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of the Trachaa, and afterwards concreted by the Heat of the Part. As this may ferve to explain the remarkable Case of Tulpius, so I thought it worth being communicated to the Society. I am,

With great Respect,

June 17.

Your very bumble Servant,

FRANK NICHOLLS.

V. An Account of an Experiment explaining a mechanical Paradox, viz. that two Bodies of equal Weight suspended on a certain sort of Balance [as in Tab. Fig. 2.] do not lose their Æquilibrium, by being removed one farther from, the other nearer to the Center. By the Rev. T. J. Desaguliers, L. L. D. & F. R. S.

Proposition.

I F the two Weights P,W, in Fig. 3. hang at the Ends of the Balance A B, whose Center of Motion is C; those Weights will act against each other (because their Directions are contrary) with Forces made up of the Quantity of Matter in each multiplied by its Velocity; that is, by the Velocity which the Motion of the Balance turning about C will give to the Body suspended. Now the Velocity of an heavy Body is its perpendicular Ascent or Descent, as will appear R

by moving the Balance into the Position a b; which shews the Velocity of P to be the perpendicular Line e a, and the Velocity of B will be the perpendicular Line bg: For if the Weights P and W are equal. and also the Lines e a and b g, their Momenta made up of e a multiplied into W, and b g multiplied into P, will be equal, as will appear by their destroying one another in making an Aquilibrium. But if the Body W was removed to M, and suspended at the Point D, then its Velocity being only f d, it would be over-balanc'd by the Body P; because f d multiplied into M, would produce a less Momentum than P multiplied into b g.

As the Arcs A a,B b, and D d described by the Ends. of the Balance or Points of Suspension are proportionable to their Sines e a, g b, and d f, as also the Radii or Distances CA, CB, and CD; in the Case of this common fort of Balance, the Arcs described by the Weights, or their Points of Suspension, or the Distances from the Center may be taken for the Velocities of the Weights hanging at A, B, or D; and there. fore the acting Force of the Weights will be recipro-

cally as their Distances from the Center.

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The Distances from the Center are taken here for the Velocities of the Bodies, only because they are proportional to the Lines e a, b g, and f d, which are the true Velocities. For there are a great many Cases wherein the Velocities are neither proportionable to the Distances from the Center of Motion of a Machine,

nor to the Aris described by the Weights or their Points of Suspension. Therefore it is not a general Rule, that Weights ast in Proportion to their Diffances from the Center of Motion; but a Corollary of the general Rule, that Weights ast in Proportion to their true Velocities, which is only true in some Cases. Therefore we must not take this Case as a Principle, which most Workmen do, and all those People which make Attempts to find the perpetual Motion, as I have more amply shewn in the Philoso.

phical Transaction, No 369.

But to make this evident even in the Balance, we need only take Notice of the following Experiment. Fig. 2. ACBEKD is a Balance in the Form of a Parallelogram passing thro' a Slit in the upright Piece NO standing on the Pedestal M, so as to be movable upon the Center Pins C and K. To the upright Pieces AD and BE of this Balance are fix'd at right Angles. the horizontal Pieces F G and H I. That the equal Weights P, W, must keep each other in Æquilibrio, is evident; but it does not at first appear so plainly. that if W be removed to V, being suspended at 6, yet it shall still keep P in Aquilibrio; tho' the Experiment shews it. Nay, if W be successively moved to any of the Points 1, 2, 3, E, 4, 5, or 6, the Æquilibrium will be continued; or if, W hanging at any of those Points, P be successively mov'd to D or any of the Points of Suspension on the cross Piece F G. P will at any of those Places make an Ægulibrium with W. Now when the Weights are at P and V. if the least Weight that is capable to overcome the Friction at the Points of Suspension, C and K be ad-R 2 ded ded to V, as u, the Weight V will overpower, and that as much at V as if it was at W.

From what we have faid above, the Reason of this

Experiment will be very plain.

As the Lines A C and K D, C B and K E always continue of the same Length in any Position of the Machine, the Pieces A D and B E will always continue parallel to one another, and perpendicular to the Horizon: However, the whole Machine turns upon the Points C and K; as appears by bringing the Balance to any other Polition, as a b e d: And therefore as the Weights applied to any Part of the Pieces F G and H I can only bring down the Pieces A D and B E perpendicularly, in the same Manner as if they were applied to the Hooks D and E, or to X and Y, the Centers of Gravity of AD and BE; the Force of the Weights (if their Quantity of Matter is equal) will be equal; because their Velocities will be their perpendicular Ascent or Descent, which will always be as the equal Lines 4 1 and 4 L, whatever Part of the Pieces F G and H I the Weights are applied to. But if to the Weight at V be added the little Weight u, those two Weights will overpower, because in this Case the Momentum is made up of the Sum of V and u multiplied by the common Velocity 4 L.

Hence follows, that it is not the Distance c 6 multiplied into the Weight V, which makes its Momentum; but its perpendicular Velocity L 4 multiplied into its Mass Q. E. D.

This is still further evident, by taking out the Pin at K; for then the Weight P will over-balance the other

other Weight at V, because then their perpendicular Ascent or Descent will not be equal.

VI. De Ingenti Sanguinis Vomitu perquàm gelidissimis brumali tempore Potionibus curato, Observatio ad Regiam Scientiarum Londinensem Societatem à Petro Antonio Michelotto M. D. R. S. S. transmissa.

UUM Patritius Juvenis Præstantissimus Ludovicus Massetti, rure, ubi venațione, & perequitando se vehementer exercuerat, in urbem reversus Sanguinem Decimo Calendas Januarias CIDDEC XXVIII. ad uncias quinque, sexve matutinis temporibus vomeret, hujuscemodi curationem institui. Primum, quòd Cruoris in Arterias, Venasque vim, eas distendere continenter nitentem infigniter, & præcipuè ex superfluente Sanguineæ materiæ copia adauctam animadverterem; minimèque ignorarem ipsum Nobilissimum Tuvenem laborare scyrrhoso lienis tumore, ob quem, & Sanguinem vel hos ante quatuor annos evomuerar. & narium copiosis hæmorrhagiis à prima usque adolescentia vere, & autumno quotannis tentari consueverat; quæ, posteaquam fortuità à lusoribus follis capiti impactus fuerat, ferè ex toto defecerant; quòl hæc, inquam, minimè ignorarem, ad uncias circiter octo ex hæmorrhoidibus Sanguinem per hirudines protinus mitti, ejus copiæ demendæ, atque à liene, & ventriculo avertendæ causa præcepi; tum aquam ex plan-

