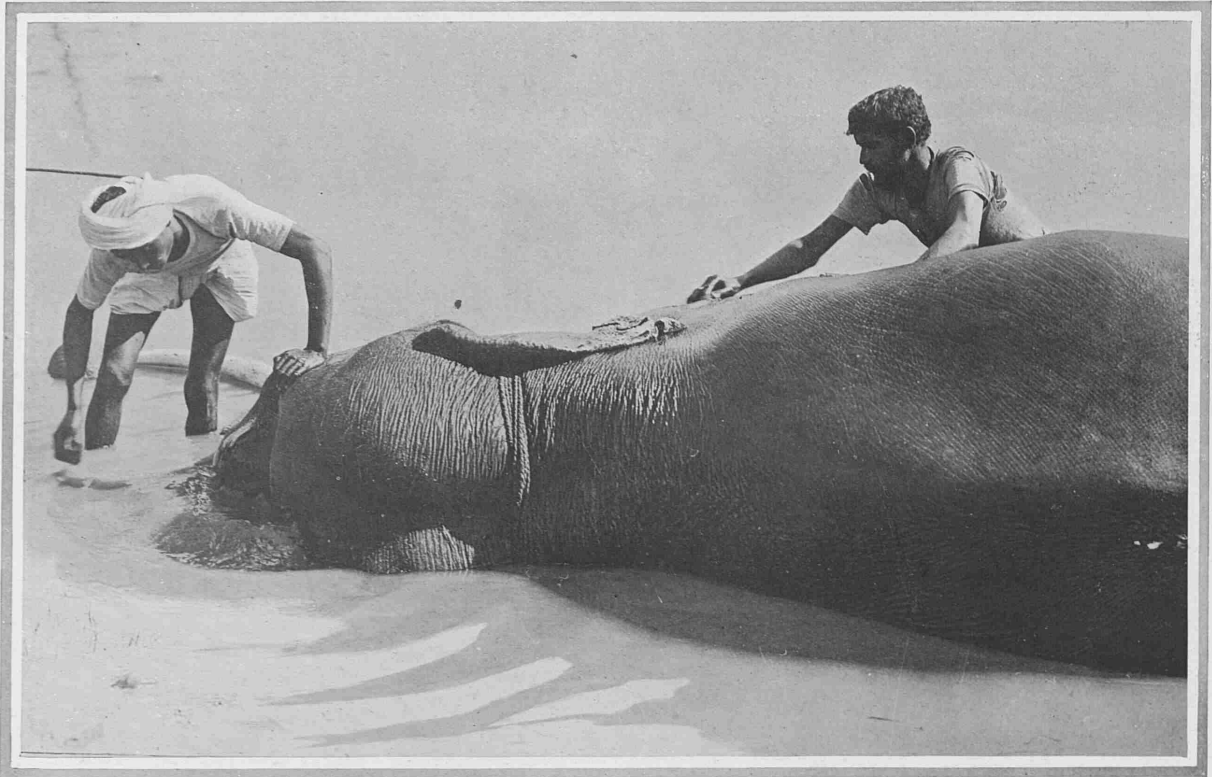
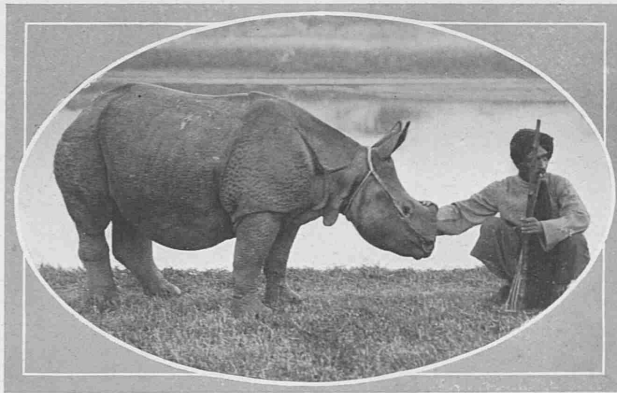


After the Durbar : Cleaning Off the Paint.



CLEANING THE DURBAR PAINT OFF AN ELEPHANT AFTER THE EXCITING TIMES IN INDIA

During the royal visit to India the King-Emperor was able to carry out his long-deferred visit to Nepal, and a fine collection of animals was presented to him. Again the Zoological Society of London, of which the King is patron, has been asked to arrange for the transport to London and the exhibition in Regent's Park of this second Nepalese collection. Again also the Duke of Bedford, president of the society, generously offered to defray the great cost of transport. The collection includes a rhinoceros calf and a baby elephant, the former of which will be specially welcome as the fine Indian male presented to the society in 1886 by the Maharajah of Cooch Behar has died of senile decay. There are also an adult tiger and a tiger cub, a leopard, a bear, a snow leopard, and some small carnivores. Amongst the ruminating animals the collection con-



A Baby Rhinoceros Presented to the King by the Prime Minister of Nepal

tains seventeen deer, including a pair each of axis, sambar, hog, swamp, and musk deer, whilst there are also thar, serows, goral, and nilgai, and a pair of young yaks. Some very interesting races of sheep are represented, including a pair of the extraordinary single-horned animals. Nothing is known as to their origin. The bony horn cores, though in reality double, have fused except at the tips, thus giving the unicorn appearance. The Nepal collection also contains some very rare pheasants, including cheer, kalege, monal, crimson-horned, and blood pheasants; but these delicate birds are very bad travellers and the society will be fortunate if many of them reach London. The greater number of the animals are being kept in India until March or April, and will be brought back in charge of two keepers from the London gardens.



The King with the Prime Minister of Nepal
Inspecting a baby elephant which the Premier presented to him



The King inspecting Two Baby Yaks, the Gift of the Nepal Premier
Standing behind the King is the Prime Minister of Nepal's son