

wasted charges of powder and shot on moths instead of humming birds, surely our correspondents need not feel surprised if they have been deceived in a similar manner.

## ARRIVAL OF A TWO-HORNED RHINOCEROS.

THE ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY of London have just received an important addition to their extensive living collection, in the shape of a two-horned rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros bicornis*). The Indian form of rhinoceros has long been well represented in the society's menagerie, but the very different African type, to which the present animal belongs, has been hitherto a *hiatus valde deflendus* in the series. The animal which arrived yesterday, and which is believed to be the only individual of the species that has reached Europe alive since the days of the Romans, is a young male, about 6ft. long and 3½ft. high. It was captured in the autumn of last year, in the vicinity of Casalá, in Upper Nubia, by the native hunters employed by Herr Casanova, an enterprising traveller of Vienna, and conveyed to Hamburgh (*viâ* Alexandria and Trieste), along with a number of African elephants and other animals. Here it passed into the possession of Mr Carl Hagenbeck, a well-known dealer in living animals of that city, who has now parted with it to the Zoological Society at the price of £1000—being, we are informed, the largest sum they have ever paid for a single animal. The rhinoceros is remarkably tame, and in excellent health and condition. It is fed principally on clover hay. Pending the completion of the large building now in process of erection, which is destined to contain the society's series of elephants, rhinoceroses, and tapirs, it is temporarily lodged in the giraffe house.

THE ALASKA FUR TRADE.—The United States Congress, in an Act relating to Alaska, have made it unlawful for any person to kill martin, musk, sable or fur seal, or other fur-bearing animal, under a penalty of not

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