texture, with a smooth glossy surface, such as would retain the impressions of rain-drops (see Lign. 150.). The layers of



LIGN. 150 FOOT-PRINT OF A BIRD, AND IMPRESSIONS OF RAIN-DROPS, on Sandstone (nat.). New Red Formation. Massachusetts.

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stone do not often present this kind of surface; but recently it has been my good fortune to discover a stratum containing, in all, more than one hundred most beautiful impressions of the feet of four or five varieties of birds; the whole surface having also been pitted by a shower of rain. The impression