

is natural to imagine, that if the females of viviparous animals had menses like women, their deliveries would be followed with an effusion of blood, and happen at different terms. The fœtuses of animals come into the world cloathed with their membranes (and it seldom happens that the membranes are broken), and the waters flow before the delivery; whereas it is very rare a child is brought forth with its membranes entire. This seems to prove that the human fœtus makes more efforts than other animals to quit its prison; or that the matrix of a woman does not so naturally incline to the passage of the child, for it is the fœtus which tears its membranes, by the efforts it makes against the resistance it meets with at the orifice of the viscera.

RECAPITULATION.

ALL animals procure nutriment from vegetables, or other animals which feed upon vegetables; there is, therefore, one common matter to both, which serves for the nutrition