

were Dicotyledonous plants, entirely distinct from Ferns, and different from any thing that occurs in the existing system of vegetation.*

Favularia. Megaphyton. Bothrodendron.
Ulodendron.†

The same group of fossil plants to which Lindley and Hutton have referred the genus *Sigillaria*, contains four other extinct genera, all of which exhibit a similar disposition of *scars arranged in vertical rows*, and indicating the places at which leaves, or cones, were attached to the trunk. The names of these are *Favularia*, *Megaphyton*, *Bothrodendron*, *Ulodendron.‡* Our figures Pl. 56, Figs. 3, 4, 5, 6, represent portions of

* "There can be no doubt," say they, (*Foss. Flora*, vol. i. p. 155) "that as far as external characters go, *Sigillaria* approached *Euphorbiæ* and *Cactææ* more nearly than any other plants now known, particularly in its soft texture, in its deeply channelled stems, and what is of more consequence in its scars, placed in perpendicular rows between the furrows. It is also well known that both these modern tribes, particularly the latter, arrive even now at great stature; further, it is extremely probable, indeed almost certain, that *Sigillaria* was a dicotyledonous plant, for no others at the present day have a true separable bark. Nevertheless, in the total absence of all knowledge of the leaves and flowers of these ancient trees, we think it better to place the genus among other species, the affinity of which is at present doubtful."

† Pl. 56, Figs. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.

‡ The genera composing this group are thus described, *Foss. Flora*, vol. ii. p. 96.

1. *Sigillaria*. Stem furrowed. Scars of leaves small, round, much narrower than the ridges of the stem.