

formations, continues to be found, but becomes extinct apparently before we reach the upper beds. Others present themselves of genera totally unknown till now, some of them, such as the *Hippopotamus*, the *Camel*, the *Horse*, the *Ox*, and the *Deer*, surviving to the present day. The fossil horse, of all animals, is perhaps that which

presents the greatest resemblance to existing individuals; but it was small, not exceeding the ass in size.

The *Mastodon*, which we have considered in our description of the preceding period, still existed in Pliocene times; in Fig. 174 the species living in this latter age is represented—it is called the *Mastodon of Turin*. As we see, it has only two projecting tusks or defences in the upper jaw, instead of four, like the American species, which is described in page 343. Other species belonging to this period are not uncommon; the portion of an upper jaw-bone with a tooth which was found

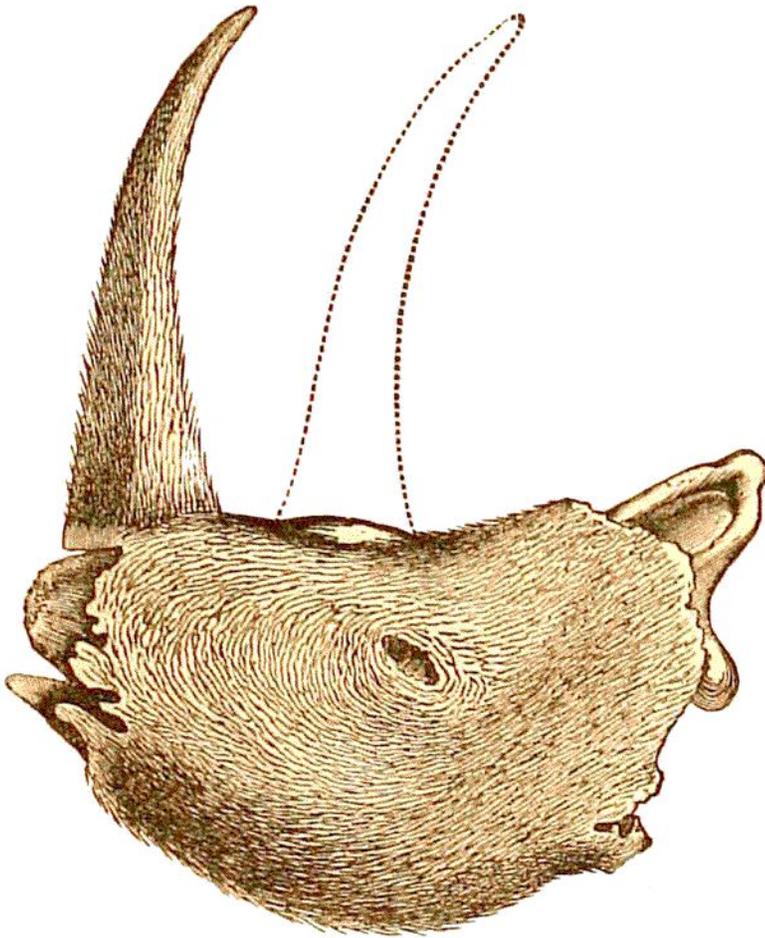


Fig. 175.—Head of *Rhinoceros tichorhinus*, partly restored under the direction of Eugene Deslongchamps.

in the Norwich Crag at Postwick, near Norwich, Dr. Falconer has shown to be a Pliocene species, first observed in Auvergne, and named by Messrs. Croizet and Jobert, its discoverers, *Mastodon Arvernensis*.

The *Hippopotamus*, *Tapir*, and *Camel*, which appear during the Pliocene period, present no peculiar characteristics to arrest our attention.

The Apes begin to abound in species; the Stags were already numerous.

The *Rhinoceros*, which made its appearance in the Miocene period, appears in greater numbers in the Pliocene deposits. The species peculiar to the Tertiary epoch is *R. tichorhinus*, which is descriptive of the bony partition which separated its two nostrils, an anatomical