

We saw this animal alive, and to us it appeared perfectly to resemble the common wolf both in figure and disposition.

THE CANADIAN MUSK-RAT, AND THE MUSCOVY
MUSK-RAT.

THOUGH these two animals have been denominated musk-rats, and have a few common characteristics, yet they ought not to be confounded; they must also be distinguished from the Pileri, or Musk-rat, of the Antilles; all three forming different species, and belonging to different climates; the first, also called Ondatra, is found in Canada; the second, or Desman, in Lapland and Muscovy; and the Pileri, in Martinico and other of the Antille islands.

The Musk-rat of Canada (*fig.* 115) differs from that of Muscovy in having all its toes separate, eyes very conspicuous, and a short nose; whereas the latter (*fig.* 114) has the toes of the hind feet united by a membrane, exceedingly small eyes, and a long nose like the shrew-