

ved with Marble, and many footsteps of Antiquity; an argument, that Towns have stood there in former ages, which have been overwhelmed by the Matter cast out of this Mountain. They have also found several Bridges of Pumice-stones, doubtless made by the flux of the fiery Torrents, the Earth being very much raised since.

Now whether these Eruptions are caused by actual subteraneous Fires, lighting upon combustible matter; or by Fire struck out of falling and breaking stones, whose sparks meet with Nitro-sulphureous or other inflammable substances heap'd together in the bowels of the Earth, and by the expansive violence of the Fire forc'd to take more room, and so bursting out with the impetuosity we see; may not be unworthy of a Philosopher's speculation.

*An Account*

*Concerning a Woman having a Double Matrix; as the Publisher hath Englished it out of French, lately printed at Paris, where the Body was opened.*

This Figure (which in the *Cut* here annex'd is the II.) represents the two

\* *It may be, that that, which is by M. Vassal, Publisher of this Relation, esteem'd a second Womb, is nothing else, but the true Matrix lengthen'd, or that, which by Anatomists is call'd Tuba Fal-* \* *Matrixes, found januar. 6 1669. by Benoit Vassal Chirurgion, opening the Body of a woman of 32. years of age, of a sanguin Constitution, and a masculin port. These two Matrixes were so well disposed by an extraordinary contrivance of Nature, that the True one had conceived eleven severall times, viz. 7. males and 4. femals, all born at the full time, and all perfectly wellform'd; but they were at last follow'd by a brother yet a fetus, that was conceiv'd in an adjunct Uterus, in a place so little capable of distension, that seeking enlargement, after it had caused to the Mother for two months and an half grievous symptoms, did at last, being of the age of about 3. or 4. months, break prison, and found its grave in that of its mother, by a very great effusion of blood in the whole capacity of her abdomen; which cast the mother into such violent convulsive motions for 3. days together, that she dyed of them. VVhereupon the said Vassal, after having embalmed the parts, he had made at his house for a whole month together the particular dissection thereof, before all the most Curious and knowing Physitians, Chirurgeons, Apothecaries, Mid-wives, and other Searchers of Nature, that are in Paris, thought good to preserve the History thereof by committing it and the Figure of the parts spoken of, to the Press, together with a Table, for better explanation; which we think fit here to annex in Latin:*

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| <p>A. <i>Pars vagina.</i><br/>         B. <i>Orificium internum Matricis apert.e.</i><br/>         C. <i>Collum Matricis.</i><br/>         D. <i>Cavitas Matricis.</i><br/>         E. <i>Linea separans cavitatem Matricis.</i><br/>         F. <i>Uteri fundus.</i><br/>         G. <i>Duo sinus, inventi in fundo Uteri.</i><br/>         H. <i>H. Crassities Uteri.</i><br/>         I. <i>I. Ligamentum latum, sive productio Peritonæi lateris sinistri, continens in plicatura sua Vasa deferentia et ejaculantia.</i><br/>         K. <i>Arteria Spermatica.</i><br/>         L. <i>Vena Spermatica.</i><br/>         M. <i>Testiculus.</i><br/>         N. <i>Verum vas Ejaculatorium insertum fundo Uteri per sinum ibi inventum.</i><br/>         O. <i>Alterum vas Ejaculans, quod ingreditur Collum Ute-</i></p> | <p><i>ri, quò ejaculantur mulieres à conceptu.</i><br/>         P. <i>Tuba Uteri.</i><br/>         R. <i>Ligamentum rotundum.</i><br/>         S. <i>Ligamentum latum ab ea parte, ubi Spurius hic Vterus formatus est.</i><br/>         U. <i>Vena Spermatica.</i><br/>         T. <i>Arteria Spermatica.</i><br/>         Y. <i>Testiculus.</i><br/>         Z. <i>Pars Tubæ.</i><br/>         2. <i>Verum vas jaculatorium, quod fundum Uteri ingreditur per sinum supra dictum.</i><br/>         3. <i>Alterum Iaculatorium, abiens in Uteri collum.</i><br/>         4. <i>Pars lacerata à fetu aucto.</i><br/>         5. <i>Fetus eo situ, quo inventus fuit Amnio suo obvolutus.</i><br/>         6. <i>Vasa Umbilicalia.</i><br/>         7. <i>Placenta, substantie cuidam carnosæ adherens.</i><br/>         8. <i>Substantia carnosæ.</i><br/>         9. <i>Ligamentum rotundum.</i></p> |
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