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Forgotten Books, 2018. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Diplodocus (Marsh): Its Osteology, Taxonomy, and Probable Habits, With a Restoration of the Skeleton Of the manv exasperating disappointments just referred to, that mentioned by Professor Osborn in the second paragraph of his introduction to the description of a skeleton of Diplodocus, published as Part V., Vol. I. Of the Memoirs of the American Museum of Natural History, may be cited as a common example. He says, in speaking of the discovery of the specimen, At one time strong hopes were aroused that the entire animal would be found together. The long tail stretched off parallel with the cliff, interrupted only by a small gulley which had outthrough a small section of the caudals. In front of the sacrum the dorsals stretched forward in a promising way, but the centra were wanting, and finally nothing but the neural arches remained. Strikingly similar disappointments have attended the discovery and unearthing of at least a half dozen other skeletons of Diplodocus. Happily, however, in the preserved and recovered remains of these various skeletons different parts of the frame are represented; so that by combining...



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