

## **1612 - Hentzner, Itinerarium**

Paul Hentzner, 1558-1623

A Brandenburg-born lawyer who had served as tutor to a son of Duke Karl of Silesia, whom he accompanied on a Grand Tour of Germany, France, England, and Italy spanning the years 1596 – 1600. Visiting England in 1598 during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I, Hentzner described the Royal Palace at Whitehall, where he saw a clock with a rhinoceros. The clock is no longer known (see Clarke 1986: 126).

- 1612 *Itinerarium Germaniae, Galliae, Angliae, Italiae, scriptum à Paulo Hentznero; cum indice locorum, rerum atque verborum memorabilium. Nornibergae: Sumtibus autoris, & typis Abrahami Wagenmanni excusum, pp. [i-xvi], 1-418, [i-xxxiv]; 4to*
- 1617 *Itinerarium Germaniae, Galliae, Angliae, Italiae [etc] Breslæ: apud haeredes Iohannis Eyeringii & Iohannem Perfertum, pp. [i-xvi], 1-418, [i-xxx]; 4to.*
- 1627 *Itinerarium Germaniæ, Galliae, Angliae [etc] Breslæ: apud Hæredes Iohannis Eyeringii & Iohannem Perfertum, pp. [i-xvi], 1-418, [i-xxxiv]; 4to.*
- 1661 *Itinerarium Germaniae, Galliae, Angliae, Italiae. Huic libro accessere nova hac editione, 1. Monita perigrinatoria duorum doctissimorum virorum [Daniel Gruber and Hugo Plotius]; 2. Incerti auctoris Epitome praecognitorum historicorum, antehac non edita. Lipsiae: apud haeredes Schürerianos & Matthiam Götzium, pp. [i-viii], 1-614; 8vo.*

### **Translation**

- 1757 A journey into England by Paul Hentzner, in the year M.D.XC.VIII..  
Strawberry Hill: [no publisher], pp. i-x, 1-103. 8vo. - Translated by Richard Bentley (1708-1782), edited by Horace Walpole (1717-1797).  
There are many later editions, 1761, 1762, 1765, etc.

There is no illustration of the clock with the rhinoceros.

### **Latin text of Nornibergae, 1612**

- [1612: 128]  
X. Machina horaria, in qua Rhinoceros cum Aethiope ei insidente conspicitur, quatuor aliis veluti ministris ad latera astantibus, Regemq; portantibus, ac ad nolae sonitum capita inflectentibus, haec omnia moventur ubi rotæ intenduntur.

### **English translation of Strawberry Hill, 1757**

- [1757: 33]  
X. A piece of clock-work, an Aethiop riding upon a Rhinoceros, with four attendants, who all make their obeisance, when it strikes the hour; these are all put in motion by winding up the machine.

# ITINERARIUM

GERMANIE,  
GAELIAE;  
ANGLIAE;  
ITALIAE.

Scriptum auctore eiusdem

PAULG. HENTZNER. J.C.

Illustrissimam

Monasteriensem ac Offensium

DYCIS,

## CAROLI,

Sacri Rom. Imperij PRINCIPIS,  
& Supremi

Perstram Silesiam CAPITANEI

CONSILLARIAM

Cum de chelarij.

Iudiciorum, Rerum atq; Ver-

memorabilium

BRESLAE,

Exheredes Iohannis Eyerigii

& Iohannem Perserrum.

anno 16 XVII.

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gliam, & matrimonio sibi jungeret, Mariam Angliae Reginam; Henrici VII. Henrici VIII. matris eiusdem, item aliorum, aliarumq; illustrium imagines quam plurimæ; Pictura obliudis Insulæ Melites, sive Maltha.

VII. *Ædicula chinusdam Eremita, elegantissimè ex ligno sculpta, inter saxa quasi delitescens.*

VIII. *Emblematæ varia papyracea, clypei formam habentia, quibus, adiectis symbolis, Nobiles in exercitijs equestribus & gladiatorijs uti sunt soliti, hic memoriæ caussâ suspenso.*

IX. *Varia instrumenta Musica, & inter ea unum, in quo dissimil & unâ vice ludere possunt.*

X. *Machina horaria, in qua Rhinoceros cum Æthiopo ei insidente conspicitur, quatuor alijs veluti ministris ad latera astantibus; Regemq; portantibus, ac ad nolæ sonitum capita inflexentibus; haec omnia moventur ubi rotæ intenduntur.*

Porrò in adjuncti huic Ault Vivatij introitu, talis legitur inscriptio; Ictus pūcator tandem sapit, sed infelix Actæon semper præceps; Casta Virgo facile miseretur, sed potens Dea iceius uiciscitur, præda canibus, exemplum Iuvenibus, suis decus; Pereat Actæon, cura coslitibus, chara mortalibus, suis securitas; Vivat Diana,

In rivo uidentur *dame*, magnō numero.

In alio quodam horto, huic arcii contiguo est *fons*, salienti aquæ, cum horologio solari, quod dum peregre advenientes contemplantur, aqua ex fistulis copiosè erumpit, & circumstantes iargissimè aspergit, horrificano & longinquò rotam quandam circum agente, quæ aqua ista propellitur.

*Domes Senatoria vel publica quæ Gustavus vulgo vocatur, Domus à Thome Knowles pulcherrimè constructa est, in quâ duorum Senatorum Gigantum statu uidentur, qui Anglie auxilio fuisse dicuntur, cum Romani enchella nasseuerentur. Nam etiam sine Coriolao Britannus, Gæmagott Albionus, subest in tabula annodam ritulno Caroli V. Imperatoris aurei cliticis scribente.*

A  
J O U R N E Y  
INTO  
E N G L A N D.  
BY  
PAUL HENTZNER,<sup>1558-1623</sup>  
IN THE YEAR M.D.XC.VIII.



*Twickenham*  
PRINTED AT STRAWBERRY-HILL.  
M DCC LVII.

Near this palace are seen an immense number of Swans, who wander up and down the river for some miles, in great security; no body daring to molest, much less kill any of them, under penalty of a considerable fine.

In WHITEHALL are the following things worthy of observation :

I. The Royal Library, well stored with Greek, Latin, Italian and French books: Amongst the rest, a little one in French, upon parchment, in the hand writing of the present reigning queen Elizabeth, thus inscribed :

*To the most High, Puissant, and redoubted Prince, Henry VIII. of the Name, King of England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith :*

*Elizabeth, his most humble Daughter,  
Health and Obedience.*

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Casta Virgo facile miseretur ;  
Sed potens Dea seclus ulciscitur.  
Præda canibus, exemplum Juvenibus,  
suis dedecus, pereat Actæon.  
Cura cœlitibus, chara mortalibus, suis securitas,  
Vivat Diana.*

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IX. Different instruments of music, upon one of which two persons may perform at the same time.

X. A piece of clock-work, an *Athiop* riding upon a *Rhinoceros*, with four attendants, who all make their obeisance, when it strikes the hour ; these are all put into motion by winding up the machine.

At the entrance into the Park from White-hall is this inscription :

\* *The Fisherman who has been wounded, learns  
though late to beware ;*

*But the unfortunate Aetæon always presses on.*

*The chaste Virgin naturally pitied :  
But the powerful Goddess revenged the wrong.*

*Let Aetæon fall a prey to his Dogs,*

*An Example to Youth,*

*A disgrace to those that belong to him !*

*May Diana live the care of Heaven ;*

*The delight of Mortals ;*

*The security of those that belong to Her !*

\* This romantic inscription probably alluded to Philip II. who woed the Queen after her sister's death ; and to the destruction of his Armada. L In