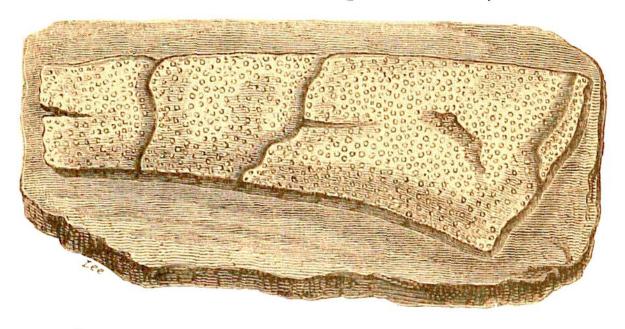
a dermal horny integument, formed of plates of tortoise-shell. The chelonians of the genus Trionyx (so named from their having three claws) have the



LIGN. 147. RIB OF A FRESH-WATER TORTOISE. Tilgate Forest.

TRIONYX BAKEWELLI* (G. A. M.).

(Tretosternon punctatum; Owen?)

extremities of the ribs free, and not articulated to a border of marginal scutes, and there are intervals between their costal plates even in the adult state. The external surface of the bones of the buckler is

^{*} This Tortoise, with the sanction of Baron Cuvier, (who, with his wonted generosity, sent me casts of the fossil Trionyx of the Paris basin for comparison,) was described under the name Trionyx in Foss. Til. For. p. 60., and its distinctive characters were pointed out. In Geol. S. E. p. 255, the specific name Bakewelli, was proposed in honour of the late Robert Bakewell, Esq., whose excellent works have so greatly promoted the advancement of geology; a privilege to which, as the original discoverer of the species, and of its zoo-