

together, and then he would grow less and less insensibly, for the dilatation was always more quick and visible than the contraction; in this last state he appeared extremely lean, and the spine of the back was sharp, and all his ribs might be told; the skin is very cold to the touch; and notwithstanding he seems so lean, the beating of the heart is not perceptible; the surface of the skin is unequal, and has a grain not unlike shagreen, but very soft, because each eminence is as smooth as if it were polished. Some of these are as large as a middling pin's head on the arms, legs, belly, and tail; but on the shoulders and head they are of an oval figure, and a little larger; those under the throat are ranged in the form of a chaplet, from the lower lip to the breast: some on the head and back are amassed together in clusters, with spaces between them, in which are almost imperceptible spots of a pale red and yellow colour, as well as the ground of the skin itself, which plainly appears between these clusters. This ground changes colour when the animal is dead, becoming of a greyish brown, and the small spots are whitish.

The colour of all these eminences, when the cameleon is at rest in a shady place, is of a bluish grey, except on the claws, where it is
white,