

III. At the end of two or three hours, when the liquor was more fluid, we saw a greater quantity of these moving bodies. They seemed to be more free; the threads were shorter; their progressive motion was more direct, and their horizontal motion was greatly diminished; for the longer the threads are, the greater is the angle of their vibration; and in proportion as these threads diminish in length, the vibratory motion lessens, and the progressive motion increases. The vertical balance still subsisted, and was always plainly perceptible.

IV. In five or six hours the liquor attained its utmost fluidity. Most of these moving substances were entirely disengaged from their threads; they were of an oval figure, (*fig. 4.*) and moved progressively with great swiftness, and by their various motions had a stronger resemblance than ever to real animals. Those who had their threads still adhering, were not so brisk as the others; and among these that had not threads, some seemed to change their shape and size, some were round, some oval, and others thicker at their extremities than in the middle; the balancing and rolling motion was still observable.