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above the height of a Hand from it; when it is touched it strangely shrinks up itself. *Magellan, Atlas.* N. Lat. 8.

*Amboyna.* There is a very ignorant People, *Heathens* and *Mahometans*. *Mandelslo* says nothing is more frequent than to worship the *Devil*. They reckon three evil Spirits, one subordinate to another; and they have their particular Names. They say they appear in human Shape, when they pronounce their Oracles and reveal secret Things. To obtain an Appearance twenty or thirty Men assemble; and by the help of a small Drum, certain Conjurations, and a Sacrifice of Meat and Drink, make the Spirits appear. And as they believe that what befalls them comes from the *Devil*, they are very careful not to neglect his Worship. *Harris.*

*Bouro Island*, not far from *Amboyna*. There is a horned Hog, the Body shaped like a Deer, and about as big as a Stag; snouted and tailed like a Boar, footed like a Goat. He has two Horns bended upwards and backwards, about half a Foot long. There is the *Rhinoceros* in the River *Ganges*, near as big as an Elephant, saving that he is not so tall; his Horn is upon the Snout near a Yard long. He fights with an Elephant, and sometimes overcomes him. His Horn, Teeth and Claws, are used against Poison and many Diseases, and sold at great Rates. S. Lat. 4.

*Celebes Island.* There Spouts are often seen. It is a Cloud hanging down, and sloping or bending,