- 6. Insects. Dictyoneura anthracophila Goldb., from Saarbrück; D. Humboldtiana Goldb., ib.; Polioptenus elegans Goldb., ib.; Etoblattina primæva Goldb., ib.; Gryllacris lithanthraca Goldb. (Locust), ib.; Corydalis Brongniarti Mant., Coalbrook Dale.
- 7. Amphibians. The Amphibians included Apateon pedestris H. v. Meyer, Münsterappel; Urocordylus Wandesfordii Hux., Kilkenny, the tail with 75 vertebræ; Ophiderpeton Brownriggii Hux., Kilkenny, limbless, snake-like and 3' long; Dolichosoma longissimum Fritsch, from Ireland, probably about 3' long and much like the whip-snake; species of Dendrophis, and of other genera.

The following foreign Coal-measure Brachiopods occur also in the American beds: Athyris subtilita, Spirifer lineatus Martin, Productus longispinus Sow., P. latissimus Sow., P. punctatus Martin, P. scabriculus Martin, P. costatus Sow., Orthothetes (Streptorhynchus) umbraculus v. Buch, Devonian to Permian.

The Arctic Spitzbergen Coal-measure plants include species of Lepidodendron, Stigmaria, Sphenophyllum, Asterophyllites, Sphenopteris, Cordaites; and the Subcarboniferous of Bear Island (30 m. south), the European species Calamites radiatus, Lepidodendron Veltheimanum, Knorria imbricata, K. acicularis, Cyclostigma Kiltorkense, Palæopteris (Archæopteris) Ræmeriana, Sphenopteris Schimperi, Cardiopteris frondosa, C. polymorpha, etc., made a basis by Heer for his Ursa stage, but supposed by Dawson to include some Devonian species. The beds of Spitzbergen contain the Permian species, Productus horridus, specimens twice the size of those of the European Permian, P. Cancrini Vern., P. Leplayi Vern., Camarophoria Humbletonensis Howse, Strophalosia lamellosa Gein.; Carboniferous species of Euomphalus, Cyathophyllum, Syringopora, Chetetes; and the Subcarboniferous includes a Cyathophyllum limestone in which there are 4 species of Corals, 2 of Crinoids, and Spirifer incrassatus, Terebratula fusiformis, and other Russian Brachiopods.

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Plants. — The Permian plants include no Lepidodendrids, a few Sigillarids; Ferns of the genera Neuropteris, Sphenopteris, Pecopteris, Alethopteris, Tæniopteris, Sagenopteris, Glossopteris, and others; also Calamites, Annularia, Asterophyllites; Cycads and Conifers. The Conifers included species of Dadoxylon, Pinites, Ullmannia, etc. The genus Walchia, Fig. 1147, Walchia piniformis Sternberg, characterized by lax and short spreading leaves, began near the close of the Carboniferous period, but is most numerous in species during the Permian. Tree-ferns of the genus Psaronius were common, as in the Upper Coal-measures.

Fig. 1144 is the pinnule or branchlet of a frond of *Neuropteris Loschii*, a species common to the Permian and Coal-measures; 1145, showing the venation. Fig. 1146, *Annularia carinata* Sternberg; in 1146, only the first joint and its whorl are shown, of natural size; in 1146 a, a branch is shown (of reduced size), consisting of its several joints and whorls, but the natural termination is wanting. The figures are from the work of Geinitz and Gutbier on the "Dyas" of Saxony.

The American Permian species that are common to the Permian formation of Europe, according to Fontaine and White, Pennsylvania Report (1880), are, for the several genera, as follows: Equisetites rugosus, Calamites Suckovi, Sphenophyllum longifolium, Annularia carinata, A. longifolia, A. sphenophylloides, A. radiata, A. minuta, Neuropteris flexuosa, N. auriculata, N. cordata, Odontopteris obtusiloba, Callipteris conferta; Pecopteris ar-