

“ d’avergli anco veduti (animali spermatici) in  
 “ questa linfa o siero, diro cosi voluttuoso, che  
 “ nel tempore dell’ amorosa zuffa scappa dalle  
 “ femine libidinose, senza che si potesse sospe-  
 “ tare che fossero di que’ del maschio, &c.” If  
 this circumstance is true, as I do not doubt, it  
 is certain, that this liquor is the same as that  
 found in the glandular bodies, and that, conse-  
 quently, it is the true seminal liquor : and al-  
 though anatomists have not discovered the  
 communication between the vacuities of de  
 Graaf and the testicles, that does not prevent  
 it being once in the matrix, from issuing out  
 by the vacuities about the exterior orifice of  
 the urethra.

From hence we must conclude that the most  
 abandoned women will be the least fruitful,  
 because they emit that liquor which ought to  
 remain in the matrix for the formation of the  
 foetus. Thus we see why common prostitutes  
 seldom have children, and why women in hot  
 countries, where they have stronger desires  
 than in the cold, are much less fertile ; but we  
 shall have occasion to speak of this hereafter.

It is natural to think that the seminal liquor  
 of the male or female would not be fertile but  
 when it contains moving bodies ; nevertheless