

II. Section. POLYPIERS VAGINIFORMES. * Polypidoms naked, not varnished nor encrusted on the exterior. (1) Cells terminal—*Plumatella, Tubularia, Cornularia, Campanularia.* (2) Cells lateral—*Sertularia, Antennularia, Plumularia, Serilaria.* ** Polypidoms varnished or slightly crusted on the exterior. *Liriozoa, Cellaria, Anguinaria, Dichotomaria, Tibiana, Acetabulum, Polyphysa.*

III. Section. POLYPIERS A RESEAU.—*Flustra, Tubulipora, Discopora, Cellepora, Eschara, Adeona, Retepora, Alveolites, Ocellaria, Dactylopora.*

IV. Section. POLYPIERS FORAMINES.—*Ovulites, Lunulites, Orbulites, Distichopora, Millepora, Favosites, Catenipora, Tubipora.*

V. Section. POLYPIERS LAMELLIFERES.—* Stars terminal—*Styliina, Sarcinula, Caryophyllia, Turbinolia, Cyclolites, Fungia.* ** Stars lateral or spread over the surface—*Pavonia, Agaricia, Meandrina, Monticularia, Echinopora, Explanaria, Astrea, Porites, Pocillopora, Madrepora, Seriatopora, Oculea.*

VI. Section. POLYPIERS CORTICIFERES.—*Corallium, Melitaea, Isis, Antipathes, Gorgonia, Corallina.*

VII. Section. POLYPIERS EMPATES.—*Penicillus, Flabellaria, Spongia, Tethia, Geodia, Alcyonium.*

Order IV. P. TUBIFERI.

Polypes united on a common fleshy living body, either simple or lobed or branched, and attached by its base : no external polypidom ; no solid internal axis ; the surface loaded with numerous tubiform little cylinders, rarely entirely retractile. Mouth terminal ; tentacula 8, pectinated ; no anus ; 8 longitudinal semi-partitions underneath the stomach ; 8 intestines of two kinds ; 6 groups of gemmæ resembling as many ovaries.

Anthelia, Xenia, Ammothea, Lobularia.

Order V. P. NATANTES.

Polypes united on a common free elongated fleshy and organic body, enveloping a cartilaginous almost bony and sometimes stony inorganic axis. Tentacula set in a radiating manner round the mouth of each polype.

Veretillum, Funiculina, Pennatula, Renilla, Virgularia, Encrinus, Umbellularia.