## TRILOBITES.

that an abstract of his observations will afford the best exposition of the present state of our knowledge relating to these organic remains.

The class Crustacea, as we have already stated, forms two principal groups; namely, those with eyes supported on moveable peduncles, as the Crab and Lobster, and those with the eyes fixed; to this last division belongs the extinct order of TRILO-BITA. In the Trilobites the head is distinct, and without antennæ; and the feet (as supposed) are rudimentary, soft, and membranaceous: the essential characters which separate them from all other crustaceans, except Bopyrus\* (the parasite of the common prawn), according to Mr. Macleay, are the deficiency of antennæ, and of lateral posterior abdominal appendages, with the presence of evanescent The Trilobites have been arranged in numefeet. rous genera, with names, of which a few are expressive of natural characters, but the others have reference to the obscurity that still invests some parts of the organization of these animals.<sup>+</sup>

CALYMENE BLUMENBACHII. Lign. 121, figs. 3, 4.— This is the Trilobite so well known as the Dudley locust, or insect. It consists of an ovate, convex, or

<sup>\*</sup> This creature is found attached near the branchiæ, and appears like a tumour on the side of the Prawn; by removing the outer pellicle the *Bopyrus* may be disclosed.

<sup>†</sup> Asaphus, obscure; Calymene, concealed; Agnostus, unknown, are examples.