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Figure 1. Sponge; nat. size.

„ 2. Vertical median section through the sponge; nat. size.

„ 3-13. Spicules—

Figs. 3, 4. Somal oxeas; $\times 73$.

„ 5. Orthotriæne; $\times 73$.

„ 6. Cortical oxea; $\times 73$.

„ 7. Sterraster; $\times 73$.

„ 8. Choanosomal oxyaster; $\times 73$.

„ 9. Sterraster; $\times 225$.

Fig. 10. Choanosomal oxyaster; $\times 292$.

„ 11. Somal spheraster; $\times 700$.

„ 12. Termination of somal oxea;
 $\times 292$.

„ 13. Abnormal form of oxea or
plagiomionæne; $\times 73$. .

„ 14. Section passing medially and longitudinally through an oscule; $\times 2$.

„ 15. Median longitudinal section through an oscular chone, showing the general characters of the cortex and choanosome; $\times 32$.

„ 16. Median longitudinal section through an incurrent chone; $\times 32$.

„ 17. A sieve-pore seen *en face*.

„ 18. Oblique, nearly tangential section through the outer part of the cortex, showing the lateral extension of the canals which extend from the pores to the chones.