posterior to the trunk in their normal relations. If the trunk, like that of Caligus, corresponds to the mandibles and lips alone, then these legs may be analogues of the maxillæ, organs which in Caligus are a little remote from the trunk. But if the maxillæ are obsolete, or the trunk includes them in its constitution, as is possible and even probable, considering that the maxillæ in the Caligoidea are obsolescent and never elongated into proper legs, it will then follow, that the legs referred to correspond to the slender didactyle legs (first pair) of Caligus, or the tubular legs of Argulus, and to the maxillipeds (or second pair of maxillæ) in the Cyclopoidea and Cyproidea.

The four pairs of legs which follow, will, on the first supposition, correspond to the first four pairs in Caligus, two subprehensile pairs and two natatory, making the whole number of normal appendages twelve: on the second, to the second or prehensile pair, and three pairs of natatories, making the total fourteen. In Cythere, among the Cyproidea, we find ten appendages behind the antennæ, the six posterior of which are proper feet, and not natatory appendages; and this group may perhaps illustrate this point in the structure of the Pycnogonoids, rather than the Caligi. In fact, the Entomostraca take this pediform character for the feet and lose the natatory pairs, only among the Cyproidea and Limuli; and hence we may properly trace the transitions to the terrestrial Articulata, through these few-footed species.

On this ground, we make out the most probable view of the homologies of the parts in the Pycnogonoids to be as follows:—

APPENDAGES.

- 1. First and second pairs.
- 2. Moveable trunk.
- 3. Inferior or ovigerous legs.
- 4, 5, 6, 7. Pairs of feet.

NORMAL HOMOLOGUES.

Second antennæ, two-branched.

Mandibular and first maxillary segment.

Second maxillary (first pair of feet in Caligus).

Next four segments following.

If we should suppose still another pair of maxillæ embraced normally in the moveable trunk, then the four pairs of legs would be homologous with the four pairs of natatories in Caligus and Cyclops, and the inferior legs, with the first or prehensile pair in these genera. But of this we have no evidence.

The legs in the Pycnogonoids consist each of nine joints, the antepenult of which is very short, and the last a claw. From the cha-