

Remarkable Rhinoceros Horns.—The head of an African black rhinoceros at Mr Rowland Ward's is remarkable for the circumstance that the back horn, which is of a very slender type, is nearly twice the length of the front one. Such a feature, if not unique, is at all events very rare, since in the series of horns figured in Mr Selous's *Hunter's Wanderings in South Africa* only a single example is depicted in which the second horn is longer than the first, and in this case the excess is comparatively slight. While on the subject of rhinoceros horns attention may be directed to the apparently little-known fact that all very long and slender front horns of both the black and the white species are those of females, the males having this horn much stouter and shorter. It is true that the fact is alluded to in the work just quoted, as it is also in *The Great and Small Game of Africa*; but that it is not generally known may be inferred from the circumstance that in the large series of white rhinoceros horns in the Natural History Museum no reference is made in the labels to their respective sexes.