

tiny creatures; that, for miles away, illumine the dark waters by their electric* glow.

From our limited knowledge of the wonders of the invisible world, we may feel assured, that creative power has scarcely left a point in space unoccupied. In air, sea and earth; above, within, and around us, we are ever discovering new forms of life. What eludes our search to day, from its minuteness, is revealed by the improved microscope of to morrow.

* The phosphorescence of some larger animals, is known to be an *electric* effect, and we may assume that the same phenomena produced by animalcules, has a like source.

A NEGRO WOMAN WITHOUT EARS.—The Rev. B. H. Benton, in a letter to the London (Va.) Chronicle, says :

"Strange, but no less true, I yesterday saw a colored woman without ears; not only without the auricle or the external part of the ear, but there is no trace of a foramen or passage for sonorous vibration—the meatus is entirely closed. Yet she can converse with others, and distinctly hear their words, for which purpose she opens her mouth. Now, is the sound transmitted to the brain by the means of the tympanum, or does it act on the auditory nerves without the intervention of the drum and appendant organs? This is an interesting question for physiologists."

THE SIAMESE TWINS DEAD.—The Paris *Journal des Debats* announces the death, in England, of the famous Siamese Twins. The *Debats* says that, according to the London Medical Times, the two brothers died of marasmus. A *post-mortem* examination proved what has always been supposed by the faculty, viz : that the two cavities of the abdomen communicated by means of the hollow ligament which united them, and that the livers of the twins were connected by a membrane bridle about half an inch thick.