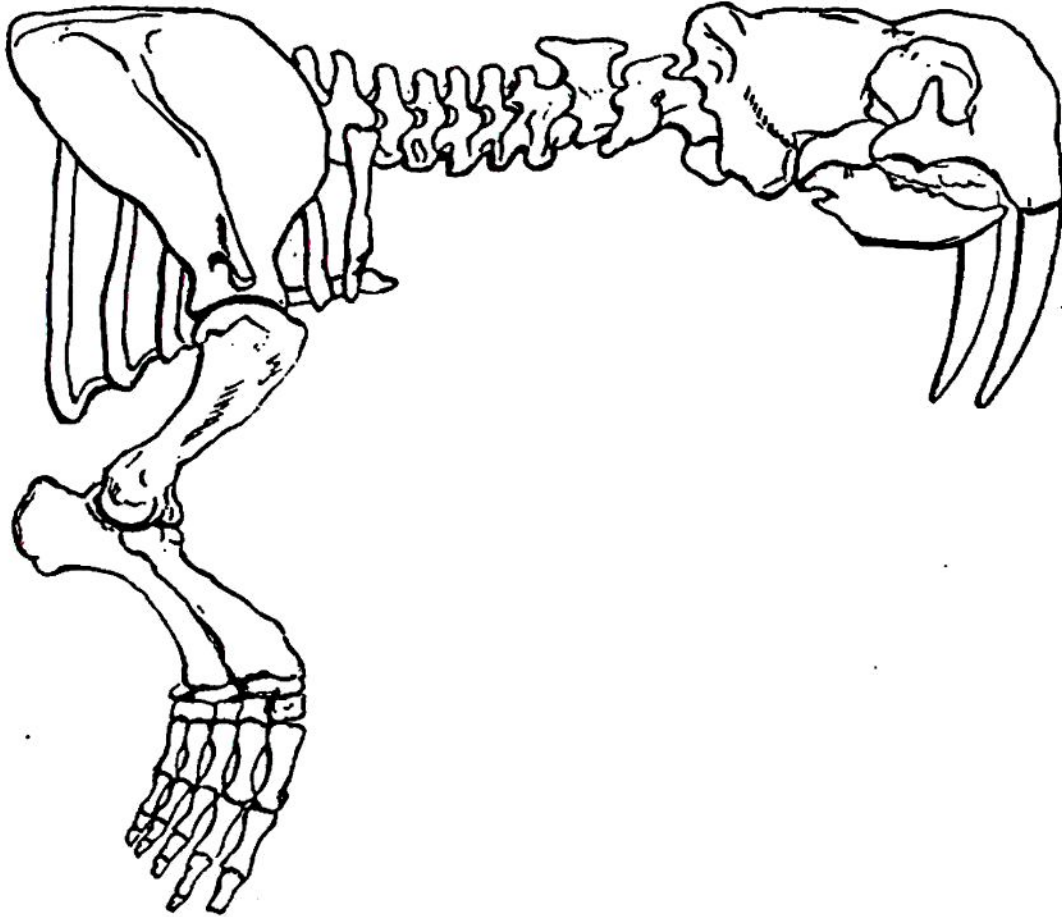


plete, if we consider the peculiar appearance of the feet in the living animal. The bones are



accommodated to be an instrument for swimming; for these animals live in the water, and come to land only to suckle their young, or to bask in the sun; and out of the water they are the most unwieldy and helpless of all animals which breathe.

In the Cetacea, for example, in the whales, we have mammalia unprovided with hind feet. The scapula is large, the humerus very short, and the bones of the fore-arm and hand flattened