

with a very nimble motion. It undergoes no change in form, but continues to encrease in redness, as it grows older and larger. They sometimes remain several days on the surface of the water, and sometimes are seen at the bottom only, but they are never at rest. They change their skin like most other insects; and the cast skin resembles the insect itself so exactly, that one might mistake the mask for the animal.

The *Scorpion* is one of the largest of the insect tribe, and no less terrible from its size than from its malignity. It resembles a lobster somewhat in shape, but is infinitely more hideous. There have been nine different kinds of this dangerous insect enumerated, but which are chiefly distinguished by their colour: some are yellow, brown, and ash coloured; others the colour of rusty iron, green, pale, yellow, black, claret colour, white and grey.

There are four principal parts distinguishable in this animal; the head, the breast, the belly, and the tail. The scorpion's head seems, as it were, jointed to the breast; in the middle of it are seen two eyes; and a little more forward, two eyes more, placed in the forepart of  
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