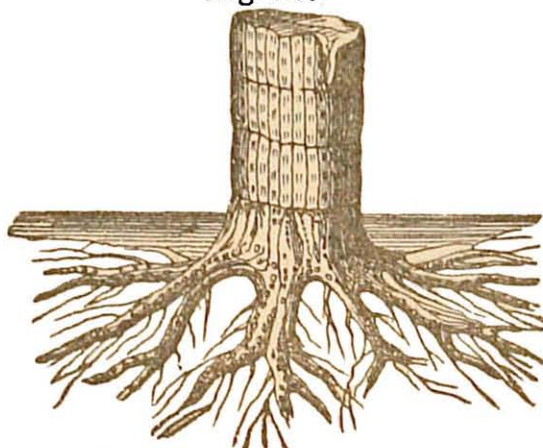


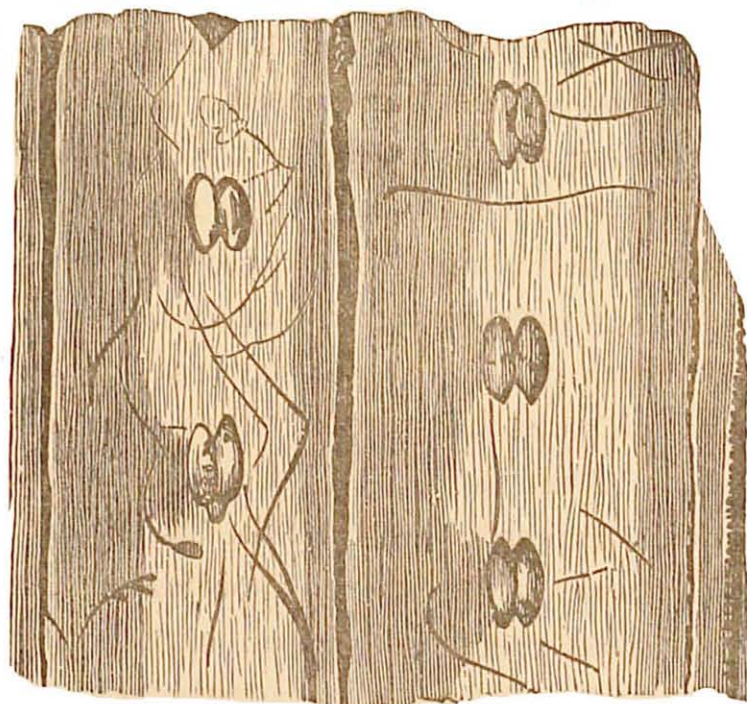
Fig. 28.



SIGILLARIA RENIFORMIS.

least the ancient soil on which these seams rest, and on which their materials appear to have been elaborated from the elements, is in many instances as thickly traversed by their underground stems as the soil occupied by our densest forests is traversed by the tangled roots of the trees by which it is covered ; and we often find associated with them in these cases the remains of no other plant. The Sigillaria were remarkable for their beautifully sculptured stems, various in their

Fig. 29.

SIGILLARIA RENIFORMIS.
(Nat. size.)