

transformations, it is called perfect. In this state it flies, is capable of propagating its species, and receives true antennæ; which before, in most insects, were scarcely apparent.

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AS insects are endowed with the various powers of creeping, flying, and swimming, there is scarcely any place, however remote and secure, in which they are not to be found; and therefore, upon casting a slight view over the whole insect tribe, just when they are supposed to rouse from their state of annual torpidity, when they begin to feel the genial influence of spring, and again exhibit new life in every part of nature, their numbers and their varieties seem to exceed all powers of calculation, and they are certainly too great for description; but from the similtudes of the form, manners, and propagation of several of them, the extensive discription has been easily compressed, and a separate history of each species has become totally unnecessary. Swammerdam,  
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