

## CHAPTER VI.

## EXPERIMENTS ON THE METHOD OF GENERATION.

**I** OFTEN reflected on the above system, and was every day more and more convinced that my theory was infinitely the most probable. I then began to suppose that, by a microscope, I might be able to attain a discovery of the living organic particles, from which I thought every animal and vegetable drew their origin. My first supposition was, that the spermatic animalcules seen in the seed of every male, might possibly be these organic particles; on which I reasoned as follows:

If every animal and vegetable contain a quantity of living organic particles, these par-