Brachiopoda are associated with the Spirifers; namely, Productus, (called in Murch. Sil. Syst., Leptena,) figured Wond. p. 475, fig. 3: Atrypa, Wond. p. 475, fig. 8, distinguished from Spirifer by a short hinge-line, and being without, or with but a very small, triangular foramen; and Orthis, which differs from the preceding, in the long narrow hinge, and circular form of the shell, and striated surface; figured Ly. II. p. 162. I am induced to notice these shells, to explain the terms Leptena, Atrypa, and Orthis, which, although of but late introduction, are now generally employed.* All these genera are extinct; they prevail in the oldest fossiliferous rocks, and gradually disappear as we ascend to the newer formations; the last trace of their existence is in the Lias, in which one species has been found. But the Terebratulæ abound in the Lias, Oolite, Chalk, &c., occur in the tertiary formations, and several living species inhabit the seas around Australia and New Zealand.

CRANIA, Ly. I. figs. 165 and 13.—These are small brachiopodous shells, attached to other bodies; very frequently to the Echinites of the chalk. The free valve is commonly wanting, but I have found specimens dispersed in the rock. In many of the

^{*} Numerous species of these genera are figured by Mr. Murchison in Sil. Syst., and by Professor Phillips in Geol. Yorks.