



CHAPTER X.

THE HAND NOT THE SOURCE OF INGENUITY OR
CONTRIVANCE, NOR CONSEQUENTLY OF MAN'S
SUPERIORITY.

SEEING the perfection of the hand, we can hardly be surprised that some philosophers should have entertained the opinion with Anaxagoras, that the superiority of man is owing to his hand. We have seen that the system of bones, muscles, and nerves of this extremity is