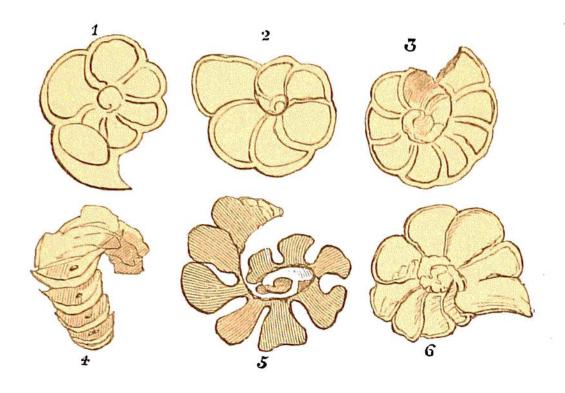
Polythalamia of the Chalk. Rotalia and Textularia.—The genus Rotalia comprises those minute chambered shells which resemble the nautilus in their general contour, but are essentially distinct, for the inner cells are occupied, in a recent



LIGN. 49. POLYTHALAMIA IN FLINT AND CHALK. inv. xx.

Figs. 1, 2, 3, 6.—Different forms of Rotalia.

- Resembles the recent Rotalia stigma, (Ehrenberg), from the North Sea, near Cuxhaven.
- 4.—Portion of a Nautilus, showing five chambers, partially separated, each pierced by the siphon: in flint, from Ireland.
- 5.—Shows the internal body of a Rotalia in flint, the shell having disappeared.

state, by the digestive apparatus of the inhabitant; and the shell is traversed by perforations, through which minute tentacula extend. Lign. 49, figs. 1,