

But although the organs subservient to the grand functions,—the heart and blood vessels, the lungs, the stomach, be variously adapted to the different classes of animals, they change much less than the parts by which animals are enabled to pursue their prey or obtain their food. Their extremities, by which they walk, or run, or creep, or cling, must vary infinitely. And so their teeth and horns and the position of their head and the strength of their neck exhibit nearly as much variety as their proper extremities; because they likewise must be adapted to their different modes of obtaining food, or of combating their enemies. Let us then, in pursuing this principle, observe the meaning of the forms of the more remarkably shaped animals.



When we look upon the boar's head,* we

* This is a sketch of the dried head of the *Sus Ethiopicus*