flowers: and, when they are closed, they resemble a bunch of grapes (fig. 61.)

To the class of Worms, especially those that have been denominated Entozoa, or internal worms, I have a few interesting additions to make, taken from a work of Dr. Nordmann's,* some of which are so extraordinary and wonderful, both as to their functions and structure, that the great object of the present treatise, Gloria Dei ex opere naturæ, will receive considerable illustration from some account of them.

Dr. Nordmann's first treatise is upon a tribe of these creatures that are interesting from their very singular situation, in the Eyes, namely, of the higher animals.

Amongst the personal pests of our own species, enumerated in the chapter above alluded to,† I mentioned none that attacked the organs just named; but this learned investigator of parasitic worms has noticed two which have been detected in them; one related to the Guinea-worm,‡ which was extracted from the eye of a person affected by a cataract;§ and another, a Hydatid,|| from the eye of a young woman.

Besides those that infest our own visual organs, quadrupeds, birds, reptiles, and fishes have each their eye-worms. Amongst those to which the will of Providence has assigned their station in the eyes of the latter class of animals, is a remarkable one, which Dr. Nordmann discovered in those of several different species of perch,** sometimes, in such numbers, as must have interfered with that distinct sight of passing objects, which appears necessary to enable predaceous

- * Micrographische Beïträge, &c.
- + See above, p. 300.

+ Filaria medinensis.

- § F. Oculi humani.
- || Cysticercus cellulosæ.
- ¶ Diplostomum volvens, Fig. 52.

^{**} Ibid. Fig. 51.