

tain parts, and I observed, that on the side so swelled small globules came out, which had a distinct motion like that of a pendulum; these small bodies were fastened to the filaments by a small thread, (*fig. 3.*) which lengthened gradually as the little body moved; and at last I saw these little bodies entirely separated from the large filament, carrying after them the small thread which connected them. As this liquor was very thick, and the filaments too near each other, I dilated another drop with rain water, in which I was assured there were no animals. I then saw the filaments much separated, and very distinctly perceived the motion of these little bodies, which was now more free, and they swam much quicker; and if I had not seen them separate from the filaments, and carry along with them their thread, I should have taken the moving body in this second observation for an animal, and the thread for its tail. I then attentively observed one of these filaments, that was much thicker than these small bodies, and I had the satisfaction of seeing two of those bodies which separated with difficulty, drag along with them a long and small thread, which obstructed their motion.