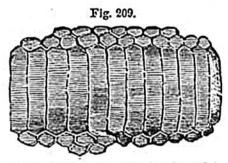
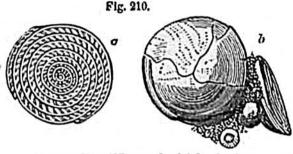
probably more genial; for amongst the companions of the sea-snake of Bracklesham was an extinct Gavial (Gavialis Dixoni, Owen), and numerous fish, such as now frequent the seas of warm latitudes, as the sword-fish (see fig. 208), and gigantic rays of the genus Myliobates (see fig. 209).

Fig. 208.

Prolonged premaxillary bone or "sword" of a fossil sword-fish (Colorhynchus). Brackle-sham. Dixon's Fossils of Sussex, pl. 8.



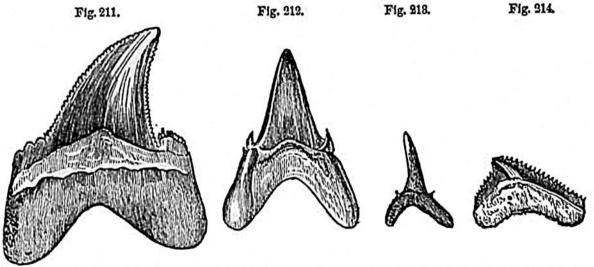
Dental plates of Myliobates Educardsi. Bracklesham Bay. Ibid. pl. 8.



Nummulites (Nummularia) lavigata, Bracklesham, 1bid. pl. 8.

a. Section of the nummulite.
b. Group, with an individual showing the exterior of the shell.

The teeth of sharks also, of the genera Carcharodon, Otodus, Lamna, Galeocerdo, and others, are abundant. (See figs. 211, 212, 213, 214.)



Carcharodor reterodon, Agass.

Olodus obliquus, Agass. Lamna elegans, Galeocerdo latidens, Agass. Agass.

Teeth of sharks from Bracklesham Bay.

The Nummulites lavigata (see fig. 210), so characteristic of the lower beds of the calcaire grossier in France, where it sometimes forms stony layers, as near Compiegne, is very common at Bracklesham, together with N. scabra and N. variolaria. Out of 193 species of testacea procured from the Bagshot and Bracklesham beds in England, 126 occur in the calcaire grossier in France. It was clearly therefore coeval with that part of the Parisian series more nearly than with any other.