accurate corroboration, and this and other problems in the life of the Hair-eels offer subjects worthy of the attention of naturalists.

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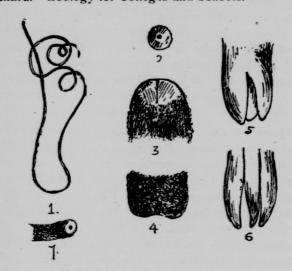
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EXPLANATION OF FIGURES.

- 1. Gordius aquaticus, natural size.
- 2. Head end of same, shewing centrally situated mouth. x 36.
- Do. do. somewhat compressed under cover-glass, viewed from the dorsum. x 150.
- Tail end of Gordius aquaticus, probably a female specimen, showing slight bifurcation. x 120.
- 5. Tail end of male Gordius aquaticus (from Packard).
 - Tail end of male Gordius varius, showing trifid termination (after Kingsley).
- Tail end of Gordius ornatus, showing cloacal pore, enlarged from Grenacher's figure.