

continued from the sacred morning of Creation, seemingly still in the same state of perfection as when they proceeded from the finger of the Almighty. Man seems an exception to original perfection—hence a fall has taken place.—Philosophy of the Moss tribes. Benificent influence of Plants in correcting the atmosphere. Plants exhibit the phenomena of Life, Organization, Irritability, continuation of species—but no consciousness, no spirit, do not sleep, &c. Integuments of Plants, Fruits, Roots, &c. explained as preserving their substance from decomposition, wisdom of this, Medical remarks on using coarse bread, skins of Fruit, &c. Brute tribes considered in their arborescent analogy, compared with plants—they exhibit the phenomena of Life, Organization, Irritability, continuation of species—consciousness from possessing a spirit—they sleep—possess innate ideas and language—are exempted from many human evils—rarely blind or deaf for life; never fatuitous, never mad—distinction between madness and hydrophobia—cases of Hydrophobia mentioned—treatment—proposed experiment on brutes—on criminals sentenced to death, &c.—Wisdom of Deity in bestowing a peculiar structure on the eyelids of quadrupeds and birds, which nestle, by which means they are sealed up for a few days, thus forming a habit of domestication—on the contrary some are born with open eye, and follow the Dam.—Peculiar character of the Dove produced in pairs—hence the emblem of chastity and fidelity. Brutes are directed by their organs—specimens shewn—do not improve by old age, &c.—Wisdom of God, in the Herbiferous, Omniverous, and carniverous animals—the last and insects prevent the danger of putrescent matter.