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THE SECOND ORDER OF INSECTS.

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THE second order of insects is those that are produced from the egg, like the former, but not in a perfect state; for, [when first excluded, they are without wings; in which state, the insect possess the exercise of all its animal functions, for it can walk, leap, and eat; nor is it at any time deprived of motion, only it rests a little when it is about to cast that part of its skin previously to its coming to a state of perfection.

To this order, we may, in the first place, refer the *Libella* or *Dragon-fly*.

Of all the flies which adorn or diversify the face of Nature, these are the most various and the most beautiful; they are of all colours; green, blue, crimson, scarlet, white, &c. while others are adorned with all the various tints of the rainbow.