

VI. Part of a Letter from Tho Short, M. D.
to Sir Hans Sloane, Bar^t. Pr. R. S. concern-
ing an extraordinary Impostumation of the
Liver.

Honoured Sir,

Sheffield, June 11. 1731.

***** I Had a Patient, who died lately of an *Im-*
postumation of the *Liver*: I open'd him,
and out of the lowest and thinnest *Lobes* I took
six Quarts of purulent, thick, most intolerably
fetid, reddish-brown Matter, very acid; for no
sooner was it expos'd a little to the open Air, than
it fermented exceedingly. The Patient had drain-
ed off the thinner Part the last Week of his Life
by violent Vomiting; and purging to thirty or forty
Stools a Day, and as many Vomits, it was thrown
into the *Duodenum* by the *Ductus Cholidochus com-*
munis, and there pumped up and thrown out, both
by its Sharpness and Stimulation. All the upper
Part of the *Liver* to about an Inch below the Gall-
bladder was found. The Tumour had so compressed
the right Kidney, that it was emaciated away to less
than the *Glendula Renalis*. *** From,

S I R,

Your most obliged humble Servant,

THO. SHORT.

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