

of movements like those of an *Amœba*. The *Planæa*, on the other hand, consisted of two kinds of different cells—inner ones like the *Amœbæ*, and external “ciliated cells.” By the vibrating movements of the cilia the entire multicellular body acquired a more rapid and stronger motion, and passed over from the creeping to the swimming mode of locomotion. In exactly the same manner the *Morula*, in the ontogenesis of lower animals, still changes into a ciliated form of larva, which has been known, since the year 1847, under the name of *Planula*. This *Planula* is sometimes a globular, sometimes an oval body, which swims about in the water by means of a vibrating movement; the fringed (ciliated) and smaller cells of the surface differ from the larger inner cells, which are unfringed. (Fig. 4 of the Frontispiece.)

Out of this *Planula*, or fringed larva, there then develops, in animals of all tribes, an exceedingly important and interesting animal form, which, in my Monograph of the Calcareous Sponges, I have named *Gastrula* (that is, larva with a stomach or intestine). (Frontispiece, Fig. 5, 6). This *Gastrula* externally resembles the *Planula*, but differs essentially from it in the fact that it encloses a cavity which opens to the outside by a mouth. The cavity is the “*primary intestine*,” or “primary stomach,” the *progaster*, the first beginning of the alimentary canal; its opening is the “*primary mouth*” (prostoma). The wall of the *progaster* consists of two layers of cells: an outer layer of smaller ciliated cells (outer skin, or ectoderm), and of an inner layer of larger non-ciliated cells (inner skin, or entoderm). This exceedingly important larval form, the “*Gastrula*,” makes its appearance in the ontogenesis of all tribes of