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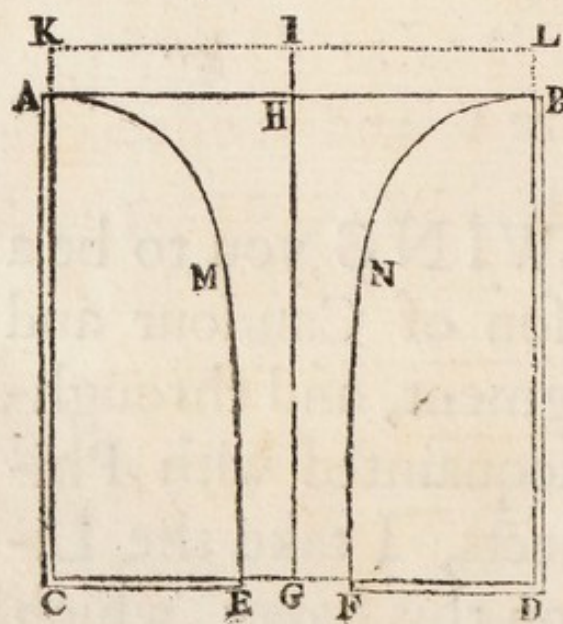


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contains an Account of the Motion of Water through Orifices and Pipes, and a Vindication of my Treatise of the *Animal Oeconomy* from certain Objections offered against it by Dr. *Morgan*, in his late Book, intituled, *The mechanical Practice of Physick*.

PROPOSITION I.

IF *A C D B* be a cylindrical Vessel filled with Water, *A B* its upper Orifice, *C D* its Bottom parallel to the Horizon, *E F* a circular Hole in the middle of the Bottom, *G H* the Axis



of the Cylinder perpendicular to the Horizon, *G I* the Axis produced till *I H* becomes equal to the Space thro' which a heavy

any Body must descend in vacuo to acquire a Velocity equal to the Velocity of the Water in the Surface AB ; if A be put for the Area of the Surface of the Water AB , a for the Area of the Hole EF , H for GH the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel above the Hole, V for the Velocity of the Water flowing through the Hole, and v for the Velocity of the Water in the Surface AB ; and lastly, if the Vessel be supposed to be kept constantly full, by being supply'd at the Top as fast as the Water runs out through the Hole, and the Water descend from the Top of the Vessel to the Hole freely and without Resistance; I say that V will be equal to the Velocity acquired in falling in vacuo through the Space $\frac{V^2 H}{V^2 - v^2}$,
 or $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$, or $\frac{IG \times H}{IG - IH}$, or IG .

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For IH being the Space through which a heavy Body must fall *in vacuo*, to acquire a Velocity equal to the Velocity of the Water in the Surface AB, and the Water being supposed to descend from the Surface to the Hole freely and without Resistance, IG will be equal to the Space through which a heavy Body must fall *in vacuo* to acquire the Velocity of the Water in the Hole EF: But the Velocities acquired by a Body falling *in vacuo* through the Spaces IG and IH are in the subduplicate Ratio of those Spaces, on Supposition that the Gravity of the Body is the same in I as in G, as it will be without any sensible Error if the Point I be but at a small Distance from the Surface of the Earth; and the same Velocities V and v, are also as the Areas A and a, because equal Quantities of Water pass through the Surface AB and Hole EF

EF in the same Time; and therefore $V . v :: A . a :: \sqrt{IG} . \sqrt{IH}$; and by Squaring, and Division of Proportion, $\frac{V^2}{V^2 - v^2} = \frac{A^2}{A^2 - a^2} = \frac{IG}{IG - IH} = \frac{IG}{H}$, and, by multiplying by H, $\frac{V^2 H}{V^2 - v^2} = \frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2} = \frac{IG \times H}{IG - IH} = \frac{IG \times H}{H} = IG$: And therefore V will be equal to the Velocity acquired by falling *in vacuo* through the Space $\frac{V^2 H}{V^2 - v^2}$, or $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$, or $\frac{IG \times H}{IG - IH}$, or IG. Which was to be proved.

Cor. 1. H, the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel, is $= IG \times \frac{V^2 - v^2}{V^2} = IG \times \frac{A^2 - a^2}{A^2}$.

Cor. 2. V, the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole,

Hole, is as $\sqrt{\frac{V^2 H}{V^2 - v^2}}$, or as $\sqrt{\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$, or
 as $\sqrt{\frac{IG \times H}{IG - IH}}$, or as \sqrt{IG} .

Cor. 3. If a be equal to A , V will be nothing. For when a is equal to A , v will be equal to V by this *Proposition*: But when $a=A$, and $v=V$, H will be nothing by *Cor. 1.* And consequently V will be nothing by *Cor. 2.*

The Truth of this *Corollary* will appear likewise, by considering that when a is equal to A , IH will be equal to IG , and the Point H will coincide with the Point G : But when the Point H coincides with the Point G , the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel will be destroy'd, and when the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel is destroy'd, there can
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be no Velocity: And therefore when $a=A$, V will be nothing.

Farther, to suppose a to be equal to A , and consequently v to be equal to V , will from the Nature of Gravity make V nothing. For Gravity accelerates the Motion of the Water from the Surface to the Hole, and makes the Velocity through the Hole greater than at the Surface, while there is the least perpendicular Distance between them; and therefore to make the two Velocities equal, will be to destroy the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel: But when the perpendicular Height of the Water is destroy'd, there can be no Velocity: And therefore to suppose v to be equal to V , will be to make V nothing.

From all this it appears, that the Velocities v and V can never become equal, but in the Instant of their Evanescence on an infinite Di-

Diminution of the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel, and a consequent Coincidence of the Points I and H with the Point G.

Cor. 4. If A be greater than A , H will be negative, and V will be affirmative. For when a is greater than A , $A^2 - a^2$ will be negative, and consequently H will be negative by *Cor. 1.* And, when $A^2 - a^2$ and H are both negative, V , the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole, will be affirmative by *Cor. 2.*

A negative perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel, and an affirmative Velocity necessarily require an Inversion of the Vessel, or turning of its Bottom upwards, by which Inversion the Hole will become the upper Orifice and the upper Orifice become the Hole, a will become

become A, and A will become a, v will become V, and V become v, and the Velocity will be affirmative, that is, the Water will move downwards, as it ought to do from the Nature of Gravity. That an Inversion of the Vessel is necessary, will appear farther by the following Argument. When a is greater than A, the Vessel will be conical with its wider End downwards: But, from the Nature of Gravity, Water poured in at the Top or narrower End of such a Vessel, will descend in a cylindrical Column, which cannot fill the Base, as this *Proposition* requires: And therefore there must be an Inversion of the Vessel, and such a Change of Symbols as I have mentioned.

Cor. 5. If the Hole be exceeding small in comparison of the upper Orifice, the Velocity with which

the Water flows through the Hole, will, without any sensible Error, be equal to the Velocity which a heavy Body will acquire in falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel, that is, V will, without any sensible Error, be equal to the Velocity acquired in falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to H . For when a is exceeding small in comparison of A , $A^2 - a^2$ will be very nearly equal to A^2 , and $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$ will be very nearly equal to H : But, by this *Proposition*, V is equal to the Velocity acquired in falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$. And therefore V will be very nearly equal to the Velocity acquired in falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to H .

Cor.

Cor. 6. The Force which can generate the whole Motion of the Water flowing out thro' the Hole, is equal to the Weight of a Cylinder of Water whose Base is the Hole, and whose Altitude is twice the Space through which a heavy Body must fall *in vacuo* to acquire the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole; that is, the Force is equal to the Weight of the Cylinder of Water $a \times 2 \text{ IG}$. For the Time, in which the Water flowing out through the Hole becomes equal to the Cylinder of Water $a \times 2 \text{ IG}$, is equal to the Time in which that Cylinder of Water in falling *in vacuo* by the constant Action of its own Weight will acquire a Velocity equal to that with which the Water flows out, that is, a Velocity equal to V ; and from an Equality of the Times of the Motions, of the Quantities

tities of Matter moved, and of the Velocities, the Motions of the effluent Water and of the descending Cylinder will be equal: But when two Motions are equal, the Forces generating those Motions are equal: And consequently, the Force which can generate the whole Motion of the Water flowing out through the Hole, is equal to the Weight of a Cylinder of Water whose Magnitude is $a \times 2 IG$.

SCHOLIUM.

Since, by this *Proposition*, the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole, is equal to the Velocity which a Body will acquire by falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$, on Supposition that the Water descends down the Vessel freely and without Resistance; we may,

may, by knowing the Velocity acquired by a heavy Body in falling through such a Space, find the Velocity with which the Water flows out through the Hole. For, according to Sir *Isaac Newton*, a Body falling *in vacuo* near the Surface of the Earth will describe $193\frac{1}{3}$ Inches or $16\frac{1}{9}$ Feet in one Second Minute of Time, and will have acquired a Velocity in the Time of the Fall, which being continued uniform would make it describe twice that Space, that is $386\frac{2}{3}$ Inches or $32\frac{2}{9}$ Feet in one Second: But uniform Velocities are as the Spaces described by them in one Second, and the Velocities acquired in falling *in vacuo* through the Spaces $16\frac{1}{9}$ and $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$ are in the subduplicate Ratio of those Spaces: And therefore $32\frac{2}{9} \cdot \sqrt{16\frac{1}{9}} :: V \cdot \sqrt{\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$; whence $V =$

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$$8.02773 \sqrt{\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}} \text{ Feet} = 96.33276$$

$\sqrt{\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$ Inches. This is the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole, setting aside the Resistance of the Air, and supposing the Water to descend down the Vessel freely and without Resistance.

The true Velocity with which the Water flows out through the Hole, will be had by applying the Quantity of Water discharged by Experiment, to the Area of the Hole and Time of the Discharge taken together; that is, putting Q for the Quantity of the Discharge in cubick Inches, D for the Diameter of the Hole in Inches or Parts of an Inch, and T for the Time of the Discharge in Seconds, by $\frac{Q}{.7853816 D^2 T}$.

Now if the Water descend freely and without Resistance, this Measure

sure of the Velocity will be equal to
 the former, that is, $\frac{Q}{.7853816 D^2 T}$
 $= 96.33276 \sqrt{\frac{A^3 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$; whence $Q =$
 $75.65957 D^2 T \sqrt{\frac{A^3 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$, and, putting
 W for the Weight of this Bulk of
 Water in Ounces *Troy*, $W =$
 $39.93144 D^2 T \sqrt{\frac{A^3 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$. But it has
 been found by Experiments, that the
 Bulk and Weight of Water discharg-
 ed, always fall considerably short of
 what they ought to be by these
 Rules; Sir *Isaac Newton* found them
 to be less in the Proportion of 441
 to 625, or of 1 to $\sqrt{2}$ nearly: And
 therefore Q and W must both be
 lessened in this Proportion, and
 then we shall have $Q = 67.97239$
 $\sqrt{\frac{A^3 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$, and $W = 53.38426 D^2 T$
 $\sqrt{\frac{A^3 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$.

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That less Water flows through the Hole in a given Time, than would flow through it if the Water descended down the Vessel without any Resistance, must be owing either to the Water's not filling the Hole when it passes through it, or to its passing through it with a less Velocity than that which is required in falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to $\frac{A \cdot H}{A - a}$: But by carefully observing the Water as it flows out, I find that it fills the Hole if the Plate in which the Hole is made be very thin, and if the Plate be thick and the Hole be a short Pipe, that it fills the inner Orifice of the Pipe which is contiguous to the Water in the Vessel, though it does not fill the outer Orifice on account of the Contraction of the Vein, which Contraction extends from the inner Orifice of the Pipe, which is to be con-

considered as the Hole, to about the Distance of its Diameter : And therefore the Water passes through the Hole with a less Velocity than that which is acquired in falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$. It passes through the Hole with a less Velocity, from its not descending freely and without Resistance, and it does not descend freely and without Resistance from its moving laterally as well as downwards throughout its Passage from the upper Orifice to the Hole. The lateral Motion of the Water, or the flowing together of its Parts from all Sides of the Vessel throughout its whole Descent, gives a Resistance to its Motion downwards, and that Resistance lessens the perpendicular Velocity, and makes the Quantity of Water discharged in a given Time less than it would be if there

was no such lateral Motion, but the Water descended only perpendicularly from A B to E F.

The Velocity therefore with which the Water flows through the Hole, is equal to the Velocity which a heavy Body would acquire in falling *in vacuo* through a Space equal to one half of the Space $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$. For the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole, is to the Velocity acquired in falling *in vacuo* through the Space $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$ as 1 to $\sqrt{2}$, from Sir *Isaac Newton's* Experiments : But from the Law of the Descent of heavy Bodies *in vacuo*, the Velocity acquired in falling through one half of the Space $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$ is to the Velocity acquired in falling through the whole Space $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$ as 1 to $\sqrt{2}$: And therefore the Velocity

city with which the Water flows thro^o the Hole is equal to the Velocity acquired by falling *in vacuo* through one half of the Space $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$.

The true Quantity of Water discharged will likewise be had by supposing the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole to be equal to that which a heavy Body will acquire in falling in *vacuo* through the Space $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$, and the Hole to be contracted and its Area lessened in the Proportion of 441 to 625 or 1 to $\sqrt{2}$. For, since the Quantity of Water discharged is as the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole, the Area of the Hole, and Time of the Motion taken together, it is evident that the same Quantity of Water will be discharged in a given Time, whether the Velocity acquired in falling

falling *in vacuo* through the Space $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$, or a the Area of the Hole, be lessened in the Proportion of 1 to $\sqrt{2}$. Sir *Isaac Newton* found the Area of a transverse Section of the Vein at the Distance of about a Diameter from the Hole, to be less than the Area of the Hole in the said Proportion. And in the Determination of this Motion he supposes the Hole to be contracted in that Proportion, and the Velocity, with which the Water flows through it, to be equal to the Velocity in the contracted Part of the Vein, that is, equal to the Velocity which a heavy Body will acquire in falling *in vacuo* through G I, or $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$.

In order to know, whether the Velocities of Water flowing through circular Holes of different Diameters at the same perpendicular Distance

stance from the Surface of the Water, be all equal, and what Relation the Velocity of Water flowing through a Hole bears to the Velocity of Water flowing through a Pipe of an equal Diameter and at an equal perpendicular Distance from the Surface of the Water, I got Mr. *Stokes*, a skilful and accurate Mathematical Instrument-maker in this City, to make a very exact *Apparatus* for ascertaining these Things by Experiments. And from the Experiments I composed the two following Tables.

The first Table contains, in the first Column the Time of the Discharge in Seconds, in the second the perpendicular Heights of the Water above the Hole in *London* Feet, in the third the Diameters of the Holes in Parts of an Inch, in the fourth the Weights of Water discharged in Ounces *Troy*, and in the

TABLE I.				
T	H	D	V	$\frac{V}{D}$
5"	4	$\frac{2}{10}$	13.267	3317
		$\frac{4}{10}$	49.	3062
		$\frac{5}{10}$	76.	3040
		$\frac{8}{10}$	186.	2906
	2	$\frac{2}{10}$	9.	2250
		$\frac{4}{10}$	35.	2193
		$\frac{5}{10}$	54.	2160
		$\frac{8}{10}$	133.75	2090

the fifth the Velocities measured by the Weights of Water discharged apply'd to the Squares of the Diameters of the Holes.

By this Table, the Velocities of Water flowing through Holes of different Diameters, and at the same perpendicular Distance from the Surface of the Water, are all nearly equal; only the Velocity is ever
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something greater through a smaller Hole than through a larger.

The second Table consists of three Parts, and each Part of three Columns. The first Column of each Part contains the Diameter of

TABLE II.								
D	L	V	D	L	V	D	L	V
$\frac{2}{10}$	O	13.267	$\frac{4}{10}$	O	49.	$\frac{8}{10}$	O	186.
	D	14.985		D	57.		D	213.25
2 D		15.	2 D		58.5	2 D		234.
3 D		14.367	3 D		55.	3 D		226.5
4 D		14.300	4 D		54.5	4 D		221.
5 D		14.233	5 D		53.75	5 D		212.
10 D		13.212	16 D		49.	16 D		196.
						23 D		186.

the Pipe in Parts of an Inch, the second the Lengths of the Pipes beginning from O, that is from an Hole, and the third the Velocities expressed by the Weights of Water discharged in five Seconds of Time. The Holes and Pipes were all at the

D Distance

Distance of 4 Feet from the Surface of the Water, and the Pipes lay all parallel to the Horizon.

By this Table, the Velocity increases from the Hole till the Length of the Pipe becomes equal to about twice its Diameter, that is, equal to about $2D$, and is greater there than at any other Length of the Pipe. The greatest Velocities in these Pipes in Proportion to the Velocities through their respective Holes, which Holes may be considered as Pipes of infinitely small Lengths, are as the Numbers 1130, 1215 and 1258, in Proportion to 1000: Whence we learn, that the greatest Velocity in a Pipe in Proportion to the Velocity through an Hole of an equal Diameter and at an equal perpendicular Distance from the Surface of the Water, is something greater in a wider Pipe than in a narrower one.

From

From the Length $2 D$, the Velocity lessens continually on increasing the Length of the Pipe, and becomes equal to the Velocity thro' the Hole, when the Length of the Pipe becomes equal to $25.71478 D\sqrt{D}$. For the Velocities through the Pipes were nearly equal to the Velocities through their respective Holes, when the Lengths of the Pipes were $10 D$, $16 D$, and $23 D$, that is, 2 , 6.4 , and 18.4 Inches: But 2 , 6.4 , and 18.4 , are nearly in the sesquiplicate Ratios of the Diameters $\frac{2}{10}$, $\frac{4}{10}$, and $\frac{8}{10}$: And therefore $18.4 \cdot \frac{8}{10} \times \sqrt{\frac{8}{10}} :: L \cdot D\sqrt{D}$; whence $L = 25.71478 D\sqrt{D}$ nearly.

From five times that Length of a Pipe forward at which the Velocity is equal to the Velocity through an Hole of an equal Diameter, that is, from the Length $128.5739 D\sqrt{D}$ forward, the Velocity will be measured nearly by the inverse subdupli-

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cate Ratio of the Length of the Pipe; V will be nearly as $\frac{1}{\sqrt{L}}$. For, by the first Experiment, *Anim. Oecon.* p. 29, the Velocities in two Pipes, whose Lengths were 2 Feet and 8 Feet, and whose common Diameter was $\frac{345}{1000}$ Parts of an Inch, were nearly in the reciprocal subduplicate Ratios of the Lengths of the Pipes: But $128.5739 D\sqrt{D}$ is nearly equal to 2 Feet, the Length of the shorter Pipe: And therefore from the Length $128.5739 D\sqrt{D}$ forward, the Velocity will be measured nearly by the reciprocal subduplicate Ratio of the Length of the Pipe; V will be nearly as $\frac{1}{\sqrt{L}}$. Hence it follows, that from the Length $128.5739 D\sqrt{D}$ forward, the Rectangle under the Velocity and square Root of the Length of the Pipe will be given; that is, $V\sqrt{L}$ will be given,

given, or be the same in Pipes of Lengths greater than $128.5739 \frac{D}{\sqrt{D}}$. It was nearly so in Pipes of half an Inch in Diameter, and of different Lengths from a Pipe of 4 Feet in Length to one of 100, when the perpendicular Height of the Water in the Vessel was 3 Feet. From the Nature of the Motion of Water through Pipes, I think there must be a certain Length of a Pipe of a given Diameter beyond which $\frac{1}{\sqrt{L}}$ does not measure the Velocity; but what that Length is I cannot say for want of Experiments.

The Reason why this Measure of the Velocity does not begin to obtain till the Pipe be of a certain Length, may be this. The lateral Motion of the Water descending in the Vessel, which Motion has been shewn to affect and disturb the Motion of Water flowing through a Hole,

Hole, may likewise affect and disturb its Motion through a Pipe, and hinder $\frac{1}{\sqrt{L}}$ from being an accurate Measure of the Velocity till the Pipe comes to be of such a Length, that the Resistance arising from the Weight of Water in the Pipe and from the internal Surface of the Pipe can in a good measure correct this Disturbance; that is, till it comes to be of the Length $128.5739 D\sqrt{D}$. And if this be the Reason why this Measure of the Velocity does not obtain with any Accuracy, till the Pipe comes to be of the Length $128.5739 D\sqrt{D}$; then the Velocity with respect to $\frac{1}{\sqrt{L}}$ in Pipes exceeding this Length, will be always something greater in a longer Pipe than in a shorter one (because the Correction of the Disturbance is greater in the former than in the latter)

latter) as I have always found it to be by Experiments.

This may suffice concerning the Motions of Water through Orifices and Pipes. I shall now proceed to Dr. *Morgan's* R E M A R K S, and shall shew that they have all been occasioned by his not having duly attended to what Sir *Isaac* and I delivered concerning these Motions.

In p. 68. l. 4, 5. the Doctor says that *F will ever be as $D^2 H$* , whereas had he attended to *Prop. 36. lib. 2. Newton.* he would have seen that *F* will never be as $D^2 H$, but when the Area of the Hole is infinitely little in comparison of the Area of the Surface of the Water in the Vessel, and the Pipe lies parallel to the Horizon. For I have shewn from that *Proposition*, that the Force which can generate the Motion of Water flowing through a Hole, is equal to the

the Weight of a Cylinder of Water whose Magnitude is $a \times IG$, or $a \times \frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$: But this Force is evidently equal to the Force, which generates the Motion of Water flowing thro' a Pipe lying parallel to the Horizon, of an equal Diameter with the Hole, and inserted into the inside of the Vessel at an equal perpendicular Distance from the Surface of the Water.

1. The Doctor supposes D and H to be given, and consequently the moving Force, which is as $D^2 H$, to be given; in which Case V will be measured by $\sqrt{\frac{1}{L}}$; and then affirms, *that if L be infinitely small, V must be infinitely great, and if L be infinitely great, V will be infinitely small.* Here I must acquaint this Author, that it by no means follows from L being infinitely small, that V must

V must be infinitely great, any more than it follows from a Body's being ing divisible *in infinitum*, that the Magnitude of that Body must be infinite. A finite Body will be infinitely great with respect to any of its Particles, when it is divided or supposed to be divided *in infinitum*; and a finite Velocity of Water flowing through a Hole, which may be considered as an infinitely short Pipe, will be infinitely great with respect to the Velocity of Water flowing through a Pipe infinitely long: And yet it is evident that neither the Body nor the Velocity through the Hole is infinite. Small and great, infinitely small and infinitely great, are Terms including a Comparison of Things with one another; thus a Thing is called small in comparison of a Thing of the same Kind which is great, and infinitely small in comparison of a

E Thing

Thing which is infinitely great; a Hole is a Pipe of an infinitely small Length, in comparison of a Pipe infinitely long. And therefore, since V is as $\sqrt[3]{L}$, the Velocity of Water flowing thro' an Hole will be infinitely greater than the Velocity of Water flowing thro' an infinitely long Pipe, tho' in reality the Velocity thro' the Hole be finite, and no greater than the Velocity acquired in falling *in vacuo* thro' $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$.

2. The Doctor, p. 69, supposes D to be given, and H to be proportional to L ; in which Case the Velocity thro' the Pipe will be given. However strange and absurd this may appear to this Gentleman, I can assure him I have found it to be true by Experiments. Two Pipes of the same Diameter, whose Lengths

Lengths were 8 Feet and 2 Feet, placed at the Distances of 4 Feet and 1 Foot from the Surface of the Water, discharged 97 and 83 *Troy* Ounces of Water in half a Minute. The Quantity discharged by the shorter Pipe was something less than the Quantity discharged by the longer, which was owing to the Disturbance arising from the lateral Motion of the Water descending in the Vessel, which is ever greater in a shorter Pipe than in a longer, and at a less Distance from the Surface of the Water than at a greater.

3. In his third Consequence, p. 70, drawn from V being as $\sqrt{\frac{DH}{L}}$, this Author supposes L *to be given*, and D *to be as* $\frac{1}{H}$; *in which Case the Velocity will be given.* He thinks this very absurd, as I gather from his fifth Consequence, in which he

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says expressly, *that D and L have nothing to do in the Matter, and cannot alter the Velocities at all.* But in this he is greatly mistaken; for both the Diameter and Length of a Pipe affect the Motion of Water moving thro' it, and are necessarily to be taken into the Measure of the Velocity, as fully appears from the first and second Experiments in the Proof of *Prop. 1. Anim. Oecon.* And I shall now shew by an Experiment, that the Velocity of Water flowing thro' a Pipe of a given Length is nearly the same, when the Diameter of the Pipe is inverfly as its perpendicular Distance from the Surface of the Water; that is, V will be given, when D is as $\frac{1}{H}$. Two Pipes, of the same Length, whose Diameters were 1 and 2, placed at the Distances of 2 and 1 from the Surface of the Water, discharged 68 and

20 Ounces of Water in half a Minute. The Velocities from these Discharges were as the Numbers 17 and 20. The first Velocity was something less than the second; because the first Pipe was wider and nearer to the Surface of the Water than the second, and consequently the Disturbance given to the Motion thro' the first, was greater than the Disturbance given to the Motion thro' the second.

4. In his fourth Consequence, p. 70, he supposes *H and L to be given; in which Case the Velocity will be as \sqrt{D}* . However absurd this Consequence may appear to the Doctor, I have proved it true by the second Experiment in the Proof of *Prop. 1. Anim. Oecon.* to which I refer him.

5. In his fifth and last Consequence, p. 70, he supposes *D and L to be given; in which Case V will be as \sqrt{H}* . This he allows to be true,

true, and says it is the true Law of accelerating Gravity and Pressure as determined by Newton. But in this he is mistaken. For V is not as \sqrt{H} according to Newton, but as $\sqrt{\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$, by Cor. 2. of the foregoing Proposition.

The Doctor proceeds to shew the Absurdity of what I asserted in my *Animal Oeconomy* from Sir Isaac Newton, and have demonstrated in the foregoing Proposition, namely, that the Velocity of Water flowing thro' a Hole is equal to the Velocity acquired by a heavy Body in falling *in vacuo* through the Space

$$\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}.$$

1. If this be the Space, p. 71, 72, through which a heavy Body must fall in *vacuo* to acquire a Velocity equal to the Velocity with which the Water flows through the Hole, then V will be as $\sqrt{\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}}$. Now upon this

this Supposition, let the differential Quantity $A^2 - a^2$ be infinitely small, or let a be only not equal to A , and then the Expression $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$ will be infinitely great; and consequently the Space described, as well as the Velocity acquired, will be infinite, where the perpendicular Pressure or Height of the Fluid is only finite and given; or which is the same thing, the Spaces described and the Velocities acquired, will be finite and infinite at the same Time and from the same Causes. Here again the Doctor is greatly mistaken. For by the third Corollary of the preceding Proposition, (which Proposition is a plain and obvious Consequence of Prop. 36. lib. 2. Newton.) when a is equal to A , the Space described and Velocity are so far from being infinite, that both will be nothing. His Mistake here arose from his not knowing that when a

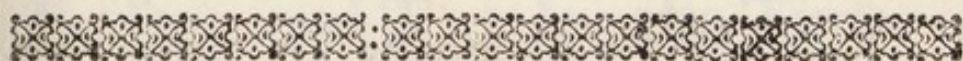
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is equal to A, H will be nothing, by Cor. 1.

2. The Doctor goes on to shew the Absurdity of my Assertion in the following Words, p. 72. *Let the differential $A^2 - a^2$ be infinitely small but negative, and then the Expression $\frac{A^2 H}{A^2 - a^2}$ will be negative, but infinite still; the Consequence of which must be, that the Fluid in this Case cannot descend and flow thro' the Orifice a at all; but on the contrary must ascend perpendicularly, and flow upwards with an infinite Velocity, in a Direction quite contrary to that of Gravity.* Here likewise the Doctor is mistaken. For when a is greater than A, H will be negative, and V affirmative, by Cor. 4. And when H is negative the Vessel must be inverted, or turned with its Bottom upwards, which being done this Objection will vanish, by Cor. 4.

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Having shewn the Weakness of the Doctor's *Remarks* on my first *Proposition*, I shall beg leave, before I answer his *Remarks* on my 24th *Proposition*, to give a Demonstration of the Law of the Blood's Motion, exhibited in *Prop.* 12, independent of my first Section concerning the Motion of Fluids thro' cylindrical Pipes; because this Author seems to think, that all the mathematical Part of my Book depends on the Truth of that Section.



PROPOSITION II.

I *F* two healthful and perfectly well-proportion'd Bodies be situated alike with respect to the Horizon, if their Hearts be free from the Influences of all disturbing Causes, and the Capacities of the two corresponding Ven-

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trices be proportional to the Capacities of the two whole Systems of Blood-vessels or of any two corresponding Blood-vessels, and if the Numbers of their Pulses in a given Time be inversely as the Times of two Systoles of their Hearts; the Velocities of their Blood in two corresponding Blood-vessels will be in the subduplicate Ratio of the Diameters of the Vessels, that is, putting V, v for the Velocities, and D, d for the Diameters of the Vessels, $V.v :: \sqrt{D}.\sqrt{d}$.

For the Velocities in any two Blood-vessels, and consequently in two corresponding Blood-vessels, of the two Bodies, are as the Quantities of Blood which flow into those Vessels in two Systoles of their Hearts, apply'd to the Squares of the Diameters of the Vessels and the Times of the two Systoles taken together; and the Quantities of Blood
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which flow into the Vessels in two Systoles, are as the Capacities of the corresponding Ventricles of the Hearts, because the Hearts are supposed to be free from the Influences of all disturbing Causes, and the Bodies to be situated alike with respect to the Horizon; and therefore, putting L, l for the Lengths of two corresponding Blood-vessels, or for the Lengths of the two Bodies, to which the Lengths of corresponding Blood-vessels are ever proportional in perfectly well-proportion'd Bodies, and T, t for the Times of two Systoles, we shall have $V. v :: \frac{D^2 L}{D^2 T} \cdot \frac{d^2 l}{d^2 t} :: \frac{L}{T} \cdot \frac{l}{t}$: But by Supposition $P. p :: \frac{1}{T} \cdot \frac{1}{t}$: And therefore $V. v :: L P. l p$.

By observing the Pulses of healthful Bodies of different Lengths in the Morning when they were sitting,

ting, I have found that the mean Numbers of Pulses in a Minute of Bodies of any two different Lengths, each Mean being taken from the Pulses of a Number of Bodies of each Length, are very nearly as $\frac{1}{L^{\frac{3}{4}}}$ and $\frac{1}{l^{\frac{3}{4}}}$: But the mean Numbers of Pulses in a Minute of Bodies of those two Lengths, are the true Pulses of two healthful and perfectly well-proportion'd Bodies: And therefore $P \cdot p :: \frac{1}{L^{\frac{3}{4}}} \cdot \frac{1}{l^{\frac{3}{4}}}$.

And by comparing the Diameters of the Aorta of Bodies of different Lengths with the Lengths of the Bodies, as far as I can judge from the few Experiments I made, the Diameters are nearly in the subduplicate Ratios of the Lengths: But the mean Diameters of the Aorta of Bodies of two different Lengths, each Mean being taken from the
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Diameters of this Vessel of a Number of Bodies of each Length, are the true Diameters of the Aorta of two healthful and perfectly well-proportion'd Bodies of those Lengths: And therefore $D . d :: \sqrt{L} . \sqrt{l}$, and $\sqrt{D} . \sqrt{d} :: L^{\frac{1}{4}} . l^{\frac{1}{4}}$.

And therefore in the Analogy $V . v :: LP . lp$, if instead of P and p , be substituted the Quantities $\frac{1}{L^{\frac{3}{4}}}$ and $\frac{1}{l^{\frac{3}{4}}}$ proportional to them, we shall have $V . v :: L^{\frac{1}{4}} . l^{\frac{1}{4}}$; and since $L^{\frac{1}{4}} . l^{\frac{1}{4}} :: \sqrt{D} . \sqrt{d}$, we shall have $V . v :: \sqrt{D} . \sqrt{d}$. Which was to be proved.

This *Proposition* may be express'd generally, by supposing $P . p :: \frac{1}{L^m} . \frac{1}{l^m}$, and $D . d :: L^n . l^n$. For then $V . v :: L^{1-m} . l^{1-m} :: D^{\frac{1-m}{n}} . d^{\frac{1-m}{n}}$. Hence, if hereafter it shall be

be found by a larger Experience, that the Measures of the Pulses and Diameters of corresponding Blood-vessels are different from those assigned in this *Proposition*, the Proportions of the Velocities in healthful and perfectly well-proportion'd Bodies of different Lengths, may be known.

For Instance, if it shall be found that m instead of being equal to $\frac{3}{4}$ is equal to $\frac{1}{2}$, and that n is $\frac{1}{2}$ as I have made it; then $V.v :: \sqrt{L}.\sqrt{l} :: D.d$. And if it shall be found, that m is $\frac{4}{5}$ and n $\frac{1}{2}$, then $V.v :: L^{\frac{1}{5}}.l^{\frac{1}{5}} :: D^{\frac{2}{5}}.d^{\frac{2}{5}}$. The Proportions of the Pulses and Diameters of corresponding Blood-vessels delivered from Experiments in this *Proposition*, are, as far as I can judge, intirely agreeable to the Phænomena, and therefore I shall retain them till a larger Experience shall shew that they are not the

the Proportions which obtain in Nature.

I now come to consider the Doctor's Remarks on my 24th *Proposition*, which *Proposition* stands thus.

THE Life of Animals is preserved by acid Parts of the Air mixing with the Blood in the Lungs; which Parts dissolve or attenuate the Blood, and preserve its Heat, and by both these keep up the Motion of the Heart.

I proved this *Proposition* from a Series of Experiments taken from Sir Isaac Newton, Dr. Hook, Dr. Lower, and others. And the Manner in which I proved it was this.

From Experiments I proved *first*, that a constant Supply of fresh Air is necessary to preserve the Life of Animals; *secondly*, that fresh Air preserves Life in Animals by the very
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same Power, or by the Operation
 of the very same Parts, whereby it
 preserves Fire and Flame in sulphu-
 reous and unctuous Substances when
 once they are kindled; and *thirdly*,
 that Air preserves Fire and Flame in
 sulphureous and unctuous Substances
 when once they are kindled, and
 consequently the Life of Animals,
 by its acid Particles. Had this Au-
 thor attended to the Experiments
 from which I proved the second and
 third Particulars, he could not but
 have seen that they were justly pro-
 ved. For, since Animals die in Air
 rendered effete by burning Coals or
 Candles in it till they are extinguish-
 ed, and glowing Coals or Candles
 are extinguished in Air rendered ef-
 fete by Animals breathing in it till
 they die; it clearly follows, that
 Air preserves Fire and Flame, and
 the Life of Animals, by the same
 Power, or by the Operation of the
 same

same Parts: And, since Fire and Flame can be produced without Air by mixing compound Spirit of Nitre, which is an Acid, in a certain Proportion with some Oils *in vacuo*, and can be preserved without Air in a Mixture of common Sulphur and Nitre powdered when once it is kindled, it follows that Air preserves Fire and Flame in sulphureous and unctuous Substances when once they are kindled, and the Life of Animals, by means of its acid Particles. There is no way of proving this Inference to be false, but by proving that there are no acid Particles in the Air. But the Air abounds with such Particles, as appears from the Nitre, which is found sticking to the Sides of plaistered Walls, and to the Mortar between the Bricks of Brick Walls, which are defended from the Rain which would dissolve it, and from

the Sun which would rarefy it and cause it to be exhaled into the Air. For Sir *Isaac Newton* has proved from Experiments, that Salts are composed of Acid and Earth united by Attraction : Whence it follows, that the Formation of Nitre on the Sides of plaistered Walls and on the Mortar of Brick Walls defended from Rain and Sun, must be owing to acid Parts of the Air uniting with the earthy alcalious Parts of the Lime, by the strong Attraction which intercedes them : And therefore the Air abounds with acid Particles.

The third Particular proved by Experiments entirely agrees with Sir *Isaac Newton's* Reasoning from the same Experiments, which I shall set down in his own Words. “ Also
 “ some sulphureous Steams, at all
 “ Times when the Earth is dry,
 “ ascending into the Air, ferment
 “ there

“ there with nitrous Acids, and
 “ sometimes taking Fire, cause
 “ Lightning and Thunder and
 “ fiery Meteors. For the Air a-
 “ bounds with acid Vapours fit to
 “ promote Fermentations, as ap-
 “ pears by the rusting of Iron and
 “ Copper in it, the kindling of
 “ Fire by blowing, and the beat-
 “ ing of the Heart by means of
 “ Respiration.” *Opt. p. 355. -----*
 “ And the Cause of Fermentation,
 “ *which is an Acid*, by which the
 “ Heart and Blood of Animals are
 “ kept in perpetual Motion and
 “ Heat.” *Opt. p. 375.*

But this Author says, p. 75. *'Tis*
well known, that all Fluids, Acids as
well as others, excepting Oil, will ex-
tinguish Fire, and that there is no-
thing in Nature but Oil that Fire can
feed upon; for when the volatile and
fixed Oil of any combustible Substance
is consumed and evaporated, the Fire

can act no longer upon what remains, how much soever it may be assisted and supply'd with Air: Acids will check and extinguish Fire sooner than common Water, and any acid Vapour in the Air is more suffocating and destructive than any common watry Vapour and Fume. I grant that Fire and Flame cannot subsist without oily and sulphureous Particles, neither can they subsist without an Acid; for there was an Acid in all the Mixtures of the Experiments under the third Head: So that by those Experiments both an Acid and an Oil are necessary to the Production and Preservation of Fire and Flame. But to go on, he says, *that all Fluids, Acids as well as others, except Oil, will extinguish Fire.---And that Acids will check and extinguish Fire sooner than common Water.* And what then? will it from thence follow, that a nitrous Acid cannot when mix'd with some Oils
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in a certain Proportion produce Fire and Flame? By no means. For it has been found by Experiments, that if two Parts of compound Spirit of Nitre be poured on one Part of Oil of Cloves or Caraway Seeds, or of any ponderous Oil of vegetable or animal Substances, and particularly Oil of human Blood, or Oil of Turpentine thickened with a little Balsam of Sulphur, the Liquors grow so very hot in mixing, as presently to send up a burning Flame. *Opt. Newt. p. 353. Phil. Trans. N. 213. p. 200.* And therefore, this acid Spirit must be allow'd to have a Power of producing Heat and Flame when mixed with certain oily and sulphureous Substances in a certain Proportion: And so likewise may the nitrous Acid of the Air have a Power of preserving Fire and Flame in sulphureous and unctuous Substances when kindled, and of keep-
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ing up a gentle Heat in the Blood of Animals by mixing with it in the Lungs, and fermenting with its oily Parts; and that in fact it does so, the Experiments by me alledged have fully proved.

And I am still farther convinced of the Necessity of allowing an Acid in the Air to preserve the Life of Animals, when I consider the Insufficiency of all other Accounts of *Respiration*. As to the Use assigned to the Air by this Gentleman, namely, *that it serves as a proper exhaling Medium to receive and carry off those copious Discharges of humid Effluvia or moist Vapour, which all living Creatures, and all combustible Matter under the Action of Fire, are incessantly emitting and throwing out*; I must beg leave to tell him, that this is an old trite Hypothesis, without any the least Foundation from Reason and Experiments. For Va-
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pours and Exhalations are not thrown off from humid Bodies by any Virtue in the Air, but by the repulsive Powers of their Particles, when by the Action of Heat, they are once separated from the Bodies, and are got beyond the Spheres of their Attractions and of the Attractions of one another. For this repulsive Power will carry off the separated Particles, as well *in vacuo* as in the open Air.

I could have wish'd Dr. *Morgan* had considered my *Animal Oeconomy* with a little more Temper as well as Care, and then I am satisfied he would have saved both himself and me some Trouble. It is however some Satisfaction to me, that he has given me an Opportunity of publickly declaring my self,

Sir, Your most Obliged,

July 12. 1735.

Humble Servant,

BRYAN ROBINSON.

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ERRATA.

P. 10. l. 5. for If A r. If a. p. 16. l. 20. and p. 17.

l. 2. for $\frac{Q}{.7853816D^2T}$ r. $\frac{Q}{.78539816D^2T}$

ibid. for $67.97239 \sqrt{\frac{A^2H}{A^2-a^2}}$ r. $53.3854 D^2T$

$\sqrt{\frac{A^2H}{A^2-a^2}}$ and for $W = 53.38426 D^2T \sqrt{\frac{A^2H}{A^2-a^2}}$

r. $W = 28.1756 D^2T \sqrt{\frac{A^2H}{A^2-a^2}}$. p. 32. l. 8.

for inside r. Side. ibid. l. 11. for Water. r.

Water: And therefore the Force generating the Motion of Water flowing through a Pipe is equal to the Weight of a Cylinder of Water

whose Magnitude is $a \times \frac{A^2H}{A^2-a^2}$ and is propor-

tional to $D^2 \times \frac{A^2H}{A^2-a^2}$. However I will grant

that F is ever as D^2H , and accordingly consider the Consequences he draws from it. p. 33.

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