

Nice the remains of some great Carnivora are found, among which are recognised two species of Lion and Panther. In the Grotto di San-Ciro, in the Monte Griffone, about six miles from Palermo, in Sicily, Dr. Falconer collected remains of two species of Hippopotamus and bones of *Flephas antiquus*, Bos, Stag, Pig, Bear, Dog, and a large *Felis*, some of which indicated a Pliocene age. Like many others, this cave contains a thick mass of bone-breccia on its floor, the bones of which have long been known, and were formerly supposed to be those of giants; while Prof. Ferrara suggested that the Elephants' bones were due to the Carthaginian elephants imported into Sicily for purposes of sport.\*

But the *breccia* is not confined to Europe. We meet with it in all parts of the globe; and recent discoveries in Australia indicate a formation corresponding exactly to the *ossiferous breccia* of the Mediterranean, in which an ochreous-reddish cement binds together fragments of rocks and bones, among which we find four species of Kangaroos.

\* *Quart. Jour. Geol. Soc.*, 1859.

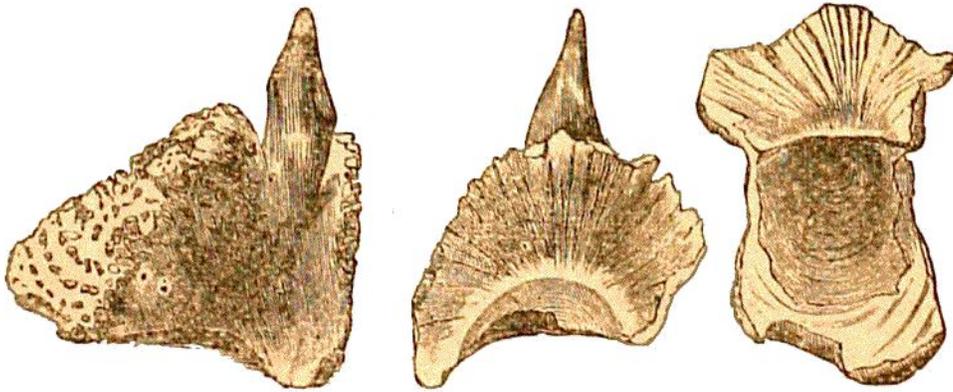


Fig. 195.—*Beloptera Sepioidea*.