

from the state of infancy in which it languished, in spite of the magnificent and persevering labours of Steno, Werner, Hutton, and Saussure.

The *Palæotherium*, *Anoplotherium*, and *Xiphodon* were herbivorous animals, which must have lived in great herds. They appear to have been intermediate, according to their organisation, between the



Fig. 151.—*Palæotherium magnum* restored.

Rhinoceros, the Horse, and the Tapir. There seem to have existed many species of them, of very different sizes. After the labours of Cuvier, nothing is easier than to represent the *Palæotherium* as it lived: the nose terminating in a muscular fleshy trunk, or rather snout, somewhat like that of the Tapir; the eye small, and displaying little intelligence; the head enormously large; the body squat, thick, and short; the legs short and very stout; the feet supported by three toes, enclosed in a hoof; the size, that of a large horse. Such was