

of crabs, and two feelers like long hair. The whole body is studded with small excrescences, which are not much bigger than the points of pins. The shape is roundish, and the body diminishes in circumference to the tail, which is forked into two horns. Between these, there is a sort of a sheath, containing a small dangerous sting. If any person happen to touch this insect, he is sure to be stung; and is immediately taken with a shivering and trembling all over the body; which, however may soon be put a stop to, by rubbing the place that was affected with a little palm oil.

The *Cricket* is a very inoffensive animal. Though there is a species of this insect that lives entirely in the woods and fields, yet that with which we are best acquainted is the *House Cricket* whose voice is so well known behind a country fire in the winter's evening.

This insect very much resembles the grasshopper in its shape, its manner of ruminating, its voice, its leaping, and methods of propagating. It differs in its colour, which is uniformly of a rusty brown; in its food, which is more various; and in its place of residence, which is most usually in the warmest chinks behind a country