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to have consisted of an elevated nucleus of older rocks; perhaps with interior lakes, while around it stretched a great level expanse of bogs and lagoons now in great part submerged. There might thus be a very marked distinction between the 'aills, thinly covered perhaps with Ferns and Pines, with clear fresh-water lakes, and the vast swamps densely clothed with Sigillariæ, Lepidodendra, Calamites and Cordnites, and with dark bodies of impure water full of vegetable matter. The faunæ of these districts might be equally different. We know little as yet of the upland fauna; but may hope for more discoveries in this direction, especially in countries like Nova Scotia and Cape Breton, where there were elevated districts in the midst of the a, eas of coal accumulation.

APPENDIX.

Note on Genus Carbonicola, McCoy. (Anthracosia, King.)

This genus, which occurs abundantly in the Coal Formation of Great Britain, is represented, so far as known, in Nova Scotia by only two small species, both from the lower part of the Coal Formation, or possibly from the Lower Carboniferous. One of these is C. angulata (Naiadites angulata, Acadian Geology, p. 204, tig. 46.) It is from Parrsboro, from beds holding fossil plants and, so far as known, no marine shells. The other, C. Bradorica (Anthracosia Bradorica, Ac. Geol., p. 314, fig. 133 b) is from a shale supposed to be Lower Carboniferous, at Baddeck, Cape Breton. The affinities of these shells are at present uncertain, but will probably be discussed by Dr. Wheelton Hind in a forthcoming paper. Its associations would seem to indicate that the habitat of some of the species was similar to that of the genus Anthracomya, which at Parrsboro are found in neighboring beds. The figure of C. Bradorica is reproduced here to show the characteristic form.



Carbonicola Bradorica.