to Dr. Halley's Account of it, in the Philosophical Transactions (Numb. 183.) in which I entirely acquiesce, having always found it agreeable to the Phanomena.

If by publishing these Thoughts, I have explained the Rise of Vapours, in a more satisfactory Way than has been done before; or if I have only given useful Hints to others more capable of doing it, I have my End.

P. S. Since I have, for Brevity sake, only mentioned at what Heights from the Surface of the Earth, Vapours of different Densities will come to an Equilibrium, without giving a Reason for settling the Place of Equilibrium, at those Heights; I think proper to give the Method here by which they are to be found, viz. As the Vapours will settle and rise where the Air is of the same Density with themselves; it is only required to find the Density of the Air at any Distance from the Earth, at several Heights of the Barometer, which may be deduced from Dr. Halley's two Tables, Philosoph. Transatt. Num. 386. (the First shewing the Altitude to given Heights of the Mercury, and the Second the Heights of the Mercury at given Altitudes) and knowing the Degree of Heat by the Thermometer, because the Density of the Vapour depends upon the Degree of Heat of the Season; provided that proper Allowances be made for the great Rarefaction of the Air near the Earth in hot and dry Weather, and the Condensation of the Vapours in their Rise, by reason of the Air being colder at a little Height above the Earth than just at the Surface of it.

IV. An Account of some Observations relating to Natural History, made in a Journey to the Peak in Derbyshire, by Mr. J. Martyn, F. R. S.

THE Peak in Derbyshire, having hitherto been described in scarce any other Light, than as a Place composed of Wonders; I was not a little desirous to make some Enquiry into the Nature of a Place generally esteemed one of the most Surprizing of our own Country.

In my Way thither, I took Notice of the following Plants, which I have not observed to be common

mon in other Parts of England, and are not taken Notice of by the Bishop of London, in his Edition of Cambden.

Stachys Fuchsii, J. B. In the Road to Grantham,

a little beyond Colesworth.

Scrophularia Scorodonia, folio Mor. At Wollerton, under the Garden-wall. This does not owe its Origine in this Place to Seeds, scattered out of the Garden; as I am convinced, by the perusal of a Manuscript Catalogue of the Plants cultivated in that Garden, in which there is no mention made of this Plant.

The Lychnis, which grows on Nottingham-Castle, is the Lychnis sylvestris alba 9 Clussi, and not the same with Mr. Ray's Lychnis major nottiflora Dubrensis perennis, as he suspected.

Festuca humilior panicula brevi heteromalla. Gramen paniculatum, bromoides, minus, paniculis aristatis, unam partem spectantibus Raii Syn. On

Sherwood Forest.

Salix folio laureo, seu lato glabro odorato Phyt.

Brit. Common about Wingerworth.

Ladanum arvense, flore amplo luteo; labro purpureo. Lamium cannabinum, flore amplo luteo, labio purpureo Raii Syn. In the Corn in several Places.

Filix mas non ramosa, pinnulis angustis, raris, profunde dentatis Ger. emac. Common about Win-

gerworth.

The Peak is famous for seven Places, which have been dignified by our Ancestors, with the Name of Wonders: 1. Chatsworth, a magnificent Seat of his Grace the Duke of Devonshire; 2. Mam-tor; 3. Elden-hole; 4. The ebbing and flowing Well; 5. Bux.

5. Buxton-Well; 6. Peak's Hole, and 7. Pool's Hole. The First being a Work, not of Nature, but Art, does not come within the Design of this Account. Mam-tor is a huge Precipice facing the East. or South East; which is faid to be perpetually shivering and throwing down great Stones on a smaller Mountain below it; and that nevertheless, neither the one increases, nor the other decreases in Bigness. This Mountain is composed chiefly of a Sort of Slate-Stone (called in that Country Black Shale) and great Stone. The Nature of the Black Shale is known to be, that notwithstanding it is very hard before it is exposed to the Air; yet it is afterwards very eafily crumbled to Dust. Thus on any Storm, or melting of Snow, this Shale is confiderably wasted; and as the great Stones are gradually difengaged, they must necessarily fall down. That it is only at these Times that the Mountain wastes, is affirmed by the most intelligent of the neighbouring Inhabitants: And that this Decay is not perpetual, I can affirm myself; having not only taken a close Survey of it, but also climbed up the very Precipice, without feeing any other shivering in the Mountain, than what the treading of my own Feet in the loofe crumbled Earth occasioned. That the Mountain does not decrease in the mean Time, is a Tale too frivolous to need any Confideration.

Elden-hole, is a huge perpendicular Chasm. The Depth of it is not known. Mr. Cotton tells us, that he sounded 884 Yards, and yet the Plummet drew. But he might easily be deceived, unless his Plummet was of a very great Weight; for otherwise, I imagine the

the Weight of a Rope of that Length, would be fo great as to make the Landing of the Plummet scarce perceivable. Be that as it will, the Depth of it is to be fure very confiderable; and confidering that we have no where in England so good an Opportunity of fearching the Bowels of the Earth to fo great a Depth: I wonder no curious Person has ever had the Courage to venture down. It is faid indeed, that a poor Fellow was hired to be let down with a Rope about his Middle, two hundred Yards; and that he was drawn up again, out of his Senses, and died a few Days after: And no Wonder, for the poor Wretch having nothing else to reflect on in that dismal Place, but the Danger he had put himself into for the Sake of a little Money, might probably be fright'ned out of his Senses. Or indeed the very Fatigue itself might put him into that Condition; as any one will easily imagine, who has been let down but a quarter of the Way, and drawn up again in that Manner. But I conceive, that if any intelligent and prudent Person was to be let down in a proper Machine; he would not be much in Danger, and his Fatigue would be very inconfiderable.

The ebbing and flowing Well is far from being regular, as some have pretended. It is very seldom seen by the Neighbours themselves; and, for my Part, I waited a good while at it to no Purpose: And so I shall pass it over in Silence.

Buxton-Well has been esteemed a Wonder, on account of two Springs, one warm and the other cold, rising near each other. But the Wonder is now lost, both being blended together. The Spring

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which is now used for bathing, appears to be 32 \(\frac{1}{2}\) Degrees of one of Mr. Hawkshee's Thermometers warmer than the common spring Water there *. Statical Experiments on the Effects of warm bathing having been seldom made, I hope a few, which I had an Opportunity of making, will not be unacceptable.

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| changed. | C. | 170 15 | | | | | |
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^{*} The Spring Water kept the Spirit of Wine at 41, the Bath Water raised it to $8\frac{1}{4}$.

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From these Experiments may be concluded,

If, That warm bathing increases the Weight of the Body for the present; though it causes a plentiful Perspiration afterwards: Which I do not remember

that any one has hitherto observed.

2dly, That the Perspiration after this Exercise is nothing near so large as Dr. Keill * has delivered; t amounting by his Account to one Pound and a half n one Hour's Time. By our Observation it is but ive Ounces in one Hour, and from eight Ounces and half to one Pound, in one Hour and a half, though slifted by Motion; which might have caused us to exspire (by Dr. Keill's Computation †) from three to a Ounces.

Peak's Hole and Pool's Hole are two remarkable horintal Openings under Mountains, the one near Caeton, the other just by Buxton. They seem to me have owed their Original to the Springs which have ir Current through them. It is easy to imagine at when the Water had forced it's Way through the rizontal Fissures of the Strata, and had carried the seath away with it, the loose Stones must of

Med. Stat. p. 16. Calore, motu & exercitio unciæ 2 vel 3 interdum 4 perspiratione unius horæ expelluntur. Med. Stat. p. 15. Course fall down; and that where the Strata had sew or no Fissures, they remained entire, and so formed those very irregular Arches which are so much wondered at in these Places. Whether this be the true Origine of these Caves or not, I submit to those who shall hereaster have the Curiosity to examine. It seems more probable to me, than what others have hitherto proposed. The three Rivers, as they are commonly called, in Peak's Hole are only some Parts of the Cave deeper than the rest, and receiving all their Water from the Spring which comes from the farther End of the Cave. The Water which passes through Pool's-hole is impregnated with Particles of Limestone, and so has incrusted almost the whole Cave in such a Manner, that it appears like one solid Rock.

The more rare Plants which I observed in the Peak are,

Scariola sylvestris Anguillara. Lattuca sylv. murorum flore luteo J. B. On old Walls and about the Entrance into Peak's-hole. It grows also in Hertfordsbire. I choose to take Notice of it on this Occasion, the rather because M. Vaillant has evidently mistaken the Characters of it in his new Distribution of the Cichoraceous Tribe in the Memoirs of the Royal Academy of Sciences for the Year 1721. He there makes it a Species of Lactuca, from which it is very different on his own Principles. According to his Method, the Empalement of the Lactuca is squamous, and the Down of the Seed fits upon a Pedicle. But this Species has a simple Empalement and a sessile Down. These Characters evidently distinguish it not only from Lactuca, but from every Genus in his Method. I shall take leave therefore to constitute a new Genus:

And

And as the Name of Scariola, by which Anguillara has called it, has not yet been appropriated to any other Genus, I shall appropriate it to this, and define it, as follows.

Scariola is a Cichoraceous Plant, with a simple Empalement, a naked Placenta, and Seeds crowned with a hairy sessile Down.

Rosa sylv. alba cum aliquo rubore foliis hirsutis

7. B. In several Hedges about Hathersedge.

Empetrum montanum fructu nigro Tourn. Common on the Mountains.

Oxycoccus, seu Vaccinia palustria, J. B. On bog-gy Places, but not very common.

Erica humilis cortice cinereo Arbuti flore albo, H. R. Par. On the Mountains near Hathersedge.

Rubus Idaus spinosus fructu rubro, J. B. In the Hedges.

Geranium saxatile Ger. emac. About the En-

trance into Peak's-hole.

Cochlearia rotundifolia minima Merr. With the preceeding.

Thalistrum minus Ger. In the same Place.

Lichenoides saxatile, fuscum, pilosum, varie divisum. Corallina fusca foliosa Doody Budd. Hort. sicc. On the Rocks.

Lichenoides (axatile tinttorium foliis pilosis pur-

pureis Dillenii. On the Rocks.

Usnea saxatilis, capillacea. Muscus corallinus, saxatilis, saxatil

Lycopodium Sabina facie Fl. Jen. On the Mountains pear Darwent.

Selago foliis & facie Abietis Fl. Jen. On the Mountains near Darwent.

Bryum Hypnoides capitulis, plurimis erectis lanuginosum Dillenii. On the Mountains.

Cardamine impatiens altera hirsution Raii Syn.

About the Mouth of Pool's-hole plentifully.

A Variety of Mr. Ray's Viola montana lutea with

a blue and yellow Flower.

The Lead-mines in Derbyshire are very various with regard to their Courses. One into which I went down, had two Branches; one running to the N. E. the other to the N. W. And as I was informed, one of the best they ever discovered ran due North. Their Breadth and Depth are full as irregular. The Bodies through which they dig to come at the Vein are generally Limestone and Black Shale. But it is uncertain which of the two is uppermost. Of two Mines into which I went down, in one they had dug first through 26 Yards of Limestone, then through one of Black Shale: In the other first through 42 Yards of Shale, and then through 28 of Limestone. The Substances which they find mixt with the Ore, are

I. Chert. This is a kind of Flint, which Dr. Woodward* fays is called fo, when it is found in thin Strata. But in the Peak the Strata of Chert are often four Yards thick, or thicker. They are found in Limestone, and not always disposed in Strata. Those which I took Notice of were generally either black, or of such a Colour as the inspissated Juice of the Buckthorn Berries, which the Painters call by the Name of Sap-green: Whence they are called Green Cherts and Black Cherts.

^{*} Method of Fossils, p. 21,

2. Spar. This is composed of Crystal mixt with other Bodies. Those which they call Sugar-spars, are those whose Crystallisations are very small, and so on crumbling to Pieces have the Appearance of powdered Sugar. I have two Sorts of these; white and blue. Dog-tooth Spar is a white pointed Spar, in

Form and Colour something resembling Teeth.

3. Cauk. This Dr. Woodward * fays is a coarse talky Spar. But in that Substance which I met with in this Country under the Name of Cauk; I could not discover any Flexibility or Elasticity, which that learned Writer has set down as Characteristicks of Talk and Talky Bodies. † It seems to me to be nothing but Spar incorporated with a coarse earthy Matter. When this Cauk is mixt with pellucid Crystallisations of Spar, it is called Bastard Cauk.

There are feveral other Bodies mixt in the Mines with Lead-ore: But as they did not occur in those Mines which I examined, I shall omit the Mention

of them.

When the Ore is brought up from the Mine it is broken to Pieces that the Spar, Cauk, or other Bodies which adher'd to it may be the more easily separated. It is then thrown into a large Sieve and washed, and so farther purified from extraneous Bodies. After this, it is carried to the Furnace in order to be smelted. The Furnace, which I saw near Worksworth, was very rude and simple, consisting only of some large rough Stones, placed in such a Manner as to form a square Cavity, into which the Ore and Coals are thrown stratum super stratum; two great Bellows continually blowing the Fire, being moved alternately by Water. I saw Method of Fossils, p. 18. † Catalogue of Fossils, Vol. i. part i, p. 57.

no other Fuel used on this Occasion but dried Sticks. which they call white Coal. * Mr. Ray informs us, that they use both white and black Coal or Charcoal in Cardiganshire. I suppose because that Ore is harder to flux; the Charcoal making a more vehement Fire. They generally throw in fome Spar along with the Ore, which is thought by imbibing the Sulphur to make it flux more easily. They frequently throw in also fome Cowke (or Cinders of Pit-coal) because they think it attracts the Drofs, and so makes an easier Separation of it from the Lead. When the Ore is melted, it runs out at an Opening in the Bottom Part of the Front of the Furnace, through a fmall Channel made for that Purpose, into a cylindrical Vessel, out of which it is laded into the Mould. The Drofs of the Ore on smelting is called Slag. This Slag is afterwards smelted again with Cowke only, and the Lead obtained from it is called Slag-lead. Their Way of making Red-lead is the same with † Mr. Ray's Account; only they use three Parts of Lead, and one of Slag-lead; and think that the Red-lead made thus is better than if made without Slag-lead.

* Collection of English Words, Ed. 2. p. 174.

† Ibid. p. 200.