# DECOCTA ET INFUSA. DECOCTIONS AND INFUSIONS.

# DECOCTUM CORNU CERVI.

DECOCTION OF HARTSHORN.

TAKE of burnt and prepared Hartshorn two ounces by weight.

Gum Arabic fix drams by weight.

Distilled Water three pints.

Boil, constantly stirring, to two pints,

#### REMARK.

This Decoction, though a much weaker abforbent than the Julep è Creta, is much more agreeable to most people. It is used as common drink in severs attended with laxity of bowels.

## DECOCTUM CORTICIS PERU-VIANI.

DECOCTION OF PERUVIAN BARK.

Take of Peruvian Bark, powdered, one ounce by weight.

Distilled Water one pint, and three ounces by measure.

Boil, for ten minutes, in a covered vessel, and strain the liquor whilst hot.

#### REMARK.

The propriety of boiling the Bark in a close vessel, and for soshort a time,—to those who have observed the peculiar odour exhaled, added to what Baumé observes of its decomposition and destruction by long boiling,—will appear evident.

#### DECOCTUM PRO ENEMATE.

DECOCTION FOR A CLYSTER.

Take of the dried leaves of Mallow one ounce.

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Dried Chamomile-flowers half an ounce.

Water one pint.

Boil, and strain.

#### DECOCTUM PRO FOMENTO.

DECOCTION FOR FOMENTATION.

Take of the dried Leaves of Southernwood,

The dried Tops of Sea-worm-wood,

Dried Chamomile-flowers, of each one ounce by weight.

Dried Bay-leaves, half an ounce by weight.

Distilled Water fix pints.

Boil them a little, and strain.

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#### DECOCTUM HELLEBORI.

DECOCTION OF HELLEBORE.

Take of the root of white Hellebore, powdered, one ounce by weight.

Distilled Water, two pints.

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Boil the water with the root to one pint; and, the liquor being cold and strained, add to it the spirit.

#### REMARK.

This is a very efficacious application in defædations of the skin, as in Tinea, &c. It may be diluted at discretion.

#### DECOCTUM HORDEI.

DECOCTION OF BARLEY.

Take of Pearl-barley two ounces by weight.

Distilled Water four pints.

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The Barley being first washed with cold water from the adhering impurities, pour upon it about half a pint of water, and boil the Barley a little time. This water being thrown away, add the distilled water, boiling, to the Barley, boil it to two pints, and strain.

#### DECOCTUM HORDEI COMPO-SITUM.

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COMPOUND DECOCTION OF BARLEY.

Take of the Decoction of Barley two

Raifins, stoned,

Figs, fliced, of each two ounces by weight.

Liquorice-root, fliced and bruifed, half an ounce by weight.

Distilled Water one pint,

Boil to two pints, and strain.

Diffilled Water four-pints.

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#### DECOCTUM SARSAPARILLÆ.

DECOCTION OF SARSAPARILLA.

Take of the root of Sarfaparilla, fliceff, fix ounces by weight.

Distilled Water eight pints.

Macerate for two hours with an heat of about 195°; then take out the root, and bruise it; return the bruised root to the liquor, and again macerate it for two hours. Then, the liquor being boiled to the measure of four pints, press it out, and strain.

# DECOCTUM SARSAPARILLÆ COMPOSITUM.

COMPOUND DECOCTION OF SARSAPA-

Take of the root of Sarfaparilla, fliced

Bark of the root of Saffafras,
Shavings of Guaiacum-wood,
Liquorice-

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DECOCTIONS.

Liquorice-root, bruised, of each one ounce by weight.

Bark of the root of Mezereon

three drams by weight. Distilled Water ten pints.

Macerate, with a gentle heat, for fix hours; then boil to the measure of five pints, adding

towards the end of the boiling the bark of the root of Mezereon, and strain the liquor.

#### DECOCTUM ULMI.

DECOCTION OF ELM.

Take of the fresh Inner-bark of Elm, bruised, four ounces by weight. Distilled Water four pints.

Boil to two pints, and strain.

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#### REMARK.

This is given, in cutaneous foulnesses, in doses, to adults, from four to eight ounces twice a day. Some have given this much stronger.

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#### MUCILAGO AMYLI.

MUCILAGE OF STARCH.

Take of Starch three drams by weight.

Distilled Water one pint.

Rub the Starch, by degrees adding the distilled water; then boil it a little time.

#### MUCILAGO ARABICI GUMMI.

MUCILAGE OF GUM ARABIC:

Take of Gum Arabic, powdered, four ounces by weight.

Boiling distilled Watereight ounces by measure.

Rub the Gum with the water untill it is dissolved.

# MUCILAGO SEMINIS CYDONII MALI.

MUCILAGE OF QUINCE-SEED.

Take of Seeds of the Quince one dram by weight.

Distilled

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Distilled Water eight ounces by measure.

Boil with a flow fire untill the water thickens; then pass it through linen.

#### INFUSUM GENTIANÆ COM-POSITUM.

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COMPOUND INFUSION OF GENTIAN.

Take of the root of Gentian one dram by weight.

Fresh outer-rind of Lemons half an ounce by weight.

Dried outer-rind of Seville Oranges one dram and an half by weight.

Boiling Water twelve ounces by meafure.

Macerate for one hour, and strain.

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## INFUSUM SENNÆ SIMPLEX.

SIMPLE INFUSION OF SENNA.

Take of Senna one ounce and an half by weight.

Ginger, powdered, one dram by weight.

Boiling distilled Water one pint.

Macerate, for one hour, in a covered vessel; and, the liquor being cold, strain:

#### INFUSUM SENNÆ TARTARIS SATUM.

TARTARISED INFUSION OF SENNA.

Take of Senna one ounce and a half by weight.

Coriander-feeds, bruifed, half an ounce by weight.

Crystals of Tartar two drams by weight.

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## Distilled Water one pint.

Dissolve the Crystals of Tartar by boiling in the Water; then pour the water, as yet boiling, on the Senna and Seeds. Macerate for an hour in a covered vessel, and strain when cold.

#### REMARK.

Both the preceding infusions of Senna are mildly purgative to adults in the dose of an ounce and an half or two ounces: the nauseous slavour of the Senna is more covered in the latter; and, as some think, would be still more so by the addition of sugar.

# AQUA CALCIS.

LIME-WATER.

Take of Quick-lime half a pound.

Boiling distilled Water twelve pints.

Mix, and fet it aside in a covered vessel for one hour; then pour off the liquor, which keep in a close vessel.

#### REMARK.

The College of Edinburgh direct particularly to fprinkle upon this quantity, in an earthen vessel, four ounces of water gradually, keeping the veffel shut during the effervescence and its falling into powder; then to mix the rest of the water with it by ftirring, to renew the ftirring after it has fublided, and this for ten times, always keeping the veffel fhut, during the ebullition, to prevent the access of air, and to filter it through paper, placed in a funnel close shut at its top. The College of London, by avoiding the frequency of ftirring, expose it less to the air. Four ounces, or more, of Lime-water are given to adults, and repeated twice a day, or oftner, in some alvine fluxes, diabetes, and leucorrhœa; and, though it may not be lithontriptic, it moderates fome calculous fymptoms. It is applied as a wash for fome kind of ulcers, and as an injection in fome cases.

#### INFUSUM ROSÆ.

INFUSION OF THE ROSE.

Take of red Rosebuds, the heels being cut off, half an ounce by weight.

Vitriolic Acid, diluted, three drams by weight.

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Boiling distilled Water two pints and a half.

Double-refined Sugar one ounce and a half.

To the water, first poured on the petals in a glass vessel, add the diluted vitriolic Acid, and macerate for half an hour. Strain the liquor when cold, and add the sugar.

## ACETUM SCILLÆ.

VINEGAR OF SQUILL.

Take of Squills, fresh dried, one pound.

Vinegar six pints.

Proof-Spirit half a pint.

Macerate the Squills in the vinegar, with a gentle heat, in a glass vessel, for four and twenty hours. Then press out the liquor, and set it by that the seces may subside: lastly, pour off the liquor, and add to it the spirit.

# VINA MEDICATA. MEDICATED WINES.

#### VINUM ALOES.

WINE OF ALOES.

TAKE of Socotrine Aloes eight ounces by weight.

> White Canella, commonly called Winter's Bark, two ounces by weight.

> Spanish white Wine fix pints. Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Powder the Aloes and white Canella feparately; when mixed, pour on them the wine: afterwards digest for fourteen days, now and then shaking them; lastly, strain.

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