

of the neighbourhood of land that bordered the old Triassic lake, and the succeeding shallow Rhætic sea, part of which was the Mendip Hills, 'the home of the *Microlestes*.'¹

In the beds of passage, from 10 to 50 feet above

FIG. 34.



Pecten Valoniensis.



Ceratodus parvus.



Cardium Rhæticum.



Avicula contorta.



Discina Townshendi.



Myophoria postera.



*Nemaeanthus
blifer.*

Group of Rhætic Fossils.

the Bone bed, there are certain thin bands in Gloucestershire, named by the Rev. P. B. Brodie, who

¹ For notices of this old land, see De la Beche 'On the Formation of the Rocks of South Wales and South-West of England'; and Ramsay, 'Denudation of South Wales and the Adjacent Counties of England,' Mem. Geol. Surv. vol. i. 1846; and 'Abnormal Conditions of Secondary Deposits,' &c., by Charles Moore, 'Quarterly Journal Geol. Soc.' vol. xxiii., 1867.