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he wore upon his Back, with the other he covered his Navel and Secrets: the Tail he wore behind, and the Wings were plac'd upon each Arm. This PREFI of his an- sw'er'd several Ends: for in the first place it cover'd his Nakedness, and help'd to keep him warm, and then it made him so frightful to the Beasts, that none of them car'd to meddle with him, or come near him; only the Roe his Nurse, which never left him, nor he, her; and when she grew Old and Feeble, he us'd to lead her where there was the best Food, and pluck the best Fruits for her, and give her them to eat.

§. 16. Notwithstanding this he grew lean and weak, and continu'd a while in a languishing Condition till at last he Dyed, and then all his Motions and Actions ceas'd. When the Boy perceiv'd her in this Condition, he was ready to dye for Grief. He call'd her with the same voice which she us'd to answer to, and made what Noise he could, but there was no Motion, no Alteration. Then he began to peep into her Eyes and Ears, but could perceive no visible defect in either; in like manner he examin'd all the parts of her Body, and found nothing amiss, but every thing as it should be. He had a vehement desire to find, if possible, that part were the defect was, that he might remove it, and she return to her former State of Life and Vigour. But he was altogether at a loss, how to compass his design, nor could he possibly bring it about.

§. 17. That which put him upon this search, was what he observ'd in himself. He took Notice that when he shut his Eyes, or held any thing before them, he could see nothing at all, till that Obstacle was removed; and so when he put his Fingers into his Ears, that he could not hear; till he took 'em out again; and when he clos'd his Nostrils together, he fin'd nothing till they were open'd; from whence he concluded, that all his Senses and Actions were liable to Obstacles and Impediments, upon the removal of which, the same Operations return'd to their former course. Therefore, when he had examin'd every External Part of her, and found no visible defect, and yet at the same time perceiv'd an Universal Ceasation of Motion in the whole Body, not peculiar to one Member, but common to them all, he began to imagine that the hurt was in some part, which was most remote from the sight, and hidden in the inward part of the Body; and that this Part was of such nature and use, that without its help, none of the other External Parts could exercise their proper Functions; and that if this Part suffer any hurt, the damage was
was Universal, and a Cessation of the whole

§ 18. This made him very desirous to
find that part if possible, that he might
remove the defect from it; that so it might
be as it us'd to be, and the whole Body
might enjoy the Benefit of it, and the same
course of Actions follow as before. He had
before observ'd, in the Bodies of Wild Beasts
and other Animals, that all their Members
were solid, and that there were only
three Cavities, viz. The Skull, the Breast,
and the Belly; he imagin'd therefore that
this Part which he wanted, must needs be
in one of these Cavities, and above all,
he had a strong persuasion that it was in
the middle most of them. He verily be-
liev'd, that all the Members stood in need
of this part, and that from thence it must
necessarily follow, that the Seat of it must
be in the Centre. And when he re-
lected upon his own Body, he felt such
a part in his Breast, of which he had this
notion, viz. That it was impossible for
for him to subsist without it; so much as
the twinkling of an eye, tho' he could at
the same time conceive a possibility of sub-
sisting without his other parts, viz. his
Hands, Feet, Ears, Nose, Eyes, or even
his Head. And upon this account, when-
ever he sought with any Wild Beast, he
always took particular care to guard his
Breast,

§ 19. Having, by this way of reason-
ing, assur'd himself that the disaffected Part
lay in the Breast; he was resolv'd to make
a search, in order to find it out, that what-
ever the Impediment was, he might
remove it if possible; but then again, he
was afraid on the other side, lest his
 Undertaking should be worse than the Dis-
ease, and prove prejudicial. He began to
consider next, whether or no he had ever
remembered any Beasts, or other Animals,
which he had seen in that condition, re-
cover again, and return to the same State
which they were in before; but he could
call to Mind no such Instance; from
whence he concluded, that if he was let alone
there would be no hopes at all, but if he
should be so fortunate as to find that Part, and find
the Impediment, there might be some hope.
Upon this he resolv'd to open her Breast
and make enquiry; in order to which he
provides himself with sharp Flints, and
Splinters of dry Cane almost like Knives,
with which he made an incision between the
Ribs, and cutting through the Flesh, came
to the Diaphragm; which he finding very
Tough and not easily broken, assur'd him-
self, that such a Covering must needs be-
long to that part which he looked for, and that
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that if he could once get through that, he
should find it. He met with some diffi-
culty in his Work, because his Instruments
were none of the best, for he had none
but such as were made either of Flint or
Cane.

§. 20. However, he sharpened 'em a-
again and renewed his Attempt with all the
Skill he was Master of. At last he broke
through, and the first part he met with
was the Lungs, which he at first light
mislkook, for that part which he search'd
for, and turn'd 'em about this way and
that way, to see if he could find in them
the cause of the Diseafe. He first happen'd
upon that Lobe which lay next the fide
[which he had opem'd] and when he per-
ceived that it did lean sidewayers, he was
satisfy'd that it was not the part he look'd
for, because he was fully perswaded, that
that must needs be in the midst of the Bo-
dy, as well in regard of Latitude as Lon-
gitude. He proceeded in his search, till at
last he found the Heart, which when he
saw clos'd with a very strong Cover, and
fastned with strong Ligaments, and cover-
ed by the Lungs on that fide which he had
open'd; he began to say to himself. "If
"this part be so on the other fide as it is
"on this which I have open'd, then 'tis
certainly in the midst, and without
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"doubt the same I look for; especially consi-
"dering the Conveniency of the Situation,
"the Comlines and Regularity of its Figure,
"the Firmness and Solidity of the Flesh,
"and besides, its being guarded with such
"a Membrane as I have not observ'd in any
"part. Upon this he searches the other
side, and finding the same Membrane on
the inside of the Ribs, and the Lungs in
the same posture, which he had observ'd
on that side which he had open'd first,
he concluded the Heart to be the part which
he look'd for.

§ 21. Therefore he first Attacks the
Pericardium, which, after a long tryal and a
great deal of pains, he made shift to tear;
and when he had laid the Heart bare, and
perceiv'd that it was solid on every side,
he began to examin it, to see if he could
find any hurt in it; but finding none, he
squeeze'd it with his Hands, and perceiv'd
that it was hollow. He began than to
think that what he look'd for, might pos-
sibly be contain'd in that Cavity. When
he came to open it, he found in it two
Cavities, one on the right side, the other
on the left. That on the right side was full
of clotted Blood, that on the left quite
empty. "Then (says he,) without all
"doubt, one of those two Cavities must
"needs be the Receptacle of what I
"look for; as for that on this side there's

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"nothing in it but congealed Blood, which was not so, be sure, till the whole Body was in that condition in which it now is" (for he had observed that all Blood congeals when it flows from the Body, and that this Blood did not differ in the least from any other.) "and therefore what I look for, cannot by any means, be such a matter as this; for that which I mean, is something which is peculiar to this place, which I find I could not subsist without, so much as the Twinkling of an Eye. And this is that which I look'd for at first. For as for this Blood, how often have I left a great deal of it in my Skirmishes with the Wild Beasts, and yet it never did me any considerable harm, nor rendered me incapable of performing any Action of Life, and therefore what I look for is not in this Cavity. Now as for the Cavity on the left side, I find 'tis altogether empty, and I have no reason in the World to think that it was made in vain, because I find every part appointed for such and such particular Functions. How then can this Ventricule of the Heart, which I see is of so excellent a Frame, serve for no use at all? I cannot think but that the same thing which I am in search of, once dwelt here, but has now deserted his Habitation,

"ration and left it empty, and that the Absence of that thing, has occasion'd this Privation of Sense and Cessation of Motion, which happen'd to the Body. Now when he perceive'd that the Being which had inhabited there before, had left its House before it fell to Ruine, and forsook it when as yet it continu'd whole and entire, he concluded that it was highly probable that it would never return to it any more, after its being cut and mangled.

§ 22. Upon this the whole Body seem'd to him a very inconsiderable thing, and worth nothing in respect of that Being, he believed once inhabited, and now had left it. Therefore he applied himself wholly to the consideration of that Being. What it was? and how it subsisted? what joy'd it to the Body? Whether it went, and by what passage, when it left the Body? What was the Cause of its Departure, whether it were forc'd to leave its Mansion, or left the Body of its own accord? and in case it went away Voluntarily, what it was that rendred the Body so disagreeable to it, as to make it forsake it? And whilst his Mind was perplex'd with such variety of Thoughts, he laid aside all concern for the Carcass, and threw it away; for now he perceive'd that his Mother, which had Nurs'd him to Tenderly, and had Suckl'd him, was that some this.
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thing which was departed; and from it proceeded all those Actions by which she shew'd her Care of him, and Affection to him, and not from this unactive Body; but that the Body was to it only as an Instrument or Tool, like his Cudgel which he had made for himself, with which he used to Fight with the Wild Beasts. So that now, all his regard to the Body was remov'd, and transfer'd to that by which the Body is govern'd, and by whose Power it moves. Nor had he any other desire but to make enquiry after that.

§ 23. In the mean time the Carcasses of the Roe began to putrifie, and emit Noisome Vapours, which still increas'd his aversion to it, so that he did not care to see it. 'Twas not long after that he chanc'd to see two Ravens engag'd so furiously; that one of them struck down the other Stark Dead; and when he had done, he began to scrape with his Claws till he had digg'd a Pit, in which he Buried the Carcasses of his Adversary. Our Philosopher observing this, said to himself. How well has this Raven done in Burying the Body of his Companion, tho' he did it in Killing him? How much greater reason was there for me to have been forward in performing this Office to my Mother? Upon this he makes a Grave, and lays his Mother into it, and Buries her. He proceeded in his Enquiry concerning what that should be by which the Body was govern'd, but could not Apprehend what it was; when he look'd upon the rest of the Roe, and perceiv'd that they were of the same form and figure with his Mother, he believ'd that there was in every one of them something which govern'd and actuated them, like that which had actuated and govern'd his Mother formerly; and for the sake of that likeness he us'd to keep in their Company, and shew affection towards them. He continued a while in this condition, Contemplating the various kinds of Animals and Plants, and walking about the Coast of his Island, to see if he could find anything like himself; (as he observ'd that every Individual Animal, and Plant, had a great many more like it.) But all his search was in vain. And when he perceiv'd that his Island was encompass'd by the Sea, he thought that there was no other Land in the World but only that Island.

§ 23. It happen'd that by Collision a Fire was kindled among a parcel of Reeds or Canes; which scar'd him at first, as being a Sight which he was altogether a Stranger to; so that he fled at a distance a good while, strangely surpriz'd, at last he came nearer and nearer by degrees, still...
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observing the Brightness of its Light and marvellous Efficacy in confounding everything it touch’d, and changing it into its own Nature; till at last, his Admiration of it, and that innate Boldness and Fortitude, which God had implanted in his Nature prompt’d him on, that he venture’d to come near it, and stretch’d out his Hand to take some of it. But when it burnt his Fingers and he found there was no dealing with it that way, he endeavour’d to take a flick, which the Fire had not as yet wholly seiz’d upon; so taking hold on that part which was untouched he easiely gain’d his purpose, and carried it Home to his Lodging (for he had contriv’d for himself a convenient place) there he kept this Fire and added Fuel to it, admiring it wonderfully, and tended it night and day; at night especially, because its Light and Heat supplied the absence of the Sun; so that he was extremly delighted with it, and reckon’d it the most excellent of all those things which he had about him. And when he observ’d that it always mov’d upwards, he persuad’d himself that it was one of those Celestial Substancies which he law shining in the Firmament, and he was continually trying of its power, by throwing things into it, which he perceiv’d it operated upon and consum’d, sometimes sooner, sometimes slower, according as the Bodies which he put into it were more or less combustible.

§. 25. Amongst other things which he put in to try its strength, he once hung in some Filth which had been thrown ashore by the Water, and as soon as ere he smelt the Steam, it rais’d its Appetite, so that he had a Mind to taste of them; which he did, and found them very agreeable and from that time he began to use himself to the Eating of Flesh, and applied himself to Tithing and Hunting till he understood those sports very well; upon this account he admir’d his Fire more and more, because it help’d him to several sorts of Provision which he was altogether unacquainted with before.

§. 26. And now when his Affection towards it was increased to the highest degree, both upon the account of its Beneficial Effects, and its Extraordinary Power; he began to think that the Substinance which was departed from the Heart of his Mother the Roe, was, if not the very same with it, yet at least of a Nature very much like it. He was confirm’d in his Opinion, because he had observ’d in all Animals, that as long as they liv’d, they were constantly warm without any Interruption, and as constantly Cold after Death. Etc.