

forms. Mesozoic time, as already remarked, has been termed the "Age of Reptiles," and it was especially during the Jurassic period that the maximum development of reptilian types, with the final disappearance of the ancient order of labyrinthodonts and the rise and growth of new orders of reptiles which have long since been extinct, was reached. The first true turtles seem to have made their



Fig. 394.—Jurassic Belemnites.

*a*, *Belemnites paxillosus*, Schloth. (Lias. †); *b*, *B. irregularis*, Schloth. (Lias and Lower Oolite, nat. size); *c*, *B. hastatus*, Blainv. (Middle Oolite, †).

appearance during this period. Numerous fragments of lacertilians have been obtained. The bones of various crocodilian genera occur, such as *Teleosaurus*, *Steneosaurus*, *Mystriosaurus*, and *Goniopholis*. *Teleosaurus*, found in the Yorkshire Lias and the Stonesfield Slate, was a true carnivorous crocodile, measuring about 18 feet in length, and is judged by Phillips to have been in the