quadriennium ex Polonia per Luſatiam & Marchiam huc appellerent, media æſtate catervatim alte in aere ſupra ædes turreſque advolaſſe, ut eminus nubis ſpeciem mentirentur. Quo conſederunt loco, ibi terram omnem operuerunt, atque inde longe lateque diffuſæ fuerunt. De damnis quæ perniciofiſſimum hoc inſectum vicinis Vitembergæ campis editioribus, nam in ipſam vallem prope Vitembergam locuſtæ non penetrarunt, ſed in collibus, qui 1500 circiter paſſibus geometricis ab hac urbe abſunt, ſubſtiterunt, & inde ulterius verſus Marchiam & Luſatiam proceſſerunt, attulit, ni fallor, in excerptis obſervationum Anni 1731 retuli. Amabant ſupremas ſpicarum molliores cuſpides, queis ut commodius fruerentur, totam ſpicam immaturam decerpebant, idque noctu inprimis fiebat. Una ſæpe nocte pleraſque integri jugeri ſpicas ſic in terram proſtratas a locuſtis fuiſſe fide digni viri mihi confirmarunt, quapropter nonnullis in pagis ne ſementem quidem pauperes coloni ex agris ſuis collegerunt.

VI. *Clauſula excerpta*, ex Hiſtoriâ Variolarum quæ per Inciſionem excitantur, *ab* E. Timoni, *M D. Scriptâ*, *R. S. Communicavit* Sam. Horſeman, *M. D.*

FUIT primò nonnullus qui novaculâ cutim ſcindebat, eique Variolarum includeret tubercula exiccata, factâ deſuper ligaturâ: Sed præter dolorem, qui tamen in pueris reluctantibus multum difficultatis adfert, talis Operatio non benè ſucceſſit. Ali-

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Aliquando enim tardè & cum peſſimorum Symptomatum Satellitio erupere variolæ; aliquando incaſſùm ceſſit Inciſio; illa tamen loca Inoculationis ulceribus cacoetheis repleta fuerunt. Nonnullis etiam lethalis fuit talis Operatio: Mumia enim fermentativa, e marcidis iſtis tuberculis, rancida ac veluti cadaverizata non ſolum expetito ſcopo haud ſatisfacit, ſed pravam ſanguini poteſt communicare putrilaginem.

VII. *An Abſtract of a Letter from* Petrus Van Muſchenbroek, *M. D. F. R. S. Profeſſor of Mathematicks and Aſtronomy in the Univerſity of* Utrecht, *in* Holland; *to Dr.* J. T. Deſaguliers, *F. R. S. concerning Experiments made on the* Indian Magnetick-Sand.

S I R,

I Don't know whether I dare take up your Time with my Trifles; yet I'll venture for once to acquaint you with ſome things concerning the *Indian-Sand,* which is attracted by the Loadſtone.

The *Indian-Sand* which is brought to *Holland,* is ſaid to be chiefly gather'd upon the Sea-ſhore in *Perſia*; then it is boiled in Water, to free it from its Saltneſs, and it is after this a black Powder, conſiſting of Grains of different Bigneſs; ſome of which have a very rough Surface, and others have one part of their Surface ſomething rough, and the other very ſhining: Their Figure is very irregular, like Grains of com-