

Fig. 117.

1, Otopteris dubia; 2, Otopteris obtusa; 3, Otopteris acuminata; 4, Otopteris cuneata.

zoophytes, which carry on their operations, preparing a new continent, probably, in the atolls of the Pacific Ocean. (See Fig. 108, p. 240.)

The flora of the epoch was very rich. The Ferns continue to exist, but their size and bearing were sensibly inferior to what they had been in the preceding period. Among them Otopteris, dis-