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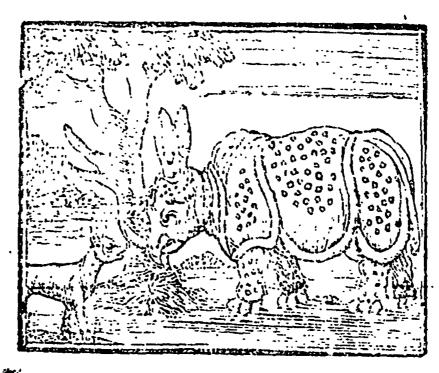
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181. The Rhinoceros and the Fox.

A S a Rhinoceros was whetting his teeth, a Fox asked him the reason of it, ince he was in no danger? To whom he replied, Not without good reason, good Mr. Fox, for I would not have my teeth to whet when my enemy is coming upon me, but be prepared to defend myself.

The Moral.

One good Fore-thought is worth two Afterthoughts. We should always be ready against a Time of Danger. He that does not put his Weapons in good Order till he is alarmed by the Enemy, will make but a very ordinary and indifferent Defence when surprized.