

# DESCRIPTION

OF THREE HUNDRED

## ANIMALS;

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BEASTS, || SERPENTS,  
BIRDS, || AND  
FISHES, || INSECTS.

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A Particular Account of the *Whale-Fishery.*

Extracted out of the Best Authors, and adapted to the Use of all Capacities; especially to allure Children to Read.

Illustrated with **COPPER PLATES**, whereon is curiously Engraved every BEAST, BIRD, FISH, SERPENT, and INSECT, describ'd in the whole Book.

By Tho. Boreman, a Bookbinder.

For every Beast of the Forest is mine, and the Cattle upon a thousand Hills. I know all the Fowls of the Mountains, and the wild Beasts of the Field are mine.

L O N D O N

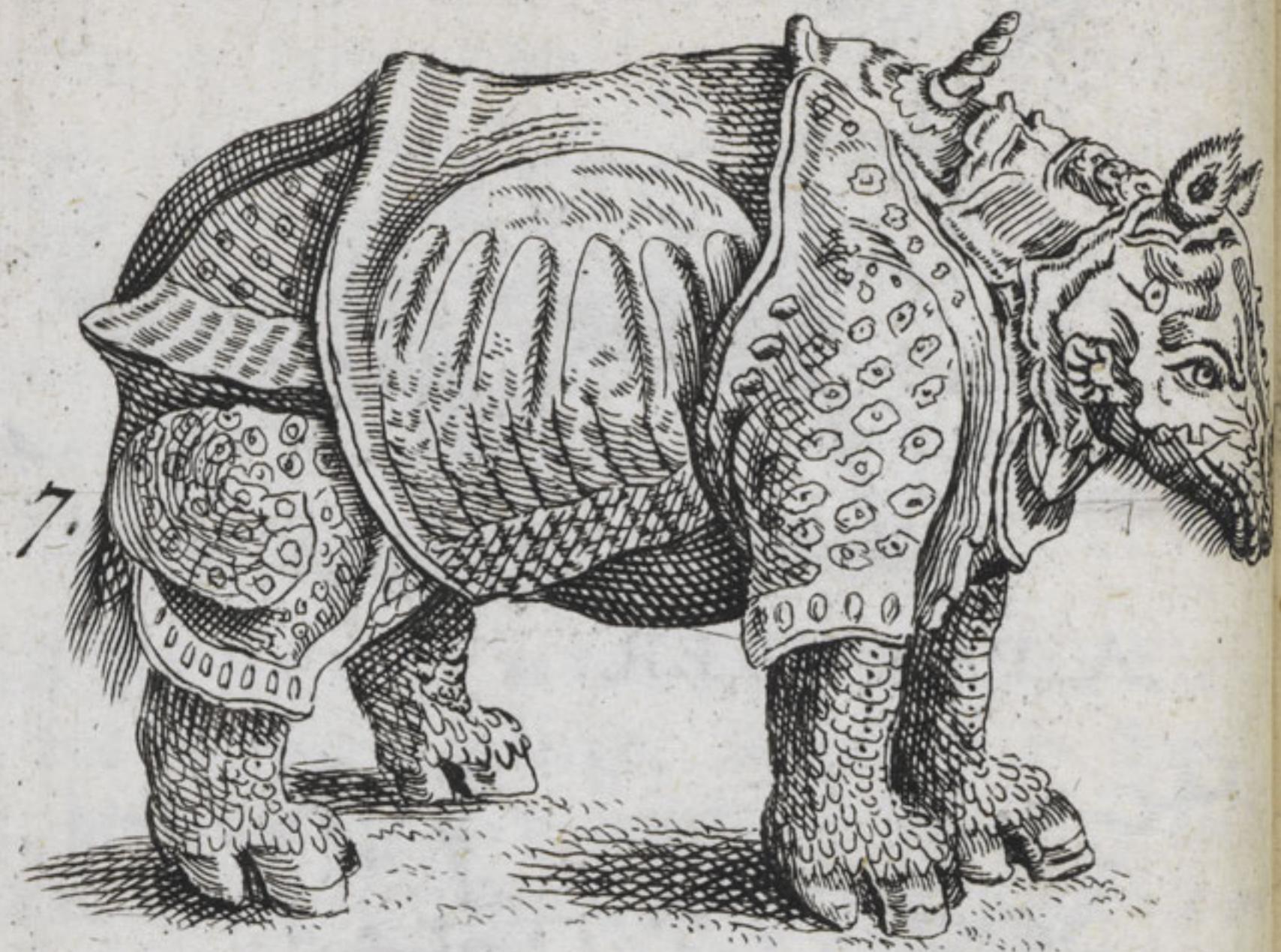
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And God said, Let us make man in our image after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over every fowl of the air, and over every cattle & over all the earth, & over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

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A RHINOCEROT



AN UNICORN

7. THE RHINOCEROT, so called because of the Horn in his Nose, is bred in *India* and *Africa*. His Colour is like the Bark of a Box-Tree. He is said to be in shape somewhat like a Wild Boar, and not much unlike an Elephant; and near as long, but not so high, having shorter Legs. He has two Girdles upon his Body, like the Wings of a Dragon, from his Back down to his Belly; one towards his Neck and Mane, and the other towards his Loins and hinder Parts. His Skin is so hard, that no Dart is able to pierce it; and cover'd over with Scales like the Shell of a Tortoise. His Legs are also scaled over down to the Hoofs, which are parted into four distinct Claws. The Horn upon his Nose is so very hard and sharp, crooking towards the Crown of his Head, that some say it will pierce through Iron or Stone: He is said frequently to whet his Horn against a Flint, &c. that he may be prepar'd, whenever he is attack'd by an Enemy. He is a mortal Enemy to the Elephant, whom he seldom meets without a Battle; and aims chiefly at his Belly, being the softest Place; which if he misses, the Elephant is too hard for him with his Trunk and Teeth. The Naturalists say, that he grunts like an Hog. The manner of taking him, being so variously and uncertainly related, I thought it not worth describing.

8. THE UNICORN, a Beast, which though doubted of by many Writers, yet is by others thus described: He has but one Horn, and that an exceeding rich one, growing out of the middle of his Forehead. His Head resembles an Hart's, his Feet an Elephant's, his Tail a Boar's, and the rest of his Body an Horse's. The Horn is about a Foot and half in length. His Voice is like the Lowing of an Ox. His Mane and Hair are of a yellowish Colour. His Horn is as hard as Iron, and as rough as any File, twisted or curled, like a flaming Sword; very straight, sharp, and every where black, excepting the Point. Great Virtues are attributed to it, in expelling of Poison, and curing of several Diseases. He is not a Beast of prey.