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THE Rhinoceros is a very homely looking and ugly shaped creature; but he is very harmless, and will not hurt any body without he is first attacked. His skin is very hard and thick, and has no hair on it; and it is so loose that in some places it folds over. He has a horn on the top of his nose, with which he fights when he is provoked or attacked by any other beast. The Rhinoceros is shaped very much like a Hog, and is almost as large as an Elephant. He lives in the woods, in wet, marshy places, and is very fond of wallowing in the mire like a Hog; he eats grass, and small twigs of trees and bushes; he also eats grain and the sugar-cane; and when he is caught and tamed, he is fed upon rice and sugar mixed together. The Rhinoceros is not very often caught, but one was brought to Boston in the spring of the year 1830, and exhibited.