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Carinar	ia cithara, Benson.	Atlanta gaudichaudii, Eydoux and Sou-
,,	punctata, d'Orbigny.	leyet.
,,	gaudichaudii, Eydoux and	" fusca, Eydoux and Souleyet.
	Souleyet.	" aepressa, Eydoux and Souleyet.
"	atlantica, Adams and Reeve.	,, rosea, Eydoux and Souleyet.
"	cornucopia, Gould.	,, quoyana, Eydoux and Soule-
Atlanta	peronii, Lesueur.	yet.
,,	turriculata, d'Orbigny.	" mediterranea, Costa.
	lesueurii, Eydoux and Souleyet.	" violacea, Gould.
,,	involuta, Eydoux and Souleyet.	" tessellata, Gould.
"	inflata, Eydoux and Souleyet.	" primitia, Gould.
,,	inclinata, Eydoux and Souleyet.	" cunicula, Gould.
"	helicinoides, Eydoux and Soule-	" souleyeti, Smith. Oxygyrus keraudrenii (Lesueur).
"	gibbosa, Eydoux and Souleyet.	" rangii, Eydoux and Souleyet.

The gasteropod genus Ianthina is also pelagic, while the species of coccolithophoridæ are very numerous.



FIG. 142.—DIAGRAM SHOWING GRADUAL DISAPPEARANCE OF CALCIUM CARBONATE WITH INCREASING DEPTH.

The distribution of the dead shells of these pelagic organisms in different depths is peculiar and remarkable. If we suppose a cone to rise from a depth of 4000 fathoms up to within half a mile of the surface far from land in the warmer regions of the ocean (see Fig. 142), we shall find on the upper surface of this cone, and down its sides to about 1000 fathoms, nearly every shell of pelagic organisms represented in the deposit, even the smallest and most delicate. At about 1500 fathoms Disappearance many of the thinnest and smallest shells will have disappeared, of calcium carbonate with and the Pteropod ooze passes gradually into Globigerina ooze. increase of At 2000 fathoms there may not be a trace of pteropods, and depth. some of the more delicate foraminifera will also have disappeared. At 2500 fathoms the larger and thicker foraminifera shells still remain, and the deposit becomes a Red clay with some carbonate of lime. At 4000 fathoms not a trace, or little more than a trace, of these shells can be found, and chemical analysis does not show 1 per cent of calcium carbonate.

Now it has been shown by hundreds of observations that