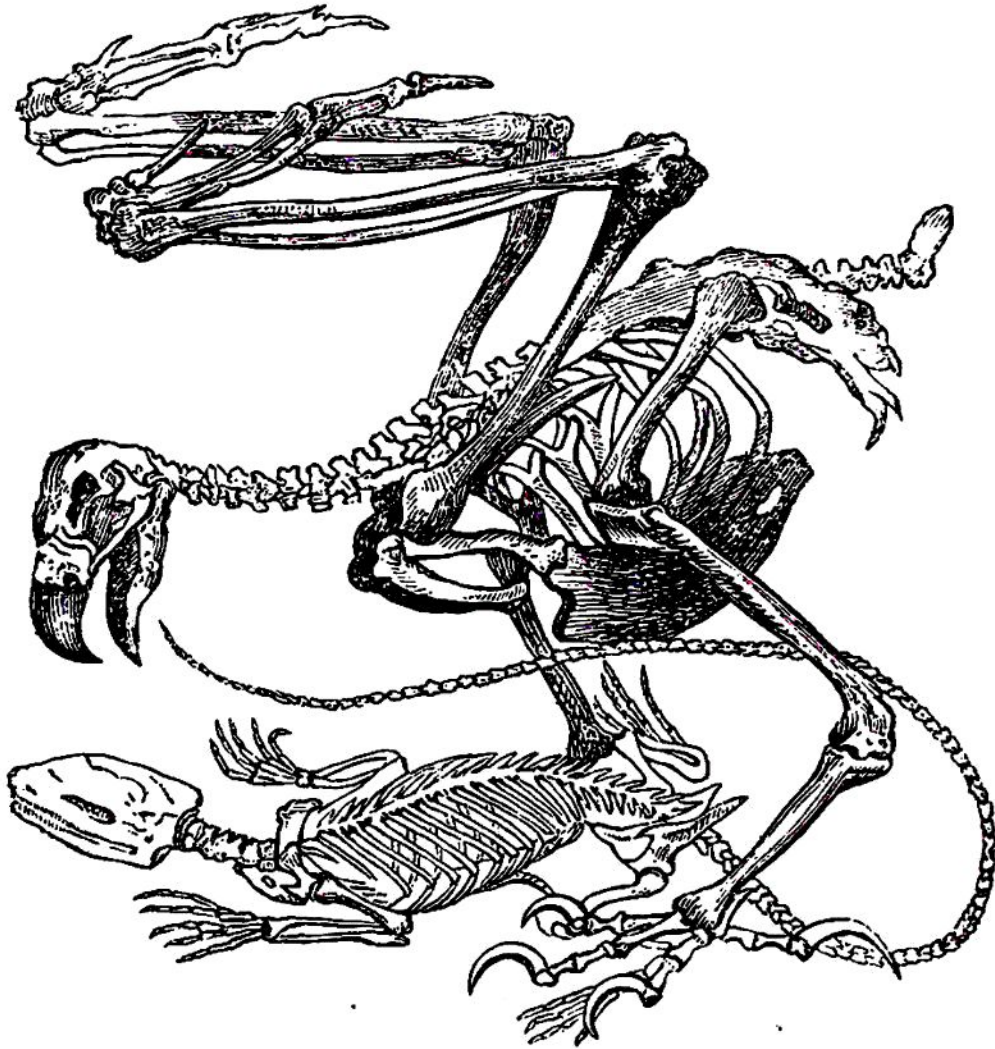


and, as we should suppose, totally defenceless, nature has not been negligent of his protection.\*

It cannot be better shown, that the function or use of a part, determines its form, than by looking to the clavicle and scapula of the bird.



Three bones converge here to the shoulder joint, the furculum, clavicle, and scapula; but

\* There is in the form of the kangaroo, and especially in its skeleton, something incongruous, and in contrast with the usual shape of quadrupeds. The head, trunk, and fore paws, appear to be a portion of an animal unnaturally joined to another of greater dimensions and strength. It is not easy to say what are, or what were, the exterior relations corresponding with the very