kind of palm, as the *Areca*, are found with the *Clathrariæ* (see

* In perforating the Weald Clay, near Bletchingly, Surrey, for one of the tunnels of the South Eastern Railway, the engineer, Mr. Simms, discovered a stem with leaves, and many bones of a young *Iguanodon*.