the Marne de Jamoigne. The Hettangian stage of Burgundy is thin, and is composed of a lower Lumachelle de Bourgogne (Ostrea irregularis, Cardinia Listeri, Ammonites Burgundiæ) and an upper marly limestone known as "Foie de Veau" (Ammonites Burgundiæ, A. moreanus). In the basin of the Rhone, the Planorbis zone is about 40 feet thick, and the Angulatus zone 20 to 26 feet. In Cotentin, the stage is divisible into a lower sub-group of marls (Mytilus minutus, Corbula Ludovicæ) and an upper sub-group of limestones (Cardinia concinna, Pecten valoniensis).

One of the most interesting features of the Lias in the northern or Jura part of Switzerland is the insect-beds at Schambelen in the Canton Aargau. The insects are better preserved and much more varied than in the English Lias, and include representatives of Orthoptera, Neuroptera, Coleoptera (upward of 100 species of beetles), Hymenoptera, and Hemiptera. About half of the beetles are wood-eating kinds, so that there must have been abundant woodlands on the Swiss dry land in Liassic time.<sup>79</sup>

Cermany.—In northwestern Germany the subjoined classification of the Jurassic system has been adopted:<sup>60</sup>

Purbeck group—Serpulit, a limestone 160 feet thick, and Münder Mergel, a series of red and green marls, with dolomite and gypsum, at least 1000 feet thick—forming a transition between the Purbeck and Portland groups.

Eimbeckhäuser Plattenkalke and zone of Amm. gigas, equivalent to the English Portland group: Corbula, Modiola, Paludina, Cyrena.

Kimeridge group, Upper, with Exogyra virgula — Virgulian; Middle or Pterocera beds (Pterocerian); Lower (Astartian, Upper Sequanian), with Nerinæa beds and zone of Terebratula humeralis.<sup>81</sup>

Oxfordian, with Gryphæa dilatata, Amm. perarmatus, A. cordatus.

Clays with Amm. ornatus, A. Jason, A. Lamberti, A. anceps, A. athleta — "Ornatus clays." This stage is usually included by German geologists in the Middle Jura.

<sup>19</sup> Heer, "Urwelt der Schweiz," p. 82.

81 Struckmann, N. Jahrb. 1881 (ii.) p. 102.

Upper or White Jura<sup>80</sup> (Malm).

Corallian, with Cidaris florigemma, corals, Pecten varians, Ostrea rastellaris, Norinæa visurgis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> Heinr. Credner, Ober. Jura in N. W. Deutschland, 1863. See also the works of Oppel and Quenstedt quoted on p. 1481, and K. von Seebach's Der Hannoversche Jura, 1864. Brauns' Unter. Mittl. und Ober. Jura, 1869, 1871, 1874. O. Frans, "Geognostische Beschreibung von Württemberg, Baden und Hohenzollern," Stuttgart, 1882; Th. Engel, "Geognostischer Wegweiser durch Württemberg," Stuttgart, 1883.