

seemed to join together, after which their motion ceased; this union, however, appeared to me only superficial and accidental. Some were larger than others; most were round and spherical, and some of them were oval. The largest were most transparent, and the smallest were almost black. This difference did not proceed from the light, for in whatever situation these small globules were in, they were always of the same appearance; the motions of the small were much more rapid than the large ones, and what I remarked most clearly and most generally in all, was their diminution of size, so that at the eighth day they were so exceedingly small as to be hardly perceptible, and at last absolutely disappeared.

XX. At length having obtained, with no small difficulty, the seminal liquor of another rabbit, as it would have been conveyed to the female, I remarked it to be more fluid than that which had been taken from the seminal vesicles, and the phenomena which it offered were also very indifferent; for in this liquor there were moving globules and filaments without motion; and also a kind of globules with threads or tails, resembling those of a dog or a man, but only appearing smaller and brisker