

V. At the end of twelve hours a kind of gelatinous matter was settled at the bottom of the bottle : it was of an ash-colour, and of a tolerable consistency ; the liquor that swam above was almost as clear as water, with a kind of bluish tint, resembling water in which a little soap had been dissolved ; nevertheless it still preserved its visciditv. The moving bodies had then a great activity, were loosened from their threads, and moved in all directions. I saw some of them change their form, and from oval become round ; and others separate, and from one oval form two. As they became smaller, their activity encreased.

VI. In twenty-four hours the liquor had deposited a greater quantity of gelatinous matter. I diluted it with water, but it did not readily mix, and required a considerable time to dissolve. It then appeared composed of an infinite number of opaque tubes that formed a kind of net-work, in which no regular disposition nor the least motion could be seen : in the clear liquor some few small bodies were still moving. The next morning there were also a very few ; but after that time I saw no more in this liquor than in the globules, without any appearance of motion.

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