

Cotton's Rhinoceros in the Berlin Museum.—A fine specimen of the northern race of the white rhinoceros, named by Mr Lydekker in honour of Major Powell Cotton (*Field*, Feb. 22, 1908), is now exhibited in the Royal Natural History Museum, Berlin. It was shot in the Lado enclave by Dr Berger, who presented the skin and skull to the museum. The two elephants that for years stood by the centre door of the great hall have been shifted to the side, to make room for the first specimen of this rapidly vanishing species that has come into the possession of any German museum. In Dr Berger's interesting book, *In Afrikas Wildkammern*, the following particulars of the size of the animal are given: Height 2 mètres, length 4 mètres, girth 3.60 mètres, thickness of the skin from two to three fingers. When the skin was brought into the author's camp about thirty natives were set to work to pare it down. To each of them, armed with a knife, a certain area was allotted, and Dr Berger took part in the work to ensure its being properly done. For three days, from early morning till evening, he kept them at it, and the task was completed to his satisfaction. The skin was then dressed with alum and salt, dried, and sent to Berlin, where it arrived in excellent condition. It was mounted in the museum by Herr Lamm, the chief taxidermist, and the result is in every way satisfactory.