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### CHARLES BELL AND CHESELDEN

SIR CHARLES BELL has been rightly praised for the beautiful drawings with which he illustrated his own writings. It has therefore come as a surprise to recognize in his famous book on *The Hand* (1833) three engravings of animal skeletons copied without acknowledgment from Cheselden's *Osteographia* of exactly one hundred years earlier. I have lately studied (Le Fanu 1960) the drawings and engravings made for Cheselden's introductory chapters by a little-known Dutch artist, Jacobus Schijnvoet, so that I had them freshly in mind when I happened to look at 'Bell on the Hand' for another purpose.

Bell prints at page 7 an engraving of the skeleton of a bat hanging from a beam. This is taken with slight modification from Cheselden's figure [23]. At page 69 Bell shows the head, thorax, and fore-limbs of a mole; this has been redrawn with much simplification from Cheselden's figure [21], which shows the complete skeleton.

More interesting is the figure on Bell's page 50, where the skeleton of an eagle stands over that of a lizard. Cheselden's eagle [Fig. 18] is attacking a snake; Bell has substituted the lizard which appears independently and facing the other way at Cheselden's [Fig. 15]. In every case Bell's drawing is less detailed and less beautiful than Schijnvoet's in Cheselden's book.

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