

Of this variegated tribe, the *little grass-hopper* that breeds in such plenty in every meadow, and that continues its chirping through the summer, is best known to us; and, by perusing its history, we shall be in some measure acquainted with that of all the rest. This animal is of the colour of green leaves, except a little of brown which streaks the back, and two pale lines under the belly, and behind the legs. It may be divided into the head, the corselet, and the belly. The head is oblong, looking towards the earth, and bearing some resemblance to that of a horse. Its mouth is covered by a kind of round buckler jutting over it, and armed with teeth of a brown colour, hooked at the points. Within the mouth is preceivable a large reddish tongue, which is fixed to the lower jaw. The feelers, or horns, are very long, tapering off to a point; and the eyes are like two black specks, a little prominent. The corselet is elevated, narrow, armed above and below, by two serrated spines. The back is armed with a strong buckler, to which the muscles of the legs are firmly bound, and round these muscles are seen the vessels by which the animal breathes, as white as snow. The last pair of legs is much longer and stronger than the first two pair, fortified by
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