

*Extract of a Letter sent from Genoua to Sign. Sarotti, the Venetian Resident here, and by him communicated to the Honourable Mr. Boyle.*

ON St. *Josephs* day, upon the Mountains call'd *Le Langhe*, there fell upon the white Snow, that was there already, a great quantity of *red*, or if you please of *bloody* Snow. From which, being squeezed, there came a water of the same colour. Of this there are here many Eye Witneffes.

*Anatomical Observations of the Structure of the Nose: made by Monsf. du Vernay. Taken out of the Journal des Sca-vans.*

AN account is here given of a Book entitled, *Philosophia Vetus & Nova*. The Learned Author whereof hath collected and compos'd together into one *Systeme* a great number of excellent Observations; amongst the rest of which, here briefly mention'd, we have this, no where else published that I know of, set down at large, as follows.

Of the Structure of the Nose, *Monsf. du Vernay* observes, That the cavities hereof are fill'd with many *Cartilaginous Lamine*s distinct one from another: every *Lamine* being divided into many others, all folded almost into a *spiral* line. That the *Os Gribrosum* is made up of the extremities of these *Lamine*s, which butt upon the Root of the Nose; the holes wherewith it is pierced, being the intervals between the *Lamine*s.

They are designed to uphold the inner *Tunick* of the Nose. Which *Tunick*, being a principal *Organ* of *Smelling*, hath received from Nature a very great expansion: for the commodious placing whereof, Nature hath *folded* it round about together with these *Lamine*s; that by this industrious *Mechanism*, she may employ all its length in a very little room.

This *Tunick* is fill'd with an innumerable company of small *Rays*; so many branches of *Arteries* and *Veins*; and especially *Nerves*; by which it hath a most exquisite sense. Yet because the particles of Odorant bodies are so subtil, that they can but very softly glance upon the *Organ*; Nature hath therefore provided by this great expansion, that there