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## NATURAL HISTORY.

(Continued.)

### CLASS VI. CRUSTACEA, HAS NINE ORDERS:

Order 1. *DECAPODA*, including animals enveloped in a shell, head not distinct from the body, feet two in number, as many species of Crab, Lobsters, Crawfish, Prawns, Shrimps, &c.

Order 2. *STOMAPODA*, including animals with a distinct head, in two parts.

Order 3. *LEMODIPODA*, including animals without shells, with many feet, and heads not distinct.

Order 4. *AMPHIPODA*, including animals with heads bearing the anterior feet.

Order 5. *ISOPODA*, including animals with three jaws and many feet, capable of crawling on the land.

Order 6. *LOPHYPODA*, including minute aquatic animals enclosed in shells, the head not distinct.

Order 7. *PHYLLIPODA*, including animals with sixty feet formed for swimming.

Order 8. *XYPHOSURA*, including animals with a body divided into two parts, covered with a divided shell.

Order 9. *SIPHONOSTOMA*, including animals covered with soft membranous shells.

### CLASS VII. ARACHNIDES, HAS TWO ORDERS:

Order 1. *PULMONARIAE*, including animals respiring through pulmonary sacs, some living in water and some on land, as Scorpions, Spiders and Tarantulas.

Order 2. *TRACHEARIAE*, including animals with articulated bodies, and long jointed legs, terminated by hooks, as Mites, &c.

### CLASS VIII. MYRIAPODA, HAS TWO ORDERS:

Order 1. *CHILOCYATHA*, including animals with crustaceous bodies; they have very short feet and walk slowly.

Order 2. *CHILOPODA*, including carnivorous animals, which run quickly, inflict wounds with their claws, and conceal themselves under stones, as the Scolopendra, &c.  
*To be continued.*

## BIOGRAPHY.

### PORTIUS MARCUS CATO.

Portius Marcus Cato, an illustrious Roman, usually called the *Censor*, was born at Tusculum, B. C. 235, and served in the army at the age of 17, where he behaved with great valour; his temperance was remarkable, never drinking any thing but water, and being always contented with the plainest food. He was appointed military tribune in Sicily, and afterwards quaester in Africa under Scipio, in which offices he displayed a strict economy in the expenditure of the public money. He was chosen consul, B. C. 195, in which station he had Valerius Flaccus for his colleague, and whom he opposed in his attempt to repeal the Oppian law. He conducted the war into further Spain, and took no part of the spoils to his own share. On his arrival at Rome he was honoured with a triumph. His next advance was to the consulship, in which he shewed his dislike to luxury of every kind. He wrote a history of Roman affairs, of which only a few fragments remain: but a treatise of his on husbandry is extant in the *Scriptores de re Rustica*. He died B. C. 150, aged 90.

### THE PLEASURE PARTY.

#### A SKETCH.

"It was on a fine bright morning in July, that Mr. and Mrs. Leslie, with their four children, embarked on board one of the Dover steam-packets, bound for Boulogne. The young people had never before had an opportunity of beholding the sea; of which they had heard so much, so that their delight was unbounded. The day before, Charles, Frederick and Henry had climbed the Dover heights, with their papa, and gazed with wonder, not unmixed with awe, at their gigantic proportions. Their little sister, Ellen, not being old enough to accompany them, had remained at home with their mama, whose health was very delicate. Indeed, it was partly on her account, and partly for the purposes of education, that Mr. Leslie was taking his family to reside for a year or two at Boulogne.

"The children were much entertained with all the bustle of embarkation. There were elderly ladies and gentlemen, who walked very cautiously over the plank, and younger ones, who seemed principally anxious to show the agility of their limbs in reaching the vessel. Then there were porters bearing heavy trunks, and servants carrying their mistresses reticules, cloaks and parasols.

"Some were making up their faces, and strangely distorting their features, as if they thought sea sickness would be a necessary accompaniment of a voyage; and others were laughing at the novelty of their situation, or smiling or waving their hands to friends on shore. Then, again, there were others who appeared inclined to grumble at every one, and every thing: in one part of the vessel they found it too hot, in another too cool; or the charges were so exorbitant that they were certain no other persons could be imposed upon as they were.

"But at length all these various conversations were cut short by the clock striking one. The signal was given: the paddles commenced working through the liquid element, casting off graceful wreaths of white and sparkling foam; and, as the steamboat majestically and rapidly passed through the mouth of the harbor, many a hat was raised, and many a handkerchief waved, from the crowd who had assembled on the pier to watch her departure.

"Soon, however, every eye was directed toward the French coast. The lofty tower, built on a hill near Boulogne by Buonaparte, when he was intending to invade England, had long been visible.

"After a beautiful passage of little more than two hours and a half, the steam packet entered the harbor of Boulogne. The novelty of first landing in a French town was very striking to the children. The difference of costume and manners, the general din of human voices in a foreign language, high above which are heard the tongues of proprietors of the different hotels expatiating to the newly arrived passengers, on the superior comfort and moderate charges of their houses; all at length concluded by the unpleasant duties of the custom house.

"The boys would have enjoyed the fun of all this; but they were so afraid it would be too much for their mama's strength, that they felt glad when they were quietly settled at the Hotel du Nord, where Mr. Leslie