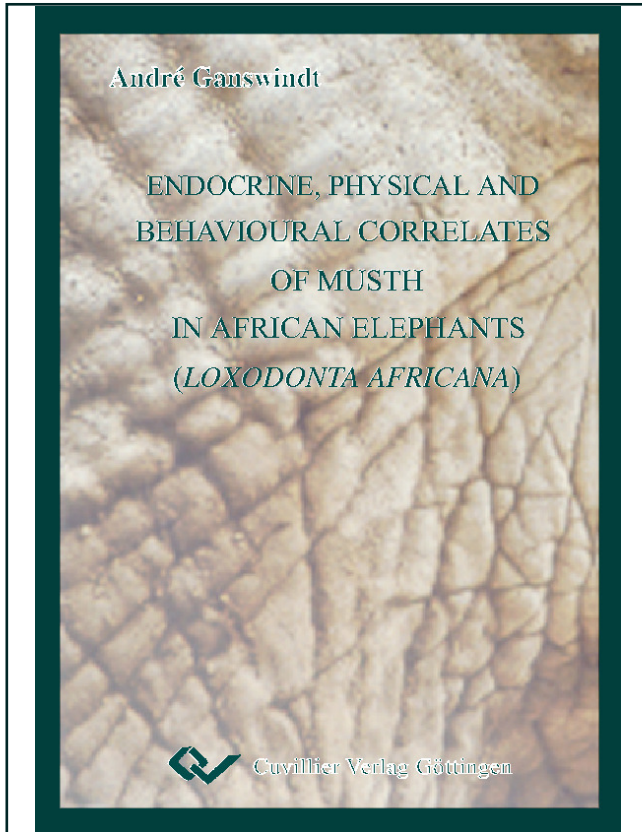




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The Elephant Poem

Elephants are lovely guys,
They're good and true and tell no lies.

They don't take more than they can eat,
And always watch where they put their feet.

They don't play with electric wires;
I never have heard of them starting fires.

They live healthily, they don't smoke
An Elephant is a kindly bloke.

Elephants take care of their young,
And rarely speak with angry tongue.

When in school, they do not cheat,
They walk in lines which are quite neat.

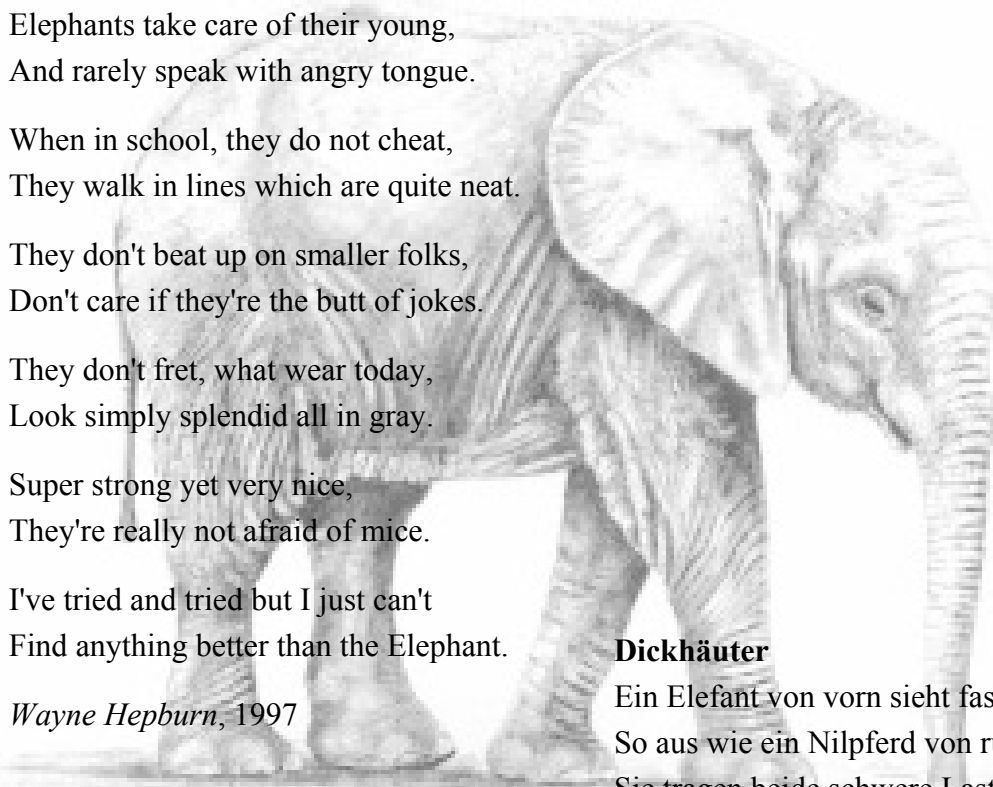
They don't beat up on smaller folks,
Don't care if they're the butt of jokes.

They don't fret, what wear today,
Look simply splendid all in gray.

Super strong yet very nice,
They're really not afraid of mice.

I've tried and tried but I just can't
Find anything better than the Elephant.

Wayne Hepburn, 1997



Dickhäuter

Ein Elefant von vorn sieht fast
So aus wie ein Nilpferd von rückwärts.
Sie tragen beide schwere Last,
Manchmal pechwärts und manchmal
glückwärts.
Sie tragen unter zementiger Haut
Viel Weiches und viel Zartes.
Wer richtig in ihren Rachen schaut,
Gewahrt es.
Sie lassen von Leuten, die außen weich,
Innen hart sind, sich erschießen.
Ich glaube: Ihr kommt ins Himmelreich,
Ihr Riesen!

Joachim Ringelnatz (1883-1934)