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ceive it unworthy of the greatest mortals to contemplate the miracles of Nature ; and that as they are more visible in the smallest and most contemptible creatures (for there most lively do they express the infinite power and wisdom of the great Creator), and erect and draw the minds of the most intelligent to the first and prime Cause of all things ; teaching them as the power, so the presence, of the Deity in the smallest insects."

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