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 of lime which hang from the roofs of caverns
 like icicles; they are formed by the slow dropping of
 carbonic acid water. The latter (*Gr. stalagmos*, a drop),
 on the other hand, are the crusts and protuberances
 produced on the floors of such caverns. Sometimes
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