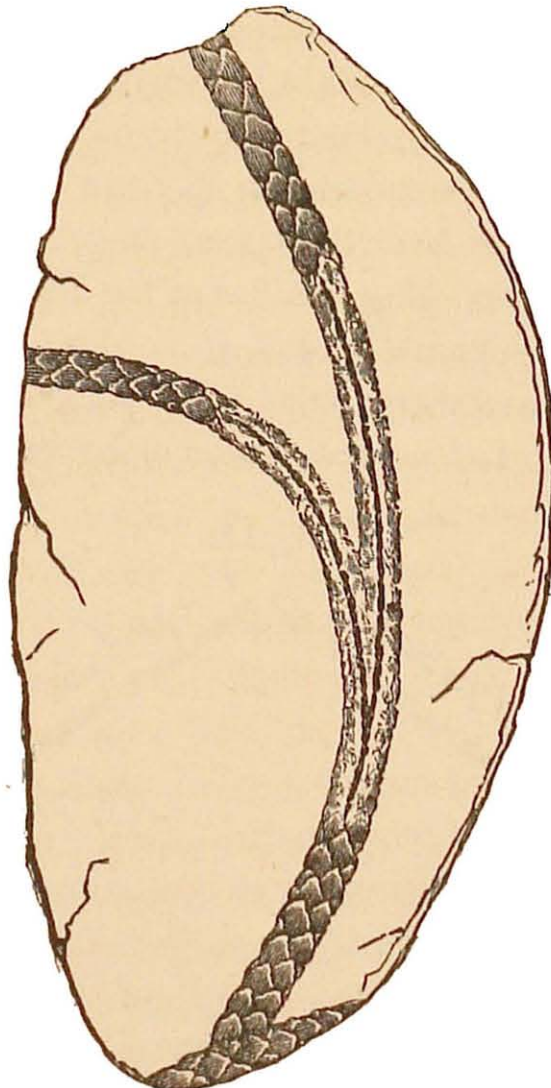


a pentagon,—the Lycopodia on the right side of the ferns, the Equiseta on the left ; farther, let us occupy the two remaining sides of the figure by the Coniferæ and the Cycadaceæ,—placing the Coniferæ on the side next the Lycopodia, and the Cycadaceæ, as the last added key-stone of the erection, between these and the Equiseta. And now, let us consider how very curious the links are which give a wonderful unity to the whole. We still find great difficulty in distinguishing between the foliage of some of even the existing club-mosses and the Conifers ; and the ancient Lepido-

Fig. 149.



IMBRICATED STEM.  
(Helmsdale.)