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NATURAL HISTORY,

Or, the BEAUTIES of

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' In the most fingular, curious, and beautiful '

QUADRUPEDS, and BIRDS,

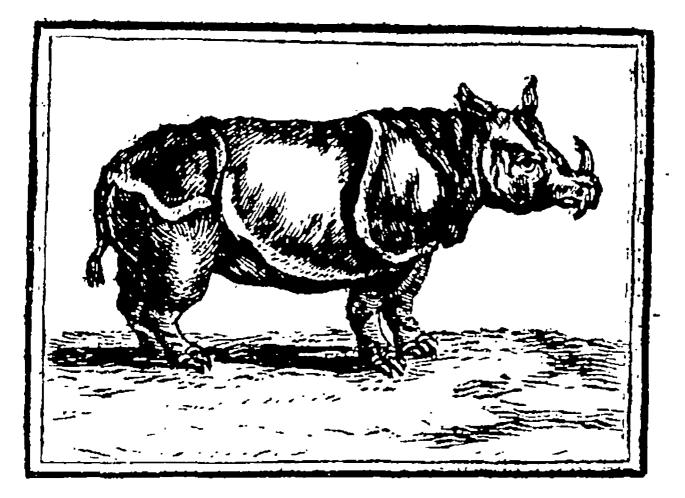
TO WHICH ARE ADDED,

In the Hiftory of the ENGLISH SONG BIRDS,

Practical Instructions for chusing, breeding, feeding, and teaching them to fing.

" Who can this field of miracles furvey, "And not with GALEN all in rapture fay, "Behold a GOD, adore him, and obey.

BLACHMORE on the Creation.



THE R'HINO'CER'O'S. THIS extraordinary creature inhabits Bengal, 'Siam, Cochin-China, Quangfi, the iflands of Juva and Sumatra, Congo, Angola, Ethiopia, and the country as low as the Cape. He-is-next to the elephant in fize and flrength. He has a horn in his forchead that is two feet long. We omit many accounts of this animal as TE they

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they have too much the appearance of fable, to be inferted in this work, which has been our first pride to dedicate to truth. Unless offended, the Rhinoceros has been found very harmles. The flesh is faid to be wholefome. From their having only one horn, though fome have been found in Africa with two, this beast must certainly be the unicorn as mentioned in holy writ. Its fkin is fo hard as to be impenetrable to a must writ. Its fkin is fo hard as to be impenetrable to a must write has given it a horn fo strong, folid, and pointed, as to be able to inflict the most deadly wounds. Many medicinal virtues are afcribed to this horn, of which cups are frequently made.

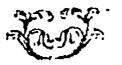
THIS animal is fo remarkably formed, that, words not being capable of accurately defcribing it, we have been particularly careful to have the most correct likeness that could possibly be obtained,

THE scent of this animal is most exquisite. He runs in a direct line, from his sight being incapable of perceiving any thing obliquely. Tobacco is their favourite food.

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food. The horn has been used by princes as cups in order to detect what poifon might be prefented to them; for when any deadly drug is poured on it, it is afferted the horn will immediately break in pieces. Another power attributed to this horn is, that wine, poured into cups made of it, will rife, boil, and ferment.

THIS animal was known to the Romans in their most early ages. It is among the animals of the Prænestine pavement. Augustus introduced a Rhinoceros as a part of the shew he displayed when he made his triumph on obtaining the victory over CLEOPATRA. See our Mythology, vol. 1. and Roman history.



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