whether this Creature was endow'd with a humane Soul; and if not, what became of the Soul of the Embryo, that was five months old.

A little after, another Monster was produced, which was an Infant come to maturity, having instead of a Head and Brains, a Mass of flesh like any Liver; and was found to move. And this Fact occasioned a Question for the Cartesians, how the motion could be performed, and yet the Glandula pinealis, or Conarium be wanting; nor any Nerves visible, which come from the Brain? The marrow in the Spine was of the same substance. It liv'd four days, and then dyed: It was anotomized by M. Emmeren in presence of the Assembly.

There came a Letter from Florence, Written by M. Steno, which has also somewhat perplexed the followers of Des Cartes. A Tortoise had its head cut off, and yet was found to move its foot three days after. Here was no Communication with the Conarium. As this seems to have given a fore blow to the Cartesian Doctrine, so the Disciples thereof are here endeavouring to heal the Wound.

An Account of two Monstrous Births, not long since produced in Devonshire; communicated by M. Coleprelle.

1. One Robert Cloack a Joyner (whom I know) of Clamick in the Parish of Beer-Ferris in Devonshire, had on Febr. 24. last, a Monstrous black Ram-Lamb fallen with one Head, but two distinct Bodies, with eight Legs; which Bodies were joyned in the Neck: It had two Eyes, and as many Ears, in the usual places; and one extraordinary Eye in the Niddock, with one single Ear, about an inch distant from the Eye backwards: Its Dame, which was White, usually brought forth two Lambs every year, as she did this year also a White one, which with the Ewe remains alive. But whether this Monster was produce'd dead or alive, is not known, it being found dead by the hedge, and soon after put into the Earth. There were ten White Ews accompanied with three White Rams.

2. One John Cauce, Servant to Mr. William Knighton of Lockridge, likewise in Beer Ferris; had among his Sheep, on the seventeenth of Febr. last, a White Lamb fallen on a Common in the said Parish, with two distinct Heads and Necks, Joyned at the Shoulders
shoulders, but one only Body, and that well form'd, yet having
double entrails in all respects. The Ewe remains well. The Mon-
ster dyed, and is now in my Custody, after it hath been dried in
an Oven, and by the Sun.

Some Observations made in Mines, and at Sea, occasioning a
Conjecture about the Origine of Wind: Imparted by the
same Mr. C.

One John Gill, a Man well experienced in Mineral affairs, dis-
cussing with me about the Wind and its Origine; declared to me
his thoughts concerning the same, as a result of twenty years Expe-
rience and Observations of his own.

First, He affirmed, that if in digging deep under ground, the
Work-men meet with Water, they never want Air or Wind; but
if they miss Water (as sometimes it happens, even at 12 or 16 Fa-
thoms depth) they are destitute of convenient Air, either to breath
in, or to make their Candles burn.

Next, When (as usual) there happens to be a great quantity of a
Winters standing water, in a deep Mine, they commonly bring,
or drive up an Adit for drawing away such water: But as soon as
that part of the Level is made, that any of the standing Water be-
gins to run away, the Men must secure themselves, as well as they
can, from danger of being dash'd in pieces against the sides of the
Adit: For the included Air or Wind in the standing Water, breaks
forth with such a terrible noyse, as that of a Piece of Ordnance,
and with that violence, as to carry all before it, loosening the ve-
ry Rocks, though at some distance in the Work or Adit.

Thirdly, he hath observed on several occasions, going to and fro,
between London and Plimouth, by Sea, that being in a Calm, that
way, which the Sea began to Loom or move, the next day the
Wind was sure to blow from that point of the Compass, towards
which the Sea did Loom the day before.

An Account of Hail-Stones of an unusual bigness, Communicat-
ced by D. Nath. Fairfax, with his Reflections on them.

This Account came but very lately to hand, though the thing hapned
a while agoe; the Ingenious Author thereof, having but newly entred
into a Philofophical Correspondence with the Publisher.

July, 17. 1666. About 10 in the Fore-noon, there fell a violent
storm