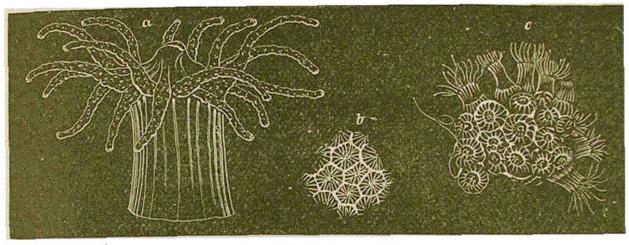
## CORALS AND CORAL MAKERS.

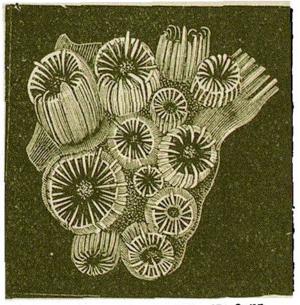
c, the polyps are of the natural size, while figure a represents one of them enlarged, The polyps, as is observed, stand very prominent above the cells of the corallum, because only the bases of them secrete coral; and the buds, which open between the calicles, are hence *lateral* buds; the coral has much resemblance to that of an Orbicella, in which budding is marginal.



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The tentacles have minute warty prominences over them, which are full of lasso-cells, each about a 500th of an inch in length, or about two-thirds larger than those of the *white cords* 

that edge the internal septa. The corallum, though massive, is somewhat irregularly lobed above, and grows to a diameter of two or three inches. It is covered with stars an eighth of an inch to a sixth across (figure b), which are usually crowded together, the intervening wall being very thin and solid. The author alluded to the crowd of stars in the



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name Pleiadia, which he proposed for the genus in his Report on Zoöphytes (page 722).

The genus Cladocora, containing slenderly branching ramose zoöphytes, is closely related in its polyps, according to