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THE PHILOSOPHICALL TOUCH-STONE: OR OBSERVATIONS UPON

Sir Kenelm Digbie's Discourses of the nature of B o D I E S, and of the reafonable S O U L E.

In which his erroneous Paradoxes are refuted, the Truth, and Aristotelian Philosophy vindicated, the immortality of mans Soule briefly, but fufficiently proved.

And the weak Fortifications of a late Amsterdam Ingeneer, patronizing The Soules mortality, briefly flighted.

By ALEXANDER ROSS.

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My Lord,



Ith the same boldnesse that I have adventured to lap up in the folds of a few paper sheets the rich Jewells of Philosophicall truths, with the same have I

presumed to present them to your Lordships view; not that you can receive from them any addition of honour, but that they, from your Name and Protection, may partake a farther degree of irradiation and lustre. Here you may see what odds there are between naturall gems, and counterfeit stones; between solid wholsome meats, and a dish of Frogs or Mushroms, though made favoury with French sauce, to which that ingenious rather then (in this Discourse) judicious Knight doth invite us : who, breathing now in a hotter climate, cannot digest the solid meats of Peripatetick verities, which hitherto have been the proper and wholsome food of our Universities; and therefore computerte win with a 3

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entertaines us with a French dinner of his owne drefsing, or with an airie feaft of Philosophicall quelque choses : a banquet fitter for Grashoppers and Camelions, who feed on dew and aire, then for men, who rife from his Table as little satisfied, as when they fate downe. We that have eat plentifully of the sound and wholsome viands which are dreffed in Aristotle's kitchin, are loth now to be fed, as the Indian gods are, with the steem or smoak of meats; or, as those

-Umbrætenues, simulachrag luce carentum, those pale ghosts in Proserpine's Court, to champ Leeks and Mallowes.

My Lord, in this Dedication, I onely aime at an expression of my gratefulnels and observance; which I owe to your goodness, and of those reall fentiments I have of your favours and opinion, which your self, and your truly noble and religious Countess have been pleased to conceive of mee. I heartily pray for an accumulation of all happinesse on you both, as likewise on the fruit of your bodies, especially the tender plant, and hopefull pledge of your mutuall loves, my Lord Ross; which is the wish of

Your Honours humble fervant, 1911197

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Oble Sir KENELME, as I reverence your worth, fo I admire your paines, who, being a Gentleman of fuch eminencie, thinks it no disparagement, but an honour, to fpend your time in good literature, which giveth true Nobilitie : your practice herein is exempla-

ry, which I wish the Gentry of our Nation would imitate, who think they are born meerly for themselves and their pleafures; whose time is spent either idlely, wickedly, or impertinently, as Seneca complaines, Eorum vitam mortemque juxta existimo : but your mind, being of a more noble extraction, semine ab athereo, you know that you are not borne for your selfe; and therefore, by your indefatigable paines, doe both eternize your fame, and enoble your Countrie : but because this life of ours cannot challenge the priviledge of perfection, and truth here

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here is accompanied with errour, as the light with fhades; therefore I find that this your Work, of the nature of Bodies, and of the Soules immortality, hath fome paffages in it *Heterodoxall*, and not confonant to the principles of Divinity and Philofophy, which have drawne from mee thefe fudden Obfervations (for I have here neither time, books, nor opportunitie to enlarge my felfe) in which I promife both brevity and modefty, fuffering no other language to paffe from mee, but fuch as may befeem both your worth, and my ingenuitie, for my end is not to wound your reputation, but to vindicate the truth.

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The first mistake I meet with is [That words expressed things only according to the pictures we make of them in our thoughts, and not as the thougs are in their proper natures.] But if our words expresse not the things which we conceive in our minds, as they are in their owne natures, then our conceptions are erroneous, and our words improper or false: and if there be not an adequation of our conceptions with the things we conceive, there can be no metaphysicall truth in us; which consisteth in the agreement of our thoughts with the things, as ethicall truth doth in the confent of our words to our thoughts. Our conceptions are our internall words which reprefent reall things, and our externall words represent these conceptions, and, by confequence, they expresse things as they are in their natures : So Adam in Paradile gave names to the creatures according to their natures, and fo have wife men ever fince. The Latines call the sea mare, quasi amarum, from its saltnesse or bitternesse, for it is so in its owne nature.

Sect. 2. Paz. 9. cap. 2. Secondly, [You define quantity to be nothing else but the extension of a thing] and shortly after [that quantity is nothing]

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thing elfe but divisibility.] Thus you confound extension and divisibility, which differ as much, as in man rationality differs from risibility, the one being the effect of the other; for therefore things are divisible, because they are extensive : take away extension, divisibility faileth; and therefore numbers are not properly divisible, because they have no extension, but onely in refemblance. Secondly, extension is not the effence of quantity; for if it were, all that have quantitie must have also extension : but Angels have discrete quantitie, which wee call number, and yet have no extension. Thirdly, there is a quidditative or entitive extension, by which one part is not another in bodies, though there were no quantitative extension at all : therefore not every extension is the essence of quantitie. There is also the extension of site, which is no quantitie.

Whereas [you make heat a property of rare bodies, and Sect 3. that out of rarity ariseth heat, and that a body is made and Pag. 28. cap. 4. Pag. 30. constituted a body by quantity] you speak paradoxically; for the rarest bodie is not still the hottest : A burning coale is hotter then the flame, and scalding lead is hotter then fcalding water. Secondly, rarity is not the caufe of heat, but heat the caufe of rarity; that which begets heat, is motion, and the influence and light of the Stars : motion then begets heat, heat begets rarity.' Tis true, that rarefaction prepares the matter to receive heat, as heat prepares the matter to receive the forme of the hot element; but what prepares, is not the cause. Thirdly, a bodie is not made and constituted by quantitie, for this is posteriour to a bodie, being a substance, and followes the bodie as its accident; and therefore more ignoble. Every accident hath a subjective dependence from the fubstance; a bodie hath or may have entitie without quantitie, B 2

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quantitie, so cannot quantitie without the bodie. The effence, or, as you call it [the stance of locall motion, doth not consist in division;] because what soever division there is in this motion, it is either in respect of the thing moved, or in respect of the space in which it is moved: but both these are externall to motion, and not belonging any waies to its effence; therefore in that divisibility which is in them, cannot confift the effence of locall motion. Besides, divisibility is a propertie of quantitie flowing from its effence, whereas locall motion is quantitative but by accident; and not, but by way of reduction, in the predicament of quantitie: therefore, except you be of Scotus his opinion, who will have mobile and motus all one, division cannot be the effence of locall motion : And if your were a Scotist in this, yet you cannot prevaile; for division, being the accident of the thing moved, it cannot be of its essence; for no accident can constitute the essence of a substance.

Sett.5. Pag.34 cap.5. You speak not like a Philosopher, when you speak [of uniting a body moved to that other body, which is called its place :] For place is defined to be the superficies of the ambient bodie, but the bodie quantitative is a different species from the superficies: the substantiall bodie is in another predicament; therefore place cannot be a body: for if it were, it could not be equall to the thing contained; for every bodie that containes, is bigger then the bodie contained: as the dish is bigger then the water. The aire then is not the place of our bodies, but the superficies or terminus of the aire, which is the accident of that subject.

Sect.6. Pag-36.cap.5.

[In regard dense bodies (you say) are dividers, the earth in that respect must be the most active element, since it is the most dense.] The earth is active in dividing, not because

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it is most dense, but because most heavy; and, indeed, the cause both of density and gravity is frigidity; and therefore this is the active quality, not density. Againe, elements are called active, in respect of the two active qualities, heat and cold; and, of these two, heat is the more active; and confequently, the element of fire is fimply and abfolutely most active.

The action of cold is composed of two parts, to wit, pressing, Sect.7. Pag. 36. C. 5. and penetration.] Pressure and penetration are not the parts, but the effects of frigefaction. Pressure but a remote effect, for it is immediately caused by gravity, and this by cold: And for penetration, it is rather the effect of heat then of cold; for hot liquors pierce fooner then cold: and it is rather by reason of the rarity of its substance, then of the coldnesse thereof, that it pierceth; for this cause aire is more penetrating then water, and fire then aire.

Sect.8. [A reall entity necessarily hath an existence of its owne, and so becomes a substance.] By this you inferre, that qualities Pag. 39. c.6. must needs be substances, seeing they are reall entities distinct from the bodies they accompany. But this confequence is irrationall; for accidents are reall entities, because they are not bare notions and conceptions of the mind, but things existent, and distinct from their bodies; yet their entity is weake compared with that of fubstances, so that sometimes they are called non-entities by Philosophers : but if all reall entities must needs be substances, then in vaine is it to make above one predicament, or to divide entity into substance and accidents. Then qualities cannot be contrary one to another, as heat to cold, nor can they admit of magis and minus, but are subjects susceptible of contrariety without alteration of themselves, which are the properties of substance: but although accidents be reall entities, yet they have no existence

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existence in or by themselves, but in or by their substances; for Accidentis esse est inesse; and therefore ens is called [Suds we's plan qu'our] as respecting principally fubstance; but accidents secundario, as they inhere in their fubstance: which as they cannot subsist, so they cannot be defined without their substance. The Papists themselves will not yeeld, that accidents in the Eucharist can subsist without their proper subject, except by miracle, or Divine power : and Scotus is fo far from yeelding any subsistence to accidents without their substance, that he will rather beleeve, that the accidents in the bread, are turned by miracle into a substance : to which opinion it seems you encline. Thomas tels us, that whiteneffe and other accidents have no entity, but as they are in their subjects : And Aristotle, that accidents are entis, rather then entia. You must first prove that accidents have any entity without their subjects, and then, that to have reall entity, and to subsist by it selfe; or, that essence and self-existence is all one : when this is proved, we will be of your opinion.

[Heat is nothing else in the fire, but the very substance of it.] If heat be the substance of the fire, then it is either the matter, or the forme of it; not the matter, for heat is active, the matter passive; not the forme, for the forme is the effence, and therefore incommunicable; but heat is communicated by the fire to the water: Heat is not in the element the principle of motion, but the forme thereof is. One forme is not contrary to another: but heat is contrary to cold. Heat admits degrees, so doth not the substantiall forme. Heat and cold cannot be contraries, seeing heat is a substance, fay you, and cold a quality. [It cannot be imagined that light is any thing else but fire.] If it be so, then where-ever fire is, there is light: but we

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reade of a fire without light. 2. Then where-ever light is, there is fire: but there is light in the Stars, in Cats eyes, in Glow-wormes, in Fish scales, yet no fire. 3. The nature of fire is to ascend onely, the nature of the light is to descend also. 4. Water is opposite to fire; but to light, darknesse. 5. Fire heats by degrees, and successively, light illuminates suddenly, and in an instant. 6. Fire containes it selfe in a narrow place, as the chimney, light dilates it selfe over all the roome. 7. If light be fire, then it must be heat, for heat you fay is fire; but if light be heat, then it will follow that light is tangible, and heat visible : but ask a blind man, if he can difeerne light by touching, and ask him that hath eyes, if by them he can see heat, which he must needs do, if heat and light be the same thing. 8. There is heat in a dark Oven that bakes your bread, when there is no light at all; and there is light in Saturne, but no heat at all. 9. When the fire warmes the water, it makes a change in the water, by expelling a positive quality, but when the Sun illuminates the aire, there is no change made in the aire, because no positive quality is expelled; darknesse being a meere privation. 10. The light of the Sun in the aire and in the Sun, is the same light; but if it be fire in the sire, much more must it be fire in the Sun : No wonder then if Icarus his waxen wings melted, flying fo neere the Sun. But the fnowie mountaines have the Suns light more then the valleys, yet have they not thereby the more heat. Snow enlightneth the aire in the night, but warmes it not. The aire is not warmer at the full Moone, then at the change. 11. If light be fire, then it must be a body, but a body it cannot be; for then when light is in the aire, two bodies must be at once in one place. 2. It must be the fubjett of motion. 3. It must be compounded of matter and torme. 7

forme. ⁴ It can never be *annihilated*, for the matter remaines ftill; but what becomes of the *candle-light* in your chamber, when the candle is put out? doth the matter of it affume fome new forme? and is the *corruption* of light the *generation* of darkneffe? ⁵ If it were a body, it must enter into the composition of things, and fo make up a part of the mixed body; but how abfurd is the conceit of these things? 12. If light be fire, then it must be a fubstance; and fo it can *fubfist* by it felfe, and is *incapable* of degrees; not to fpeake of the *instantaneall* motion of light, of which corporeall fubstances are not capable, nor of the *immobility* of it in the aire, when the aire is moved with winds.

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[You see upon the paper which you held neere the flame of a candle, being a little removed, some part of that which you (aw in the candle.] The parts of the candle are, the wieke, the tallow, and the flame; Doe you see any of these on the paper ? Indeed, you see no part of the candle on the paper; but only by the light of the candle you see the paper; which will not prove light to be a body, no more then [the dilating of gold :] for though gold dilated, and fire dilated, are gold, and fire; yet this will not prove that light is fire dilated. As for your [blind School-master] you speak of, he might feele the heat of the fire in his brains, but not the light; for light is not the object of touching. [As for the breaking or reflecting of light] these wil prove it no more to be a body, then the breaking or motion of a shadow, can prove a shadow to be a body : Nullum simile est idem. The motions of light and shadowes, are but like the motions of bodies. [The uniting of light in a burning-glasse] proves it no more to be a body, then the uniting or re-inforcing of cold by antiperistasis, proves cold to be a body : And if you'l fay that light is fire, be-----caule

cause it begets heat in a burning-glasse; you may as well fay, that motion is fire, because that begets heat in two hard bodies rubbed together.

[There is no doubt but light heats as well as enlightneth.] Alllight, as is faid, heats not, nor hath all heat light annexed with it. But if all light did heat, yet will it not from thence follow that light is fire, for motion heats as well as light, and the Sun warmes us as well by the one, as, by the other; and both are but meanes, and the Suns instruments to procreate heat by in this inferiour world. [As for the flame of the (pirit of Wine, which you (ay will not burne,] I grant it; but yet it will warme, which the light doth not : Nay, I am affured, that no light at all warms, except the celestiall, which it doth (as they speake) effe-Etive, not formaliter : But the fire heats by its forme, not by its light : Therefore you are mistaken in all your discourse, confounding the celestiall light, with that of the fire or candle; and attributing heat to the light of the fire, which heat proceeds immediatly from its forme, not from its light. And though the Suns light in a burning-glasse may inflame, yet no other light can do fo; and to by calling light fire, you confound the accident with the substance, as when you call [The sent of odoriferous water, the water it selfe.]

When we ask you, What becomes of the light when Sect. 13. the Sun is gone, or is intercepted by a cloud, or the Pag. 49. 6.7. Moons body ? You ask again, [What becomes of the flame when it is extinguished ?] I answer, the flame, being a substance begot of smoake, returns again unto smoak, for the smoak being elevated to that height of heat and drinesse, prefently becomes flame, which when its nutriment failes, or violently by the wind is separated from its groffer substance, encountring with the cold aire, returns

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unto smoak again: But for the light in the roome, there is no fuch generation and corruption, for when the flame is extinguished, and resolved into smoak, the light quite perisheth and vanisheth into nothing, as being a bare accident, and fomewhat like to nothing. If it be a fubstance, and refolved into fome other matter, tell us into what.

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[You prove the light to be nothing else but the flame dilated, by bringing similes of a basin of water dilated unto vapours by heat, and of perfumes dilated unto odoriferous (moak.] But these are no proofes at all : Wee sensibly perceive the vapors generated of the water, and the moak of the perfume, and the diminution or totall refolution of these named groffer bodies," into thinner aereall; But wee fee no fuch thing in the light, for there is no refolution at all of the flame into that diffused light, nor any diminution of the flame, by the encrease of the light; or any totall abolishing of the flame unto that imaginary substance of the light. When the water and perfume is quite confumed, the steame and smoake remaine a great while after; but doth there remaine any light of the flame in the roome after the flame is wafted and gone ? which must needs be, if the light be the flame dilated or resolved. It were strange Philosophy to fay, that the light of the Sun is nothing elfe but the body of the Sun dilated : To how many inconveniences should that celestiall body be subject: To how many generations and 1 corruptions ?

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[Light is not in every place of the roome really, which is illightned.] This is a pure cotradiction, for, what is illightned hath light in it. If there be not light in any part of the roome which is illightned, then fome illightned parts are dark: fuch mysterious Philosophy I understand not. As City's

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for these Atomes in the Sun, [Which you say hinder not our fight;] if they be but few, 'tis true : but I have seen often times fo many of them, and fo thick together neere the ground, that they fenfibly hinder the fight. And though there be many Atomes in the aire, yet there is no penetration of dimensions, as there must needs be, if the light be a body. If there be a thousand lights in a Church, so many bodies there must be, besides that of the aire, penetrating one another. What a strange body is the light, that can passe through the solid and dense substance of a glasse, and not breake it ?

[As for the circumaction of a lighted torch in the dark, and Pag. 56. c.8. the [wift motion of the Sun;] though these may deceive our fight: this, by reason of its vast distance; that, because the fiery end of it, being the onely object of the eye in the dark, sends the species of it unto the eye, and in the forme of a fiery wheele; becaufe the beames of our eye are diffipated and broken, by the fwift motion of the lucid object : Yet these will not prove, that wee are deceived in the instantaneall motion of the light from East to West, or of a candle in the roome where we are; for if the eye be continually deceived in the motion of its proper object, being within a convenient distance, then is the eye given to us in vaine, and fo God is made imperfect in his worke : And therefore our argument is good, when we fay, that the light can be no naturall body. feeing it illuminates the whole Hemisphere in an instant. You give a reason why the light by its motion doth

not shatter the aire, or other bodies in pieces : [Because Pag. 59. 6.8. Pag. 60. in light there is only celerity, but no bignesse or density:]This is a ftrange body, that hath no dimensions ; you were better call it a spirit, then a body; for if it be a body, it must have matter and forme : by the matter, it hath quantity,

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which is infeparable from it, by the forme, that quantitie hath its determination and limits: therefore if there be in the light *celerity*, there is motion; if motion, then the principles of motion, which are two, to wit, the active *forme*, and the paffive *matter*: and thefe cannot be without quantitie, nor this without *dimensions*; and what dimensions can be wanting in fo vafte a body as the *light* is, reaching from heaven to earth? You cannot allow leffe then the three dimensions of *longitude*, *latitude* and *profundity*, and that (I think) is bigneffe : and if it incorporate it felfe with the aire, there must needs be a condensation; two bodies, nay perhaps a thousand, in one Church (if there be formany candles) being united in one.

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Sett. 19. Pag. 62. cap. 8. [No light is feen by us, but what is reflected from an opacous body to our eye.] I pray, from what opacous bodie is the light of the Sun, Moon and Stars reflected, when we look upon these luminaries? Doe they not immediatly, without any fuch help, ftrike our eyes when we look on them? And wherefore [hath the wind no power to fhake the light, which ftrikes our eye in a ftraight line?] Is the wind more reftrained by a ftraight then a crooked line? The wind fhakes the aire, and yet fhakes not the light which is in it. Sure, it is not the ftraight line that keeps the light from fhaking, but because it is an accident, and not a bodie, as the aire is, and bodies only are the objects and fubjects of motion.

[Our arguments (you fay) against light being a body, are only negative.] All negative arguments are not to be rejected; there be negative demonstrations as well as affirmative: and you which hold light to be a body, how will you prove it to be no accident, but by negatives : and yet I have urged already divers affirmative arguments

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ments to prove that light is a qualitie, as well as negative, to prove it is no bodie. And whereas you conclude [that if fire be light, then light must needs be fire,] Pag.63. it will not follow; for fire may be light or lucid in the concrete, and yet not so in the abstract: and if it were so, yet light is not therefore fire, for sure, the light of snow, or fish, or glow-wormes is not fire, nor indeed any light, as I have proved.

[By how much the quicker the motion is, by fo much the Sect.20. agent is the perfecter.] The quickneffe of the motion ar-Pag.65.cap.9. gues not the perfection of the agent, except you will have the Moon, which moves fwifter, a perfecter agent then the Sun, whofe motion is much flower. Is Mercurie a more perfect agent then his father *fupiter*? or is Tobias leffe perfect then his dogge, because he is not fo nimble footed :

[The nature of a body is, that greater quantity of the fame sett.21. thing hath greater vertue then a leffe quantity hath.] You Pag 65.cap.9. confound the two forts of quantities, to wit, virtutis and molis : the greateft vertue is not alwaies in the greateft bulk : there was more fpirit and courage in little David, then in great Goliah. A little horfe hath oftentimes more metall then a bigger; and a few drops of chymicall fpirit have more vertue then an handfull of herbs : little women, for the most part, are fruitfuller then the talleft. And there is more force in a little gunpowder within a musket, then in twenty times for much in an open place.

[You can see no principle to perswade you, that any body can Sect 22. move it selfe towards any place.] If your meaning be, that Pag. 70. cap. 9. no body can move it selfe totally, that is, that the whole, and every part in the whole be both movers and moved, I assent to you; for one and the same thing cannot be

be in the fame respect actually and potentially in being, but the mover is still in actu, the thing moved in potentia: nor can the fame thing be more noble then it selfe, which it must be, if the bodie thus move it selfe, seeing the mover is more noble then the thing moved; but if your meaning be, that no bodie moves it selfe, that is, (that in the fame bodie one part doth not move the other, you are mistaken : for every bodie is compounded. of forme and matter; the forme is the mover, the matter is moved : and fo every bodie moves it felte, as having within it selfe the principle of its motion, which is the forme. So heavie bodies move themselves downward, light bodies upward; the one by gravitie, or the forme of gravitie, the other by the forme of levitie: gravitie and levitie being qualities proceeding from the forme of these inanimate bodies; and this power of moving themselves, these bodies had in their generation from their generator, who gave them being and forme, and the consequences of forme; dans formam, dat consequentia ad formam : therefore when a stone falls downward, that motion is not from an externall mover; for then the motion should not be naturall, but violent : now the motion is naturall; for nature is the principle and cause of it, and nature is intrinsecall, and the forme is the chiefe nature, which causeth this motion; therefore the generator cannot be the cause of this motion, as being gone and separated from it : nor is the removing of the impediment or the impeller the cause of this motion, for these are causes only by accident, which must be reduced to the selfe cause: Doubtlesse then all bodies move themselves. Now [if the quality be nothing else, (as you urge out of Thomas) but the modification of the thing whole quality it is,] then you must exclude all habits, naturall faculties

culties and passions, all colours, founds, sents, and many other qualities, from being reall entities, which is abfurd.

The Sun is a perpetuall and constant cause, working upon Sect.23. inferiour bodies, by his being sometime present, sometime ab- Pag 76.cap.10. [ent.] You spend much paper in shewing that the Sun is the cause of the motion of inferiour bodies, which wee deny not; but wee are not fatisfied with this cause : for the Sun, as all other celestiall bodies, is but an universall and remote cause of inferiour bodies and their motions; but fuch a cause begets no scientificall knowledge: the cause, by which we must know scientifically, is particular and immediate, to wit, the formes of bodies by their properties, gravity and levity; these are the causes of motion, by which we know. The Sun is too remote a cause, and I doubt whether hee be a cause at all why the fire burnes, and of other fuch like effects. And though the Sun, being present, is the cause of sublunary effects, yet, being absent, he cannot be a cause properly, but accidentally, or causa deficiens, not efficiens. [The light carrieth up an atome with it,] and shortly af-Sect. 24:

ter you tell us [that light is a part of the atome.] Is not the aire ftrong enough to beare atomes, except you adde this new carrier or porter, light ? What becomes of these atomes when the light is gone? Are they not too heavie a burthen for the aire to support, without its fel-Mint der sit is have and the service in an a low-helper ?

Hercule supposito sidera fulcit Atlas. This is much like their conceipt, who feared that Atlas was not strong enough to beare up the heavens, if Hercules shoulder had not helped him; but how comes the light to be a part of its owne burthen ? an atome then, I fee, is no atome, but may be cut in parts and anatomized, and

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and these parts are light: But is light an *integrall*, or an *effentiall* part? Are there any atomes in candle-light? if there be, how shall we know? if there be not, then is the light no part of atomes : And if *atomes* be opake bodies, how can light be a part of some opposite a part of another? I think, your *atomes* suffained by the light, are like the dreames in *Virgil*, supported by an *elme*; or like the shadowes in the *Elysian* fields, flying about the green medowes:

tenues sine corpore vitæ Cernuntur volitare cava sub imagine formæ.

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You have been too much conversant in the schoole of Democritus, who held the world to be made of atomes. [And to say, that the first and most generall operation of the Sun, is to raise and make atomes,] is to give the Sun a very poore, unworthy, and fruitless imployment. Caligula and his fouldiers were better imployed, when they gathered shells and pebble-stones; and so was Dioclesian in catching of flies.

Scet. 25. Pag.81.cap.10.

There is no such thing among bodies, as positive gravity and levity, but that their course upwards or downwards happento them by the order of nature.] It seems you understand here by nature, the univer fall nature, which is nothing else, but the dependencie of all inferiour causes orderly from the supreme cause. If this be your meaning, as it must needs be, you commit a contradiction; for you deny the secondary causes, which you suppose to depend from the supreme. If then I should aske you, why a stone descends, you will answer, Not because of any positive gravity in it, but because it so happens by the order of nature. But why hath nature ordered a stone to fall downward, & not to move upward, seeing there is no positive gravitie in it? You answer me, [Because it meets 110. 34 with

with the aire or water, bodies lighter & thinner then the stone.] Then you here acknowledge a comparative gravitie in the ftone; for, if the aire be lighter then the ftone, the stone must be heavier then the aire, and so comparatively it is heavie: but every comparative includes a positive; for, if you be wifer then another, then you are wife : but indeed, univer sall nature works not without the particular, neither doth God or the heaven move the stone downward, but by the stones gravity; therefore gravitie is the immediate cause of its motion, which if you deny, you may as well deny the fire to be hot; and if you fay the fire burnes only, because it happeneth so by the order of nature, you were as good fay nothing.

[Any body will descend, if it light among others more Sect.26. rare then it felfe; and will ascend, if it light among bodies Pag 81.c.10. more dense then it.] What fay you then to your light bodie of light, which you fay is nothing else but fire dilated ? surely, meeting with aire, a bodie heavier and denser, it should never descend to us, who live here on the earth, but ascend rather; how comes it that so light a bodie should defcend so many miles from its fountaine, the Sun, to us, feeing the aire is much more denfe then it ? Nay, it descends thorow a denser bodie, the water; for, divers find light in the bottome of the fea. Againe, what fay you to a thick plank of timber, which meeting with the water, a rarer bodie, notwithstanding descends not to the bottome, but swims above ? This is contrary to your doctrine.

You told us afore, that light hath no bignesse or den-Selt.27. fitie, that the more dense the bodie is, the more active it is, that the light carries up atomes; [and (now you fay) that these atomes, the subtilest divisions of light, doe presse Pag. 86. C. 11. downe a leaden bullet, and penetrates or runs thorow it, as light thorow

thorow a glasse, water thorow a spunge, and sand thorow a sieve.] The light then carries up these atomes, which presse downe a leaden bullet, and yet the light hath not densitie. These are riddles which Oedipus cannot unfold : for, how a qualitie should be a body, how that bodie should want dimensions, how it should want density, and yet beare up that which preffeth downe with its weight a leaden bullet, how there fhould be fo much weight in atomes, as to presse down such a bullet, how these atomes should pierce so dense a bodie as lead, whereas light cannot doe it; yea, run thorow lead, as water thorow a spunge, or sand thorow a sieve, are (I thinke) some of these second notions which Chimara did eat. But how doe the atomes presse downe the lead ? doe they remain in their expansion dispersed ? then they cannot more presse the lead, then the sea-water presseth him downe that dives in it; elementum in suo loco non gravitat. Or doe the atomes meet together in a bodie to help the lead downwards ? if all the atomes in the light were in one bodie, how big would that bodie be?

Sett. 28. Pag. 87. c. 11.

[The clod of carth, which in Egypt is shut up in a close roome, and doth shew the change of weather by the increase of its weight,] receiveth not this weight [from the atomes of salt-peter, piercing the walls, as you say;] but from the aire it felfe, of which it is made up, as other mixed bodies are, which therefore sympathife with the aire, and its changings, as our owne bodies doe, though wee were never so close shut up in a roome. When the aire is inclined to raine, bodies grow heavie, and in a close room we see the water in weather-glasses alcend and defeend, as the aire changeth abroad, although the water in the glasse hath no commerce with the aire abroad: and so we feele aches upon change of weather in our bodies; and

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and heavinesse of our heads after sun-set, by reason of the heavinesse or gloomy heat of the aire, caused not by your atomes, but by vapors, mists, or fumes in the aire, which we are continually fucking in by the lungs, by which the two principall parts of our bodies are affected, to wit, the head and the heart, and by them the reft of the bodie. And as for [spirits or atomes of fnow and Pag. 87. salt-peter, which (you fay) passe thorow a glasse-vessell,] I know no fuch thing.'Tis true, that the outfide of a glasse or pot, being made wet, will freeze to the boord, though neere the fire, if you put fnow and falt-peter in the pot, because the cold snow, by antiperistasis, becometh much colder, in having the hot falt joyned with it, and fo fhunning its enemy, the falt, fortifies it felfe, which causeth the wet bottome to freeze. So in great frosts the fire is most hot and scalding; wells and deep cellars in fummer are most cold, without any penetration of atomes at all, which were heretofore bodies, and parts of light, now by you are called spirits. And as there is no concourse of atomes to presse downe the falling bullet in the aire [neither is there of water, to presse down the stone Pag.88. falling in it, as you fay] because both the aire and the water meet onely to fill up the place which the bullet and stone had, that there may be no vacuity; for lighter bodies presse not downward the heavier, but support the lighter. But it troubles mee to waste so much time and paper in refelling your Paradoxes of atomes, which are as void of soliditie, as the atomes themselves. Hence wee see how easie it is to deviate from the truth, and to lose our felves in the winding labyrinths and intricate Meanders of errour, when we fall off from these knowne and generally received principles, which have had the approbation of wife men for so many generations. Is it not

not a shorter way, and more consonant to reason, to say, that cork finks not, and iron doth, because the one is porous and full of aire, the other dense, and more earthy; because the one and the other are moved diversly, according to their divers formes, and the properties from them, to wit, gravity and levity; then to devise phantomes of atomes, which involve within them fo many abfurdities ?

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The elements doe weigh in their owne (pheres; for, a ballone stuffed hard with aire is heavier then an empty one. Secondly, more water would not be heavier then lesse. Thirdly, if a hole were digged in the bottome of the sea, the water would not run into it.] I answer, a stuffed ballone is heavier, because the aire, which is in it, is separated from its own sphere, in which it doth not weigh, according to our principles. Secondly, more water is not in its owne sphere actually heavier then lesse; for a man in the bottome of the sea feels no more weight, then if hee were but halfe a yard from the superficies : but potentially it is, gravida est, sed non gravitat. Thirdly, the sea would run downe, and fill up the hole, because it moves naturally, as it is heavie, towards the centre; which weight appeares not actually in its sphere, till it remove towards the centre. Nature in her actions is not to be seen in all places, and at all times. There is life in feeds, and fruit in trees', though not alwaies actually feen: So there is gravitie in water, though not alwaies felt; as you seeme Pag.97.12.11. afterward to confesse, when you say [that water in a pale, because it is thereby hindred from spreading abroad, bath the effect of gravity predominating in it :] So one part of water in its own sphere doth not divide the other, Shall we then fay, there is no power in water to divide water ? Yes, there is; for water powred out of an ewre in-

to a bason, wherein is water, will divide the water in the bason.

Your reason, to prove that there is no inclination in Sect. 30. heavie bodies to tend to the centre [because the centre is Pag.98.cap.11. as often changed, as any dust lighteth unequally upon any one side of it,] is a weak one; for let the centre change never fo often, every houre if you will, yet a centre there must be still; and to that centre, in what place of the earth foever it be, the heavie bodie hath its inclination. And no lesse weaknesse is it, to confound vis impressa, or a violent motion, with the naturall motion of gravitie, as you do; for gravitie is neither the mediate nor immediate cause of a violent, but of a naturall motion. [Neither Pag.99. is it impossible for any cause (as you say) to produce an effect greater then it selfe;] for the flame may produce a greater heat in iron, then is in it selfe: May not a little man beget a tall man? Oftentimes the effect exceedeth the caufe both in quantity and vertue : A blind man begets a fon with eyes; the heat of an Egyptian oven hatcheth chickens; and the Suns heat begets many fenfitive creatures of putrefied matter. Neither must you inferre [That Pag.99. gravity is no naturall quality of earthy bodies, because a bullet can ascend out of the bottome of the barrell of a gun, being [uck't up by ones breath :] for this infers the bullet to be naturally heavie, in that it doth not naturally afcend, but is forced by the violent motion of traction, which traction were needlesse, if the bullet were not naturally heavie. Neither doth this motion flew [That gravity is an intellective entity, as you fay;] for though the naturall properties of things have not understanding, yet they have that appetite given to them by the God of nature, to preferve their owne unitie, and the unitie of the universe, and to shun their owne destruction : and this is no determining

determining of the qualitie by it felfe, which is the act of an intelligent creature, to wit, to determine it felfe; but it is a power given by the God of nature to every thing, to preferve it felfe, and to fhun its owne hurt. So the ftomack, which hath no underftanding, receives and concocts wholfome food : the meferaick veines fuck the pureft part thereof, prepare and fit it for the fecond concoction, and fend away the excrementitious and fuperfluous parts to the guts; and the fame ftomack vomits out that which is hurtfull to it; and all this is *nature*, not *underftanding*. What underftanding will you give to a load-ftone, when it drawes iron? or to thofe fenfleffe creatures, which by their *fympathies* and *antipathies* affect or hate each other ?

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Though your atomes be but little bodies, yet they are your great servants; for they help you still at a dead lift, and doe you much fervice in all your actions: they are your light-bearers, they make all things move in their naturall courses, upward and downward; they are also the causes of violent motions : as of projection; for [by their help the arrow flieth out of the bow (as you fay) and the ball from the racket :] So these atomes are your archers, slingers, gunners, or canoneers, and they help you at your sports in the Tennis-courts. Maltitudo populorum sepidum, as Apuleius calls them, the Ants, did not fo much, good service to Psyche, in that intricate labour of dividing all forts of graines, enjoyned her by Venus, as these atomes doe you : By them the arrow flies out of the bow, the stone out of the sling, the bullet out of the gun or canon; and if it were not for them, we could not kill our enemies in the wars : for, the gun-powder could have no force to carry the heavie iron bullet so farre in the aire, and to beat downe stone walls of townes and castles,

castles, if these atomes did not put to their shoulders. What Hercules is able to refift fuch Pigmies? but wee, who have been bred in the peripatetick schooles, at the feet of Aristotle, find the maine cause of projection to be the qualitie or force of the projicient impressed upon the bodie projected; as, the force of the gun-powder-fire impressed in the bullet, carries it thorow the aire : Neither is it more impossible for this impressed force and adventitious qualitie, to carry a bullet violently, then for the intrinsecall qualities of gravitie and levitie, to carry bodies to their owne places naturally. The generator impresseth a qualitie of gravitie in the stone, to move naturally to its owne place: the projicient impresseth the qualitie of projection in the same stome, to move violently from its place. If you aske why the stone returnes at last to its owne motion downward, and continues not flying in the aire; the reason is; because the aire makes refistance, which at length weakens the impressed force; fo that this, growing weaker then the refistance, yeelds, and the stone falls downe. Neither is it reasonable, that an extrinsecall qualitie should have that continuance, as a qualitie that is naturall, which cannot receive any mutation, except there be a change in the first qualities, whole commixtion, gravitie and levitie naturally followes; but the force of the projicient makes no fuch change in the first qualities of the bodie projected. Neither doth the stone lose its gravitie whilst it sies upward, but hath it only suspended, while the projicients impression lasts: when this is spent, downe falls the ftone againe, shewing the same gravitie it had before. If any fay, that this impulse is contrary to the inclination of the bodie impelled, I answer, 'Tis contrary to its inclination to locall motion, but not to any inclination the

the stone might have to the active quality of levity, which is not in the stone; levity then expells gravity, but projection doth not. This impulse then is an accidentall forme, and, in respect of the impression, it is in the third species of Quality; but as this impression inclineth the stone to motion, it is a naturall faculty in the second species of Quality; I fay naturall; not as being the naturall forme, or the property flowing from thence; but because it moves like the naturall forme, though not to the fame place; and because the stone in which the impression is made, is a naturall subject, and the projicient is a naturall agent. You see then that this doctrine of impression is no shift, as you call it; but it is a shift to make Atomes carry a Canon bullet so farre in the aire; for as the aire it selfe is passive, having no other motion in projection, but what it receives from the projicient, even so be your Atomes (if any such were) which are difperfed by the wind and force of the bullet.

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[Wheresoever there is variety of bodies, there must be the Pag. 27. 6.14 foure elements :] then belike in the Heavens there must be the foure elements, for there are variety of bodies, one starre differing from another in glory : But indeed, there be no elements, nor generation, nor corruption, nor alteration, but fuch as belong to light, and locall motion; and therefore the heaven is but a naturall body analogically, which proportion confifteth in this, that as fublunary bodies have a nature, which is the inward principle of motion, so hath the heaven, though in a far different way; and for this caule, we deny that the matter of the celestiall bodies is univocall to that of elementary, for then there should be mutuall action and passion betweene them. 2 Then the celestiall matter should have an appetite to being or not being. 3. It fhould

should have an appetite to divers formes. 4. It should be In comment. the subject of corruption, and of transmutation into de terre motion fublunary bodies; all which are abfurd, as I have shewed elsewhere.

Why may we not as well fay, that fire warmes the water, or burnes the board, by its quality of heat, as to multiply entities to no purpose, as you do, in your innumerable Atomes, which is your falve for all difeases? for, as if these had not done you service enough already, you must make them your Cooks to boile and rost your meat: You will have them to come out of the fire, and pierce the bottome of the kettle, and so up unto the water, and cap.15. c.16. being quickly weary there, ascend in smoake, and then descend in drops. But, if these Atomes be the smallest parts of the substance of the fire, I wonder how they scape drowning, when they are in the water, and that they are not served, as the Persian god was by the Egyptian Priest, and so Canopus prove to be the better god: Nay, you will not have any occult quality in the Load-stone to draw the iron, but these Atomes must doe it; and your reason is, [because otherwise the whole body of Pag.139. the agent must worke, which it cannot do but by locall motion.] But what need is there to fay, that the whole body must worke, if the Atomes do not? It is not the whole body that works, or at least not totally; for the fire heats by its forme, not by its matter; and so the Load ftone draws: but if we did yeeld that the whole body did work, must it therefore worke by locall motion ? Cannot the fire warme you, being within a fit distance, except the fire come to you? The Load-stone shall keep its distance from the iron, and yet shall draw it without Atomes; but they are little beholding to you, in that after all their good fervice they have done you, you fet them together by

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the eares, and makes all re-actions to be performed by them; you make an irreconcilable warre betweene the firy and watry Atomes; like Homers Batrochomyamachia; or like that battell in Ovids Chaos; where

Frigida pugnabant calidis, humentia siccis, Mollia cum duris, sine pondere habentia pondus.

When you hold ice in your hand, you will not have the ice by its coldnesse to worke on your hand, nor your hand by its heat to re-worke on the ice, but Atomes to work one against another. When you faw wood, be there any Atomes that come out of the teeth of the faw, which divide the wood? or Atomes out of the wood, which blunt the faw? But, feeing you will not have re-action to confift in qualities, I defire to know, whether in every re-action there is not an alteration: this you cannot deny, for when you put hot iron in cold water, you make an alteration from heat to cold, and from cold to heat; but alterations confift in qualities, as augmentation doth in quantity, and generation in substances; therefore re-action must consist in quality, not in your Atomes which are fubstances. Besides, substances are not contrary to each other, but in re-actions there be contrarieties, which argues qualitie, in which properly confifts contrariety.

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I know not what to make of your Atomes, for some-Pag.142. c.16. time you call them fubstances, and [here you will have them to be qualities :] Againe, you fay [these Atomes are the pure parts of the elements;] and by and by, that [they are accidentall qualities :] It seems then, that accidents are parts of substances, by your Logick. Besides, you say [the elements remaine pure in every compound,] and yet you will not have [their substantiall formes to remaine actually :] fure the elements remaine not if their formes are

gone; for it is by their formes that they are elements : and if they remaine pure in the compound, then the compound is not a physicall mixed body. And if your Atomes be qualities, then there is no mixture at all, for mixture is of substances, not of qualities; and the body mixed differs specifically from the elements of which it is mixed. We hold then, that the elementary formes remaine in mixture, but refracte, remisse, castigate, as they speake, and in some degree onely, which degrees the fubstantiall formes admit, but not as the qualities doe; for these admit degrees, remaining the same they were before; so do not the formes, for as soone as there is any remission of degree in them, the species is changed, and fo that which was the forme of the element, becomes now the forme of a mixed body, being of another species then the element. Take any degree of the substantiall forme from fire, and its no more fire.

[It doth not appeare to what purpose nature should place store-houses of simples, seeing mixed bodies can be disolved Pag. 143. c. 16. into other mixed bodies. J. Into what then shall these mixed bodies be diffolved? Into mixed stil? Must there not be a diffolution into fimple bodies at last, as well as there was a composition of them ? Sure if there were not store-houses of these simples, the world could not be perfect; for in this is its perfection, that it confifts of all forts of bodies, to wit, as well simple, as mixed : and if there be foure prime qualities, where shall they have their residence, but in the soure prime simple bodies, which we call elements? hence the elements are eternall in the whole', though they be perishing in their parts, when they enter into composition.

[The motion of Atomes we call a winde :] A winde is a Sect.36. lubstance, as afterward you confesse, when you fay, Pag. 152. C. 17. **winds** E 2

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[winds are made up of bodies:] but motion is an accident, therefore wind cannot be a motion; I think your meaning is, that winds are *Atomes* moved, or moving; but then you should have told us whether these Atomes move themselves, or are they moved by some other: these Atomes are unruly bodies, which it they were not curbed by *Aolus*,

Maria ac terras, cælumque profundum,

Quippe ferent rapidi fecum, verrantque per auras; Who would think there fhould be fuch ftrength in Atomes, to over-turne trees and ftrong houfes, to move the Seas from the bottome, to fink fhips, and to move the earth it felfe? Was that a motion of Atomes which drove the Sea againe into its own place, and dried the earth from Noahs Flood? Are those $\mathcal{A}tefii$, which blow continually under the Line, motions of Atomes? or those which blow conftantly in Egypt forty daies together, in the fummer folftice? 'Tis ftrange there fhould be fuch ftrength in these bodies, which are fo weake, that the light, as you faid before, can fupport them; and that there fhould be fuch fpite and courage in them, as to encounter in duels, and trouble the world with their quarrels₀

Sape & ventorum concurrere pralia vidi.

Were these Satans souldiers, when he by the winds overthrew the house where *fobs* children were ? Your best way will be to leave your Atomes, and to acquiesce in the received opinion, that the winde is an exhalation raised by the Sun out of moisture, which exhalation, by reason of its lightnesse mounting upward, is repelled by the cold middle region of the aire, and so moveth not directly downeward, because 'tis light, but athwart and sidlings. As for your Atomes, leave them for Atomes.

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lus to bind up in a bagge, who were fo unruly before he took them to taske, that they turned the fea upon the land, and the land into the fea, dividing Italy from Sicily, and Spaine from Africa.

[Is it not a wrong to God and his inftruments, to impute to Sett. 37. the Divell the aides, which to some may seem supernaturall ?] Pag. 164 ca. 18. True, for there is a naturall magick, by which you may doe strange things, and anticipate the time prefixed by nature, in producing of divers effects, by applying activa pasivis : So you may produce a Rose in Winter, and raise Parsly out of the ground within a few houres after the feed is sowne. There is also a Mathematicall magick, by which strange things are done; as was that woodden Pigeon, which Architas caused to flie; and that brasen head, which Albertus Magnus made to speak. That worthy man Boëtins was very skilfull in this way. Such things, and many more, may be done without witchcraft : but withall, there is a Diabolicall magick in working strange things by the power of Sathan, by a contract which Witches make with them, God permitting, in his fecret judgement, the affectors of fuch evill things to be deluded and abused by the evill Angels. Saith S. Auftin, De doct. christ. 'Tis fit that he, who forfakes the fountaine of living wa- 1.2. cap. 22, 23. ters, digge to himfelfe fountaines that will hold no water: Therefore in all our actions wee ought to aime at Gods glory, at the falvation of our owne and others foules, at the honour of the Church and State, in which we live, and to avoid scandall, to submit our thoughts and actions to Gods Word, and not to practife fuch things as have no cause or reason in nature : as, to cure diseases by spells or words, characters and knots, which, being artificiall, and quantities, cannot naturally operate. The

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[The weapon-salve must be conserved in an equall temper, and the weapon, which made the wound, must be orderly dref-[ed.] Paracelsus, the inventor of this falve, is ill reported of, to wit, to be a Magician : Baptista Porta, Goclenius, Dr. Floid, & some others have bin too credulous to beleeve him; for, if it be not magicall, it is suspicious, considering the author, the superstitious ceremonies in gathering of the mosse from the dead skull, with the other simples used in it, besides the unreasonablenesse of their opinions, who think that a wound can be cured by fuch a way; whereas nihil agit in distans, naturall agents work not but within a proportionable distance : as the fire will not heat, if the object be not within its reach: neither will the load-stone draw, except the iron be neer : But the patrons of this falve will have it cure the wound, though many miles distant, and though there be an interpolition of many dense bodies; as of houses and hills. What medium can carry this vertue so far, & thorow so many impediments, whereas the Sun cannot conveigh his beames to us, if the Moon, or a thick cloud be interposed ? And what sympathy can wee conceive to be between a fword, or a clout, and a wound ? except you'l fay, It is because the bloud touched it; or, as you fay, Because the steem or spirits entered into the pores of the weapon.] These are piercing spirits indeed, that can passe thorow steele, and stay there so long after the bloud is cold, whereas the bloud, which in phlebotomy is received into a dish, loseth the spirits as soon as the bloud is cold; though many ounces of bloud be there, yet never a spirit left, nor any sympathy at all between the dish and the wound. Sure, by this reason, when the sword that wounds is kept in the fame roome with the wounded man, it must cure, whereas it cures so farre off. But no

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fuch cure is to be found; for I was yet never cured by the knife that cut my finger, though never so often drefsed. If any reply, that some cures have been done by this falve; I answer, that I have heard so, and they that write of it, most of them write but upon report : and fuppose some cures had been done, yet I will not impute them to the falve, but to the washing and keeping of the wound cleane, in which case nature will help it selfe. The imagination also is sometimes a help to cure; and sometime Sathan may concurre, for his owne ends, videlicet, to confirme superstition and errour. If any fay, that there is a sympathy between the pole and the needle touched with the load-stone, which are farther distant then the fword and the wound; I grant it, because the influence of celestiall bodies upon earthy, is not hindred by distance; but we cannot fay so of the actions of subluna vobodies, whole matter is farre different from that of the heavens. In a word, the effects of this falve which you speak of, are much like the effects that are faid to be caused by images of wax made by Witches. The like credit is to be given to those other reports you speake of, to wit, the curing of the kines swelled soles by a turffe cut from under their fore feet, and hung upon an hedge; the drying of which is the mending of the fore feet : And the running over of the Cowes milk in boiling into the fire, wil cause an inflammation in the Cowes udder; and that this is cured by cafting falt into the fire upon the milk. I could tell you many fuch tales as those, which I have partly read, and partly heard; BUE

-credat Judaus Apella.

I will stick to that Philosophicall principle, Ominis actio fit per contactum: but here is no contact; and I will as

soon credit Apuleius his Metamorphosis into an Asse, by the anointing of his body, as the curing of a wound by an ointment, which is not at all applyed to the bodie. If any will fay, that fuch cures are done by the influence of the Stars, let him prove it; wee may so falve all questions, and not trouble our selves to search any further into the hidden causes of things : These influences are the fanctuary of ignorance, but Stars are univerfall agents, whose operations are fruitlesse, if they be not determined by the particular agents. Laftly, I like your supposition wel: If the steem of bloud and spirits carry with it the bal (amick qualities of the powder into the wound, it will better it.] In this I am of your opinion; for if Dadalus did flie in the aire, wings doubtlesse would help him : but there is great odds between the fents which the Deere, or Hare, or Fox leave behind them, and this imaginary vertue of the weapon-falve; this being altogether hid, these other being manifest qualities, quick-Iy apprehended by the fagacious hounds.

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[You fay, that the heat of the torrid Zone drawes aire to • it from the Poles, and rest of the world, otherwife, all would be turned into fire.] The aire about the Poles, you confeffe, is very cold, and the aire under the Line very hot. Now, that heat fhould draw cold to it, is to contradict a fenfible maxime, for, what is more plaine and fenfible, then that one contrary drives out another, and like drawes its like. The heat of the fire drawes out the heat of a burned finger, or the heat of the flomack, whereas the cold aire repells it. Hence it is, that we concoct better in Winter then in Summer. The heat of the upper and lower region of the aire doth not draw to it the cold of the middle region; but the cold fortifies, and unite its felfe againft its enemy. Secondly, the aire un-

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der the Line, is carried about so fast by the motion of the primum mobile from East to West, that there is a continuall trade-wind, and a strong tide to the West: So that the aire there will not give leave, by reason of its fwift motion, for any other aire to come thither. Thirdly, the torrid Zone needs no refrigeration from the Poles; for there are great lakes, rivers and feas, befides constant gales of wind, which refresh the aire, and make it no lesse temperate then Spain, if you will be- Hist. Americ. leeve Acosta. Not to speak of the equalitie of the night there with the day, so that the Sun is not so long above their Horison, as hee is above ours in Summer. And if there were fuch extreme heat there, as is fupposed, there would not be fuch multitudes of all forts of herbs, fruits, and trees green all the yeare, as Lerius witneffeth in his In Brafil. navigation.

You have found out a pretty way for generation of Sect.40. the load-stone, [which (you fay) is begot of atomes, drawne cap.21. from the North Pole, by the heat of the torrid Zone, and fo sent downe into the bowels of the earth, where meeting with some condensate stuffe, becomes this stone.] This is the summe of your large discourse: But first, wee would know what these atomes are, whether parts of that cold aire, or of the light. Secondly, how the heat of the torrid Zone can draw cold atomes such a great way, ninety degrees at least, whereas wee have shewed, that hot aire expelleth the cold, but draweth it not. Thirdly, how it comes that load-stones are found in Macedonia, Spaine, Bohemia, Germany, and other Northern places. Did the atomes in their Southern progresse stay there, being weary of so long a journie, and plant colonies neer home? Or were they fent back by the heat which brought them thence ? Fourthly; how can fuch weak bodies

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pierce so deep into the earth ? Fifthly, when these atomes cast their spawne into the matrix of our great Mother, whether she doth feed upon iron when shee's breeding, feeing the stone, when it's come to maturitie, loveth iron fo well ? Or did shee not surfeit upon garlick, which is fuch an enemy to the load-ftone ? Sixthly, of what atomes is the stone Theamedes made, that so much hates the iron, which the load-stone loves; and the Adamant, that hinders its operation ? Though I honour your worth and ingenuitie, in aiming at fuch abstruse causes, yet both you and I, and all men must confesse, that our science here is but ignorance : and wee see the natures of things, as that blind man, who faw men walk like trees. Who can tell why Rhabarb purgeth choler; Agarick phlegme ? How the Torpedo stupefieth the hand thorow the cane, and the Remora stayes the ship :

Virgil.

Has n'e posimus natura accedere partes, Frigidus en obstat circum pracordia sanguis.

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[The load-stone (you fay) workes by bodies : Ergo, not by qualities.] I denythe consequence; for, bodies doe not work upon bodies, but by their qualities : take these away, and there will be no action in nature; for actions have their originall from qualities, and their properties too: therefore actions are susceptible of contrarieties, of intension and remission, because the qualities; from which they have their being, are capable of these: And, as among substances, only the forme; so among accidents, only the qualitie is operative, because it is the accidentall forme of the subject in which it is. 'Tis true, accidents work not by their owne power, but in and by the power of their substances : The hen by her heat, which is a qualitie, prepares the matter of the egge for introduction of the forme of a chick; for the same agent that disposeth

disposeth the matter, introduceth the forme : The fire warmes by its heat. What's the reason that you can cut downe a tree with an axe, which a childe cannot doe with a woodden dagger?'tis because you have the qualities of strength and skill, which the childe wants; and the axe hath the qualities of strength and sharpneffe, which are wanting in the woodden dagger. Your reasons, by which you prove your affertion, are weak, viz. [Because a greater load-stone hath more effect then a lesser.] A greater fire heats more then a lesser; is therefore heat no qualitie ? Or must the same degree of heat be in a little fire that is in a greater? The qualitie encreaseth and decreaseth, according to the quantitie of the subject. Secondly, [A load-stone giveth lesse force to a long iron then to a short one.] So the fire warmeth more at a neer, then at a remoter distance : Naturall agents work not in distans. Will you deny your facultie of seeing to be a qualitie, because you can see better neer at hand, then at too remote a distance ? Thirdly, [The longer an iron is in touching, the greater vertue it getteth.] Fourthly, [An iron or load-stone may lose their vertue, either by long Tying, or by fire.] Will these reasons prove the vertue of the load-stone to be a bodie ? then vertue, I see, is a body with you, and in the predicament of Substance. These your reasons prove the load-stone to work by a qualitie, because it hath degrees of more and lesse vertue, and because it may be lost. Is cold no qualitie, because it may be lost in the water? Or is the blacknesse of a mans haire no qualitie, because it may be lost? Or doth the fire confume nothing but bodies ? Is whitenesse an accident, or a bodie ? a qualitie it is, doubtlesse : Cast your paper in the fire, and what becomes of its whitenesse?

Qui color albus erat, nunc est contrarius albo.

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felves, and fo they will fave me a labour. [Atomes, which pierce iron, may penetrate any other body.] I know the fire can pierce iron, and yet not pierce the dense bodie of the earth; which your atomes must doe, if they will beget a load-stone. And if the fire could pierce the earth, yet this will not prove, that your magneticall atomes can doe the like, except you give them the same vertue. And [though light passe thorow thick glass,] as you say, yet there is some hinderance; for the thicker the glasse is, the lesse light you shall have : Trie if light can passe thorow a thick unpolished horne, as it doth thorow the thin horn of a lantern. If the thick neffe of a bodie makes no opposition to the light, then you may fee the Sun as well thorow a thick cloud, or thorow the bodie of the Moon, as thorow the thin aire. If then there be opposition, though never so little, of the glasse to the light, there must needs be some tardity. As for odoriferous bodies, which, you say, [continue many yeares spending of themselves, and yet keep their odour in vigour,] is a miracle; for, how can the odour be kept in vigour in those bodies that still spend themselves ? If odour be a qualitie, it must decay, as the bodie spends in which it is : If odour be a bodie, it cannot continue in its vigour, and be still spending of it selfe; this is a contradiction: Besides, its repugnant to sense; for, as the flower decayes, so doth the smell: And though there be a power in roots of vegetables, to change the advenient juice into their nature, yet there is not the like power in loadstones, or falt, as you will have it, except you will make these also vegetables, and so they must not be called Atones and mineralls, but plants rather. Salt doth not change the aire into its substance, by lying in it, as you

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fay, and would prove by the weight of it increased; for, if it change the aire into its substance, it feeds on it, and fo some parts of its matter must be still wasting, and there must be still a repairing of the decayed matter by nutrition, and this must be done by natural heat, and a vegetative soule; and what is this but to make falt a plant? As for the weight of it, which you fay encreaseth, I doubt of it : but if it were so as you say, yet that weight is not encreased, by turning the aire into its substance, but rather by the losse and evaporation of the aire, by its long lying : So paper-books grow much heavier, by beating the aire out of the paper. But whereas you fay, That the nature of the Load-stone proceeds from the Suns ope- Pag. 200. c. 22. ration on the torrid Zone, which operation is contrary to the Load-stone, as being of a fiery nature, and therefore the torrid lands are not so magneticall as the polar,] is a riddle; for how can the nature of the Load-stone be contrary to that which begets it ? and how can the Sun beget magnetick vertue by that heat, which by reason of its fiery nature hinders or destroyes it ?

You say, ['Tis as impossible for diversity of worke in the Pag 215. 6.23. feed to proceed at one time, and in the same occasions, from one agent, as it is for multiplicity to proceed immediatly from unity.] I will not now tell with what arguments Physicians prove, that the seed is the epitome of the whole body, and extracted from every part thereof, and containeth potentially all the parts of the body, which the plastick or formative power of the seed educeth unto act, by degrees : but this I must tell you, that naturall agents can, at the same time, produce diversity of works; for, doth not the Sun, at the same time, produce multitudes of divers effects, according to the multitudes of bodies it works upon ? doth not the fire, at the same time, rarific, condense,

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condense, soften, harden ? doth not the same *liver* at the same time by its heat, produce blood, choler, melancholy, and phlegme ? even so may the same formative power of the seed, at the same time, fabricate and distinguish all the parts of the body.

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The marrow being very hot drieth the bones, and yet with its moisture hume Eteth.] How the same naturall agent can, at the fame time, on the fame object, worke contrary effects, I know not : Can the fire at the fame time both harden and soften the wax? 2. The braine comparatively is colder then any other of the foft parts of the body, and confequently the marrow which groweth from thence. 3. If heat be the cause of the bones drinesse, then the heart which is the hotteft part of the body, should have the hardest bone about it. 4. What the bones are in sensitive creatures, that the stones are in vegetables: but the hottest fruits have not the hardest stones; for the stone of a cold Peach is harder then the kernels or stones of the hot Grapes. 5: If marrow were the cause of drinesse, or hardnesse, it would follow, that where there is most marrow, there should be the hardest and driest bones; but Philosophers tell'us, that those creatures whose bones are most folid and drie, have least marrow. 6. That drinesse then and hardnesse of the bones proceeds not from the heat of the marrow, which is held to be lesse hot then the braine, but from the innate heat of the bones themselves, wasting the aeriall and oylie substance thereof, which heat is not fiery, but temperate, as the naturall heat should be; yet it causeth this hardnesse and drinesse, because the matter on which it works is groffe and terrestriall, and because of the heats continuall working on the bones.

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mighties immediate handy-worke in every particular effect of nature.] We offer no irreverence to the Almighty, if we call him the Creator even of the meanest creatures, being no lesse admirable in Creatione vermiculorum, quàm Angelorum, in the creation of wormes, then of Angels, faies S. Austine : and therefore Basil thinks it no irreve- Homil. 7. in rence to fay, That God in the beginning did not on- Gen. ly create Fishes in the sea, but Frogs also in the pooles, nay Gnats, and vermine. Whose immediate handywork were the Lice that were procreated of the Egyptian dust, at the stretching out of Aarons and Moses his Rod? Did not the Sorcerers acknowledge, that the finger of God was there? If it be no disparagement to the Almighty, that the excrementitious haires of our head, are the objects of his providence; neither can it be any dishonour to him, if we fay, the meanest creatures are the effects of his omnipotence. Sect.46.

[The worke of generation (you fay) is not effected by the formative power, except we meane by it, the chaine of all the Pag. 231. 6.25. causes, that concurre to produce this effect.] When wee speak of the proximate or immediate cause of things, we exclude not the remote causes; for, Causa causa est causa causati : He that saies that Isaac was begot of Abrahams feed, denies not that Abrahams feed is begot of his blood; and he that faies a man is a reasonable creature, faies also, that he is a sensitive, vegetative, corporeall substance: but what ever the remote causes be, the formative facultie in the spirits of the seed, effects the work of generation; which spirits are derived from all parts of the body, otherwise how could they frame all the distinct parts and members in the feed ? but the groffe or materiall part of the feed, is onely from the the state of the state of the state vessels.

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Sett.47. [You hold the heart to be first generated.] This is probable, but it may be doubted; because whatsoever liveth must be nourissed: but nourisses whatsoever liveth must be nourissed: but nourisses whatsoever liveth must be nourissed: but nourisses whatsoever liveth be and blood from the *liver*; therefore *Galens* opinion was, that the liver is first generated; which he also proveth by the *umbelicall* veine: But indeed, *Hippocrates* his opinion is most likely to be true, that all the parts are formed at the fame time by the *section*, that fearfully and wonderfully are we made.

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[The touch converseth with none, but with the most materiall and massie bodies.] What think you of the aire, the winde, the flame ? are these massie bodies ? and yet they are the objects of our touch; the inftrument of which is not only in the hands and fingers, but diffused also through all the skin : and if the flame touch your skin, you shall as soone feele it, though it be no massie body, as you shall a stone. But whereas you call [beat and cold, wet and drine se, affections of quantity,] you confound entities, and the predicaments, as you use to doe. If by affections you meane properties, then heat and cold are not the properties of quantities, but of elementary bodies, which are fubstances : If by affections you meane effects, much lesse can these be the affections of quantity, for quantity is not operative : Neither are rarity and denfity (out of the degrees of which you will have cold and heat, &c. to arise) quantities, but qualities; for rarity is nothing else but the tenuity of parts, and that is a quality : but if you take rarity for the distance of parts among themselves, as a spunge is called rare or thin, so it is in the predicament of Site; but quantity you cannot make it by Logick. (NI-1-20)/14/21

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worke materially upon the sense, is, [because it works so Pag. 245. 6.27. upon inanimate things, as the heat or cold works alike upon a stone, and upon a mans body:] but indeed these work not alike; for the fire that heats the stone, heats also my body, and in that respect it works upon both materially, that is, it produceth the fame form (specifically, not numerically) of heat in the matter of the stone, and of my body: yet befides this operation, it produceth another, which we call spirituall or intentionall, upon my sense, which it doth not upon the stone, to wit, the Image, Idea, or representation of that heat which my sense apprehends, or receives, and, by meanes of the sensitive soul in me, judgeth of it; which a stone, being inanimate, cannot do: The heat then worketh on the stone only materially by heating, it worketh on my body not only materially by heating; but spiritually also, by impressing the species of the heat in my fense of feeling, by which the foule in the fense is stirred up to judge of it, and to make use of it, so far as it may be convenient for the body, otherwife to avoid it; therefore we need not labour much to prove these intentionall species to be in nature, which you deny: for, though their entity be weaker then of materiall formes, because their being is not in the subject; that is, the intentionall heat by which my sense is affected, is in the sense as in a subject; yet in its being and conservation it depends not on the sense, but on the agent, the fire that produced it; whereas the materiall forme of heat is received into the body, and depends onely in fieri from the agent, but in its esse and conservation from the matter in which it is received. Neither is it hard for us to prove, that your materiall actions are not able to performe these effects, that our intentionall can; for if the heat did work materially on your body, it must produce another heat, for

for a materiall accident cannot passe from one subject to another, which it must do, if the same numericall heat of the fire did pass out of the fire into your body; & so you having another heat in your body then was in the fire, cannot feel nor judge of that heat which was in the fire. Again, if the hardness of the iron did work materially on your hand when you touch it, your hand must be alfo hard. Befides, when you see a horse, is the same horse in your eye, that is without ? Or hath he the fame materiall being in the eye, that he hath without? This must needs be true, if he worke materially on your eye. Moreover, if the object work materially on the fense, the neerer it is to the sense, the better it is perceived : but the contrary is true; for, sensibile positum supra sensorium impedit sensum. Again, no materiall action is in an instant, being it is a motion, and hath refistance from a contrary quality; but the act of sense is in an instant. Lastly, you must attribute action to quantities, if the object worke materially; for when you see a triangle, that must produce another triangle in your eye, which is abfurd, & may be avoided by faying, the species or image of the triangle is in the eye.

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[That thing which we call found, is purely motion.] If Pag. 249. c.28. sound be motion, which is the mobile ? for every motion is in a subject, and no other subject can be given but a body. The aire is the medium that conveyeth the found to us, but the subject thereof it is not; for the aire being a light body, its motion is to ascend, but sounds are carried to us by all forts of motions imaginable: The sound of the bell at the same instant ascends, descends, spreads it selfe abroad through all the parts of the circumstant aire. Besides, no motion is performed in an instant; but the sound in an instant fils thousands of eares, if they be neere. Againe, rest is opposite to motion, but

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it is not opposite to sounds : By the motion of the aire found is carried to us, but found is not therefore motion; and so you doe often times in this Chapter distinguish sounds from the motion of the aire. And whereas you fay, [Great sounds do shake houses :] It is not the Pag. 251. sound, but the wind of the Ordnance or Gun-powder that moveth the aire violently, by which houses or towers may be shaken, and the same aire which is moved by the winde, and shakes the house, carries the found to. our eare; which found can no more be perceived by the eye (as you averre in this Chapter, thereby confounding both the actions of the senses, and their objects) then colours can be perceived by the eare. He that sees sounds, let him heare colours too. 'Tis true, a blind man will discerne light from darknesse, when a candle or the Sun beame is brought and let into a room, not that he perceives the light by his eares, but becaufe, though the chrystalline humour of his eyes be out, yet, the visive spirits in the optick nerves not being lost, can easily discerne light their proper object, though they cannot see visible objects by it, the chrystalline humor which should receive the visible species being gone. [As for a Pag.257. deafe mans perceiving of musick by a stick held in his teeth, whofe other end lieth on a Violl:] I deny that he heares any found at all, if he be deafe: he may perceive a motion or trembling of the aire, by meanes of his flick, but a found he cannot perceive, as wanting the organ of perception : And though I should yield that he perceives the found, yet that will not evince found to be a motion: for there be many motions without any found; as the motions of the heavens. The shooting of stars, and the light, which you will have a body, move through the aire without any found: So the clouds move; and you may move

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your hand, or any part of the bodie, without found. Befides, there is a *sympatheticall* & an *antipatheticall* power in founds, to affect or dif-affect the hearer, which is not in motion. Againe, after the found of the Ordnance is paft, the motion of the aire continueth a while. Laftly, lay any foft cloth or filk upon a bell whilft it's founding, the found will be dulled or ftayed, but not the motion: therefore, doubtleffe, *founds* and *motions* are different *entities*; these being in divers *predicaments*, and founds only in the *predicament* of Qualitie.

You conclude [That colour is nothing elfe but the power which a body hath of reflecting light into the eye.] Then immediately you say, Light is nothing else but the superficies of it,] and shortly after, [Colours are not qualities, but tra-Etable bodies.] With the fame breath you contradict your selfe; for you deny colour to be a qualitie, and yet you will have it a power in the bodie, to reflect light. Are not naturall powers or faculties, qualities ? Is not the power that water hath to coole, a qualitie ? but in this you are also mistaken; for colour is not such a qualitie as you make it, to wit, in the second species, where only those powers are, which can naturally produce their owne acts : As, in the eye there is a power to see, a power, I fay, which it can produce into act, when occafion serves; for the eye doth not alwaies actually see: but colour is no such power; for it cannot produce its owne act primarily, as the former power did, but in the fecond place: For first, it must affect the subject in which the colour is, and fecondly, work upon the eye; and fo colour is in the third species of Qualitie. Now, if colour be a qualitie, how can it be a superficies, which is a quantitie? The essence of colours is not in extension, though they may be extended according to the exten-

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sion of the subject in which they are. Extension is the essence only of quantitie. If colour then be not a quantitie, but qualitie, how can it be a tractable bodie ? Colours cannot subsist of themselves : they admit degrees ; therefore cannot be substances.

You are angry [with vulgar Philosophers, who force you Se&t. 52. to beleeve contradictions, in that they say, life consisteth in Pag. 275.c.22. this, that the fame thing hath power to work upon it felfe.] Aristotle then and his learned Peripateticks are with you but vulgar Philosophers, who teach us, that those which move themselves by an internall principle, have life in them; and so, because quick-silver seemes to move it selfe, and fountaines or springs of water seeme also to move themselves, hence the Latines call the one argentum vivum, the other, aquas vivas. And because these created entities, which wee call living, actuate themselves, either by perfecting themselves, or by representing fomething within themselves by their knowledge, or by enclining themselves to the things which they know by their appetite : hence it is, that we attribute life unto God, in that hee actuates himselfe, at least negatively, so that hee is not actuated by any other; and in that hee understands and wills himselfe, and all things in himselfe. But here is the difference between the life of the Creator, and of the creature, that our life is i worn This Agentixins Juxis, as Aristotle sayes, the abode or mansion of the vegetive soule in the bodie, or naturall heat : Or, as Scaliger, another of these vulgar Philosophers, tells us, unio anima cum corpore, the union of the soule with the bodie. And our life hath a dependance from a higher cause, and our vitall actions depend from a causality; as Understanding and Will from the effence of the soule; but the life that is in God, and his vitall actions, are the lame

fame identically with his effence, having no dependance, or inhesion, or connexion at all. Tell us then where the contradiction lieth, when wee say, that the living creature can move it selfe ? Doth the Scripture teach contradictions, when it tells us, that Saul killed himselfe, that Fudas hanged himfelfe, that we should accuse our felves, condemne our selves, convert our selves, and many such like ? Neither doe we fay, that life confifts in this, that a thing can work upon it selfe, as you would have it; for wee make not the effence of life to confift in this, wee only make this a propertie of life, for the living creature to move it selfe. Neither doe wee say, that life is action, but that life is the principle of action : therefore weact, because we live; actiones sunt suppositorum. Though the forme work upon the matter, yet the suppositum or compound is the subject of action or motion: The form worketh originally, or as principium Quo; the suppositum worketh subjectively, denominatively, or as principium Quod. The forme is evegyn unov, the Suppositum evegyov and fo life is Enler's xera, not "egypy, the act, not the action; but the efficient cause of five actions; to wit, of understanding, sense, motion, nutrition, and generation : For, if life were an action, it should be the cause of these actions; but actionis non datur actio. Lastly, life is in the soule originally, in the bodie by participation, and in the compound subjectively.

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You challenge also Philosophers [that they hold fensation to be a working of the active part of the same sense upon its passive part, and yet will admit no parts in it, but will have the same indivisible power work upon it selfe.] Philosophers distinguish between the organ, the faculty, and action of the sense. The organ is a substance, the faculty a qualitic, which is properly called sense, of which ariseth the action,
action, which is properly sensation. The forme is the cau'e of sense, God is the supreme cause of the forme, and confequently of sense too: for, dans formam, dat consequentia ad formam; and sense is the cause of sensation. And fothey hold, that there is in the fense an action and a passion, but in a different respect; for the passion is in respect of the object, the species of which is received by the fense; but reception is passion : yet in the sense there is an action too, but that's in respect of the soule, working by the sense, its instrument, which it animates, and by it judgeth of those objects which are convenient or inconvenient, not only for the bodie, but for the foul too: For the two nobleft of the fenfes were made principally for the foule, that by them she might gaine knowledge; and in the fecond place for the bodie. Now, out of all that's faid, tell us where this indivisible power workes upon it selfe; or who holds any such thing. The power of the soule in actuating the sense, the power of the sense in receiving the species, is not the fame power, no more then the power of the foule in moving the hand, and the power of the hand in receiving a blow; the one being an active, the other a passive power; the one being from the soule, the other from the disposition of the matter, whose propertie is to suffer, as the formes is to act: Therefore wee hold not active and passive parts in the fense, but that the whole sense is passive, in respect of the object; & the whole sense is active, in respect of the soul working in it : So the whole water is passive, in regard of the fire which heats it; and it's wholly active, in respect of the hand which is warmed by it. Lastly, I hope you will not deny, but some indivisible powers there are, which work upon themselves, else, how can Angels. and foules of men love and know themfelves ?

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Pag. 277. c. 32. On all occasions : [For you will now have these materiall parts of bodies work upon the outward organs of the senses, and passing thorow them, mingle themselves with the pirits, and so to the braine. These little parts must needs get in at the doores of our bodies, and mingle them (elves with the fpirits in the nerves, and of necessity must make some motion in the braine.] Doubtleffe, if this be true, there must needs be an incredible motion in the braine, for, if the atomes of two armies fighting should rush into your braine by the eye, they will make a greater motion then Minerva did in Jupiters braine : you would call for a Vulcan to cleave your head, and let out those armed men, who would cause a greater strugling in your head, then the twins did in Rebecca's womb: For I doe not think these little Myrmidons would lie fo quiet in your braine, as the Grecians did in the Trojan horfe. But if the materiall atomes of the object pierce the organ; as for example, of a horse; then tell us how many atomes must meet to make up a little horse: and how can that horse, being bridled and fadled, pierce your eye without hurting of it, especially, if you should see mounted on his back such a gallant as S. George, armed with a long sharp lance; or Bellerophon upon Pegasus? And if a thousand eyes should look at one time upon that object, will it not be much leffened, by lofing fo many atomes and parts as enter into fo many eyes? Or can the object multiply it felfe by diminution, as the five loaves did in the Gospel ? Or fuppose, you should see as many horses at a time, as were in Xerxes his army, would there be stable-room enough in your braine to containe them all? Or, if you should see a thousand horses one after another, doth the coming in of the later drive out the former ? Which way doe they

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they come out ? the fame they went in ? or fome other way ? or do they *stable* all together there ? or doe they die in the braine ? Will not they perish the braine, and poylon your optick (pirits, with which, you fay, they are mingled ? Or suppose you should see in a looking-glasse a horfe, doth the atomes of that horfe pierce first the glasse to get in, and then break thorow the glasse again, to get into your eye ? Sure, if this be your new Philosophy, you are like to have but few sectaries of these deambulatory wife men, whom you call vulgar Philosophers. Is it not easier, and more confonant to reason, that the image or representation of the object be received into the sense, which reception we call sensation; then to fay, that the very materiall parts, which you call atomes, should pierce the organ? for then the fame object must be both one, and many; and fo, if all the inhabitants of either hemisphere should look at once upon the Moon, there must be as many Moons, as there are beholders. Againe, wee distinguish that which you confound, to wit, first, the organ, which is called fenforium : fecondly, the sensitive facultie, which resides in the spirits : thirdly, the act of fensation, which is caused by the object : fourthly, the object it selfe, which causeth sensation, but not the sense or facultie it selfe : fifthly, the species, which is the image of the object : fixthly, the medium, which is aire, water, &c. feventhly, the fensitive foul, actuating the organ, and in it judging and perceiving the object, which diffuses and sends its species, or spirituall & intentionall qualities, both into the medium & the sensorium : & this is no more impossible, then for the wax to receive the impreffion or figure of the seale, without any of its matter.

[What are words, but motion ? and words are the chiefest Sect. 55. object of our remembrance.] Words are not motion, but Pag 283. c.32.

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by the motion of the tongue words are uttered. I beleeve you move your tongue many times when you speak not : but if words were motion, you must still speak when you move your tongue. Words are articulate founds, but wee have already shewed, that sounds are not motions, but caused by motion, or the collision of folid bodies. And if words be the chiefe object of our memory, we have spent our time ill; for the end why we learne words and languages, is to come by them to the knowledge of things : And if we remember words onely, then our knowledge is verball onely. Doe you remember nothing in Divinity but words? or are these the chiefest object of your memorie ? If this assertion be true, Christians are of all men most miserable, who spend their time, strength, and meanes, to attaine the knowledge of those things, which when they remember, prove but words. I have read of a verball, and of a reall memorie : some are apter to remember words then things; others remember things better then words.

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[The medium which these bodies move in (that is, the memory) is a liquid vaporous substance, in which they swim at liberty.] These atomes in this Chapter you call sometimes bodies, and sometimes similitudes and species, confounding qualities and substances, as you are wont. But if you take memory here for the organ, or hinder-part of the brain, that is not the medium, but the receptacle of the species: the medium are the spirits, which conveigh the species from the phantasse to the memorie; which two senses are neere neighbours in the braine : much less can these bodies (as you call them) in the memorie, be the memorie it felse, which is a facultie of the intellective sould in man, of the sense in beasts: And indeed, the intellect and intellective memorie is one and the same power

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of the soule, onely differing in this, that as it keeps the species, it is called memorie; as it makes use of them in understanding, it is called intellect : And what need wee multiply faculties to no purpose ? for, às the same facultie which apprehends, judgeth alfo; so the same facultie which understandeth, remembers too. And as these bodies or medium cannot be the memorie, much lesse can they be reminiscence or recordation, which is the motion of the impressed images in the memorie; which reminiscence is onely in man, because it requires discourse, of which beafts are not capable.

You tell us of two effects of purging: [the one, to Sect. 57. make the humour more liquid; the other, to make the stomack Pag. 292.c. 34. or belly suck ar vent it.] But indeed, the effect of purging is not the liquefaction of the humour, which is liquid enough of it selfe, saving the melancholy humour, which is somewhat thicker then the rest, by reason 'tis more earthy; but the pituita and choler are liquid enough of themselves : therefore 'tis not the work of the purge to liquefie the humour, but, by reason of its innate similitude it hath with the humour, to draw it, as the load-ftone doth iron : which fimilitude confifteth in their effentiall forms, and in the properties flowing thence. And, as the load-stone draweth iron, & is not drawn by it; so doth the medicament, being the more active, draw the humor, but is not drawne by the humour. Neither doe I think, that the stomack or belly sucks the humor, which is so offensive to it; for, simile trahit simile: but the expulsive facultie of these parts, wherein the humour lay, being partly oppreffed by the humor, & partly irritated by the medicament, sends it away to the stomack or belly; & these also, being quickly wearied with such troublesome guests, lend away the humour by vomit, or by the stoole. There

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[There riseth a motion of a certaine fume about the heart, which motion is called pleasure.] Apuleius makes pleasure to be the childe of Cupid and Psyche : you fay, that it is the motion of a fume about the heart; of which Plyche cannot be the mother, nor Cupid the father. There are oftentimes fumes about the heart, which beget more pain then pleasure; and there are pleasures, where are no fumes at all. What fumes are there in beautifull objects of the eye, with which it is delighted : Musick affords pleasure to the eare, but no fume at all: and so the other senses have their pleasures in their objects without fumes; for pleasure is nothing else, but the apprehension of a convenient object, or its species rather, which object is the efficient cause of pleasure. The forme or essence of pleasure consisteth in the fruition of that convenient object, either by judging of it, if present; or by remembring it, if absent. If from this pleasure there proceed an elation of the mind, by diffusing of the spirits, this wee call joy. Againe, if pleasure consist in fruition, it is rather a rest then a motion. Besides, if pleasure be the motion of a fume, what think you of the foule ? Sure, there are no fumes, and yet there is pleasure in the soule. And Angels have their pleasures too without fumes; for, I beleeve the fumes in Popist Churches doe as much please the Angels, as they affright Divels. Did Paradise, the garden of pleasure, called therefore Eden, beget many fumes about Adams heart : Or, are there greatest pleasures, where there be most of these cordiall fumes ? I think, that where is most heat, there are most fumes; but so a lion should have more pleasure then a man : for, the lions heart is hotter, and so our hearts are hotter in burning fevers, then in health. Moreover, when at the first sounding of musick we take pleasure, that pleasure quite vanisheth

vanisheth, if we grow weary of the musick; do the fumes then vanish also ? Lastly, if beatitude consists in pleasure, as many think, then it is within our felves, having thefe fumes; and fo we need not goe farre to be bleffed. But why should the fumes about the heart be pleasures, rather then the fumes about the braine, seeing in the brain is the phantasie and apprehension, as also the originall of the senses ? Now, pleasure consists in feeling and apprehension, so that pleasure encreaseth as the sense and apprehension doe. I beleeve, Tobacco-fuckers and Winebibbers will hardly admit of your Philosophy, who define their pleasure by the motion of fumes in the braine, rather then about the heart.

[All that moveth the heart is either paine or pleasure.] Physicians tell us, that the heart is moved by the vitall Pag. 298. spirits; the Aristotelians by the heat, which is the soules instrument: the heat moves it upward, the hearts owne weight moves it downward, and this is that they call stole and diastole; not a compounded motion, but two feverall motions, proceeding from divers principles ; for, no naturall motion can be compounded, nor can two contrary motions make up one, nor is motion made of motions : and not only are these two motions opposite in the heart, but also different in respect of time. Secondly, paine and pleasure are passions of the appetite; for every motion in the sensitive appetite is passion, caufed by externall objects, being apprehended as good or evill : but passions are not agents. Thirdly, what paine or pleafure moves the childes heart in the mothers belly, or our hearts when we fleep, or a heart after it's taken out of the bodie ? We see it moves, so long as any heat or spirits remaine in it: but you will hardly beleeve, that paine or pleasure moves it. Fourthly, if pain and

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and pleasure move not the senses, but the species of such objects (which are convenient or inconvenient for us) cause this motion, and of this ariseth paine or pleasure; how can these move the heart, which never moved the sense ?

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[The effect, which we call paine, is nothing else but a compression.] Paine is not a compression, but the effect of compression, and not of this neither; for some pleasing compressions there are, but of compression, as it is offensive or hurtfull to our nature : Neither [are they generally hard things which breed paine in us, and those which breed pleasure oily and soft,] as you fay ; for there are divers foft and oily things, which, being touched, would not cause any pleasure in us. A Toad is soft, gold is hard; but as the touching of this breeds no paine, fo the touch of that begets no pleasure. [Neither is the heart extremely passive, by reason of its tendernesse and heat,] but rather active; for heat is an active qualitie, and where is most heat, there is most activity : therefore is the fire the most active of the elements, and the heart the most active of all our members, because of heat. And how the heart is exceeding tender, I know not; the flesh of it is not so tender as of other parts. [Feare in its height contracteth the (pirits, and thence 'tis called Stupor.] Sorrow contracteth also the spirits; what difference then do you put between sorrow and stupiditie ? You should have faid, a sudden contracting; for stupor suddenly contracts those spirits, which forrow doth leasurely, and by degrees. Secondly, you should have distinguished stupiditie; for there is one that comes of feare, another of admiration. Thirdly, feare and stupiditie are not the fame thing; for insfeare there is an inordinate motion of the spirits, in stupiditic there is an immobility of the same .

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spirits. [Passion is nothing else but a motion of the bloud and Pag. 306.c.35. [pirits about the heart.] There is a continuall motion of the spirits and bloud about the heart, even when wee fleep; is there then also a continuall passion ? I think, in fleep men are feldome troubled with paffions. Secondly, if passion be continually in us, then passions and patible qualities are ill distinguished by Logicians, which make the one transient, the other permanent. Thirdly, passion is the motion of the sensitive appetite, which is moved by the object, and from it receives its specification, as from its forme; how then can it be folely the motion of the spirits and bloud ? I grant, that in every paffion there is some alteration of the naturall motion of the heart ; that is, the fystole and diastole is more or lesse : but this alteration is caused by the passion, which is, as I fay, the motion of the sensitive appetite, not of the bloud and spirits, but secondarily and accidentally. Fourthly, every passion in us is either morally good or evill: but the motion of the spirits and bloud about the heart is meerly naturall; and therefore cannot be good or bad morally. Fifthly, every passion is not a motion; for joy, which is one of the fix passions of the concupiscible appetite, is a rest or acquiescence in the fruition of that good, which we defired, but now possesse. The other five indeed confist in motion, to wit, love and hatred, desire and flight, and forrow; and so doe the other five which are in the irascible appetite, to wit, hope and despaire, feare and audacity, and anger : but these are the motions of the fenstive appetite, not of the spirits and bloud, as is said. [Birds are more musicall then other creatures, because they are Pag. 318.c.36. of a hotter complexion.] If this were true, then Ostriches, Eagles, and Hawkes, should be more musicall then Larks and Nightingales; for, they are farre hotter: And birds arc

are hotter in the dog-dayes, then in the spring; and yet in the dog-dayes they are mute, and vocall in the fpring: neither do they sing as you say, [because they require more aire to coole them,] for their finging, being a strong motion, (as fome birds by too much and too eagerly finging, have killed themselves) should rather heat then coole them : it is not therefore heat; but emulation which is stirred up in them by some sharp and sympathising found; or elfe the delight and pleafure which they take in the weather or aire, in which they are most converfant, and by it the spirits are cheered.

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The agreement and disagreement of the creatures [you Pag.332 ca.38. will not have to be caused by instincts, antipathies, and sympathies, but by downe-right materiall qualities.] This is petere principium; for, if I ask you, What it is that makes these materiall qualities affect or disaffect one another, you must be forced to flye to fecret instincts, and occult principles. Are they materiall and manifest qualities, that in the Torpedo stupefie the fishers hand, and in the Load-stone draw the iron, whereas other stones and fishes have the same manifest qualities, that the Loadstone and Torpedo have: Why do not other stones and fishes produce the same effects ? If by these materiall qualities you understand your Atomes, you must be forced to flye to occult qualities; for what cause can you give of the emanation of these Atomes from the Loadstone to the iron, more then to any other thing, but the sympathie it or they have with the iron? Would you have me tell you the causes of sympathies and antipathies ? I will tell you, when you can tell me the cause of the contrarieties that are betweene manifest qualities. Tell me why heat is contrary to cold. 'Tis modesty and ingenuity to confesse our ignorance in those secrets which God

God hath purposely concealed from us, to teach us humility, for the pride of our first Parents, in affecting the forbidden fruit of knowledge; and that we should account all knowledge here but ignorance; in respect of the excellent knowledge of Chrift, in whom are hid all the treasures of wildome and knowledge. This we know, there are divers contrary, and also fympathising principles in nature, which are the caufes not only of occult, but likewise of manifest qualities : but to demand the reason of these, is to search into those secrets of God, the knowledge of which is referved for us in a happier life, then this we now enjoy. And to flye upon every occasionto Democritus his Atomes, is a poore asylum. Why cannot qualities produce the same effects which your Atomes do ? Do not you see how the found of Musick, or the words of an eloquent Orator, which are but qualities, worke forcibly upon the affections ?

You fay, [the impression which the mothers imagination Scet 62. makes upon the child, is by meanes of the spirits conveyed from Pag. 330.c. 38. the head unto the feed.] If you will affigne us the prime cause, you must ascend higher, to wit, to the soule it felf, which is both the mover, the forme, and finall cause of the body: which foule fendeth not only the spirits from the head of the parent, but from all parts of the body, as it doth the feed; for therefore the feed containes potentially all the parts of the body that shall be, because it is derived from all'parts of the parents body actually inbeing: and as the foule conveyes the fpirits unto the feed, fo doth it likewife the formative power, by which the impression is made; not in the seed, which is not capable of fuch impressions, whilst it is seed, but afterwards in the Embrio; which formative power doth not all its worke at one time, but fucceffively; first, transforming

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parts and members, and then making the impression on

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the childe, being now capable to receive it. In the conclusion of your first Treatife, [You call qualities unknowne entities, and you will have us prove, if in nature there be such.] If qualities be unknowne, then tell me what it is we know; for fubstances we know not, but as they are cloathed with their accidents or qualities. Take away heat, colour, light, levity, and other qualities from the fire in your kitchen, and how shall you know there is fire there? and what will your Cooke fay, if you bid him dreffe your supper with fire, wanting these qualities ? We have no knowledge but by the senfes, to which, neither the forme, nor the matter of things are obvious, but by their qualities, therefore if fubstances be known to us by their qualities, much more known must the qualities be; according to the old rule, Propter quod unumquodque est tale, &c. 2. To bid us prove qualities, is to bid us prove that fire is hot, and water cold; or to prove that you are a learned Gentleman, a good Philosopher, a wife States-man: and I pray you, are not learning, wisedome, goodnesse, qualities? from whence proceed all alterations in the world? do they not from qualities? the fubstance is still the fame. When water which before was cold, is now hot, hath loft neither its matter, nor forme, it is the fame water still, onely altered in its quality. Are not you fometimes angry, fometimes pleased, sometimes fearefull, sometimes bold, sometimes fick, sometimes healthie? you are not still glad, but sometimes Jad; what is it in you that is thus altered ? not your body, nor your soule, which are still the same subjects of all these passions: the alterations then are in the passions, or qualities themselves. I beleeve these entities

are not unknowne to you as you are a man: Homo es, humani à te nihil alienum puto. Laftly, if qualities must be proved, then I must prove that there is motion, action, and passion in the world; but you'l fay these need no proofe : fo fay I, and consequently, neither need we prove, that there are qualities, for if there were not heat in the fire, there could be no calefaction in the water. The perfection of substances confisseth in their operations, but take away qualities, you take away all operation, and by consequence, the perfection of substance; nay, you must deny all generation and corruption in nature, if you deny qualities, for by their fervice the matter is prepared to receive the form, or lose it, and they are infeparable hand-maids, waiting on the formes as their mistant fress.

[The body is a meere passive thing.] What think you of Sect 64. the celestiall bodies: are they meerly passive: if they be, Pag. 342. Conclus. what is it that works upon this inferiour globe ? Are the Sun and Moone meere paffive bodies, by which all things here have light, life, motion, and vegetation ? But perhaps you meane not celeftiall bodies: Then come lower; Are not the animall and vitall spirits bodies ? and yet they are active, not meerely passive : and if they were not active, they could not unite the foule with the body, as they do; but, unire est agere : nay, what say you to your little Pages, the Atomes ? they are bodies you confesse, and yet not meerly paffive; for in this Treatife of yours, they have done you Knights-fervice. Neither am I of your opinon when you fay, [that rare and dense is the Pag. 342. primary and adequat division of bodies.] For there is in bodies a division more prime then of dense and rare; to wit, of hot and cold; for rarity is but the effect of heat, and denfity of cold; now the effect is not the prime

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prime but posterior to its cause. Though we have not sworne to defend Aristotle in all his Dictats, yet, till we know better, we will adhere to his: If you can informe us of principles more consonant to truth, wee will follow you, and leave him; for neither Plato, nor Aristotle, but Truth is it we fight for. But indeed, wee doe not find your Philosophy answerable to your paines, or our expectations. I will not dispraise your endeavours, nor will I promise to follow them. I honour your worth, I admire your paines, but I dislike your tenets. Your good parts deserve my love, but your principles convince not my judgement : therefore afford me the same libertie in dissenting from you, which you assume to your selfe in deviating from Aristotle, whom notwithstanding you thinke you have exactly followed in your opinion of Atomes. But if my judgement faile me not, in this you are mistaken : for, though hee denies not minima naturalia, or atomes in bodies, which are parts of the whole; yet hee never affirmed, that all actions, passions, motions, mutations are performed by them : much lesse was he of your opinion, that light, heat, cold, and other qualities were atomes or corporieties, but through all his workes, when hee hath occasion to speak of them, he makes them distinct entities, and placeth them in distinct predicaments: Therefore father not these your Atomes upon Aristotle, but set the right faddle on the right horse; and let Democritus enjoy his owne conceipts, to whom by right these atomes belong, and not to Aristotle.

Sect.66. Pag.344. Soncluss. Though Metaphysicall principles be of a higher straine then Physicall, yet we must not [set them apart, and make nouse of them in the compositions, resolutions, and motions of things,] as you would have us; for, both the subject of Physick

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Physick is subordinate to Metaphysick, and the principles of that demonstrable by the principles of this. How can you know exactly a naturall bodie, and its affections and principles, if you know not what is entity, essence, existence, act, possibility, & c? The thing defined, cannot be knowne but by the definition, nor this without the genus and difference. If you know not what is animal, you know not what is man. How shall wee know without Metaphysick what your active atomes are ? whether they be bodies or spirits, corruptible or incorruptible, substances or accidents, perfect or imperfect, &c ? By the touch-stone of Metaphysick we must try the goodnesse of your new coined opinions : but you wrong the learned Aristotelians, when you fay [that they imagine positive enti- Pag. 344. ties to the negatives of things, as to the names of points, lines, instants :] for they never called names and negatives positive entities; nor are the names of points, lines, instants, negatives with them : and though they did imagine fuch to be positive entities, yet they doe not hold them to be fo indeed; for, you may imagine or conceive darkneffe or blindnesse under the notion of positive entities, though you know them to be privations. And indeed, wee cannot imagine privations and negations without some reflexion on their habits and affirmations; because entities are only the objects of the intellect. You shall do well to name the Aristotelians, who are guilty of this your accufation.

You would make Aristotle a weak Logician [if hee Sect.67. Should meane by qualities nothing elfe but a disposition of Pag.345. parts,] as you fay. But he is of another mind; for qualities are with him in one predicament, the disposition of parts in another, to wit, in the Category of Site: therefore your definitions are lame, for want of Logick and Metaphysick;

Metaphysick; for you define [beauty, a composition of parts and colours in due proportion,] whereas beauty is a qualitie, composition an action, and proportion in the predicament of relation. So when you define [health a due temper of the humours,] health is not the temper of humours, but is the effect of this temper: For, as sicknesse is an affection hurting and hindering our naturall, vitall, and animall actions; fo health is an affection, preferving and maintaining these actions in safetie: but affections are qualities. Neither is *Lagility* a due proportion of *spirits*, and strength of sinewes.] as you define it; for, proportion is a relation, but agilitie a qualitie. Besides, there is in Elephants a due proportion of spirits, and more strength of finews then in a Mouse or Weasle, and yet no waies that agilitie. And as bad is your definition of Science, which, you fay [is nothing else but ordered phantasmes,] whereas I have ordered phantafmes of contingencies, corruptible and individuall things, and yet of these there is no science. Though I have ordered phantasmes of the effect, yet, for want of the knowledge of the cause, I have not the science of it; for, scire est per causas cognoscere. And, if you take phantasmes for the objects of knowledge, as they are in the phantafie, fure science cannot be phantasmes, no more then the eye can be the colour which it fees : Knowledge or Science, and the thing knowne, are relatives ; but these are opposites : therefore not the fame. Laftly, science is a habit, phantasmes are patible qualities, if you speak of the objects in the phantafie; but these are different species of qualitie.

Seff.68. Pag.345. Concluf. You conclude your first part pleasantly, making your lelfe merry in these fad times, but with your owne shadow and conceipts, playing with these, as a Cat doth with her owne taile. You make the *Aristotelians* speak absurdities

absurdities of your owne invention, and of which they never dreamed, and then you laugh at them, comparing them to a boy, that, by adding Bus, turned all English words into Latine. Thus, Turnus-like in the Poet, you fight not against Aneas, but his Image, or rather your owne imaginations; and you play upon these Sampsons, who can eafily pull down, with the ftrength of their arguments, this temple of your large difcourfe, which you have been so many yeares in building. If you were not a Gentleman, whom, for your good parts, I honour, I could fay, that the boy was not fo much to blame for Bus, as you are for being too busie in jeering at such eminent men, and at those Maximes which have been fo unanimoully received by all Universities, and for so many hundred yeares constantly maintained; but your worth and my modestie enjoyne mee filence, and restraine my pen from recrimination.

But let us see what it is that you so play upon them for, [Because when you aske how a wall is white, they answer, There is an entity, whose essence is whitenesse, in the wall : If you aske againe how whitenesse sticks to the wall, they reply, By meanes of the entity called union. If againe you aske, how one white is like another, they answer, 'Tis done by another entity, whofe nature is likeneffe.] Thus you make them very simple and ridiculous, and indeed, no wifer then the boy with his Bus, or rather Bussards then Philosophers. These men(whom you mock) fay, that [pradicare sequitur esse,]the wall is called white, because it is white; and it is white in concreto, because the Painter would have it so, by introducing whitenesse the abstract into it. But I will tell you, why whiteneffe is in the wall, & other accidents in their subjects; because they cannot subsist without them; and

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and they cannot fubfift without them, because their effence is to inhere. If you aske a reason of this their effence. I must leave you, and send you to the Author of nature. If you diflike the terme of entitie to be given to whitenesse, and union, and likenesse; then they must be non-entities: for the one or the other they must needs be, feeing there is no medium between entity and non-entity. But Philosophers are not so childish as you make them, when you will have them fay, that whitenesse sticks to the wall by meanes of union; this is to tautologife, not to fatisfie : they fay not then, that union unites whitenesse to the wall, but that accidents are united to their subjects, as heat to the fire, because without them the substance, whose ultimate perfection consists in operation, cannot work; nor the accidents, whose essence is inherence, without their subjects cannot subsist. So wee fay, that in mixture the fubstances are united, not by meanes of union, but of humiditie, which is the glue and cement in naturall compositions, as drinesse dissolves the union. Againe, one whitenesse is not like another, because of likenesse: that's childish; but because nature aimes at unitie, and in fimilitude there is a kind of unitie. The reason why shee aimes at unitie is, because there is most entity, where is most unity; multiplicity enclines to non-entity, from which nature flies as farre as shee can: and because she aimes at perfection, which consisteth in unitie; therefore she aimes at unitie. And because where there is division, there are parts; now parts being of the whole (which is the fame either generically or specifically with the parts) they refemble the whole, and each other in some fort : Or, if you aske mee the reason why two eggs are like each other, I answer, Because they have the

the fame qualitie. So then the identity of the qualitie is the cause or ground of similitude; and so faith Aristotle, ouoia we woiorns wis, they are like that have the fame 5. Metaph. qualitie; yet not qualities only, but other entities also cap.15. are the ground of, fimilitude: The thing generated, and the generator have the fame fimilitude, becaufe they have the fame effentiall forme. All things that are united in a specificall forme, have a specificall similizude; and they have a genericall fimilitude, that have the fame genus, and so equivocall effects are like their causes. So there is the fimilitude of actions, passions, quantities, relations, site, &c. And as the forme, whether estentiall or accidentall, is the ground of that fimilitude, which is called of participation; so entitie it selfe is the ground of that which is called the fimilitude of proportion. Thus man is like unto God, becaufe hee is an entitie as God is, but by participation; therefore like to him onely by analogie and proportion. And because the entities of God and of man are not of the fame order; therefore God is not like man, no more then you are like your pi-Eture, though perhaps your picture may be like you. Laftly, [you will not admit qualities, except we can shew you out of Aristotle a medium between naturall and logicall entities.] Then belike you suppose, that wee make qualities neither naturall nor logicall entities, but fome middle between both : but if you were versed in Philosophy, you will find, that Aristotelians make qualities naturall or reall entities; and therefore place them directly in the predicament, which is the receptacle of reall entities onely. You would take it ill, if any should tell you, that the habits of wisedome, learning, &c. the naturall faculties of seeing, bearing, &c. which are in

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you, as likewise your *passions* and *patible qualities*, with your *forme* and *figure*, were not naturall and reall enti-ties. But this shall suffice briefly to have pointed at some of your deviations, which I have done hastily, not having time to make a full furvay of your Treatile. Let us now pass to your second Discourse, and see whether your in-fight in the nature of the Soule, be as good as that which you have made shew of in your Treatife of the nature of Bodies.

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N your Preface you traduce Philoso- sect.1. phers [for turning all bodies into spirits, Pag.352. because they make heat and cold to be of it set indivisible, a thing by it selfe.] This is a great mistake, for neither do they make heat and cold in themset indivisible, but divisible rather,

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to wit, into degrees: nor do they make them things by themfelves, but they fay, that they have no being, except in and by their fubjects; fo neither doe they make them indivifible, in respect of parts, but they hold qualities partible, according to the parts of the bodie in which they are. And if they did, yet it will not follow, that therefore they turne bodies into spirits; for spirits are not free from divisions: nor are qualities bodies, as we have already shewed; nor can bodies be turned into spirits, except you meane such spirits as flie up and downe your nerves and arteries. And indeed, not Philofophers, but the Masser Priests are guilty of your accusation; for they, as it were, by magicall words, turne the bread

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bread into a spirit, and they make the accidents of the bread to have effence and existence by themselves, without their subjects.

The nature of a thing apprehended, is truly in the man Sett.z. Pag. 356.c.r. who doth apprehend it, and not the similitude; because where there is a likenesse, there is a disimilitude, which is not in the thing apprehended; and therefore no likenesse, but the very thing it [elfe.] Then first, the thing containing and receiving, must be the fame with the thing contained and received, which is impoffible: Then fecondly, there will be no difference between the direct act of the intellect, in apprehending things without it selfe by the species or fimilitudes of these things; and that act which is called . reflex, when the intellect understands it selfe, without any species . though in this the apprehendent, and thing apprehended be the fame ; yet it cannot be fo in the outward objects. Neither indeed is the intellect every way the same as it apprehends, and as it's apprehended : it apprehends as the intellect, it's apprehended as an intelligible object. Then thirdly hone and the same object may be multiplied in an inftant to two or three thoufand pif there found be formany to look upon an object at the fame time. Fourthly, Tell us how an horned. beast, passing thorow a mans eie, should not hurt it; or a ftone thorow a dooking glasse, and not break it : but there must be a breaking of the one, and a hurting of the other, lif the very substance of the thing apprehended is truly and really in the eie or phantafie, or mind of the man apprehending, or in the glasse. Is the very substance of the seale, or onely the impression and species of it in the wax? Fifthly, The intellect is not the fame with, the thing apprehended effentially and formally; but onely fubjective (as they lay 3) for the intellect is the subject of the

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the received species, which of an abstract becomes a concrete, and which before the reception of the species was intellectus, but not informatus, till they come. Now, if the thing received by the intellect be a substance, then it cannot be one with the intellect, being they are both actuall entities; Ex duobus in actu non fit unum per se. Sixtly, If the intellect be every thing really what it understands, then by understanding or apprehending a horse, it becomes a horfe, and fo man must needs be a horfe, Exerc. 307. 6. faith Scaliger. Seventhly, If the intellect be effentially the fame thing which it apprehends, then the thing apprehended cannot be present or absent without the destroying of the intellect; but we fay accidents may, and therefore the species are but accidents, because by their coming and going the intellect is not destroyed. Eightly, There is nothing in the intellect which was not before in the sense; but if the substance of the fire be received into the chrystalline humor of your eye, before the wisory spirits can apprehend, or convey that fire to the phantasie, & thence to the intellect; either the fire wil burn up the chrystalline humour, or the moisture of the humor extinguish the fire, and so the intellect be deprived of its object. Ninthly, Give me the reason why a man seeth that which sometimes he perceiveth not : Our Peripateticks give the reason thus; because, though the chrystalline humour suffers in receiving the species, yet the vifory spirits act not by apprehending them, because the phantasie imployes them about some other object : but this could not be, if the substance of a man or horse be received into the cie; for it were impossible that such a substance could be received into the eye, and not perceived by the spirits in the eye. Lastly, There is a dissimilitude betweene the thing apprehended and the power apprehen-. ding,

ding, though you deny it : for, if there be no diffimilitude betweene the fire that is in your chimney, and that in your eye, then there must be the fame coales, heat, fmoak, and quantity, in your eye, that is in the chimney: if it were so, your braines could not avoid conflagration, nor your eyes a totall extinction.

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[A respect is no where to be found in its formall subsistence, cap. 1. p.359. but in the apprehension of man: the likenesse that one white hath to another, is onely in man, who, by comparing them, giveth nature and being to respect.] Then it seems there is no true and reall respect or relation betweene a father and his fon, a mafter and his fervant, a King and his people, but a meere notion in our apprehension; so that if men did not apprehend fuch notions, there should be no relation at all betweene these: So you are no longer a father, nor can your son be your son, but whilst you are thinking of it; and if you think not of it, nor dreame of it in your fleep, your fon hath loft his filiation, and confequently his tie of obedience and respect, which he oweth to you. 2. Our Philosophers were unwise men, to place relations in a predicament, which is the series of reall entities, if respects be meere notions; and so they ought not to be handled in Metaphysicks, if they be not reall entities. 3. What think you of that respect or relation which is betweene the Creator and the creature? or those relations which are in the persons of the bleffed Trinity? are they onely notions, and fuch as have no subsistence, but in mans apprehension ? 4. In relation there is opposition, but opposits differ really. 5. A refpect or relation may be really loft from its subject, and therefore 'tis a reall entity; for when you die, the relation ceaseth which you now have to your son, or he to you. 6. If all respects be notions, what distinction do

you make betweene those which are called relata realia, and relata rationis ? 7. Relations are so far from being meere notions, that in them there is a two-fold reality: The one, as they are accidentall formes, inherent in their fubjects; the other, as they import a respect to another, which is called its terminus. Laftly, they are faid to be like, which have the fame quality; to wit, of whitenesse, or such like; but if whitenesse be a reall entity, the likenesse, which is the identity of it, cannot be a notion : for Metaphysick tels us, that identity is reall: And what will you fay of that fimilitude which Adam had with God, or which a regenerated man hath, confifting in righteousnesse and true holinesse? Is this image of God in man, which by us was loft, and now by grace is repaired, a bare notion ? then will our happinesse, and joy, and hopes, and religion, confist rather in conceit then in reality :

Dii meliora piis, erroremque hostibus illum. Sect.4. [BEING or a thing (the formall notion of both which is Cap. 1. p. 360. meerly being) is the proper affection of man.] This anigma would trouble Oedipus, or Sphynx himselfe; for in your margin, by this word being, you understand existence: But is this the proper affection of man ? what becomes of other creatures ? have they no existence ? If they have, then it is not proper to man quarto modo. If they have not, then they are but entities in possibility; for existence is the actuating and restraining of the essence (which in it selfe is indeterminate, and in possibility) to actuality, which we call existence; therefore existence is not the proper affection of man, but of entity as it is in act, or rather the formality of actuall entity. Besides, if existence be the proper affection of man, what shall we fay of Angels, and other spirits; nay, of God himselfe : Is

Is there no exiftence in them ? Againe, exiftence is not an affection or propertie; for it is no accident, but the very effence of the thing actuated, which before was in poffibility; and therefore by *Philofophers* 'tis called actus primus, to diftinguifh it from properties and operations, which are called fecond acts; for a thing is first actuated by its existence, and then by its properties and operations. But what you meane by [the formall notion of both which, and of their meerly being,] I know not. Sibylla's leaves are not more obfcure, to which you may adde, [your stock of being, and the grafts inoculated into it,] for with fuch miss of metaphors you involve your Philosophy, against the rules and custome of Philosophers; and fo youleave your Readers, as Sibylla left hers, unfatisfied; thus,

Inconsulti abeunt, sedemque odere Sibylla. I wish Mr. White had helped you here, whose aid hath not beene wanting to you at a dead lift hitherto. I should trifle away too much time and paper, if I should infift or name all your fancies, of the tribes as you call them of predicaments, whole office you will have [to comprehend all the particular notions that man hath : and how you will have [all entities to be respective] and all notions to be grafted on the stock of being, &c.] Abundance of such stuffe, with which your booke is fraughted, I passe over, as being not worth the expence of time; and indeed, they refute themfelves. As likewife that you make [essence and existence the same] whereas they are one and the fame in God onely, but not in the creatures, in whom the effence and existence differ: for, whilst a thing is in its causes, it hath an essence, but no existence, till it be produced by its causes, and as it were quit of them. [All the knowledge we have of our foule, is no more but that

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it is an active force in us.] I hope you know more of the foule then this, to wit, that it is an immortall, immateriall fubstance, infused by God into the body, created of nothing, confifting of the intellect and will, capable of beatitude. You know also, I hope, that the soule had no being till it was infused into the body, and that it is not in a place as bodies are, by way of circumscription, and that it is all in all, and all in every part of the body, and that after death it immediatly goeth to hell or heaven, not lingring about the grave, or fleeping in the dust till the refurrection. But it seemes you have not very great knowledge of the soule, when you say [that a thing apprehended by the soule; becomes a part; or affection of the [oule ;] for neither hath the soule any parts, nor can that be an affection of the soule which comes from without.

In your 5. Chapter you make [I. Being to have a very neere affinity with the soule. 2. To be the end of the soule. Pag. 395. c.s. 3. To be the soules patterne and Idea.] For the first, there is small affinity betweene the soule which is a substance, and Being which is neither substance nor accident, but a transcendent. Being or existence is the generall affection of entity, so is not the soule : the body hath existence before the foule is infused, and when the foule is gone, it hath existence still: the body hath no more existence from the soule, then the soule from the body. 2. If being be the end of the soule, then it moved God to create it, for the end moveth, at least metaphorically; but sure nothing moved God, except his owne goodnesse and glory: and how can that existence which God gave to the soule in the creation, be the end of its creation? Is creation the end of creation 2, and the giving of being the end why being is given what can be more absurd? And wereas being is internall and effentiall to the foule, how Ni Q' U

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how can it be the end, which is an externall caule ; 3. Being is not the patterne or Idea of the foule; for Being is intrinfecall to the foule, fo is not the patterne or Idea, but extrinfecall: As, the Idea or patterne of a building is in the mind of the builder, but not in the houfe which is built : and if being is the end of the foule, how can it be the Idea ? for the end excites the action of the agent, but the Idea determinates that action; and thefe are very different.

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Trou will not have the understanding to be the objects it understands by way of similitude, but by way of respects.] Understanding is by way of similitude, not of respect; for your fon, who hath a neere respect or relation to you, doth not the more for that understand this your Booke; I beleeve he understands books written by strangers, to whom he hath no respect, better then these your intricate mysteries. There are relations and respects between inanimate or senslesse creatures, and yet no understanding : it is not therefore the respect, but the reception of the species into the intellect, and its assimilation or fimilitude with the intellect, that makes understanding. Befides, there are some respects grounded upon similitudes, then I hope there are some things understood by way of similitudes : I may truly say, all things, for nothing is understood, but what is in the understanding; and nothing can be there, but by way of similitude; every thing is intelligible actually, if its similitude be in the intellect actually. arrest and are a

[The amplitude of the foule, in respect of knowledge, is abfolutely infinite, that is, she is capable of knowing at the same time objects without end or measure.] Where is absolutenesse, there is no respect, how then can the soule be infinite absolutely in respect of knowledge? Is there an absolute

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absolute respect, or a respective absolutenesse of infinitie in the foule ? I thought God onely had been abfolutely infinite; and what odds will you make between Gods knowledge and mans, if the foule at the fame time is capable of knowing objects without end or measure? Gods knowledge cannot exceed this; for what can be knowne beyond infinitenesse and immensity ? And if the foule knowes at the fame time things infinite and immense, then the soule must be also infinite and immense: For the Understanding, and the thing understood is the same; but infinitenesse and immensitie are Gods proper attributes. For my part, I confesse that all I know of infinitenesse is, that I know it not. For this cause Aristotle proves, that the principles of naturall bodies can- Lib. 1. phyf. not be infinite, because they are knowne; for they could text.35. not be knowne, if they were infinite : And therefore Philosophers could not attaine to the knowledge of God, because of his infinitenesse, but onely by degrees reached to the knowledge of some of his attributes : as first, that he was an entity, then a mover; then they came to know his power, after that his wisdome, and then his goodnesse. And sure, all the knowledge we have of God in this life, is but the light of the Owles eyes to the Sun. Our Peripateticks are more modest, who say not, that the soule at the fame time is capable of knowing objects without end or measure, as you doe; but they say, that the facultie of understanding must be proportionated to the object. Now, the object of the intellect is finite, for nature acknowledgeth no infinitum actu. Infinitenesse by fucceffion there is, and fo she may know infinite things, that is, one thing after another in infinitum; for she knoweth not so much, but she may know more : yet she knoweth not infinite things actually or habitually, because actually

at the fame time she knoweth that only which hath one species; but infinitenesse hath not one species. Hence it is, that shee knoweth in infinitenesse one part after another; and fo, wee know not God in this life, because there is no proportion between his actuall infinitenesse, and our finite understandings. Nay, in heaven wee shall not know him by way of comprehension, though we shall then know his essence. And because wee cannot actually at the same time understand many things, therefore the intelligible species enter into the understanding successively. And if at any time wee understand many things together; it is, not as they are many or divers, but as they are united in one common notion or nature. So the Angels themselves understand not many things at once, but as they are united in one species, whether wee speake of those (pecies which are innate, or of those which they fee in the glasse (as they call it) of the Trinity. And this truth of the Peripateticks you seem afterward to yeeld unto, when you say, that if knowledge be taken properly, we doe not know eternity, however by supernaturall helps we may come to know it.

come to know it. [All things which within our knowledge lofe their being, doe fo by reafon of their quantities.] Quantities are not attive; therefore nothing can lofe its being, by reafon of them. When a man dieth, hee lofeth his being, as man; and yet the fame quantitie remaines that was before in the bodie. If you fpeak of the formall being of things, they are loft, not by reafon of the quantitie, but by reafon of the introduction of another forme, which expells that forme that was; as, the forme of the chick expells the forme of an egge, and then followeth a change of the quantitie: but if you fpeak of materiall being, that is not loft at all, the matter being eternall, and

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so quantity, which followeth the matter, remaineth too, but indeterminate, till the forme come, which restraines and confines the exorbitancie both of the matter, and ofits quantity.

You say [that those Philosophers, who search into nature, Sect. 10. Pag 419. c.9. are called Mathematicians.] They are fo by you, but by whom else are they so called ? They use to be termed Physici, naturall Philosophers; but for Mathematicians, they confider not nature at all, neither the matter, nor the forme of things, but bare accidents; not as the naturall Philosopher, (who handles them as affections of naturall bodies) but as they are abstracted from all sensible matter: So the Geometrician confidereth continued quantities, the Arithmetician discrete quantities or numbers, Astronomers motions and measures of celestiall bodies, Optieks light and shadowes, Musicians sounds.

[All life consisteth in motion, and all motion of bodies cometh from some other thing without them. The soule can Pag. 420. c.g. move, without receiving her motion from abroad.] First, all life confifteth not in motion : for, there is life in spirits, without motion; so there is in bodies too: In Dormise and other fleeping creatures in Winter, in trees at the fame season, in women that are troubled with histerica passio, they have life, and yet no motion at all. Secondly, life confisteth not in motion; for it is not the action, but the act of the foule; not "goon, but interfexera. Life confifts in union; but this is rather rest then motion. Life is not in the categorie of action. From life proceed divers actions : as under standing, sensation; motion, nutrition, generation; but actionis non est actio. It's true, that life is manifested by motion; but it consisteth not in motion: for the soule, being separated from the bodie, liveth, but moveth not. Thirdly, all motions of bodies come not from

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from without; for the forme is the caufe of motion, but the forme is not an *externall* caufe. Though your hand, in flinging up a ftone, be an externall mover, yet when the ftone falls downward, it is moved *internally*, by its owne forme. What externall mover is that which moveth the *heart*, even when it is *feparated* from the reft of the bodie : Fourthly, the foule moveth not, but by receiving her motion from abroad : for, as all things have their formes from the first caufe; fo from the fame caufe they have their motion, which followes the forme, *dans formam*, *dat confequentia*: therefore the Apostle tells us, it is in God wee live, and move, and have our being.

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You are troubled with phancies, when you tell us [of a perfect, and imperfect soule; that, you call a knowledge, an art, a rule, &c. and this, you call a participation of an Idea. So in our thoughts, you make some part of them corporeall, and some spirituall. In the soule you will have no accidents, but all to be soule that is in her.] We fay, that every bodie is perfect in its owne kind; so that there is no imperfect bodie in the world : but how one soule is more imperfect then another, you must tell us, if you will have us be your disciples. The effence of every thing is indivisible; but the soule is the essence of the living creature, and the effence of the thing is the perfection of it. A negative imperfection there is in the creature, compared to the Creator : so in mens soules, compared to Angels; because they have not these perfections : nor are they capable of them in that estate they are now in, except their species be altered; and yet the soules are perfect in their owne kind : for, perfectum est, cui nihil deest. Thus a Diamond is a perfect stone, though it hath not the perfections of man. But a privative impersection is not in any ioule,

foule, because there is nothing wanting that ought to be in the soule (I speak here of naturall faculties, not of supernaturall grace) if there be some failing or defect in the organs, by which the foule worketh, that imperfection to no more to be imputed to the soule, -then want of skill to an expert Musician, because his Lute is out of tune. Secondly, when you call [the soule a knowledge, an art, a rule,] you make the soule an accident, or a collection of accidents, and fo, you are more injurious to the soule then Hippocrates and Galen, who beleeved it to be nothing else but a celestiall heat. Thirdly, what you meane by [an imperfect soule, which (you fay) is the participation of an Idea,] I know not. Fourthly, neither can I tell [how: some part of our thoughts are corporeall, and some [pirituall,] seeing they are actions, and accidents of the foule. Fifthly, if there be no accidents in the foule, then there be no habits, nor actions, nor intelligible species in her; for these are meere accidents, but such are in every foule, or elfe you must deny, that there is either knowledge or wildome, goodnesse or evill in the soule. 'Tis true, there are not materiall accidents in her, because she is free from materiality; yet, in that she is not a pure act, as God is, there is in her a potentiality, whence arife these spirituall and immateriall accidents which be in her.

To be in a place, is nothing else but to be in a circumstant body. It is absurd to say [it is] therefore [it is somewhere.] Pag. 424.6.10. it is an eminent property of a separated soule to be nowhere, and yet severy where.] Place is not a bodie; for then two bodies must be in one place, which nature abhors. Neither is place any part of a bodie : not the matter, because the matter doth not containe as the place doth, but is contained; nor is it the forme, for the bodie may be Teparated from the place containing, without any hurt to

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to the bodie contained : sp cannot a bodie be separated from its forme, without its destruction. And if place were either matter or forme, there would be no motion to a place; for, bodies move to their place, because they are not in it; they move to enjoy that they want : but bodies having and enjoying already their matter and form, cannot move to have or enjoy them; therefore place is not a bodie, but the superficies of an ambient bodie, or rather the concavity of that superficies. Secondly, it is no absurditie from the existence of a thing, to prove the ubiety of it; for whatloever is, must necessarily be fomewhere, except God, whose centre is every-where, his circumference no-where. And though spirits are not in a place, by way of circumscription, as bodies are, whose extremities fill the vacuity of the containing superficies; yet they are in their ubi, by way of definition or defignation; that is, whilst they are here, they are not there: whilst the Angel Gabriel is with the Virgin in her chamber, hee is not the fame time in heaven; and whilst our soules are here present in their bodies, they are absent from the Lord, saith the Apostle. And though Angels and our soules are in bodies, as in their ubi, yet they are not there as in a place; for neither is there any dilatation nor condensation of the bodies upon their entering in, no more then there is of the aire in your chamber upon the shining of the Sun beams in it : Or, if they be in a place, they are not there by any quantitative, but by a virtuall contact. Thirdly, you make it [the eminent property of a [oule to be no-where, and yet every-where.] But if the soule be no-where, it is nothing; and if every-where, it is God, whose property it is indeed to be every-where, by his essence, power, and providence : but how the soule can be every-where, and yet no-where, is one of your riddles. I think

think you have read that passage in Seneca, Nusquam est, qui ubique est. But, indeed, neither are the soules nowhere, nor are they every-where; not no-where, for ubietie is fo neceffary to created entities, that (like Hippocrates twins) they live and die together : Tolle (patia corporibus, & nu (quam erunt, & quia nu (quam erunt, omnino non erunt. What S. Austin speaks there of bodies, must be also un- Epif. s7. derstood of spirits; for, no reason can be given why spirits should have more priviledge to exist without their Ubi, then bodies have to exist without their place. And how can wee imagine, that a spirit can work or produce any effect, except the caufe and the effect, the work and the worker have a locall co-existence ? Therefore Plato In Timeo. faid well, that what is not contained within the com-part.3. passe of heaven and earth, cannot be at all. And so faith Aristotle, that which is no-where, is not. If Sphinx be 4. Physit. 1. no-where, there is no such creature. And to fay, that foules are every-where, is to oppose both Divinity and Philosophy : for the one teacheth us, that ubiquity is Gods. property; the other, that Intelligences, which are of a more eminent effence or nature then our foules, are not in every part of their orbe, but in that onely which moveth most swiftly. As their essence is finite, so is their existence, and so is their Ubi. As they cannot work everywhere, so they cannot be every-where. The soules departed then are in their Ubi, which excludes ubiquitie.

You fay [you have explicated how time is the motion of Sett. 14. the heavens.] You had need explicate this well; for Pag. 424.C. 10. how the measure can be the fame thing with that which it measureth, I know not. Now, time is the measure of motion, but not of celestiall motion: for time, being the affection of that motion, must needs be after it; but a

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measure is naturally before the thing measured; and the cause is the measure rather of the effect, then the effect can be of the cause, saith Scaliger : Therefore, as the. first bodie is the measure of other bodies, so is the first motion the measure of other motions. And nature by motion measureth time, because by motion shee begets time; but wee make time to measure motion, when wee fay, so many degrees of the equinoctiall have moved in fuch a time. Againe, time cannot be motion, because time is the fame every-where, but motion is not the fame: one time is not fwifter or flower then another, but one motion is fwifter or flower then another motion. Befides, it is a received opinion among Divines, that the motion of heaven shall cease after the resurrection, being the motion of the Sun, Moon and Stars is a part of that vanitie, to which the creature is fubject; and of this motion there shall be then no use, either for distinction of times and seasons, or for generation, corruption, and alteration of fublunary bodies : but though this motion shall cease, yet time shall not cease, except it be that which is caused by their motion, to wit, houres, dayes, yeares, Ge. But that time, which consisteth in the succession of dura--tion or motion of any other thing, whether it be of our bodies, or of our thoughts, that time, I fay, shall not -cease. To be briefe, time is not the motion of heaven, because that motion is onely in heaven, as in its subject; but time is every-where, and in every thing : neither is -that time, which is caused by the motion of the first movable, the same that inferiour motions are, because they are separable; for the heaven might move and cause time, though there were no inferiour motion below: and there may be motions here below, though the heavens
vens stood still. The wheele of a clock would go, though the heavens moved not : And fosuah did sight, though the Sun stood still.

[Though a separated soule confists with time, yet shee is not Sect. 15. in time.] If you understand by being in time, to be mea- Pag. 425. c. 10. fured by time, and to be overcome by it, I yeeld; for so, whatsoever hath a perpetuall being; is freed from the lawes of time, faith Aristotle, Tà dei ovia En Esu en xesue, 4. Physic. is is ue Jei) to elvas auff the gove And to motion onely is in time, to wit, per se, & primo, because it is motion only that primarily, and by it selfe is measured by time; for time is the number and measure of motion per prius & posterius : And therefore motion, having of it selfe and primarily, prioritie and posterioritie, it is onely primarily and of it selfe in time, and other things but in respect of motion. As for spirits, because they have no dependence on time, nor on the motion of the first sphere, neither in respect of their being, nor of their conservation, they cannot be said to be in time : for, to be in time, includes three things : first, to be measured : secondly, to be comprehended : thirdly, to be mastered and confumed by time; and so onely corruptible bodies are in time, and yet these are not in time, but in respect of their motions and mutations: For the being or effence even of corruptible things confifts in indivisibilitie, and have not in them priority and posteriority, nor succession, which are necessarily required for time. But though spirits are not in time after the manner of corruptible bodies, yet they are in time, in respect of their locall motions, thoughts, volitions and operations, which require a succession, prioritie and posterioritie, and cannot be in an unstant : But this the Schoole-Doctors will not have to be called physicall.

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time, which confisteth in a continuated motion; but tempus discretum, being composed of divers minutes, or little stayes or delayes succeeding one another. And though their operations be indwisible in themselves, yet they, by succeeding one another, make up that discrete time, which is divisible : So unities and instances indivisible in themselves, make up numbers and time which are divifible : So then this duration of spirits, though it be indivifible and permanent, according to their proper being, yet it is variable, according to their operations proceeding from them. And though in respect of indivisibility and permanencie, they will have this their duration to be called, not tempus, but avum; yet they acknowledge them to be in discrete time, in regard of their succeffive operations; and they admit, that their avum is virtually divisible, having its succession, as it is co-existent with our time : And therefore the duration of Angels and separated soules is greater this yeare, then it was an hundred, or a thousand yeares ago, because they have been co-existent to a longer time. Besides, nothing but God can be faid to be exempted from time, because his essence, existence, and duration or permanencie, is all one: but in the creatures these are distinguished; for duration is extrinsecall, and accidentall to the effence of the creature, even of spirits; and therefore they are not the fame with their duration, but something else : they are in avo, as we are in tempore, although avum be not a fit terme to expresse the duration of Angels and soules, being it fignifieth the same that eternity, onely proper to God; for day is from de dy, and this is eternity : and God onely is eternall; knowing neither beginning nor ending, antiquity nor novelty : for the one supposeth an end, the other

ther a beginning, as Tertullian sheweth: Deus, si vetus est, In Marcion.1. non erit; si novus, non fuit: novitas initium testatur, vetustas finem comminatur.

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Not long ago you said, [The soule was nothing else but Sect 16. an active force,] now you call it [an indivisible substance, Pag. 426, 427; an actuall knowledge of all things, a skill, a rule by what it selfe is, that shee is all that shee knoweth; her nature is order. That there are some imperfect soules, and an interiour soule; that the amplitude of knowledge is common to all humane foules separated; that phanta mes are little bodies, which goe with the body; that life is a generall motion, preceding that moment in which shee becomes an absolute spirit.] And then you confesse, [you have engulfed your selfe into a sea of contradiction.] You have indeed, and I know not how to help you out, but by telling you, that if the foule be a substance, it cannot be a rule, a knowledge, a skill, an order; for these are accidents. Secondly, if the soule be all she knoweth, then shee needs no other knowledge but of her selfe; for in knowing her selfe, she knowes all things. Thirdly, if there be some imperfect soules, then God is not a perfect Creatour; for he immediately creates the foule, and infuseth it. Fourthly, and if there be an interiour soul, tell us which is the exteriour, or how many soules a man may have. Fifthly, and if phantasimes be bodies, how can they have their residence in the soule or understanding? Spirits may dwell in bodies, but that bodies should reside in spirits, I have not heard till now. Sixthly, neither doe youtell us a reason why these your little bodies should forsake the soule upon her departure, and goe with the bodie. Is not the understanding of a separated soule, as capable to lodge and entertaine such guests, as before ? Or, are these little bodies made of dust, that to dust they must returne? Seventhly,

Seventhly, have all separated soules the same amplitude of knowledge ? then the soule of Fudas in hell hath as much knowledge, as Abraham's soule in heaven; but I see no reason for it. Eighthly, if life be a motion, it is an imperfect thing, confifting not in effe, but in fieri; and so the life of man, both here and hereafter, cannot be perfect, no not in heaven. And in a separated soule, tell mee which is the mover, the motion and the mobile. Ninthly, tell us what this Shee is, that becomes an abfolute spirit : Is it the soule ? or is it life ? If the soule, then fhe was, before fhe was a spirit : If life, then motion may become a spirit. I see, it is not without cause you complaine of engulfing your selfe into the sea of contradiction. Help your selfe out againe, if you can.

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But you plunge your felte over head and eares, when Pag. 430. c. 10. you tell us, [That separated soules doe enjoy their knowledge, without the help of externall objects, phanta mes, instruments, or any other helps, having all things requisite in them selves.] This is to deifie foules, and to elevate them above the pitch of created entities. For the Angels themselves have not fuch an eminent knowledge, in that they stand in need of helps; both externall, to wit, that supreme light, and cleere looking-glasse of the Trinity, in which they see all things; as also of the innate species or idea, both of univer salities and of singularities, without which they can have no knowledge : therefore à fortiori, if Angels stand in need of fuch helps, much more must departed soules. Secondly, memorie remaines in departed soules, but memory or recordation is by help of the species laid up in the mind, to the understanding of which, when the mind applies it selfe, this is called recordation. Thirdly, though the intelligible species depend from the senfes and phantasie in their sieri, or being, yet they have no dependence

dependence from them in their conservation. For the sensible species in sleepe serve the phantasie, though the common sense, and all the outward, are bound up, and as it were dead. Fourthly, in Angels and départed soules there are divers habits both of love and knowledge, and vertue, yea, of tongues also in respect of entitie, though there be no use nor exercise (but after a spirituall way) of speaking: now habits are the caufes of action, and in vaine should they be left in the soule, if she by them did not worke, and actually understand : neither can the effect, to wit, actuall understanding, subsist without its cause, which is the habit; for this is fuch an effect as depends in its confervation from the cause. Fiftly, understanding, and the manner of understanding accompany the nature of the soule, but the nature of the soule is the same here and hereafter, therefore the manner of understanding must be the fame, to wit, by the species. Sixtly, Whereas the soules departed do specifically differ from the Angels, they must have a different manner of understanding, to wit, by discourse : but this way needs help, not of the phantasme or senses, (being all commerce with the body is taken away) but of the species. Hence then it is apparent, that departed soules stand in need of helps, and of objects of their understanding, and that they have not all things requisite in themselves : which objects are externall in respect of their effence, though the species be inherent or adherent to the foules: much more externall are these objects which they see in God, although God himselfe is not intelligible by any species, by reason of his immensity; neither doth the soule understand it selfe by any species, nor doth she know (except by revelation) what is done or doing here on earth; which she must needs know, if she had all things requisite for knowledge

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ledge in herselfe; but indeed, Abraham is ignorant of us, and Israel knows us not. Nesciunt mortui quid hic agatur, nisi dum hic agitur, saith S. Austin.

[Our looking upon the phantasmes in our braine, is not our Soules action upon them, but it is our letting them beat at our common (en(e, that is, our letting them work upon our foule.] The phantasie being a corporeall sense, cannot work upon the foul which is a spirit : it is not then the phantasie that works upon the foule, but the agent intellect refines, purifies, and makes more spirituall those phantasmes, or species which are represented by the phantafie, and fo impreffeth them in the passive intellect; and this is called understanding. The agent intellect is the force or quality of the soule mediating betweene the phantasse and passive intellect, framing the intelligible species, which the passive intellect receiveth, and so by the one power the foule acteth, and by the other (uffereth; but not at all by the phantafie, whose hand cannot reach fo high as to knock at the gates of the foule. It must then be a spirituall power that must worke upon a spirit : the passive intellect is rasa tabula, like cleane paper, having no innate species, or images of objects in it selfe, but what it receiveth from the active intellect; fo that the phantafie helps the understanding onely difpositive, not efficienter, being rather the materiall then efficient cause of understanding, furnishing those species which the active intellect refineth, and impresseth in the passive. If you should ask, whether our understanding is an action, or a passion, I answer, that it consists in both, for not only doth it receive the intelligible species, but also operats upon them. And this is that action of the foule which you deny: and what do you talke of [letting our phantasmes beat at our common sense :] The phantasmes will beat

beat whether you will or no. If you will not beleeve me, beleeve your owne dreames in fleep: I suppose your phantasmes then beat, when you could be content they would spare their labour, and be quieter. But so long as the spirits do make their intercourse betweene the phantasie and the common sense, there will be an agitation and beating of the phantasmes. But it seemes, you take the foule and common fense for the fame thing, when you say, Ethat to let the phantasmes beat upon the common sense, is to let them work upon the soule.] They may beat upon the one, and not work upon the other; for the foul fuffers not but by it felfe, and her fuffering is perfettive, not destructive, as that of the matter is. But she doth not worke upon, or deduce her selfe out of possibility into act, confidered as the same thing, but in respect of her divers faculties, whereof the one is the efficient, the other the patient, and refembles the matter : and if it were not fo, we should never actually understand; for what should excite the passive intellect to receive the species being purified and cleered from materiality, and those accidents which neither conduce to the essence, nor to the intellection, if there were not an active power, altogether impatible, immateriall, immortall, using neither corporeall organs, nor being mixed with corporeall senses, which we call the active intellect, and which irradiats & illuminats intelligible things, making them actually intelligible, which before were potentially only, as the light makes these colours actually aspectable, which in the dark were invisible?

[In the state of a soule exempted from the body there is neither action nor passion : which being so, the soule cannot die; for all corruption comes from the action of another thing.] This is but a weake argument to prove the soules immortality; for actions and passions do neither hinder N

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nor further it. In departed soules there remaine loco-motive actions, for they move from the body to their ubi, where they remaine till the refurrection, and then they fhall move again to their bodies; so the actions of understanding and will remaine in them. Shall any then conclude that the foules are mortall, because they are the fubjects of action, and of passion ? but their passion, as I faid is perfective. The same actions are in Angels both in moving and removing. Were the Angels that carried Lazarus his soule into Abrahams bosome mortall ? or that Angell that carried Habakknk, because of this action? Are there not also in Angels the actions of intellect and will ? Nay, action and paffion do rather prove immortality, and the ceffation of these, corruption : For, whilst the body is the foules patient, it lives; but when it ceafeth from suffering, and the soule from acting in it and by it, followes immediatly its corruption. What think you of the first matter which is the first subject of passion, and yet it is eternall à parte post? And if you take away all action and paffion from departed foules, you must abridge them of the joyes they have in the fruition of Gods prefence, and of their duty in praising him; fo you rob God of his honour, and them of their happinesse. Againe, we have shewed that habits remaine in departed foules, but to what end, if there be no action? for, Habitus est propter actionem; and indeed, actions are more excellent then habits. Againe, if there be neither action nor passion in the departed soules, they are in the state of death, rather then life; for life confisteth in action, though it felfe be no action; and the foule is an act, therefore cannot be without action : but death is a ceffation and rest from all action. If you had faid, that some actions cease in the soule after her departure, as generation, nutrition,

nutrition, and fuch as are the actions of the whole com. pound, you had faid somewhat; but to exempt her from all action, is to make her a dead body, not a living soule : and though corruption, as you fay, [is the effect of action,] or indeed, rather of paffion, yet it will not follow, that all action is the cause of corruption; for there are actions of creation, generation, conservation, &c. Lastly, you contradict your felfe, for here you deny actions in separated souls, but in the next Chapter, cap.11.p.439. you fay, [that the body hinders the soules operations, and that her actions will be far greater and more efficacious, when She shall be free from the burthen of her body.]

[To put forgetfulnesse in a pure spirit, so palpable an effect of corporiety, and so great a corruption, is an unsufferable er- Pag.433.c.11. rour.] I do not think oblivion to be an effect of corporietie; for, as the foul is the fubject of memory, which is one of her faculties : of recordation, which is the work of the intellect, viewing over the species : of reminiscence, which is a disquisition or unfolding of the same species, if they be clouded or confused; so likewise is the same soule the fubject of oblivion, as the fame eye is of fight and blindnesse, the same aire of light and darknesse, there being the fame subject of habit and privation. Now, there are habits in the foule departed as I have faid, fome actually there, as the habit of knowledge; some potentially, as in their roote and originall, such are the sensitive habits : where the habit is actually, there is the privation potentially; but where the habit is potentially, there the privation is actually, as the habits of feeing, hearing, &c. in the separated soule, make it cleere. And what we have faid of the habits, we may fay of memory, which is a power and faculty in the foule, by which she retaines the species:

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why then may there not be in her a deletion, losse, or abolition of fuch *species*, the *memory* whereof will make her rather *miferable* then *happy*? therefore the bleffed foules in heaven remember not the *vanities* nor *infirmities* of their former life : if they did, they could not be truly happy and joyfull; and fo the *oblivion* of fuch things, is not in them [*a corruption*,] as you fay, but a *perfection* rather. Therefore *Albertus Magnus* before his death prayed, that he might obtaine the oblivion of all former vaine knowledge, which might hinder his happineffe in the knowledge of *Chrift*.

Your Rhetoricall descriptions (which are both uselesse in, and destructive of Philosophy) make the soule sometimes equall with God, fometimes no better then a corruptible body; for to a separated soule you give those attributes proper to God, [is, freedome of effence, and fubsisting in it selfe, a comprehension of place and time, that is of all permanent and successive quantity, and the concurrence of infinite knowledge to every action of hers.] So you give to the soule independency, ubiquity, infinity, which three are Gods due. If you lay the fault of this upon your Rhetoricall expressions, I must answer you, that Rhetorick in fuch a subject may be well spared : use your Rhetorick when you will work upon the affections, but not when you will informe the understanding; for in this regard you do but cloud, not cleere the intellect. Rhetorick is like fire and water, a good servant, but a bad master; therefore ought not to be used, but with great discretion, especially in abstruse questions: For this cause, Logick was invented, to curb and restraine the exorbitancy of Rhetorick. If you will dispute like a Philosopher, you must lay aside Rhetorick, and use Philosophicall termes; otherwife

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wife you'l do as the fifh Sepia, to wit, you'l fo thicken the waters of your difcourfe, with that *liquor* that cometh out of your mouth, that you will make your felfe *invifible*, and delude the R eader, which is the fafhion of thofe, who dare not confide in the ftrength of their arguments; whereas *naked truth* cares not for fuch *drefsings*, nor feeks fhe after fuch *corners*. And indeed, you are too much in extremes, for you do not more extol a *feparated*, then you do abafe an *incorporated* foule, as you call it, in faying, [*that her being in a body*, *is her being one thing with the body* fbe *is* faid to be in :] for if fhe be one thing with the body, fhe hath the fame *effence* and *effentiall properties* of a body, which I beleeve you wil not fubfcribe to.

[Should a soule by the course of nature obtaine her first being without a body, and be perfect in knowledge, she must be a compleat substance, not a soule, whose nature is to acquire perfection by the service of the senses.] I. You suppose what is not to be supposed; for no soul can obtain her first being by the course of nature. 2. If she did, yet it were not repugnant to her nature to be perfect in knowledge. 3. Perfection in knowledge will not make her a complete substance. 4. Though the soule naturally acquires perfection by the service of the senses, yet that hinders not her bringing in of knowledge with her. Adams foul had perfect knowledge, as it was fit, being all the works of God were created in their perfection, and Adam was to be the Doctor and inftructor of his posterity, and because he was created both in the state and place of happinesse, which could not subsist without knowledge; yet Adams soule ceased not therefore to be a soule, or the forme of his materiall body, nor did her knowledge make her a complete fubstance; for in her substance she was no more complete then our soules are in our nativity. Neither did that know-

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knowledge which Adam brought with him, hinder his foule from acquiring, by the fervice of his fenses, a fuller measure of understanding; for hee neither had the knowledge of future contingencies, nor of the secrets of mens hearts, nor of every particular individuum of every (pecies, nor of every stone or fand in the world, which belonged nothing to his perfection and happinesse. If you'l fay, that Adams soule obtained not her first being by the course of nature, I grant it, nor was it possible fhe fhould : but by what course soever you imagine the foule to have her being, shee may bring perfect knowledge with her, and yet not cease to be a soule. But when you fay, [That no false judgements can remaine in a miserable soule after her departure,] you make the damned soules in hell in farre better condition then wee are here upon earth, who are subject to falle judgements, and erroneous opinions, even the best of us : but I am not of your mind; for, doubtlesse, false judgements are a part of that punishment which the wicked foules fuffer in hell. But if there be no falshood or errour of judgement in them, they must be in this point as happy as Adam was in Paradife.

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[If nothing be wanting but the effect, and yet the effect doth not immediately follow, it must needs be, that it cannot follow at all.] This inference will not follow at all; for wee fee many effects doe not immediately follow upon the working of the efficient, and yet follow at laft. The fire melts not the metall prefently, nor the Carpenter builds the house, nor the Sun produces corne, graffe, and fruits immediately, nor doth the Physician prefently cure diseafes; and yet all these are efficient causes, and actually work: the effects follow at leasure, and at last, though not immediately. You should doe well to distinguish between

between inipydan and inipymue, the working or operation, and the work it selfe. When the efficient is not only in its act of entity, but of caufality too, there followes immediately operation, but not opus; the working, not the work; the effect in fieri, not in esse. Againe, you must discriminate between voluntary and naturall agents; the one operate freely, the other of necessity. The soule is doubtlesse a voluntary, not a naturall agent; so that the effect may follow, though not immediately. And if in naturall causes the effect followes still immediately, it is where the effect is an essentiall property of the subject flowing immediately from the forme : as, heat from the fire, which not with standing produceth not heat immediately in water, or other subjects. Lastly, if your argument be good, they are not to blame, who held the eternity of the world : for, they reasoned as you doe, that the cause being eternall, the effect must immediately or eternally follow, or elfe not follow at all: But they should have knowne, that God was no naturall, but a voluntary agent; and though from eternity hee did actually exift, yet he did not from eternitie actually create : The act of entity in him was eternall, but not the act of caufality.

In the conclusion of your discourse you make nature play the Smith; for you fay, [If the dull percussion, which, by natures institution, hammereth out a spirituall foule from groffe flesh and bloud, can atchieve so wondrous an effect by such blunt instruments as are used in the contriving of a man; fifty or an hundred yeares time, muss forge out in such a soule an excellency above the forme of an abortive embryon.] You may with your Rhetorick as soon perswade me, that Minerva was hammered out of fupiters braine, by the percussion of Vulcans hatchet, as that the spiritual foule can by natures institution, or any dull percussion of hers, be

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be hammered out from groffe flefh and bloud. It is not nature, but the God of nature that is the efficient caufe of the foule : It's not *natures* dull percuffion, but *Gods* active infpiration that is the inftrument : It is not flefh and bloud, out of which it is *educed*, but into which the immateriall foule is *introduced*. The foule is not framed either in, or of the bodie, by the work of nature; but is infpired by the breath of the *Almighty*, who in the beginning breathed into *Adam* the breath of life, and fo became a living foule. Nature cannot hammer out fuch a piece as the foule is, though fhee had the help of *Vulcans Cyclopes*,

Bronte que, Sterope que, & nudus membra Pyracmon : She is of too pure a quintessence, and of too sublimated an alloy, to be extracted out of fuch groffe materialls as flefh and bloud are. After the bodie is articulated, the new created foule is infused, accompanied with her perfections, which she receives not from, but communicates to the bodie; and fo that rude masse of Aesh in the matrix becomes a man: And the fame foule which makes him a man, makes him lord over all the workes of Gods hands; by this he fubdues the wilde beafts, commands the earth, masters the ocean, measures the heaven, searcheth into the nature of herbs, trees, metalls, mineralls, ftones, &c. fore-tells celestiall changes, inventeth arts and fciences, and becomes the lively character and expresse image of the Almighty. Can nature then hammer fuch a divine effence out of groffe flesh and bloud ? It is questioned whether God himselfe can doe it, without implying a contradiction, which is fo repugnant to him. Nature indeed extracts the groffe soules of the beasts out of their groffe bodies, which, as they came of them, fo they dye with them; but the reasonable soule, being

1. the act of the bodie, and principle of all vitall operations: 2. being shee is a spirit, not capable of physicall matter and quantitie; for she is all in all, and all in every. part of the bodie : 3 . being shee is not onely the first act. of the organicall bodie, but also the very agent or efficient of the bodies organisation; therefore shee cannot be materiall, nor hammered out of the matter. 4. If shee were corporeall, either in her being, or in her extraction, the world could not be perfect or complete : for, as it is made up of creatures, some meerly spirituall, some meerly corporeall; so, for the complement and perfection of it, there should be some creatures partly spirituall, partly corporeall; and these are onely men. 5. The effect cannot exceed the cause in perfection and eminencie, but the soule farre exceeds the bodie. 6. Man had not been fit to rule over the corporeall creatures, if hee had not a spirituall soule, which onely is capable of reason and dominion; and not the bodily substance. 7. One species cannot beget another; but the soule is a species of spirits, far different from bodily species. 8. There can be no connexion between the superiour and inferiour creatures, but by certaine media, by which nature passeth from one extreme to another : therefore it was fit, that the spirituall and corporeall creatures, which are the extremes, should be united in that creature which is partly spirituall, partly corporeall; and this is onely man. 9. If the soule be not meerly spirituall, she cannot enjoy the vision of, nor friendship and familiarity with God, who is a spirit; nor can she be capable of any spirituall gifts. The Spirit of God cannot dwell but in a spirit; nor can that which is meerly corporeall be like unto God, or fee him as he is. 10. If the foules be materiall, they must be mortall; for we have no other reason to induce us to beleeve the

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the soules of beasts to be mortall, but because they are materiall, and educed out of the possibility of the matter. 11. As Chrift proved the truth of his body, by feeding upon bodily substances, so we prove the spirituality of the foule by her food and delights, which are not corporeall, but spirituall things; for knowledge, wisdome, truth, vertue, honefty, which are incorporeall things, are the foules chiefe delights, next to God, in whom only The refts, and with whom onely the is fatisfied. Fecifti nos Domine à te, & inquietum est cor nostrum, nisi requiescat in te. 12. If the soule be of the parents seed; or conveyed with it, the feed must needs be man, and so a reasonable creature, and confequently capable, as being man, of eternall joy or paine. 13. The operations of the foule are spirituall, such as be the actions of understanding and will. The principle then of these operations, which is the soule, cannot be corporeall; for no operation can in dignity of entity exceed the substance whence it ariseth, or the power and facultie of the soule by which she worketh, and which differs from the foule as the property doth from the subject; for as the potentia or facultie receiveth its specification from the act, so the act hath all its dignity from the faculty: now, if the faculty be spirituall, the soule which is its subject cannot be corporeall, for no indivisible quality can be inherent in a divisible subject. And as the faculty receives its specification from the act, lo doth the act from the object, and therefore the act by which we understand spirits, must be spirituall : And though in the act of conception we may fancie spirits to be like bodies, yet in the act of judgement, we know them to be immateriall subftances, and of a far other nature or effence then bodies; and this act is elevated above the senses, and abstracts the

the spirituall object from all sensible conditions. 14. The soule knows all bodies celestiall, terrestriall, simple, mixed, &c. which she doth by receiving these intelligible objects : but she could not receive them being corporeall, if she were not free from corporiety her selfe; for Intus existens prohibet contrarium : and she doth not receive them as the senses doe, to wit, superficially onebut she pierceth into their inmost natures, searcheth out their causes, properties, and effects; and yet higher, she riseth above the senses, by substracting bodies from individuation, and all sensible accidents, which the senses cannot do; and so she considereth them in their universalities, which is a kind of spirituality : but this she could not do, if she were not spirituall her selfe. 15. As the dissolution or corruption of the body dissolveth not the soule, neither doth the constitution or generation of the body give being to the soul; for if she hath her being from the body, she must decay with the body. 16. Liberty of will proves also the immateriality of the soule; for all materiat agents worke either by necessity, as the insensitive; or are led by instinct, as the animat, except man, who is master of his owne actions, and can promote or stay, suspend, and incline them which way he likes best : and in this he comes neere to the Angelicall nature, for, onely Men and Angels have this prerogative of free-will; inferiour creatures want it, because of their materiality, which determinats them to one kind of operation, and so to a necessary working that way; as, for the fire to heat, for a stone to fall downward. But such is the independency, and spirituality of mans soule, that no creature, neither Heavens, Stars, nor Angels, have any power to command or force mans will:

will: whereas all materiall entities are subject to mutation, by the influence and working of the fuperiour agents, to wit, the Angels, and the Heavens. 17. If the intellect or the foule were corporeall, fhe fhould be hurt and weakned by a vehement object, as the fenfes are; to wit, the eye with too much light, the eare with too violent sounds : but no intelligible object, be it never so strong and powerfull, hurts the intellect at all, but perfects it rather. 18. If the soule were corporeall, it would grow meak and feeble, and by degrees decay, as the body doth by old age; but we see the contrary, for the soule, even when the body is weakeft, is most active, and by old age rather perfected then weakned. 19. If the soule were corporeall, entity in its latitude could not be the adequat object of the intellect; for the materiall and organicall faculties are determinated by the matter to some particular objects: onely mans understanding, as likewife that of the Angels, have entity as entity for their object; that is, both uncreated and created; spirituall and corporeall, substantiall and accidentall entities : which could not be, if the intellect were not spirituall. 20. That this hath been the doctrine of the Church, of Fathers, of Councels, of Philosophers and Poets, is manifest to them, who are conversant in their writings : even Aristotle himselfe was of this opinion, though a few paffages in him have caufed fome to doubt. And the Scriptures, lastly, are plaine in this case, which we will not forbeare to alledge, though we deale with a Philosopher : Solomon tels us, that the spirit returnes to God that gave it. Christ commends his spirit into the hands of his Father. S. Paul fayes, that the holy Spirit beares witnesse with our spirits : in which places, the word spirit is used, as it is opposite to a corporeall

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reall substance. Apollinaris of Alexandria indeed held the fouls to be corporeal, and Tertullian too, but in that sense that he held God himfelf to be corporeall, to wit, a true & reall substance, and not imaginary or fictitious. And when we read in Athanasius, Basil, Damascen, and some others, that the soule is a bodily substance, we must know that they speake of her, not as she is in her selfe, but as she is compared to God, to wit, that both soules and Angels are infinitely diftant from that purity and excellency which is in the Divine Essence. in comparison of which, they are corporeall and groffe fubstances. And the more willingly they used to call the soule corporeall, because they would beat downe their heresie, which held the foule to be a part of the Divine Essence; such as were Carpocrates, Cerdon, the Gnosticks, Manichees, and Priscillianists; then which heresse none can be more pernicious, for it makes God changeable and divisible, and the soule altogether immutable, all-sufficient, eternall, omnipotent : these then are two dangerous rocks wee must avoid, to wit, deifying of the soul with the Gnosticks, and incorporating her with the Stoicks. He that holdeth the soule to be Particula divina aura, is a Manichee; and he that beleeves the foule to be a body, is a Sadducee : the one is injurious to God, the other to the soule; the one is the scholer of Carpocrates, the other of Cleanthes or Chrysippus, but neither of Christ.

[You will have a foule of fifty or a hundred yeeres standing, to be more excellent then the foule of an Embryon.] All fouls are of equal excellency and perfection, as well the foule of an Embryon, as of Aristotle; if you speake of the effentiall or specificall excellency, which is equally communicated to all the fingulars or individua of the fame species: for there is but one specificall difference by which man, and

and every particular man- is diftinguished from the beasts, so that one man is not more reasonable then another. It is true, that the genus may be more perfect in one species then in another, so man is a more excellent creature then a beast, because the difference of rationality, which is in man, is more excellent then the irrationality of beasts : but Peter is not a more excellent man then Paul, because the specificall difference is not more in Peter then in Paul; in respect of some accidentall differences, there may be some inequality, but these concerne nothing the nature or effence of man: even so, one soule may have more knowledge, or other accidentall perfections then another, in respect of fitter organs, and a better disposed phantasie; otherwise the same essentiall excellencie is equall in all, and the foule of a foole is not leffe excellent then that of Salomon, nor of an Embryon, then of him who hath lived a hundred yeares, except in accidentall perfections, as I have faid : for had the Embryons foule the fame perfection of organs, and phantafie that the soul of Aristotle had, she would exercise the same organicall acts that he did; the fame, I fay, that immediatly flow from, and depend upon the foule.

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[Among the Intelligences, the lowest knows as much as the highest, and yet the knowledge of the highest is infinitely more perfect and admirable then the knowledge of his inferiours.] The neerer any Intelligence is to God, the more perfectly doth he know his will, and the more acquainted he is with his counsels; the neerer he is to that Divine Light, the more illumination he must needs have: but the superiour Intelligences are neerer to God then the inferiour, and therefore better acquainted with his counfels. There is a greater measure of knowledge and other perfections in the superiour, then in the inferiour Intelligences

telligences, seeing the inferiour worke by the power of the superiour; and God, who is the God of order, not of confusion, will have a dependency of these inferiour spirits from their Superiours. Secondly, where there is a greater similitude with God, and a more lively representation of divine excellencies, there must be the greater knowledge; but this similitude is greatest in the superiour Intelligences. Thirdly, where are fewest intelligible species, and more universall, there is a more excellent way of knowledge; but such are the species of the superiour Intelligences, whereas the inferiour must make use of multitudes of species, which is an imperfection in knowledge. Fourthly, the inferiour Intelligences do not understand so exactly the nature of the superiour, as the superiour doe themselves, therefore their knowledge cannot be so great, as that of the higher Intelligences. Fiftly, can the lowest Intelligence as well understand the nature of that orbe, which the supreme Intelligence moveth, as he himfelfe that by his understanding moveth it ? I deny not but all the Intelligences immediatly behold the Divine Efsence, yet not all in the same measure and perfection: we looke upon the same Sun that Eagles do, but much more weakly then they; therefore doubtlesse the inferiour Intelligences must in knowledge yield to the superiour, who know things both sooner, and more exactly : so that what is revealed immediatly by God to the superiour, is communicated by them to the inferiour Intelligences. But whereas you make [the knowledge of these spirits equall, and yet the knowledge of the highest infinitely more perfect and admirable,] is to me an admirable riddle; for, can there be in equality an infinite inequality? this is one of your contradictions, and none of the least: If their knowlege be equall, it must be infinitely perfect in both, or elle

elfe it is not equall : befides, you must grant, there may be two infinits; which cannot be, because there must be fomething in the one which is not in the other, or else they cannot be discriminated; but there can be no *infinitude* where there is a *defect*.

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I like not your phrase [of a complete soule, completed in its body;] for the soule receives no completion or perfection in or from the bodie, but shee brought it with her. You should rather fay, that shee is incomplete in the bodie, because she becomes a part of the compositum, and every part is incomplete. She was complete before she informed the bodie, and she will be complete after she hath forsaken the bodie : Complete, I say, in her entitie, whether it be of essence or existence; and complete in her knowledge too: for wee know but in part here, and in anigmate. The souls of beasts have their completion from those bodies whence they have their originall, without which bodies they have no subsistence; but mans soule gives subsistence to the compositum, whereof the bodie is a part : so that the soule receives no more completion in or by the bodie, then an exquisite Musician hath in or by his Lute. The soule, being separated, ceaseth to informe the bodie; but doth not therefore cease to be complete, no more then a Lutenist ceaseth to be a Musician, when he layes aside his Lute.

You will have us [to supply what is wanting, before wee are called to our dreadfull account: which is soon done, if we be what our nature dictateth us to be; if we follow but reason and knowledge, our wants are supplied, our accounts are made up.] Wee shall make but a forry account, if wee follow such guides as our owne nature, reason, and knowledge: These are blind guides, which will lead us into the ditch. The Scripture tells us, that the naturall man comprehendeth not

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not the things of Gods Spirit, neither can he : That our 1 Cor. 2.14. naturall wisdome is entity against God; for it cannot be Rom.8.7. subject to the Law of God. Of our selves wee cannot 2 Cor. 3. 5. thinke a good thought; as of our felves. Our foolish Rom. 1.21. hearts are darkned. Our understanding is darkned. Wee Epbel. 4.18. were sometimes darknesse. The light shined in darknesse, Epbes. 5.8. but the darknesse comprehended it not. There is none John 1.5. that understandeth, none that seeketh after God. Wee are Rom.3.11. stiffe-necked and of uncircumcised hearts, and have alwaies resisted the holy Ghost. Evill trees cannot bring Mat.7.15. forth good fruit. Our hearts are perverse and deceitfull Jer. 17.9. above all things. The imaginations of the thoughts of Gen. 6.5. mans heart are onely evill continually. Wee are by na- Ephef.2.1. ture dead in our fins and trespasses. What guides were. reason, nature and knowledge to the Fewes, when Christ would have gathered them, as the hen gathers her chic- Mat.2 3.37. kens under her wings, and they would not? What fruit can wilde olives, or withered vine-branches bring out, if Rom. 11. the one be not inferted into the true and naturall olive? the other into the true Vine ? Doe men gather grapes of John 15. thistles, or figs of thornes ! If God had not opened the Ad. 16. heart of Lydia, her owne reason and nature had never opened it. God must give us a heart to understand, and Deut.29. eyes to see, and eares to heare. Hee must take away our stony hearts, and give us hearts of flesh, that wee may walk Ezek. 11.19. in his statutes, and keep his judgements. He must give us his Law, and write it in our hearts. And indeed, he must Jer. 30.33. give us ipsum velle, even Will it selfe; for, as by nature our understandings are darkned, so our wills are perverted, our affections, inclinations, thoughts and defires are all depraved. If nature and reason had been good guides, man, who was made upright, had not found out to himselfe so many inventions, as Solomon complaines. Can's posteritie

posteritie had not fallen from the true Church; nor had the posteritie of Noah, by Cham and Japhet, nay, by Sem too, fallen into idolatry. Why did God communicate his will by tradition before, and by writ after the Law; nay, oftentimes by miraculous and extraordinary waies, if mans reason and naturall knowledge had been good guides ? And how can these be but deceitfull guides in supernaturall things, which faile us even in the causes of things meerly naturall? Therefore that faying, Naturam ducem (equi optimum, is not true in supernaturall things, nor altogether sure, as I said, in naturall. The ship of mans soule will split against the rocks of errour, if shee have no better helme to steere by, then the helme of reafon. Reason is not the Starre that will bring us to Bethlethem, nor the cloud and firie-pillar that will conduct us to Canaan. We must deny our selves, if we follow Christ. And what is that, but to abandon nature, and naturall reason in the things that concerne Christ ? Peter had rea-Son and nature, when he bid Christ, speaking of his death, have a care of himselfe; but how Christ took him up for it, you know. There was as much nature, reason and knowledge in the great Rabbies, as in the poore ignorant Fisher-men, yet these followed Christ, and forsook all; so did not the others. The young Lawyer had too much nature and reason, which hindered him from, not furthered him to Christ. And truly, the Gentile Philosophers acknowledged, that reason was oftentimes clouded and enslaved to fear, anger, love, and other passions; even so in us all, what was straight, is become crooked; and what was alive, is dead : Wee are dead, faith the Apostle, in finne ; what reason can be expected from a dead man ? I know this is but a similitude, yet it sufficiently proves, that untill Christ hath spiritually quickned us, our reason and nathre

nature will little availe us. Our hearts are by nature barren, as the mountains of Gilboa; fruitlesse, as the fig-tree in the Gospel; untame, as the wilde colt, or the wilde affe, that fcornes the voice of the hunter : and all this is naturall to us. If Lycurgus his dogge had not had more then nature, when he forfook the flesh-pot, to run after the Hare, hee would have staid at home with his fellow, which had nothing but nature. And even the Schoole-men acknowledge, that nature is wounded in us; to wit, our understanding with ignorance, our wills with wickednesse, our irascible faculty with weaknesse, our concupiscible with lust. You had done well then not to have named these guides, which, like ignis fatuus, will bring us out of the way. You should have named him, who is the onely way, the truth, and the life, without whom wee can doe John 14. nothing, as he faith himfelfe; and without whom there John 6. is no coming to the Father. 'Tis hee who first opened heaven to all beleevers; who is the doore, by whom wee enter: and the key of David too, who openeth, and no man shuts; shutteth, and no man openeth. The bright morning-starre, the Sun of righteousnesse, the ladder of Jacob, upon the steps or degrees of whose merits and graces, wee may climb up to heaven. The true brasen Serpent, by looking on whom we are cured of our spirituall wounds. If then by nature you had meant God, who is Natura naturans: If by reason, you had meant Christ, who is x62, 9, the reason or word of the Father, whose service John 1? is roying rafera, a reasonable service : If by knowledge you had meant that which is in Christ, by which he justifieth Rom.12. many, & in respect of which he is called the Wisdome of the Father, for in him are hid all the treasures of wifdome and knowledge: Or, had you meant that which wee have of Christ by illumination, and in respect of P 2 which

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which, the Apostle accounted all things lost, desiring to know nothing but Christ crucified : If, I say, you had meant such guides, I had approved of your judgement, and I had been your fellow-traveller; for, indeed, by these onely [our wants are supplied, and our accounts made up :] And in this respect naturam sequi, est Deo obsequi.

The Conclusion, wherein is afferted the Soules Immortality, and Objections answered.

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Thus, Sir Kenelme, I have briefly run over your voluminous Difcourfes of the nature of Bodies, and of the Soules immortalitie; in which, though you have fhewed much wit and good language, yet your arguments and defcriptions of the Soule are not of that evidence and validitie (which I have fhewed) as to convince our understanding, and to vindicate our beliefe in affenting to all your dictats in this your laborious Work: therefore give mee leave, without prejudice to your paines, to point briefly at fuch reafons and arguments, as I conceive will be more evincing and prefling, and more prevalent, both with Chriftians and Pagans, then those which you have imparted to us.

God tells Moses, Exod 3. that he is the God of Abraham, Isac, and Facob; by which words our Saviour proves the foules immortalitie, in affirming, that God is not the God of the dead, but of the living, Matth.22. and consequently, that these were not dead, but alive in their foules. Solomon tells us, Ercles. 12. that the spirit returnes

to God that gave it. The Scripture tells us, that Samuel's foule was alive after her feparation, 2 Sam. 28. which place, though it be controverted, whether it was truly Samuel's foule or not, yet that apparition which was beleeved by the Fewes, flewes, that they doubted not of the foules immortalitie. Chrift tells us of Lazarus his foule, that was carried by Angels into Abraham's bofome, and the rich Gluttons into hell, Luke 16. Hee tells us alfo of that rich mans foule, which, after his barnes were full, was to be taken from him, Luke 12. But if the perifhed with the bodie, how could fhe be taken away? Hee affures the good thiefe, that his foule fhould be with him that night in Paradife, Luke 23. And hee will not have us feare them that can deftroy the bodie, but cannot kill the foule, Matth. 10. by which he intimates, that the foule is not liable to death, as the bodie is.

2. Wee prove it by arguments grounded on the Scripture : as first, The soule of Christ was immortall, when it was separated : therefore our soules are so. The consequence is evident, because Christ was like to us in all things, except fin : The antecedent no Christian will deny, except he will deny the hypoftaticall union of the Divinitie and the Humanitie, which was not, nor could not be dissolved by death. for the Divinitie was not separated from Christs bodie in death, much lesse from his foule, to which it was immediately united. 'Tis true, Christs bodie died, because the soule was separated, by which the Divinity gave life to the bodie, to wit, effectively, not formally; but God, being united immediately and principally to the foule, shee could not die. And though God hath not so united our soules to himfelfe, as he did Christs, yet hee is fo neerly united to our spirituall soules, being a spirit himselfe, that they cannot die,

die, except hee should forsake them, which hee will not doe; for he will not leave our soules, nor forsake them, nor suffer them to see corruption. Secondly, man was made to the image of God, Gen. 1. which image confisteth partly in hyperphysicall graces, as righteousnesse, and true holinesse ; and partly in five physicall gifts : 1. understanding, 2. will, 3. dominion, 4. liberty, 5. immortality. Thirdly, mans soule was not educed out of the earth and water, as the foules of other creatures were, but immediately inspired by God, Genes.1. by which it is plaine, that the soule of man is of a farre more excellent condition and nature, then the soules of beasts are; and that shee hath immediate dependence from God, not from the bodie : therefore not mortall. Fourthly, if the soule die with the bodie, there can be no resurrection; and so our hope and faith are invaine. Now, there can be no resurrection of the bodie, if the soule, its forme, be not pre-existent: For how can the soule be re-united to the bodie, or informe it againe, if it be extinguished with the bodie ? Fifthly, the Kingdome of Christ, the joyes and happinesse of the Saints, and the torments of the wicked are eternall: therefore the foules of men, which are the fubjects of Christs Kingdome, and the inheritors of joy or paine, cannot be mortall; for what subjects shall this eternall King have, or to what end are the rewards and punishments eternall, if the soules, which are the chiefe fubjects, and chiefly interessed in these rewards and paines, perish and die ? Sixthly, Moses shewes, that the Sun, Moon, and Stars of heaven were made for the fervice of man, Deuteron.4. which argueth, that man is of a more excellent nature then they. Now, this could not be, if he were not spirituall and immortall in his soule; for in his bodie hee is inferiour to them, in regard they

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they are incorruptible, and unchangeable substances.

3. We prove that the foule is not onely immortall by Divine power, but also of her owne nature. First, she is made to the image of God, but this image, as I have shewed, confisteth not onely in supernaturall graces, but also in naturall powers and faculties of the soule. Secondly, the soule is a spirit of her owne nature, there. fore of her owne nature immortall; for spirits are free from the prime qualities, which are the causes of corruption. Thirdly, the soule is a simple uncompounded substance, therefore cannot be corruptible; for, how can that be diffolved which was never compounded ? And though Tertullian held the materiality, yet he acknow-Deresur. c.34. ledgeth the soules immortality to be naturall to her, Salva erit anima natura sua per immortalitatem. Fourthly, if the foule were not in her felfe immortall, how should the Heathen Philosophers who knew not God, nor the Scriptures, dispute so accurately as they do in defence of her incorruptibility? But when I fay that the foule is immortall by nature, my meaning is not that she is the efficient cause of her owne immortality, or that she is not mortall and dissoluble by externall power, for so God is onely immortall, as the Apostle sheweth, and as the fixt Tim.6. Synod hath defined, and some Fathers have proved; so seff. 11. that the Angels in this respect are not immortall : but my meaning is, that the foule is not a fubject capable as bodies are, neither hath she in her selfe any passive power or possibility of dissolution.

4. The foules immortality is proved by naturall and morall reasons, thus: 1. If the foule perish, it must be either by annihilation, or diffolution: not by the first naturally

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turally, for nothing of its owne nature can be annihilated : God indeed by his omnipotency may annihilate what he made of nothing, but there is no entity of it felfe capable of non-entity, nor any action tending to it naturally: Neither by the second, for nothing is disolved but what had parts, (dissolution being nothing else but the folution of one part from another) but what is not compounded hath no parts, and fuch is the foule, as I have shewed: For she is independent, as she is a substance, from any subject : as she is a spirit, from any created substance; therefore dieth not when the body dieth: for neither is she compounded of effentiall parts, which we call matter and forme; nor of integrall, which we call members or limbs : And hence it appeares, that though the foules of beasts may be free from such compositions, yet they are not from dependence on the body, of which they came, and with which they decay. 2. The foule is a quintefsence, and of a more excellent nature then the foure elements are; and therefore as she is not of their nature and substance, she cannot be capable of their affections and properties : but the maine quality and property of elements is to be the fubjects of generation and corruption. 3. Such as the operation of a thing is, fuch is the fubject whence the operation proceeds, for operations are emanations of the fubstance, and flow from thence: but the chiefe operation of the soule, which is understanding, is spirituall; therefore the soule cannot be corporeall: for, if the foul were compounded of the elements, these operations of the foule must be in the elements; for whatsoever is in the compound, was before in its principles, these being their acts, whose principles they are : but understanding and will were never in the elements, nor are they

they capable of fuch operations : and fo the foule is immortall as she is incorporeall. 4. If the soule may be annihilated naturally, then naturally she was produced of nothing; but such a production is repugnant to the Peripatetick tenents, and so, by consequence, must such an annihilation be. 5. Whatfoever is corruptible, is corrupted or destroyed by a contrary agent, for without contrariety there can be neither generation nor corruption: But in mans soule there are no contrarieties, for she can receive contrarieties without contrariety, because she receives not contrary formes as they are in their naturall, but as they are in their intentionall being : Hence it is that the heavens, though they be compounded, are not corruptible, because they are not subject to contrarieties. 6. The Gentiles, by the glimmering light of Nature, knew there were fome supreme entities, by which the world was guided, the wicked punished, and the innocent rewarded; which the Poet acknowledgeth :

Si genus humanum, & mortalia temnitis arma; At sperate deos memores fandi atque nefandi.

But they faw that, for the most part, wicked men enjoyed most outward happinesse here, and good men were most wronged and oppreffed; therefore they beleeved the foules immortality, that wicked men might receive their due punishment, and good men their reward, or else they must confesse that their gods were unjust. And as this reason did strongly move them, so it must us also, to beleeve the foules immortality : for it is a righteous thing with God, to render vengeance to the wicked, and to you that are afflicted peace with us, faith the Apostle. I Thes. 7. It is an undeniable Maxime, that God and Nature made nothing in vaine, but if there should be in mans soule fuch

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fuch a desire, and so earnest an affection to immortality, and yet not enjoy it, that defire which God hath given to her had been in vaine. 8. From what proceeds the horrour of conscience in wicked men, their trembling at the report, and serious thoughts of future judgement? on the other fide, the unspeakable joyes of good men, their cheerefulnesse, comforts, and alacrity, even in their paines and afflictions, if they did not beleeve the foules immortality, and that after this life all teares should be wiped from their eyes ? 9. God made man for some end, and that was to enjoy eternall beatitude, which confisteth in the enjoyment of himselfe : but if the soule be mortall, man cannot attaine to his end, and fo God made him to no end. 10. In extafies and raptures, though the body be without sense and motion, and seemes as it were dead; yet the soule is not, but remaines unperished, or unextinguished : which doth argue her immortality. 11. If the Toule were mortall as the body is, fhe would grow aged, feeble, and would decay, as the body doth; but we fee the quite contrary, for then she is most active and vigorous, when the body is most weake and decrepit. 12. If the soule be corruptible, she may be separated from her existence and being : now this cannot be done, but by the worke of an externall and contrary agent, which is more powerfull then the foule; but no contrary agent abolisheth one forme, but by introducing another; nor taketh away one existence, but by giving another : for no action tends to a negative, but to fome thing that is politive. 13. The Gentiles, by the light of nature, beleeved the immortality of the foule; hence fprung the doctrine of transamimation among the Pythagoreans, of the Elystan fields, and places of torment among the Poets,

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Hac iter Elysiam nobis, at læva malorum Exercet pænas, & ad impia tartara mittit. Hence Tully concludes, that the ancient Romans beleeved the soules immortality, because they were so carefull of their dead bodies, and funerall ceremonies; Tam re- De Amicit. ligiosa jura majores nostri mortuis non tribuissent, si nihil ad eos pertinere arbitrarentur, &c. So Homer acknowledgeth Iliad.23. the soule of Patroclus to live, appearing after his death to Achilles : The word Esfanor by him, and imago by the Prince of Poets, is much used for separated soules, as -Inhumati venit imago, -Nota major imago, -Sub Aneid. I.2.4. terras ibit imago, &c. The barbarous Indians affent to the foules immortality, as Acosta, Lerius, Martyr, and others do witnesse: and Aristotle, who in some places seemes De Anima. L.I. to doubt, yet in other places plainly afferts this doctrine t.13.1.3.t.5.1.2. fo univerfally beleeved, that the foules can fubfift by c.3. themfelves, because they have distinct affections and operations from the body, and the understanding or intellect enters from without into the body; it is void of passibility, and is some divine thing; and that the actions of the mind are not one with those of the body; and so in the ninth and tenth Chapters of his Ethicks, we may fee how he affirmes the immortality of the foule, by her desire of beatitude. And whereas some think that he held the soule mortall, because he faith, she depends on the phantasse in her operation; they are mistaken, for he fpeaks of the foule as she is united to the body, and so she depends on the Phantasie; but yet onely objectively, instrumentally, and occasionally, as the Philosophers speake, and not efficiently or formally; for it is true, that the Intellect receives its species from the phantasie, and therefore in the body depends antecedently from the phantasie:

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otherwise the Intellect is meerly inorganicall; and no waies depending on the phantasie, as a proper mover, and of it self, but onely the passive Intellect thus depends on the active, and the act of understanding is altogether independent : And so when he fayes, that the passive Intellect is corruptible, he meanes nothing else but the phantasie or cogitative faculty, which, because it is in some sort capable of reason, he cals the Intellect, as he cals the pafsive Intellect sometimes by the name of phantasie, because it is moved by the superiour Intellect. And so when he fayes, that remembrance and love perish in the soule, he meanes that their dependence, the one from the phantasie, the other from the appetite, perisheth, because these are corporeall faculties, and perifh with the body; but otherwise recordation and love, in respect of their entity, remaine in the foule as in their fubject. So likewife when he faith, that the Intellect is in the possibility of the matter; he meanes that it is in the poffibility of the matter in respect of introduction, not of eduction; as the matter is capable to receive it, when by a superiour power it is thither induced. The soule then is in the possibility of the matter by way of reception; but not by way of extraction. So likewife, when he fayes, that the dead are not happy, he meanes the happinesse of this life, which confisteth in operations flowing from the compositum, of which the soule is not capable. And lastly, when he fayes, that all have ending which had beginning; he meanes of those things which had beginning by generation; and so it is true: but the soules originall is by creation.

Out of all then that wee have faid, it is apparent to any man, who is not a wilfull Saducee or Arabian, that

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the foule is every way incorruptible., both in refpect of grace, and in refpect of nature; both in refpect of externall and internall agents, both in refpect of annihilation and diffolution. There is onely an obedientiall power of diffolution in the foule, as there is in Angels, and in the heavenly bodies, by the infinite power of the Almighty; and that rather by the negative act of his influx, then any positive act of refolving that into nothing, which he made of nothing: fo that the foule hath no parts, principles, or causes in her felfe of corruption, nor of annihilation. Such reasons and arguments I take to be more evincing, then these far-fetched notions of Sir Kenelm's, which he hath clothed with too many words; whereas Philosophicall arguments fort not well with Rhetoricall flouristics, and Tullian pigments.

Now let us fee what hath of old been, or can of late be objected against this knowne and generally acknowledged truth, by the impugners thereof.

First they fay, that the foule is immortall by grace, not by nature : To which I answer, that thee is immortall by both; by grace, in that the foule hath her dependence from God, the first and fole independent entitie, of whom, and by whom she is what she is, and so by that entitie, as I faid, shee may be deprived of that being; which of his bounty she obtained : for, though she be free from subject and termination, yet she is not free from the causality of the first agent. Shee is also immortall by nature, in that there is nothing either in her owne, or in the universall created nature, that can destroy or diffolve her. Our bodies are destroyed either by externall agents, or by internall, the naturall heat wasting our radicall moisfure, as a candle that is either wasted by the wind, or by its owne

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owne heat : but in the soule, which is a spirit, there is no

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Secondly, they alledge Solomons words for them, Eccles.3.19: where hee faith, There is one end of man and beasts; as man dieth, so doe they. Answ. Here is no comparison between mans soule, and that of beasts; but between the death of the one, and of the other: so that both are lyable to death and corruption, and to outward violence, and inward distempers, which procure death in both : and both are so lyable to the law and dominion of death, that from thence there is no redemption or returning by the course of nature : So that it's no more possible for man to avoid death, or its dominion, of himselfe, then it is for a beast. Secondly, Solomon speakes not this in his owne perfon, but in the perfon of the Atheist, who will not forgo his earthly pleasures, because hee beleeves not any heavenly, or any life after this. Thirdly, they would make Fob plead for them, when

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Herat lib.4. od.7. there is of man, fob 14. Anfw.fob speakes not there in his owne person, but in the person of a wicked man. Secondly, though hee did speak this as from himselfe, yet this will not availe our moderne Saducees; for, by the course of nature, man cannot revive againe, though the tree may sprout again after it is cut: which the Poet intimates, when he sayes,

he fayes, there is more hope of a tree cut downe, then

Pomifer autumnus fruges effuderit, & mox Bruma recurret iners : Damna tamen celeres reparant cœlestia Luna. Nos ubi decidimus

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fuch thing.
Quò pius Anaas, quò Tullus dives, & Ancus, Pulvis & umbra sumus.

Thirdly, man shall not returne againe to *live that life*, or to performe those functions which he did in this world, when he lived here : but hence it will not follow, that man shall not be raised by that *power* which gave him being at the first : or, that he shall enjoy no life, because he shall not enjoy this life.

Fourthly, they would faine draw in Austin to their Selt.9. Object.4. fide, because sometimes he doubts of the manner of the soules production, whether it is by creation or traduction. Answ.'Tis true, that sometimes hee doubted of the manner how the soule entered into the bodie, because he doubted of the manner how originall fin is propagated : but will this prove, that therefore hee doubted of the foules immortalitie, which hee ftrongly maintaines throughout all his Workes ? And fo hee doth alfo the foules creation and infusion, although in a few places he speaks doubtfully of traduction, so farre as it hath relation to originall fin; which notwithstanding is propagared, though the foule be pure which is infused, by reafon of the union betwixt the foule and the bodie: for originall fin is in the parent, as in the efficient; in the feed, as in the instrument; in the soule, as in the subject; but in the flesh by way of punishment ... or rather indeed the whole man is the subject of originall fin, which, with the foule, is convayed from the parent to the childe by, and in the seed; but onely dispositive, not effective; by disposing and preparing the embryo to receive the foule, and not by way of efficiencie, producing the foule: and so, upon the infusion of a pure soule into the prepared and disposed embryo, the whole man is made up; who be-

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comes the fubject of originall fin, by reafon of the union of the foule and corrupted flefth, and in that hee is the *iffue* of fuch a parent, the branch of fuch a ftocke, which hath derived corruption in and by the feed, and fitted or difpofed the bodie to receive a foule, though pure in it felfe, yet upon the union impure and corrupted, and even in it felfe actually void of originall righteoufneffe, and inclinable or potentially fubject to guilt or fin. As a *leprous* father begets a *leprous* fon, which *leprofie* is not in the feed actually, but potentially and difpofitive; fo the privation of righteoufnefs is in the feed actually, but concupifcence, or inclination to fin, difpofitive.

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Fifthly, they tell us, that mans foule cannot conceive any thing, yea not a spirit, but under the notion of a bodie; therefore shee is corporeall, and consequently mortall: Answ. Though shee were corporeall, yet is shee not therefore mortall; for, the Sun, Moone and Stars are bodies, and yet incorruptible. Secondly, though the foul, being in the bodie, understands by the outward senfes and phantasie, yet the act of understanding is inorganicall, and that not onely when she is separated, but while fhee is in the bodie : though then in the bodie she stands in need of the phantasie, without the bodie shee shall not need it. Thirdly, the soule not onely understands bodies under materiall notions, but searcheth deeper then any corporeall facultie can do, even into the natures, formes, and abstruse principles of bodies; so that here shee understands the quiddities and essences of things, which a bodily power cannot doe.

Sixthly, they fay, that the foule can fuffer, to wit, by griefe, paine, &c. therefore shee is corruptible. Answ. As the soule is a spirit, so her sufferings are spiritual i all (uffering

suffering supposeth not corruptibilitie, except it be caused by the prime elementary qualities, of which the soule is not capable. Secondly, there are some sufferings so far from being destructive, that they are rather conservative and perfective; such are the motions of the heavens. Thirdly, the soule suffers not, but by her selfe in griefe : for by her owne agencie she makes her selfe a patient ; by her thoughts and knowledge of griefe and forrowes shee grieves and forrowes, and so becomes a sufferer. 1

Seventhly, they tell us, that immaterialitie is no argument of the soules immortalitie; for spirituall graces, Object.7. which are infused into us, are immateriall, yet corruptible. Anfw. These graces are accidents; we speake of the foule, which is a substance. Secondly, these graces are not corrupted by us physically, but metaphorically, or morally onely.

Eighthly, the defire of immortalitie, fay they, is the Sect. 1 3. affection of the whole man, not of the soule alone, and Object. 8. yet man is mortall: therefore they will not have us inferre the soules immortalitie, from her defire thereof. Answ. Though this defire be subjectively in the whole man, yet it is originally in the foule. Secondly, it is a good argument to prove, that something is immortall in man, though not all, becaufe he fo earneftly defires immortality. Thirdly, this defire is in man onely, and not in beafts, which shewes, that he, not they, hath an immortall foule. Fourthly, though the beafts strive to preferve their naturall being, yet man onely aimes at a supernaturall being, as having a more divine knowledge and appetite then other creatures are capable of. Fifthly, how much man defires immortalitie, is plaine by the many pyramides, obelisks, triumphant arches, mausolets, brasse,

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brasse, and marble statues, prodigious palaces, bookes, and other monuments; for which who would care, if hee thought his soule should perish with the beasts?

Ninthly, mans understanding perisheth after death; therefore the soule cannot be immortall. Answ. Though the act of understanding did cease, yet the power remaines, and confequently the foule, the subject of that power : for actually wee understand not many things here, by reason of some defect in the organs; yet the soule ceaseth not therefore to be, nor the faculty of understanding to be none. Secondly, the soule doth actually understand, and more excellently, being separated, then shee did in the bodie; because not onely doth shee retaine the species which shee carried out with her, but also shee receiveth an addition of new species, by divine illumination. Thirdly, though fhee understands now by the phantasie, yet hereafter, by reason of new illumination, shee shall need neither phantasie, externall object, nor any corporeall organ. Fourthly, the knowledge which the soule shall have after death, shall be naturall to the foule, though it proceed from God; for he is the author both of naturall and supernaturall light.

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These are the chiefe weapons, by which the Soules Antagonists strive to wound and kill her; which are of no more validity to hurt her, then that dart, which old feeble King Priamus flung at Pyrrhus, was able to hurt him:

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Conjecit, summo quod protinus are pependit.

These arguments make a sound, but have no strength: These Arabian Pigmies will never be able with such engines to overthrow the soules immortalitie, which is the strong

strong Fort and Citadell of every good Christian in his afflictions. Let there be but way given to this doctrine of the Saducees, wee must bid farewell to lawes and civility, nay, to Religion and Christianity. We must bid adieu, to vertuous actions, and to all spirituall comforts. Christ died, the Apostles laboured, the Martyrs suffered, but all in vaine, if the soule be mortall. Our faith, our hope, our preaching and reading, our restraint from pleasures, our forrowing for fins, our taking up of our croffe, and following of Christ, is all in vaine, if the soule be mortall: And, in a word, wee Christians are of all men the most miserable, if the soule be mortall. Why did Abel offer. sacrifice, Abraham forsake his countrie, Joseph forbeare his mistresse, Moses refuse the pleasures of Pharaoh's Court ? And why have fo many thousands endured mockings, scourgings, bonds, prisonment, stoning, hewing asander, murthering by the fword ? Why would they wander up and downe in sheeps skins and in goats skins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented, if the soule be mortall ? What needs Cain feare to kill his brother, fofeph to lye with his mistresse, Saul to perfecute the Church, and Felix to tremble at the mention of a future judgement, if the soule be mortall ? Admit but such Lucretian doctrine, you may shake hands with heaven and hell.

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Esse aliquos Maneis, & subterranea regna, Et contum, & Stygio ranas in gurgite nigras, Atg, una transire vadum tot millia cymba, Nec pueri credunt, nisi qui nondum are lavantur.

Here I had ended, but that I have now lighted on a sect. 16. Pamphlet by chance, the Scribler of which was ashamed Mans morta-R 2 to

to put to his name, his cause is so bad. He undertakes to prove the soules mortalitie, but so weakly, that I should lose too much time, and spend too much paper to answer him according to his folly : For there is nothing in it but the froth of a luxurious wit, wantonly abusing Scripture, and obtruding a cloud in stead of funo, shadowes of reason in stead of solid arguments : As first, when hee will prove the death of the soule out of Scripture, hee brings those places that speake of the metaphoricall or spiritual death of the foule, which is the defiling of her by finne, and her separation from God; and so hee confounds the life of nature, of grace, and of glory, as he doth death fpirituall and corporall. Secondly, hee abuseth the Synecdochicall speeches in Scripture, when he will have those phrases which are spoken of man, to bee understood of the soule and bodie disjunctively : And so, when the Scripture speakes of mans diffolution and death, hee will have the foule die as well as the bodie; but by this meanes hee must affirme, that the soule eates, drinkes, playes, sings, weeps, because these things are spoken of men. What ? were the foules of the Egyptians drowned in the red sea, and the soules of the Chaldeans burned in the fiery fornace, or the soule of the disobedient Prophet torne by the Lion, because these men died such deaths ? Many things are spoken of the whole man, but not wholly: the totall compositum is the subject of such predications, but not totally. Christ died, was buried, was borne, was crucified; and yet his Divinity fuffered none of these things. Hee is a bad Divine, that knowes not, that by the communication of properties, that is spoken

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of the perfon of Christ, which is proper onely to either of his natures; and fo that is spoken of man, which is proper onely to either of his effentiall Thirdly, he confounds the act and the haparts. bit, concluding that the habit is loft, because the act ceafeth; as that there is no habit or faculty of reafon in a mad man, because the act of reasoning is hindered : As if you should fay, that a Musician hath lost his skill in Musick, when he ceaseth to play. Fourthly, fome old objections hee hath inferted, which wee have already fufficiently answered; and the rest of the passages in his Pamphlet are fo frivolous, that they are not worth the answering, or reading : for, Magno conatu, magnas nugas dicit. And fo, he that shall diligently read this former Discourse of ours, and shall make use of these source observations which now I have set downe, will find that this irreligious Rapsodie of his, is but froth, a vapour, or one of his dreames,

Par levibus ventis, volucrique simillima somno : Virgil.

and which I thinke will little prevaile with any rationall man, much leffe with him who is truly fantified with grace. For he that was led meerely by reafon, confeffed, that the fatall houre of death was the laft houre to the body onely, not to the foule. Decretoria illa hora, non eft animo fuprema fed corpori. Senece. For, even reafon will teach us, that the foule, which in her felfe is immortall, (I exclude not here the generall, but the fpeciall or miraculous concourfe

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of the Almighty,) may naturally subsist by her felf after separation; for if her subsistence from the body were violent, then her returne to the body should be naturall; as, if the holding of a stone in the aire be violent, the falling downe of that stone, upon the removing of the impediment, must needs be naturall : But her returning to the body, is an act miraculous, and of supernatural power; for though the foule, as fhe is the forme of the body, hath a naturall propensity, or innate appetite to a reinforming of, or re-union with the body, yet is she not againe conjoyned with the body, but by a speciall and *(upernaturall* worke of God in the refur-Neither againe must we thinke that the rection. soule subsists after separation, by any speciall or supernaturall power, for then we shall make the foule fo fubfifting, of no better metall then the yron fo fwimming on the water, both being fustained not by their owne, but by a speciall and miraculous power; and by this meanes the foule of a dog may as well subsist after death, as the soule of a man : but he that thinks fo, that the foule hath no other being after this life, may be in name a Christian professor, but is indeed a Cynick Philosopher, or Epicuri de grege porcus, fitter to dwell in the Isle of dogs, then among men. Therefore, as it was naturall for the childs soule to subsist in the mothers wombe, and it is as naturall for the fame foule to fubfist without it; so is the subsistence of the same foule in and without the body essentiall and naturall to her, and not violent or supernaturall. . .

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But, to leave these men, whose soules are fitter to dwell with Nebuchadnezzars in a beafts body, then in their owne; I will conclude this Discourse with an acknowledgement and confession of that solace, and true comfort which I take in these difmall and calamitous times in which we live, from the confideration of my foules immortality; that, however she be now tossed upon the proud and lofty billowes of the turbulent sea of afflictions in this life, with Noahs Arke, yet a higher mountaine then those of Ararat is prepared for her to rest upon; and however this weary Dove Autter upon these "boysterous waters, that she can find no rest for the soales of her feet, yet she sees a window in that celestiall Arke which is above, ready open to receive her. Christ hath not in vaine gone to prepare a place for us; he hath prepared it, that we may enjoy it: and to what end should he shed his blood for our soules, and redeeme them at so deare a rate, if they be mortall, and can not enjoy that which they long after, as earnestly as the Hart brayeth after the rivers of water? Doth God mock us, when by - his Prophet he tels us of fulnesse of joy in his presence, and at his right hand pleasures for evermore ? Is God our Father, and Heaven our Inheritance, and must we be put off from the enjoyment of either ? We are here miserable Pilgrims and strangers, if, after our tedious journey, we have no other home to reft in but a cold and stinking grave, and no other companions but wormes : better is the condition of beasts, then of Christians. Sure-IV.

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ly the place of our future reft should not be called the Land of the living, if our soules there must die. And why should the Angels be so carefull of us here, if they must be debarred of our company hereafter ? In vaine are our foules fed here with the Bread that came downe from Heaven, if they must not enjoy that fame bread againe in heaven. Our condition will be far worfe then that of the Prodigals, if we shall be fed with busks here, and not have accesse, when we returne by death, to eat bread in our Fathers house, where is fuch exuberant plenty. Can Christ, the Bridegroome of our soules, fuffer himfelfe to be perpetually separated from his Bride, whom he hath bought with fo high a price as his owne blood ? Our life is a warfare, what encouragement have we to fight the good fight, if we enjoy not the Crowne of righteousnesse ? Hath Christ no other reward for his souldiers but a crowne of thornes: then indeed we fight, as one that beateth the aire; and we were better, with Caligula's fouldiers, spend our time in gathering of shels and pebblestones, then fight under the standard of such a Generall. But indeed we need not feare, for he that permitted the soule of the penitent thiefe into Paradife, and by the ministery of his Angels conveyed the soule of Lazarus into Abrabams bosome; and when himfelfe gave up the Ghost, recommended his foule into the hands of his Father, will not leave our soules in hell, nor will he fuffer his holy ones to fee corruption. Though the shell of our bodies be broken, the precious kernell of our soules shall not be lost:

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lost: these earthen pots may crack, but the jewels in them shall be preserved : There lieth a hid Mannah within (not our golden, but) our earthen pots ; which is not capable of wormes and corruption. Let that proud infulting Conquerour who rides upon the pale borse, bruise the satchels of our bodies (as the Tyrant did that of Anacharsis) unto dust, yet over our soules, which are our selves, he hath no power. Be not difmaid; though our mistresse, Nature, strip us of the garment of our body, as Potiphars wife did 70seph, yet of our soules she cannot rob us : she gave us the garment, it is her owne, she may challenge it ; but the soule was no gift of hers, she hath no title to it, she cannot claime it. Diseases, infirmities, and injuries, like fo many Sodomites, may beset these houses of our bodies; but they cannot injure our foules, which are the Angels lodged within us. The celestiall fire of our soules shall never be extinguished, though the temples of our bodies in which they burne shall be destroyed. That fire which confumed the Temple of Peace at Rome, did no hurt to the Palladium that was in it; neither shall the conflagration of our bodies in a Calenture or Burning-feaver, prejudice or hurt our soules. The Vestall Virgins were not more carefull to rescue the Palladium from the flame, then the good Angels, our ministring spirits, shall be to convey our soules out of these flames, unto a place of refreshing. Therefore my soule shall not S

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not be difinaid, though she be carried in this weake and leaking ship of an infirme body, on the waves of the Red sea of persecution; for even from hence she finels by faith the fweet odours of her. heavenly Arabia, though as yet with her bodily eyes she cannot see it. The hot firy furnace of affli-Aion shall no more confume and annoy her, then the flame did confume the firie bush, or the firie furnace of Babylon did the three Children. The Presteres live in the fire, and are not burned; fresh waters fpring out of the falt Sea, and yet are not thereby infected; nor are the fishes falt which live in salt water : neither shall our Soule either suffer by sicknesse in the body; or die with the body; but after she hath fought the good fight, like a Conquerour or Emperour, she shall be carried out of this campus Martius upon the shoulders, not of Senators, but of Angels. And as an Eagle flew out of the funerall pile when it was set on fire, leaving the body of the Emperour to be consumed; so shall our soules Aye up unto their Maker, leaving their bodies to be wasted by time and corruption. For, as it is impossible for the body to die till the soule forfake it, which is the life of it; so much more impossible is it for the soule to die, untill God, who is her life, forsake her: and that will never be, till God himselfe cease to be; for he hath promised never to forfake us, his love like himselfe is unchangeable. A mother may forget the fruit of her wombe, fathers and mothers may, and will forfake us, but the Lord will

The Philosophicall Touch Stone. 131 will never forget or forsake us; but when friends, and all leave us, he will then receive us: therefore let our soules magnifie the LORD, and let our spirits rejoyce in God our SAVIOUR. Sinif FINIS. LIBRAR













