

this method is also adopted by the panther and leopard.

The Leopard, (*fig.* 103.) has the same manners and disposition as the panther; but in no part does he appear to have been tamed like the ounce; nor do the Negroes of Senegal and Guinea, where he greatly abounds, ever make use of him in the chace. He is generally larger than the ounce, but smaller than the panther; and his tail, though shorter than that of the ounce, is from two to two feet and a half in length. This leopard of Senegal and Guinea, to which we have particularly appropriated the name of *leopard*, is probably the animal which at Congo is called the *Engoi*; and perhaps also the *Antamba** of Madagascar. I quote these names, from a persuasion that an acquaintance with the denominations applied to them in the countries which they inhabit would increase our knowledge of animals.

The species of the leopard seems to be subject to more varieties than that of the panther and the ounce. I have examined many leopards' skins which differed from each

* The antamba is a beast as large as a dog; it has a round head, and, in the opinion of the Negroes, resembles the leopard; it devours both men and cattle, and is only to be found in the most unfrequented parts of the island.

Flacourt's Voyage.