

from the antelope tribe, sheep and oxen, whose hollow horns are persistent, and resembled only one living ruminant, the prongbuck, in having had hollow horns subject to shedding. Fig. 176 is a representation of the *Sivatherium* restored, in so far, at least, as it is

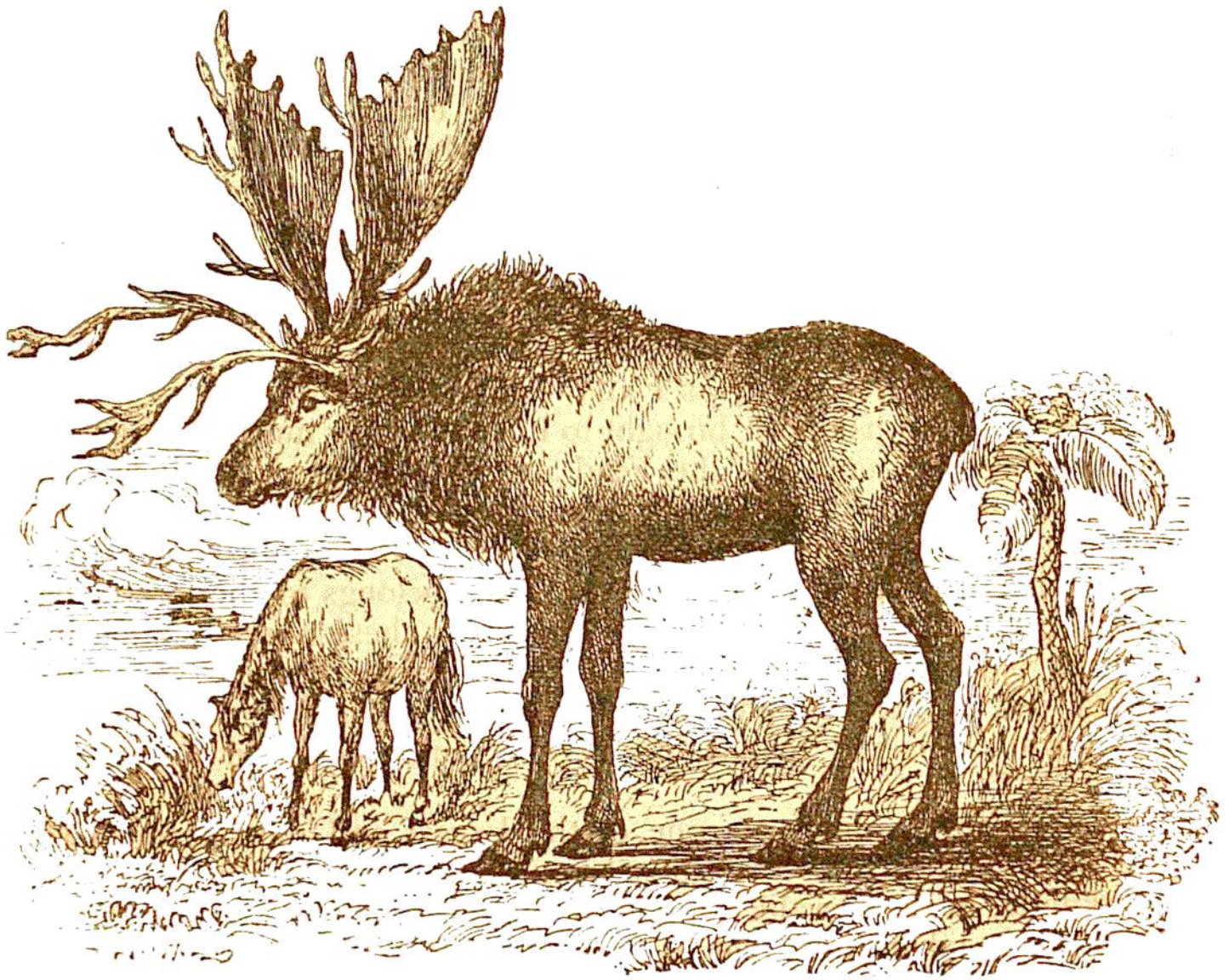


Fig. 176.—*Sivatherium* restored.

possible to do so in the case of an animal of which only the cranium and a few other bones have been discovered.

As if to rival these gigantic Mammals, great numbers of Reptiles seem to have lived in the Pliocene period, although they are no longer of the same importance as in the Secondary epoch. Only one of these, however, need occupy our attention, it is the *Salamander*. The living Salamanders are amphibious Batrachians, with smooth skins, and rarely attaining the length of twenty inches. The