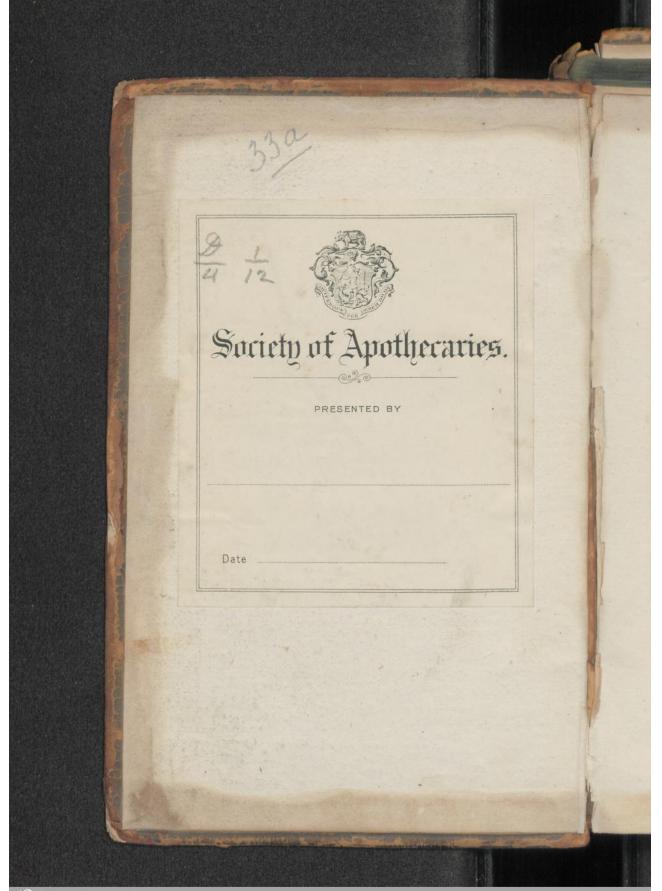
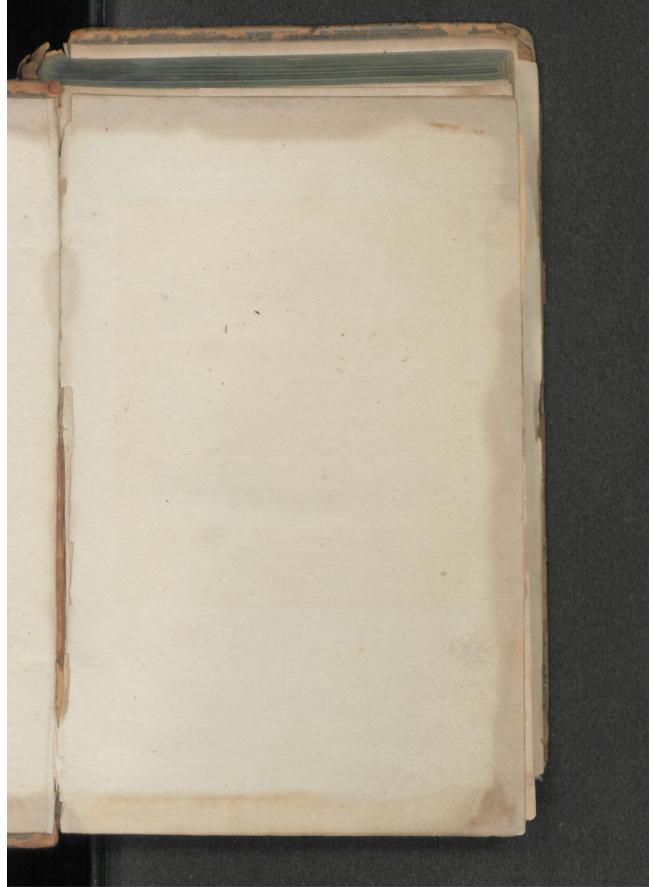
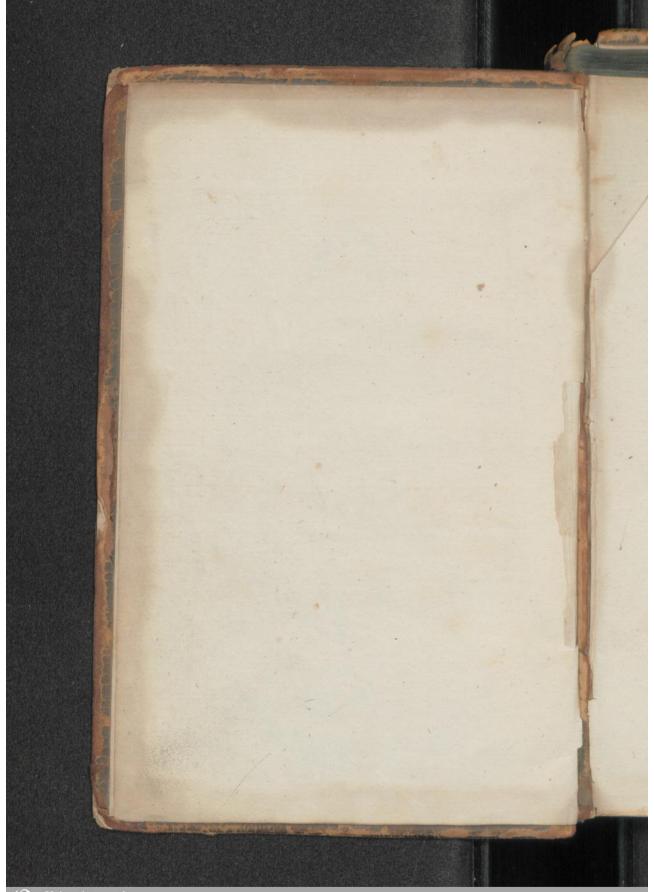
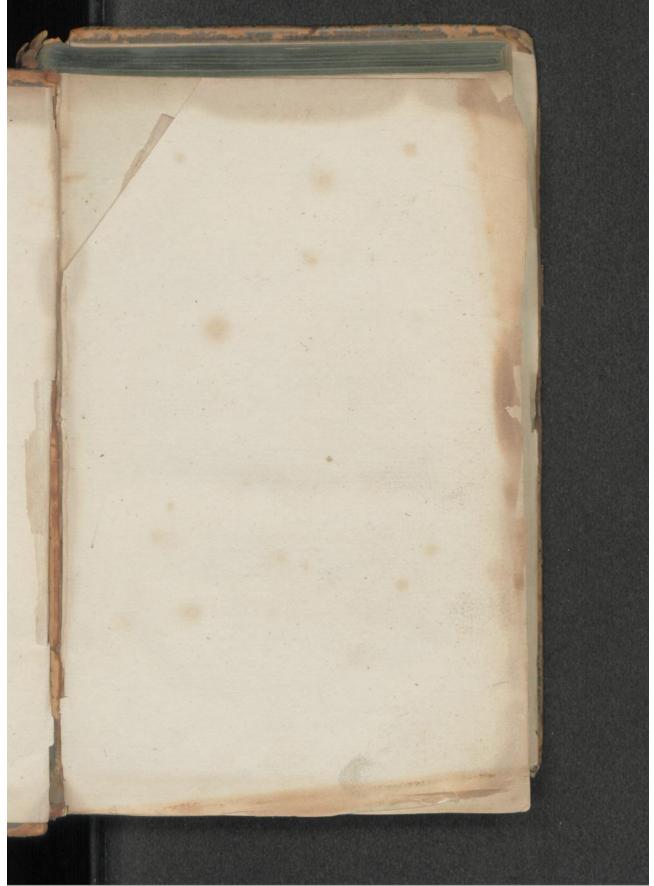


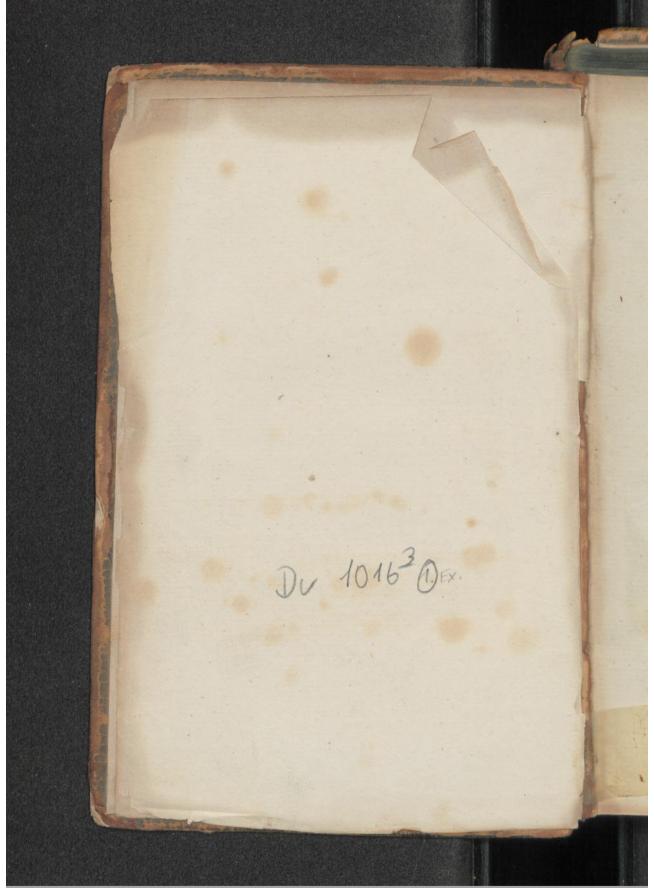
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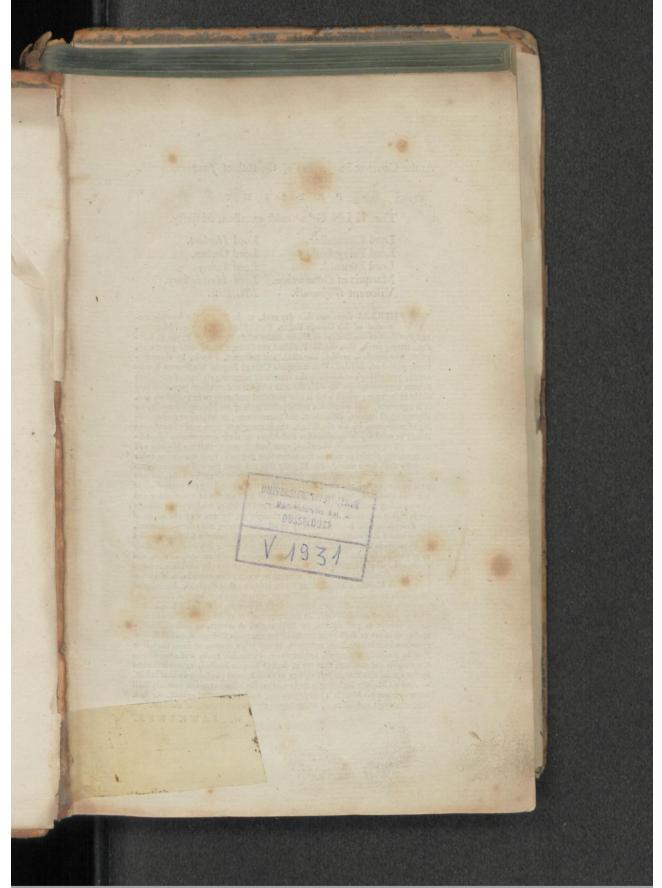












At the Court at St. JAMES's, the 16th of January, 1788:

PRESENT

The KING's most excellent Majesty.

Lord Chancellor.
Lord Privy Seal.
Lord Steward.
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Marquis of Carmarthen.
Viscount Weymouth.
Lord Herbert.
Lord Onflow.
Lord Sydney.
Lord Hawkesbury.
Mr. Pitt.

HEREAS there was this day read, at the Board, the humble memorial of Sir George Baker, Bart. Physician to their Majesties, and President of the College or Commonalty of the Faculty of Physic in London, fetting forth, that the faid President and College have, with great care, pains, and industry, revised, corrected, and reformed, a book, by them for-merly published, intitled, Pharmacopeia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinemis, preferibing and directing the manner of preparing all forts of medicines therein contained, together with the true weights and measures by which they ought to be made; which book is now perfected and ready to be published, and, it is conceived, will contribute to the public good of his Majefty's subjects, by preventing all deceits, differences, and uncertainties, in making or compoundance of medicines, if the the forms of medicines is the the forms. ing of medicines, if, for the future, the manner and form prefcribed therein should be practiced by apothecaries and others in their compositions of medi-cines. The memorialist, therefore, most humbly prays, that his Majesty will be graciously pleased to enforce the observance thereof in such manner as to his Majesty shall seem meet. His Majesty this day took the said memorial into his royal confideration, and, being defirous to provide in all cases for the common good of his reople, and being perfuaded that the establishing the general use of the said book may tend to the prevention of such deceits in the making and compounding medicines, wherein the lives and health of his Majerty's fubjects are so highly concerned, hath therefore thought fit, by and with the advice of his Privy Council, hereby to notify to all apothecaries and others concerned, to the intent they may not pretend ignorance thereof, that the faid book, called Pharmacopæia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinensis, is perfected and ready to be published. And his Majesty doth therefore strictly require, charge, and command, all and fingular apothecaries, and others whose business it is to com-pound medicines, or distill oil or waters, or make other extracts, within any part of his Majesty's kingdom of Great Britain called England, dominion of Wales, or town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, that they, and every of them, im-mediately after the faid Pharmacopæia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinensis shall be printed and published, do not compound or make any medicine or me-dicinal receipt or prescription, or distil any oil or waters, or make other ex-tracts, that are or shall be in the said Pharmacopeia Collegii Regalis Medicorum Londinensis mentioned or named, in any other manner or form than is or shall be directed, prescribed, and set down, by the said book, and according to the weights and measures that are or shall be therein limited, except it shall be by the special direction or prescription of some learned physician in that behalf.

— And his Majesty doth hereby declare, that the offenders to the contrary shall not only incur his Majesty's just displeasure, but be proceeded against, for such their contempt and offences, according to the utmost feverity of the law.

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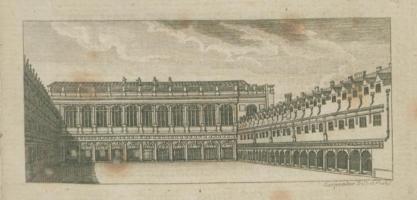
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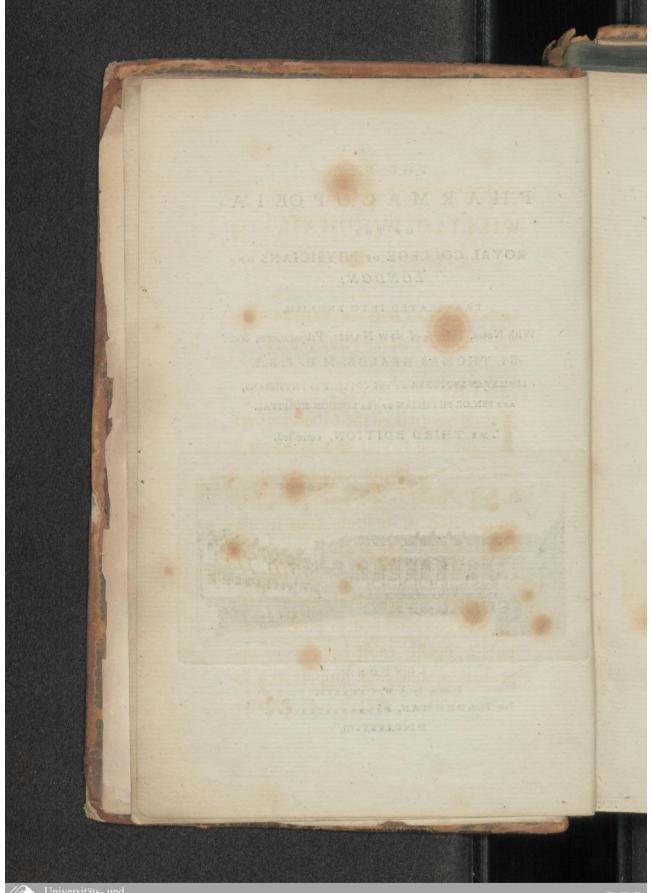
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For the City of NORWICH.

SIR,

dressing to you this Work, it is not from a presumption of any merit in such a translation,—nor yet to seek an occasion of praising your legislative abilities or your literary accomplishments. It is to tell you my considence, that whatever appears to you intended to promote the public health must have your approbation, and your support as a leagislator,

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gislator, --- if such support be wanted. It is, perhaps, much more, to indulge a fond and grateful desire of publicly acknowledging the favour, and the pleasure, I have enjoyed in the friendship of a WINDHAM, --- to assure you that I feel a satisfaction, something like paternal, in whatever contributes to your fortune, your reputation, or your dignity, --- and that I cannot but be,

With the most fincere Respect,

Your affectionate humble

Servant and Friend,

THOMAS HEALDE.

St. Mary-Axe, February 26, 1786. (vii)

PREFACE

OF THE

COLLEGE.

A LMOST half a century has elapsed fince our predecessors executed the same task we have now undertaken, no less to the praise of their judgement than their diligence. If Medicine, during that space, advanced not equally with other useful arts, it received many valuable improvements; as well from the industry and discoveries of others, as from those more particularly who have, of late, studied Chemistry with unusual zeal and penetration.

As, for that reason, it became our duty to examine anew the common instruments of the art of healing, we thought that duty required us to employ all the assistance which could be derived from modern chemistry;

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and, from its collected light, render our work more clear and luminous. It was our principal wish that every chemical matter, applicable to the practice of Physic, should be introduced by us, not only freed from error, but more perfect and neat, as well as more fcientifically digefted and arranged, than had been usual among us. All our care was not, however, fo far wasted on this very difficult part of our work as to neglect other things, or only touch on them curforily and by chance; as the composition of each medicine was feparately and carefully weighed; in order that if any thing was found deficient it might be added, - if too much, or redundant, taken away. Nor have we made any scruple, in executing this duty, to cut off whole formulas when of little use, and to infert others more ufeful, - in fuch a manner, however, that no new remedy has been fondly adopted, no one, in constant use and practice, rejected.

Great care has been taken that very few traces should remain of anile superstition;

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and, if any thing unnecessary, or of little use, be scattered here and there, we have thought it better to leave our fuccessors to correct or reject it than to oppose erroneous opinions too pertinaciously-whilst they are innocent. We have confulted fimplicity wherever in our power, and been particularly careful that fuch things only should be compounded as commodiously unite together, and tend to one and the same defign. Hence it happens that fome prodigious and enormous antidotes, which have really neither bounds nor intention, and are made up of fubstances collected from all quarters, and opposite in their virtues, are now at last displaced; - a manifest proof that neither the authority of antient custom, nor reverence of antiquity, has any longer too much dominion over us.

The antients were miserably occupied with the fear and the correction of poisons, of which, however, we are certain they were acquainted with very few. Far different in our time is the fortune of poisons; for, medicine

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medicine feems not now to be averfe to them as to inveterate enemies, but to have brought them over to its party, and to make use of them as allies and auxiliaries. A few of these (which we have ourselves tried) we have enrolled in our lift, ready to adopt others, if faithful experiment, made in the cure of diseases, shall demonstrate their efficacy.-It would be too rash to adopt as known what has not been, as yet, fufficiently explored.

The great number of things to which we have given names, before unknown, and lately formed, may perhaps give to fome an opportunity of finding fault; fince there is fcarcely any one who does not more willingly use names to which he has been accustomed than new ones. But the defign of these changes is, first, that some vain and unmeaning words, derived from the fallacies of the old chemists, or otherwise, should fall into difuse, (as much as possible) and into oblivion: 2dly, that each composition should by its title rather shew what it is, (xi)

than for what intention it is defigned, -and of what principles it confifts, rather than in what cases it is useful, or to what parts of the body appropriated: and, lastly, that no remedy should be concealed under a title which does not belong to it. With regard to the names we have arbitrarily given to three alkaline Salts, (of which one, indeed, had been long in use, and the other two are but little altered from their common appellation,) they have in truth fo much convenience and brevity, that they may justly claim, at least, the excuse of Physicians. It is not, however, to be denied, that fo many novelties must be disagreeable to those who deal in medicines; especially at first, and before they conceive them perfectly; but that difgust, however great it may be, will be got the better of eafily, cease of itself, and give place to a custom, more proper, more pleafant, and more useful.

We are not ignorant how very great the difficulty is of forming a Difpensatory in every respect complete and perfect, — nor

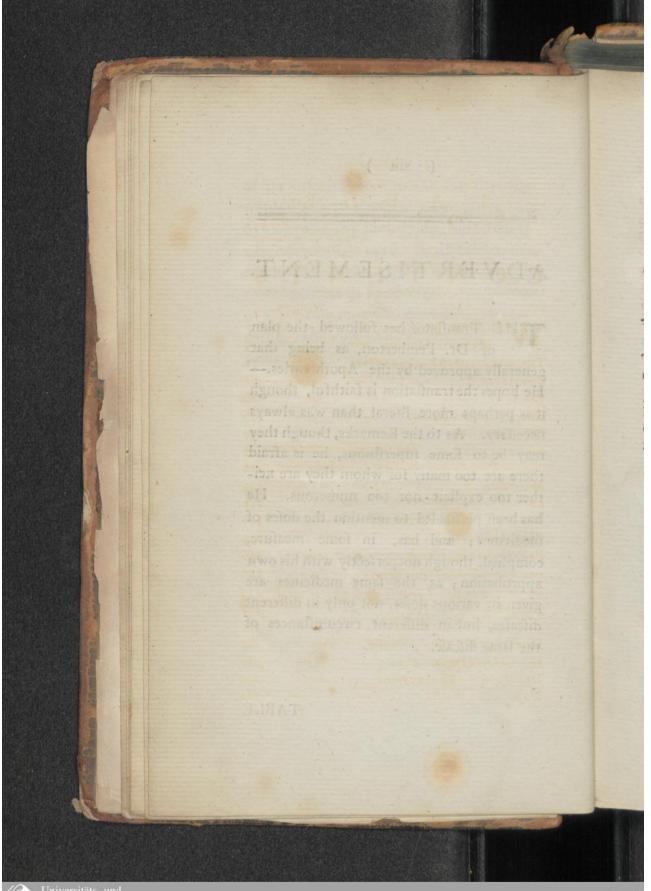
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(xii) of the little reason there is for hoping it would please all mankind :- we pretend not to undertake any fuch thing; and shall really congratulate ourselves, if the trouble, employed for the public health on this work, answers in some degree the purpose of alleviating the evils of fickness, and rendering their cure more prompt and expeditious. ADVER- (xiii)

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THE Translator has followed the plan of Dr. Pemberton, as being that generally approved by the Apothecaries .-He hopes the translation is faithful, though it is perhaps more literal than was always necessary. As to the Remarks, though they may be to some superfluous, he is afraid there are too many for whom they are nei-- ther too explicit nor too numerous. He has been perfuaded to mention the doses of medicines; and has, in fome measure, complied, though not perfectly with his own approbation; as the fame medicines are given in various doses, not only in different diseases, but in different circumstances of the same disease.

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PHARMACOPOEIA LONDINENSIS.

THE LONDON DISPENSATORY.

PONDERA, MENSURÆ, &c

WEIGHTS, MEASURES, &c.

N this country two kinds of Weights are employed; one by which gold and filver are fold, the other by which almost all other wares. The former we call Troy-weight, the latter Avoirdupois-weight. The pounds of these are differently divided: the pound of the former has only twelve ounces, but that of the latter fixteen. Both pounds and ounces also differ in weight: the goldsmith's pound is less than the other, the ounce greater.*

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* The Avoirdupois pound contains 7000 grains, whereas the Troy pound contains only 5760; that is, less by 1240 grains. The Troy ounce contains 480 grains, the Avoirdupois only



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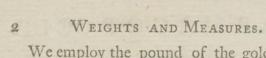
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We employ the pound of the goldsmiths; which, however, we do not divide as they do, but in this manner:

The pound
The ounce
The dram
The fcruple

The fcruple

The pound

The welve ounces.

eight drams.

three fcruples.

twenty grains.

The measures likewise for liquids in this country are of different sorts: with one fort beer being measured, with the other wine. We employ the latter; using that measure for a pint which is called a wine-pint.

This pint we divide thus:

The pint
The ounce
The gallon contains eight pints.

fixteen ounces.
eight drams.

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only $437\frac{1}{2}$ grains: that is, lefs by $42\frac{1}{2}$ grains; fo that ten ounces Troy are almost equal to eleven Avoirdupois. Now, as the compositions of the Dispensatory, and the extemporaneous prescriptions of physicians, are adapted to the Troy-weight, it is evident, that, if the ounce and half-ounce Avoirdupois are employed with the Troy dram and its subdivisions, the ingredients must be taken in improper proportions. It is to be lamented that the Avoirdupois weights are not banished entirely from the shops of apothecaries.

As a pound weight of scarcely any liquor fills the measure which we call a pint, we have every where prefixed P. or M. as each sub-stance is prescribed by weight or measure.*

We deem mortars, made of brass, or copper, improper for preparing medicines.+

Also measures, funnels, and vessels used for the evaporation of liquids, which are made of copper, lead, or a mixed metal of which

* The precaution above-mentioned, though highly necessary in the original Latin of the Pharmacopoeia, is not so generally required in an English translation. In English, the word Pint distinguishes the Libra by measure from that by weight, without ambiguity. With regard to the ounce and its divisions, the words by weight or by measure will, in this Translation, be constantly inserted.

† The propriety of this and the following injunction needs little proof.—It is certain, that even the fofter abforbent fubflances, rubbed for a fhort time in a bell-metal mortar, ufually supposed not liable to abrasion, acquire in some degree a cupreous quality; as appears on the affusion of volatile alkali.—As to vessels of lead and its compounds, the danger attending their use is universally known and acknowledged.—See Mr. Blizard's Essay on bell-metal mortars and pewter vessels, 8vo, 1786.

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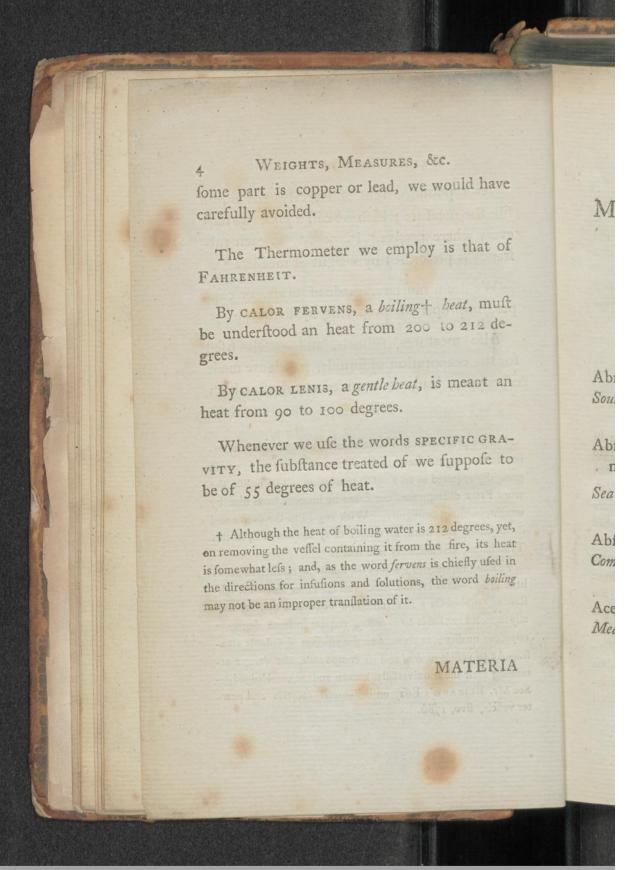
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MATERIA MEDICA.

THE MATERIA MEDICA.

Abrotonum, Southernwood,

the Leaf.

Abfinthium mariti-. mum,

Sea Wormwood, the Top.

Absinthium vulgare, Artemisia Absinthium, Common Wormwood,

the Herb.

Meadow-Sorrel, the Leaf.

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Artemisia Abrotanum, Linnæi Species Plantarum.

Artemifia maritima, L. S. P.

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Acetofa pratenfis, Rumex Acetofa, L.S.P.

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THE MATERIA MEDICA. which Acidum Vitriolicum, lifch Vitriolic Acid. VIZ. the specific Gravity of prod which is to that of may distilled Water as it di emp 1,850 to 1,000. the Aconitum Napellus, Aconitum, colo Blue Wolf's Bane, or L. S. P. muc Monk's Hood, Ad the Herb. Ho Al This is a poisonous plant, an extract of which was recommended about twenty-fix years ago, by Dr. Störck, in rheumatic, venereal, and other painful, complaints. He Al gave it in small doses, mixed with sugar, magnesia, &c. Ba which were to be gradually and cautiously augmented. Hal-AI ler, in his Hift. Stirp. Helv. had supposed, from a bad figure annexed to Störck's tract, that the plant, with which he had Soi made his experiments, was the Aconitum cammarum Linn. Al the flowers of which, according to Murray, are of a paler blue than those of the Aconitum Napellus and the helmet much longer, Syft. Veget. Linn. 1784, p. 504, and the fupposition of Haller has been repeated by Bergius. It has fince however been afferted from Vienna, that Störck's plant was the Aconitum Napellus, represented in tab. 381 of Jacquin's fl. Auft. the leaves of which are almost smooth, and on both fides bright and fublucid; by which it may be diffin-

guished from the other, even before its time of flowering, which is August and September.—If the observation of Thie-lifeh in the Abhandl. der Hallisch. naturs. Wissensch. be true, viz. that the Aconitum is efficacious principally before it produces stalks, and that, after the flowers appear, the leaves may be eaten with impunity,—July, the time of collecting it directed by the Ph. Dan. is not perhaps too soon. Kampf employed, in the complaints mentioned above, a tincture of the dry plant in proof-spirit, which, he says, is of a deeper colour than if made with rectified, and which he praises much in the Act. Hass.

Adeps fuilla; Hog's Lard,

Allium, Garlie, the Root.

Aloë Barbadensis,

Aloë Socotorina,

Socotrine Aloes.

Althæa, Marshmallow, the Root and Leaf.

Alumen, Alum. Ammoniacum, Ammoniacum,

the Gum-refin.

Allium fativum,

L.S.P.

Aloë perfoliata, L. S. P.

Althæa officinalis;

L. S. P.

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Argilla vitriolata.

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Bitter and sweet Almond.

the Kernel.

Anethum, Dill, the Seed.

Angelica, Angelica, the Root, Stalk, Leaf, ca, L. S. P. and Seed.

Anisum, Anise, the Seed.

mony.

Arabicum, gummi, Gum Arabic.

Argentum, Silver.

Arnica, Leopard's Bane, the Herb, Flower, and Root.

Amygdala amara, Amygdalus communis,

L.S.P.

Anethum graveolens, L. S. P.

Angelica Archangeli-

Pimpinella Anisum, L. S. P.

Antimonium, Anti- Antimonium fulphuratum.

> Mimofa nilotica, L. S. P.

Arnica Montana, L. S. P.

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This acrid and bitter plant grows in various mountaincus parts of Europe; that, however, from Bohemia and Saxony, is preferred, on account of its ftronger finell, *Pharm. Dan.* The apothecaries are cautioned not to mistake other plants of similar appearance for Leopard's Bane, such as the Hypocheeris maculata, (Costa,) Hagens Lebrb. der Apothekerk.—or the Inula Dysenterica, (Conyza media asteris store luteo,) the leaves of which are oblong, and somewhat downy, whilst those of Leopard's Bane are rather oval, entire, and ribbed like plantain. *Ph. Dan.*

It has long been in reputation in Germany as a refolvent of coagulated blood, and generally given after contufions and internal bleedings, from its good effects in which cases it has been called the *Panacea Lapsorum*. It was praised more than a century ago by *Febr*, in the *Eph. N. C.* nor has time destroyed its reputation on the continent, if we may judge by the great number of eminent persons who have recommended it. Formerly an insusion or decoction in beer, of a 3i or 3ii of the herb alone, or with the flowers, was employed;—of late, the flowers have been preferred. Both are sometimes diuretic, sometimes diaphoretic, and very often they occasion nausea, anxiety, and vomiting. Some judgement, therefore, is required in their exhibition.

Collin earnestly recommends the flowers in paralytic and spasmodic cases, believing them to act, in some peculiar manner, on the sensorium commune, and whole nervous system: but this opinion does not prevent his directing the evacuations previously proper in certain habits, or laxatives at intervals, during their use. He gave an insusion of 3i — 3iii

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in a lb. of water, or 5i-3ij of the powder, mixed with honey into an electuary, — either of which was the quantity for a day. See his Obs. circa Morb. Part. 4.

Majkow, physician to the Danish navy, whose experiments in palsies strengthen the opinion of Collin, having heard from Doctor Mangor, of Wiburg, that a strong infusion of these slowers was the popular remedy for intermittents in the diffirst of Lutia, tried them in two cases. He directed an infusion of half a maniple in 15 is of boiling small beer, to be drunk warm two hours before the paroxysm by each patient, one of whom was cured by the first dose, the other by the second.

— It vomited both smartly. See Societ. Haun. Collect. Aaskow adds, that the fear of these flowers doing mischief, from the violence of their effects, is much lessened, by the successful use made of their insusion, as common drink, in wounds of the cavities, of the breast particularly, by Schmucker, principal surgeon of the armies of the late (and I believe of the present) king of Prussia.

The Root of Arnica has been of late employed in dyfentery, either alone or joined with other antifeptics, by Collin, Stolle, &c.

Arum, Cuckow-pint,
the fresh Root.

Asa fœtida,
Asa fætida,
the Gum-resin.

Arum maculatum,
L. S. P.
Ferula Assa fætida,
L. S. P.

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Afarum, Afarabacca, the Leaf.

Afarum europæum, L. S. P.

Avena, the Oat,

Avena sativa, L.S.P.

its Seed.

Aurantium Hispalen- Citrus Aurantium,

Seville Orange.

the Leaf, Flower,

Juice, and outer Rind of the Fruit.

The leaves of the Orange were introduced into practice, at Vienna, about 1760, by De Haen, from an affurance of the Oculift Wencel, that the remedy for convulfions, then famous at the Hague, and kept as a fecret, confifted of them. They have been often fince given with advantage in feveral kinds of convulfions, and many examples are related of epilepfies cured by their use; but they have much oftener failed, as must happen where too much is expected from a remedy. Hannes hastily published the case of an epilepsy, supposed cured by these leaves, which returned after eight months; and a patient of mine, in 1769, thought himself cured, because the fits, which usually returned every week or oftener, did not return for feveral months, after taking 3 fs of these leaves thrice a day for some weeks. If, however, they do not often cure, they are too often serviceable not to deserve repeated trial.

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Balfamum Canaden- Pinus balfamea, fe, Canada Balfam. L. S. P.

Canada Balfam is a white transparent turpentine, — becoming by age yellowish,—of an agreeable smell, approaching to that of Balfam of Mecca,—of a mild and slightly-bitter taste. Artificial compositions being usually fold for the Cyprus, Strasburgh, and Venice, turpentines, and the difficulty or impossibility of procuring any of them unadulterated, occasioned their rejection. This, coming from one of our own colonies, may be expected pure, and doubtless can supply their place;—whether it will that of Balsam of Copaiva requires long experience to determine.

Balfamum Copaiva, Balfam of Copaiva.

Balfamum Peruvianum,

Balfam of Peru.

Balfamum Tolutanum,

Balfam of Tolu.
Bardana, Burdock,

ina, Burdock, the Root.

Copaifera officinalis, L.S.P.

Myroxylon peruiferum, Linnæi Supplementum Plantarum.

Toluifera Balfamum, L. S. P.

Arctium Lappa, L.S. P.

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Barilla, Barilla. Natron impurum.

Barilla, or Soda, is a faline and earthly concrete, artificially prepared by burning certain plants growing on the fea-coafts,—on those of the Mediterranean and Caspian seas particularly. It varies in character and goodness according to the place whence it is brought, the plants from which it is prepared, and perhaps from the mode of the preparation. The most esteemed, of what is brought to us, is that of Alicant, called de Berilla, or la Bariglia, to which that of Carthagena is much inserior; and the fort called de Bourdine, or de Barech, is sitter for the use of the soap-maker than the physician. Ph. Dan.

All the forts contain, befides earth, the natron of the antients and of the present Pharmacopæia, for many years past usually called fossil or mineral fixed alkali; and most of them have a mixture of kali and some neutral falt, — sometimes sulphur and particles of iron. The more natron, and the less of other matters, it contains, the more valuable it is, at least for medical purposes.

Barilla should be chosen hard, dry, sonorous, with many foramina, — of a grey colour, (blackish grey, inclining to blue, Murray Apparat. Med. tom. 4.) mixed with small white particles, and larger ones blackish,—discovering, when moistened with saliva, a violet-smell, somewhat urinous and volatile. Ph Dan.

That, which is moift, fat, mixed with hairs or fand, of a blackish or whitish green, easily becoming moist in the air, and smelling, when moistened, muddy and scetid,—without

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holes, -of a difagreeable or faltish taste, but not lixivious, and not readily effervescing with acids, -is to be rejected. Ph. Dan.

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Polygonum Bistorta, L. S. P.

Bolus Gallicus,

French Bole.

Natron boracicatum.

Borax, Borax.

Calaminaris. See Zinc.

Calamus aromaticus, Acorus Calamus, Sweet Flag, L. S. P.

the Root.

Calx. Quick-lime fresh burnt.

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Camphora, Camphor. Laurus Camphora, L. S. P.

Canella alba,
White Canella,
Ufually called Winter's
Bark.

Cantharis, Spanish Fly. Meloë vesicatorius, Linnæi Systema Naturæ.

Cardamine,

Cuckow-Flower, or

Lady's Smock,

the Flower.

Cardamine pratensis, L. S. P.

The white (or purplish white, see Ray) flowers of this plant, said to be mentioned in a MS. of Dr. Tanc. Robinfon as an antispasmodic, have been brought into use by Sir G.
Baker, who gave them with success in a spasmodic askhma,
choræa, &c. The dose he directed was from a Di to Zi of
the powdered flowers twice a day. See his Account in
Med. Trans. of the London College, Vol. I.

Greding found them ineffectual in epilepsies, (one case perhaps excepted,) given larga admodum dosi; — but he does not say how large the dose was. See Ludwig. Advers. tom. 3.

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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 16 Caffe Cardamomum minus, Amomum repens, Ruffi Smaller Cardamom, Sonnerati Iter. Cate the Seed. Ta Carduus benedictus, Centaurea benedicta, Cate Bleffed Thiftle, L. S. P. ca the Herb. Cen Carica, the Fig. Ficus Carica, L. S. P. Smar Caruon, Caraway, Carum Carui, L. S. P the Seed. Cera Caryophyllum aroma-Caryophyllus aromaticum, ticus, L.S.P. Whi the Clove and its efsential Oil. Cha Char Caryophyllum ru-Dianthus Caryophyllus, th brum, L. S. P. Clove July-Flower, Che the Flower. Grai Cici Cascarilla, Cascarilla, the the Bark. Caffia fistularis, Cassia Fistula, L.S.P. Casha of the Cane, H the Fruit. has a conti Caf-

THE MATERIA MEDICA. 17 Castoreum Russicum, Russian Castor. Catechu, vulgo Terra Mimosa Catechu, Japonica, L. Suppl. P. Eta, Catechu, commonly called Japan Earth. Centaureum minus, Gentiana Centaurium, S.P. Smaller Centaury, L. S. P. S. P the Top. Cera alba. omaflava, White and yellow Wax. Chamæmelum, Anthemis nobilis, Chamomile, L. S. P. yllus, the fingle Flower. Chelæ Cancrorum, Cancer Pagurus, Crabs Clares. L. S. N. Cicuta, Hemlock, Conium maculatum, the Herb, Flower, and L.S.P. Seed. S.P. Hemlock, after a variety of contradictory observations, has at length obtained a place in our Dispensatory. These contradictions are not to be wondered at, fince, as Murray ob-Cafferves,

THE MATERIA MEDICA. 18 ferves, no fooner was the fame of its utility founded, that wh: cognate plants, either noxious or totally inactive, were employed. Even Vogel himself, by some unaccountable mistake, has given the characters of Cicuta aquatica as those of the officinal species. It is therefore of no small importance that this fort of Hemlock, which is the mildest, be distinguished from the rest, and from other plants also to which it Cio is in appearance fimilar. The root is biennial, white, the thickness of a finger, often branched,-the first year only producing leaves, when rop it yields, on being cut, a milky liquor; the fecond year, fof when it has stalks, it is almost juiceless. (Jacquin Fl. Austr.) The stalk, which rifes several feet high, is the thickness of end a finger,-round, hollow, with impervious knots,-greenish, and having commonly spots of a deep red. (Facquin, ib.) (Variegated irregularly with streaks and spots of a red or poi blackish purple. L.M.M.) The leaves are large, with an hollow round rib, (Jacquin,) has of a dark or blackifh green colour on the upper fide, and of eve a whitish green underneath, separated into a number of refo small, oblong, fomewhat oval, fegments, which stand in the pairs: these segments are again deeply cut, but not quite Th divided, on both fides; and many of these ultimate sections wai have one or two flighter indentations. (L.M.M.) The flowers confift of five white pointed petals. The feeds are wel flat on one fide, on the other convex, and rendered unequal exti by five elevated ftriæ. (Jacquin.) These striæ, Hagensays, are elegantly indented like a faw, and that this last is a most certain Ci characteristic. (Hagen Apotherk.) The whole plant is somewhat

what smooth. The leaves, stalks, and slowers, have a peculiar feetid smell of mice, which, at some times, is in the highest degree; at others, so little, even in the same plant, as scarcely to be perceptible, unless when rubbed between the singers. Jacquin. The Hemlock, though genuine, which has not this smell, must not be taken, as being less efficacious. (Hagen.) The plant is common about the sides of fields under hedges, and slowers in June and July.

Particular care should be taken not to take for it the Chærophyllum bulbosum Linn. which has a globose root, a stalk also spotted, but swelled, at the origin of the branches and
leaves, the leaves somewhat downy, and cartilaginous at the
end of the pinnæ and laciniæ; the seeds smooth and awl-shaped. Murray, tom. I.

With regard to its virtues, though long supposed more poisonous than was just, yet, taken in too large a quantity, it is certainly capable of producing pernicious effects. Störck has shewn that it may be safely taken in small doses, and that even where its operation is not sensible, it proves a powerful resolvent in many obstinate disorders. He at first employed the inspissated juice only. (See inspissated Juices hereafter.) The insusion, or decoction, of the leaves was given afterwards by Collin, Bergius, &c.

It is used with advantage in scrophulous tumors, in foul as well as scrophulous and venereal ulcers, both internally and externally,—in the scabies, phthisis, &c.

Cinara, Artichoke, the Leaf.

Cynara Scolymus, L. S. P.

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This plant is too well known to need any description. The expressed bitter juice of the leaves, not depurated, or only freed from its grosser fæculencies by passing it through a coarse strainer, is mixed with an equal quantity of white wine and \$\mathbb{z}\$ ifs, or \$\mathbb{z}\$ ij, of the mixture, given night and morning in some hydropic cases as a diuretic, (L.L.M.) and in the Icterus, (Ray Hist. Pl.) In a larger dose it is a strong purgative.

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Pot-ash, or Pearl-ash.

Cinnamomum,

the Bark and its effen-

Coccinella, Cochineal.

Cochlearia hortenfis, Garden Scurvy-grafs, the Herb.

Colchicum,

Meadow-Saffron,

Meadow-Saffron, the fresh Root. Kali impurum.

Laurus Cinnamomum, L.S.P.

Cochlearia officinalis, L.S.P.

Colchicum autumnale, L. S. P.

This is a perennial plant, growing wild in feveral parts of England, and cultivated of late in gardens for medicinal use.

The root is a roundish bulb, covered with a coriaceous coat, externally

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externally brown, with one fide flatter, or rather hollowed, and a bulbulus, or clove, annexed, from which flowers will be produced the fucceeding year. Taken up in autumn it is white within, fleshy, and somewhat juicy. (Bergius.) Its flowers, which are a whitish-red purple with fix petals, appear in autumn. Raii Hist. Plant.

The fresh root in summer, on being cut through, irritates the nostrils;—when chewed, strongly burning, and stiffening the tongue and sauces, for a long time. In autumn, the taste is much weaker; and, when the root is dry, it is inactive. Its effects, when fresh, are diuretic, and in too large a dose drastic, and even poisonous. The dry root is farinaceous and inactive. Bergius.

The fafest way of giving it is in an infusion formed into a fyrup. See Oxymel Colchici hereafter.

Colocynthis,
Coloquintida, or bitter
ter Apple,

Cucumis Colocynthis, L. S. P.

the Pith of the Fruit.

Colomba, Colomba, the Root.

The root is brought to us, cut into roundish pieces, about an inch long; an inch, and sometimes two inches, thick; covered with a very rough, thickish, brown, bark; the parenchyma slightly solid, appearing after a transverse section, marked with a large central disk, brown streaks, and yellow points. The smell is weakly aromatic, not disagreeable, —

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the taste bitter, and somewhat acrid; — chewed, it softens, and almost dissolves, tinging the saliva yellowish. (Bergius.) By keeping, it is very apt to be worm-eaten, and its bitterness is diminished. Piderit.

It has been given as a corroborant and antiseptic in vomiting, diarrhoea, dysentery, cholera, and bilious complaints in general,—in doses from gr. 15 to 3 s, or more, three or sour times a day; and with vitriolated kali, in acute cases of the bilious kind. (Percival's Essays, Vol. II.) Dr. Dablberg, in a letter to Murray, confirms Percival's praises of it in bilious vomitings and purgings. See Murray's Medic. Bibliotheck. 3 the Band.

Contrayerva,

the Root.

Corallium rubrum,

Red Coral.

Coriandrum,

Coriander,

the Seed.

Cornu Cervi,

Hartshorn.

Cortex Peruv. fee Peruvianus Cortex.

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Dorstenia Contrajerva,

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Isis nobilis, L. S. N.

Coriandrum fativum, L, S. P.

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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 23 foftens, Crocus, Saffron, Crocus sativus, L.S.P. rgius.) the Stigma of the Flower. vomi-Cubeba, the Cubeb. Piper Cubeba, ints in L. Suppl. P. or four Cucumis agrestis, Momordica Elaterithe bi-Wild Cucumber, aletter um, L. S. P. vo:nithe fresh Fruit. k. 3tte Cuminum, Cummin, Cuminum Cyminum, L.S.P. the Seed. rva, Cuprum, Copper. Ærugo, Verdegris. Vitriolum cœrule-Cuprum vitriolatum. um. Blue Vitriol. 772, Curcuma, Turmeric, Curcuma longa, the Root. L. S. P. Cydonium Malum, Pyrus Cydonia, L.S.P. the Quince and its Seed. Cynosbatus, Dog-rose, Rosa canina, L. S. P. the Fruit, called Hip. C 4 D. us,

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Daucus sylvestris, Wild Carrot, the Seed.

Daucus Carota, L.S.P.

Digitalis, Fox-glove, Digitalis purpurea, the Herb.

L.S.P.

Foxglove is an indigenous triennial plant, growing wild in woods, on heaths, and under hedges; and justly ranked among fuch as are poisonous. The leaves are oblong, acuminated, and fomewhat hairy, with a thick, angular, hollow, stalk, on which numerous purple tubulous flowers, refembling the finger of a glove, hang downwards, in a row along one fide, each on a short pedicle. It flowers in May or June. (L.M.M.) The leaves, which Dr. Withering advises to be gathered after the flowering flem has shot up, and about the time that the bloffoms are coming forth, (Bot. Ar. rangem. Vol. II.) have a bitterish nauseous taste, and occafion most violent vomiting and purging. Raii Hift. Pl. Vol. I.

It is in truth one of those medicines, of the effects of which, as Lewis juffly observes, little can be judged from the tafte, being not near fo acrid or naufeous as many other vegetables which are taken with great fafety.

It has been principally recommended, for near a century past, in complaints deemed scrophulous. Parkinson mentions a decoction of the leaves having cured an epilepfy of

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long standing, and lately Dr. Withering has recommended them in hydropic cases, as acting, if not universally, more generally, as a diuretic than any other medicine. Foxglove, it must be owned, highly deserves the attention of physicians; but it would be criminal to repeat its recommendation, even in hydropic habits, -not often the most irritable, -without, at the fame time, mentioning, that Dr. Withering has known the pulfe retarded by it to an alarming degree without any preceding effect, - that he gives it in a very fmall dose, - that it is of consequence not to repeat the doles too quickly, but to allow fufficient time for the effects of each to take place, -as he has found it very possible to pour in an injurious quantity of the medicine before any of the fignals for forbearance have appeared; -and that its use is to be stopped on the appearance of its affecting the pulse, the stomach, the kidneys, or the bowels. (See Withering on Foxglove, 8vo. 1785.) Two instances are mentioned, by Dr. Simmons, of virulent effects from doses too large. Lond. Med. Fourn. Vol. VI.

As too much weight can scarcely be given to Dr. Withering's cautions, I will add, that, in 1738, when a youth, after having taken some of a weak insusion without any remarkable effect, six grains of the powder were one morning given me, from which, in the evening, after most horid anxiety, and the vibration, as it seemed to me, of every sibre, a most violent vomiting came on, and continued almost incessantly the whole night; during which, from despair of my surviving, repeated doses of Tinct. Theb. were given and ejected;—nor was a calm procured before the next morning.

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26 THE MATERIA MEDICA. morning. -No one experiment tried upon me fhould I fear to much to have repeated. Elemi, Elemi, Amyris Elemifera, the Refin. L.S.P. Eleutheria. See Cafcarilla. Enula campana, Inula Helenium, Elecampane, L. S. P. the Root. Eryngium, Eryngo, Eryngium maritimum, the Root. L. S. P. F. Ferrum, Iron. Vitriolum viride, Ferrum vitriolatum. Green Vitriol. Filix, Male Fern, Polypodium Filix mas, the Root. L. S. P. The root of common male Fern confifts of a great number of long blackish fibres, matted together, and issuing from a thick knotty head; of a fweetish subastringent taste, and

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an earthy, but not difagreeable, smell; (Alston Mat. Med.) to be collected in autumn. (Ph. Dan.) The root of female Fern, or common Brakes, is single and very long, seldom of a singer's thickness, yet spreading much by lateral shoots; of a black colour without, spotted within. (Alston.) It is white within, and shews, when cut through obliquely, or tranversely, the appearance of a two-headed eagle. (Raii Hist. Plant.) The taste is viscid, bitterish, and more disagreeable than the former. (Alston.) The root of semale fern, shewing, when cut through, an eagle, is commonly kept in the shops in Germany. Walbaum Index Pharm.

The root of both forts has been recommended as anthelminthic, from the time of Galen, or earlier, to the present. Galen directs 3iv of either (Pteris, or Thelypteris) as a dose for the broad worms. Andry (who used the semale) says a dose of 3ii or 3iii will kill, but not expel, the tænia, therefore he gives a purgative the day after; if it does not succeed the first time, the dose is repeated every other day, for three or four times, constantly giving a purgative on the intermediate days. Andry Gener. des Vers.

The root of one or other species has been the basis of several secret medicines against worms. The male was that of the widow of a Swiss surgeon, named Nousser, whose secret was purchased by the king of France; and her method of giving it, published by his order in 1775, has been translated since by Dr. Simmons, to which we must refer the reader.

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28 THE MATERIA MEDICA. Fæniculum dulce, Anethum Fæniculum, The Sweet Fennel, L. S. P. tafte, the Seed. fometir decocti Fænum Græcum, Trigonella Fænum tells us Fenugreek, græcum, L.S.P. their d the Seed. of an perfori perfect G. feed, Galbanum, Galbanum, Bubon Galbanum, the Gum-refin. L. S. P. produc in one Galla, the Gall. (Bot. Gambogia, Gamboge, Rheni the Gum-refin. denha difh ti Genista, Broom, Spartium scoparium, the Top and Seed. L. S. P. Gen Broom is a fhrubby plant, with numerous, slender, angular, tough, twigs; fmall fomewhat-oval leaves, fet three on Gin one pedicle, and deep yellow papilionaceous flowers. It is common on heaths and uncultivated fandy grounds, and flowers in May. (Lew.M.M.) To be collected in June. G (Ph. Dan.) It may not be improper to observe that the Genisthe w ta, ranked as officinal in the Mater. Med. of Linnaus, Vogel, Crantz, and Bergius, is the Genissa tinctoria, called here Penr Greenweed, Greenwood, &c. brou bout The

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The leaves and stalks of Broom have a nauseous bitter taste, and are accounted deobstruent and diuretic; they are sometimes laxative, and sometimes excite nausea. Their decoction has been often employed in dropsies. Moehring tells us that the poor in Friesland cure even an ascites with their decoction alone. (Ast. N. C. tom 5.) Dr. Mead's case of an hydropic, who, after the paracentesis had been thrice performed, and various medicines tried without relief, was perfectly cured by a decoction of Broom-tops with mustard-seed, may be seen in his Mon. et Prac. Med.

An infusion of the seeds, drunk freely, has been known to produce similar effects. Dr. Withering knew them succeed in one deplorable case out of many in which it was tried. (Bot. Arrangem. Vol. II.) The infusion of Broom-ashes in Rhenish was used successfully in dropsy by the venerable Sydenham, and in water, for the same disease among the Swedish troops, by Odhelius. Kongl. Vetensk. Acad. Handl. 1762.

Gentiana, Gentian, the Root.

Gentiana lutea, L.S.P.

Ginseng, Ginseng, the Root.

Panax quinquefolium, L. S. P.

Ginseng is said to be the root of a small plant growing in the woods of China and Chinese Tartary. It is found also in some parts of North America, particularly Canada and Pennsylvania, whence considerable quantities have been brought over. It is two or three inches in length, taper, about the thickness of the little singer, or less, in the thickest

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part,—often forked at bottom, elegantly striated with circular wrinkles, (L. M. M.)— of a pale yellowish without and within, of a close almost-horny substance, without smell, of a sweetish taste, like liquorice, but more agreeable, and mildly aromatic, with a slight bitterness. (Murray, tom 1.) It is in the highest esteem in China as a restorative after satigue of body or mind, and as an antispasmodic in nervous complaints, drunk in decoction.—It enters as a part of most of the medicines employed for the Mandarins, and was given successfully, in repeated doses of \ni i, by Frid. Dekker in a convulsive case. Exerc. pract.

Glycyrrhiza, Liquorice,

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Glycyrrhiza glabra, L. S. P.

the Root.

Granatum,
Pomegranate,

Punica Granatum, L. S. P.

the Flower, called Balaustine, and the Rind of the Fruit.

Gratiola, Hedge-byffop, Gratiola officinalisa the Herb.

Hedge-hyffop, or Herb of Grace, is a low perennial plant, with oblong finely-ferrated leaves, fet in pairs on the stalks without pedicles; in their bosoms come forth solitary, whitish, tubulous, irregular, slowers, followed by roundish pointed capsules, sull of small seeds, a native of the southern

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parts of Europe, and raised in some of our gardens. (L. M. M.) It grows in moist grounds,—flowers in July and August, (Kostrzewsky,)—and is to be collected annually fresh. (Ph. Dan.) The herb has a very bitter nauseous taste, without smell, (Berg.) and its expressed juice is less bitter than its residuum. (Bouldue Ac. Sc. 1705.)—Water extracts best its virtues, (Margraaf Ac. Berl. 1747,) which are strongly purgative; nor does drying much lessen them. Bergius.

Hedge-hyffop is anthelminthic, deobstruent, diuretic, and especially purgative; vomiting some, and now and then salivating. In the leucophlegmatia, dropfy, mania, &c. it is often more efficacious than the common remedies. (Spalow-sky Diss.) The herb is given in powder, insusion, and extract. An insussion of 3ii or 3s in powder, is strongly purgative. (Vogel.) The extract is given in small doses at first, and gradually augmented from 1 grain to 3s in a day. (Spalowsky.) Bergius says he often gave successfully 9s of the leaves with 5 gr. of gentian, thrice a day, in the relapses of bilious severs and autumnal quartans.

The powdered root, which is intenfely bitter and subaffringent, (Boulduc,) is most proper for the dropsy, mania, melancholy, and worms,—its dose from His to Is, as it acts powerfully. The insusion, or extract, of the leaves is most suitable to those for whom great and sudden evacuations are not necessary. (Spalowsky.) Störck directs, in dropsy, (it should feem as a diuretic,) small doses of an insusion of Jii of the root in the jof wine several times a day,—or Is, in powder, as a purgative dose for several days successively; and, if too great debility or anxiety is produced by it, at longer intervals. (Prac. med. pract. tom 2, p. 39.) As to this root supplying

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the place of ipecacuanha in dysentery, as mentioned by Boulduc and Kramer, more numerous and careful experiments are required to ascertain the use of a remedy so active.

Guaiacum, Guaiacum, Guaiacum officinale, the Wood, Bark, and L. S. P. Gum-refin.

Gummi Tragacantha.
See Tragacantha.

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Helleboraster,

Bearsfoot,

the Leaf.

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Helleborus fætidus, L. S. P.

Stinking Bearsfoot grows wild in many parts of England,—in meadows, shady places, and under hedges. The root is perennial, (Ray, Withering,) sibrous, outwardly black, within whitish, and of a bitter acrid taste. (Murray says the root is biennial in the botanic garden, not perennial. Appar. Med. tom. 3.) The stem is two or three feet high, round, hard, branched, with numerous leaves, (bird-footed—all on the stem. Linn.) on long pedicles, each segment somewhat oblong, serrated, pointed, and of a deep green. They emit, when sresh, on being handled, a disagreeable smell, and have a bitterish very acrid taste, of which they lose little by drying. (Bergius.) The slowers which appear in April, and

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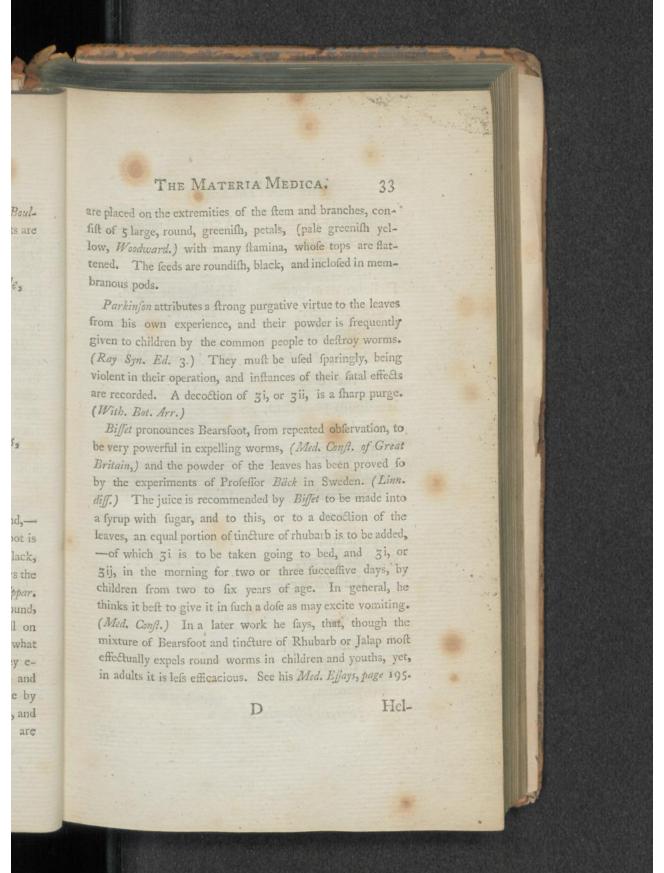
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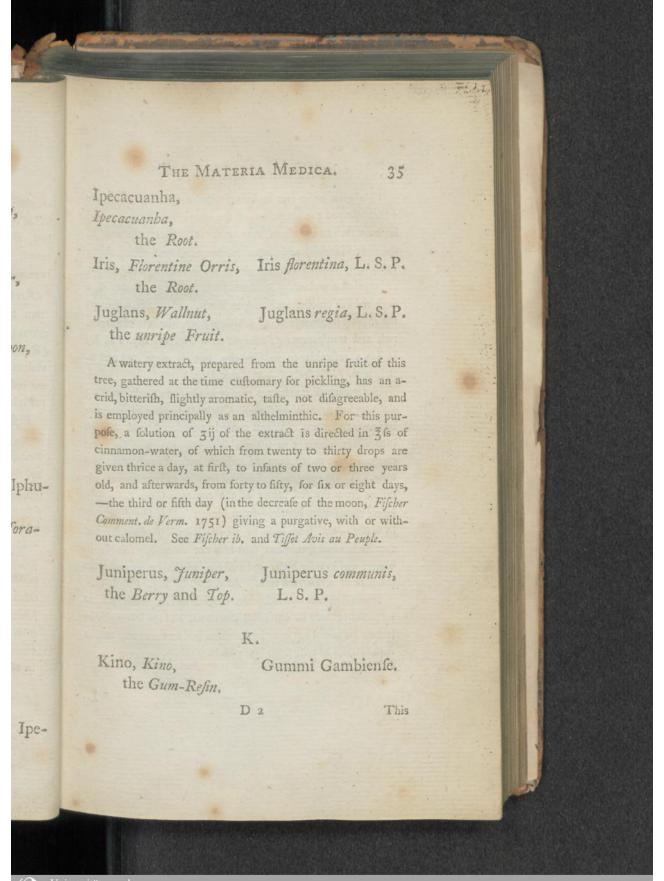
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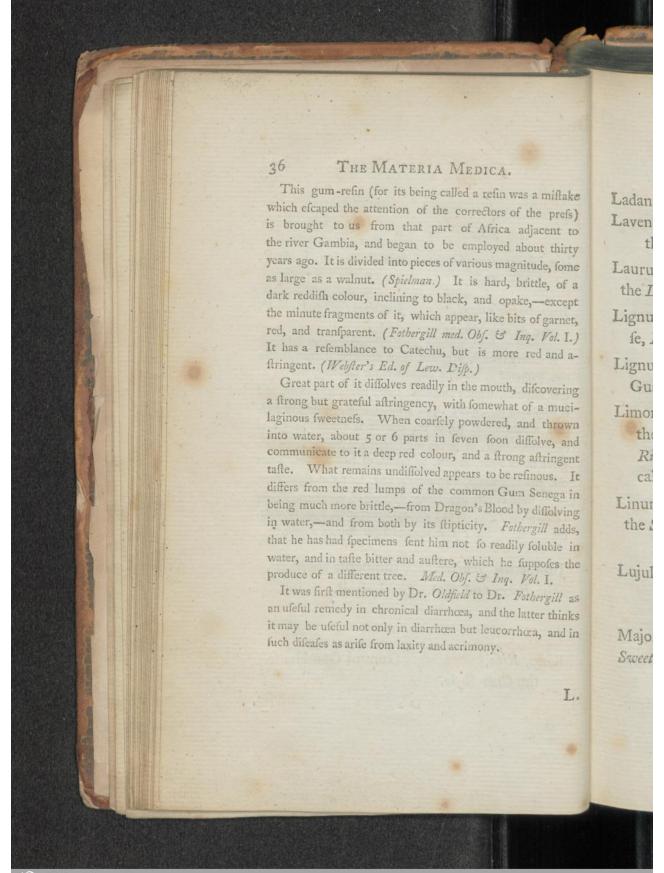
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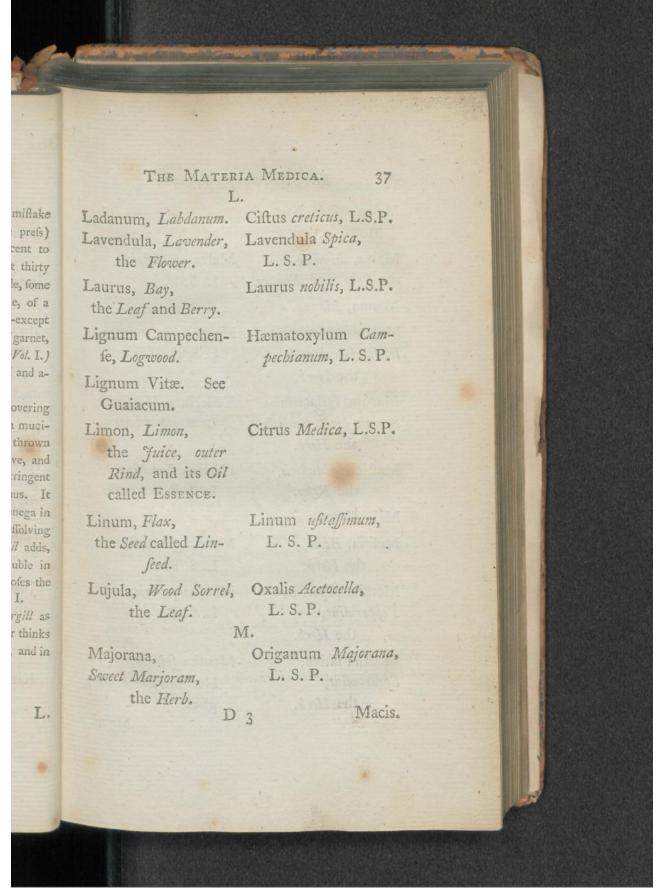
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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 34 Ipeca Helleborus Albus, Veratrum album, Ipeca White Hellebore. L. S. P. the Root. Iris, Helleborus niger, Helleborus niger, Black Hellebore. L.S.P. Jugl the Root. th Hordeum, Barley, Hordeum distiction, the Seed. Ax L.S.P. tree, Hordeum perlatum, crid, 1 Pearl-barley. is em pofe, Hydrargyrus, cinna Quickfilver. given Cinnabaris, Hydrargyrus fulphuold, Cinnabar. -the ratus. Hypericum, Comm Hypericum perforaout ca St. John's Wort, tum, L. S. P. the Flower. Jun the Jalapium, Jalap, the Root. Kin Ichthyocolla, Ifing-glass, or Fish-glue. Ipe-







THE MATERIA MEDICA. 28 Meze Macis. See Nux Mosch. Malva, Mallow, Malva Sylvestris, the Leaf and Flower. L. S. P. virtue Manna, Manna. chief v Marrubium album, Marrubium vulgare, of fpe furnish White Horebound, L.S.P. App. the Herb. fpecie: Marum fyriacum, Teucrium Marum. Daph Syrian Herb-mastich, L. S. P. the Herb. Mastiche, Mastich, Pistacea Lentiscus, the Refin. L.S.P. Mel, Honey. Melissa, Balm, Melissa officinalis, the Herb. L.S.P. Mentha piperitis, Mentha piperita, Peppermint, L. S. P. the Herb. Mentha fativa, Mentha Spicata, Spear-mint, Hudsoni Flora Anthe Herb. glica. Meze-

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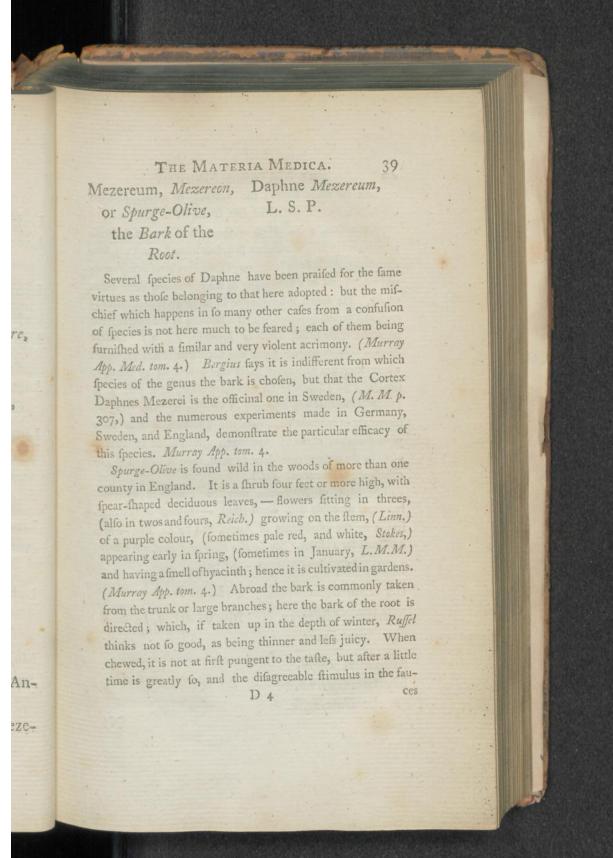
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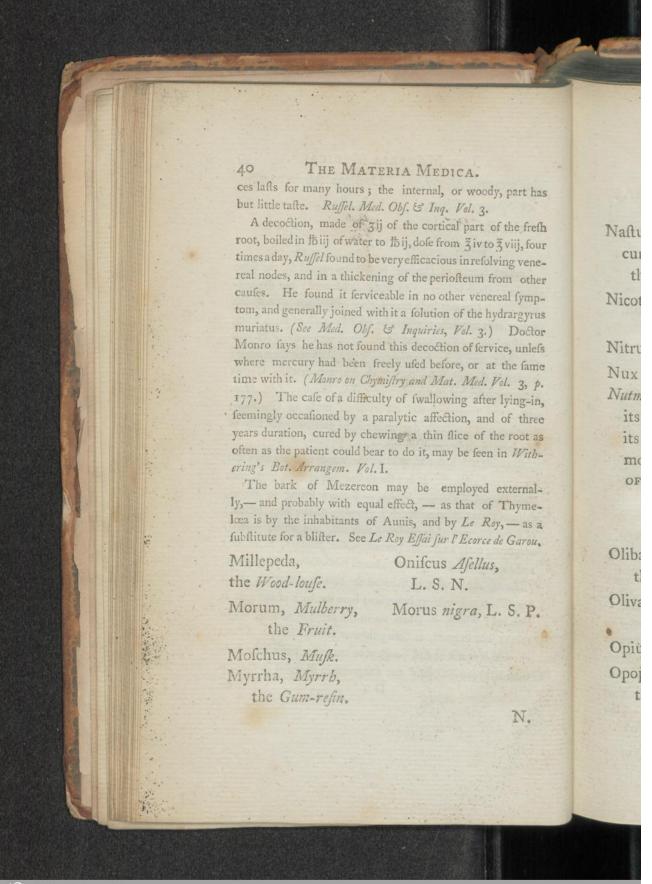
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Olibanum, Olibanum, Juniperus lycia,
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Opopanax, Opopanax, Pastinaca Opopanax,

the Gum-refin. L. S. P.

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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 42 Origanum, Origanum vulgare, Wild Marjoram, L. S. P. the Herb. Ostreorum testæ. See testæ. Ovum gallinaceum. Ovum, the Pullet's Egg. P. Papaver fomniferum, Papaver album, White Poppy, L. S. P. the Head. Papaver Rhæas, Papaver erraticum, L. S. P. Red Poppy, the Flower. Cissampelos pareira, Pareira brava, L.S.P. Pareira brava, the Root. This plant, called also Butua by the Portuguese and Spaniards, grows in South America, particularly Brafil; and its root was introduced at Paris in 1688 by Amelot, the French king's ambaffador, (Hift. de l'Ac. Sc. 1710;) whence it became known to the rest of Europe. It is brought from Brafil in crooked pieces of different fizes, fome no bigger than

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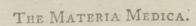
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the finger, others as large as a child's arm; the outfide is brownish, and variously wrinkled; the internal substance of a pale, dull, yellowish, hue, and interwoven as it were with woody fibres, so that, on a transverse section, there appears a number of concentric circles, crossed with strice running from the center to the circumference. It has no remarkable smell; but, to the taste, manifests considerable sweetness, of the liquorice kind, with some bitterness, and a slight roughness, covered by the sweet matter. Geoffrey de Mat. Med. Vol. II.

It is extolled by the Brafilians and Portuguese in suppresfions of urine, and in nephritic and calculous complaints. Helvetius affirms that stones the bigness of an olive have come away by its use, and prevented the necessity of lithotomy, but that it has not always shewn the same efficacy; (Sur les Malad.) that, in nephritic pains and suppressions of urine, he has often given it with fuccess; - that he has sometimes feen the patient freed from pain almost in an instant, a very plentiful discharge of urine succeeding ;-that, in ulcers of the kidneys and bladder, where the urine was mucous and purulent, and could scarcely be voided, or not without great uneafiness, the symptoms were soon relieved by Pareira, and the ulcer at length healed by joining to it some balfam of Copaiva. (Tract. de Mat. Med. tom. 2.) It was found to be a powerful expectorant in an humoral afthma, and in an icteric cholic, from concreted bile, the pain was foon relieved, and all the fymptoms removed; but, in an icterus, when the liver was fwelled, hard, and schirrhous, it did no good. (Geoffrey, ibid.)

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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 44 It is given in substance from gr. xij to 3ij. (Roncé Tratado de la Mat. Med.) Geoffrey gave a decoction of zij to 3iij, in a fbj, for 3 doses, one to be given every half hour, and then at longer intervals .- He cautions against too large dofes, for fear of heating, or inflaming, the kidneys; but Locfeke fays he has known Zj given without any fuch effect. Arzney mittel, n. p. 249. Parietaria, Parietaria officinalis, Pellitory of the Wall, L. S. P. the Herb. Pentaphyllum, Potentilla reptans, Cinquefoil, L. S. P. the Root. Peruvianus Cortex, Cinchona officinalis, Peruvian Bark. L. S. P. Petroleum, Petroleum, Bitumen Petroleum. or Rock-Oil. L.S.N. Petrofelinum, Apium Petrofilinum, Parfely, L.S.P. the Root and Seed. Pimento, Pimento, or Myrtus Pimenta, Allspice, L. S. P. the Berry. Piper

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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 46 Pulegium, Pennyroyal, Mentha Pulegium, the Herb and Flower. L. S. P. Pyrethrum, Anthemis Pyretbrum, Pellitory of Spain, L. S. P. the Root. Quaffia, Quaffy, Quaffia amara, the Wood, Root, and L. S. P. Bark. The wood of this tree, which grows fpontaneously in the territory of Surinam, in South America, and in the island of St. Croix, was made known in Sweden, Bergius tells us, by Rolander; who, having learnt its virtues from a negro, named Quaffi, (by others Coiffi,) brought a specimen of it on his return from Surinam, in 1756 ;- but Fermin fays the Bois de Coissi was known as a medicine at Surinam long before the Negro Coiffi; - and Haller tells us his fon-in-law Braun, when ill with an epidemic fever in 1742, took it as a remedy in common use. (Bibl. Bot. tom 2. page 555.) It was not, however, generally noticed in Europe till Linnæus published a description of it in 1763. It is taken from both trunk and branches; is white, folid, tough, hard, (never so hard as not easily to be cut into slices, Murray,) and lightish ;-cut transversely, it is marked with parallel cupillary rays from the centre to the circumference, and

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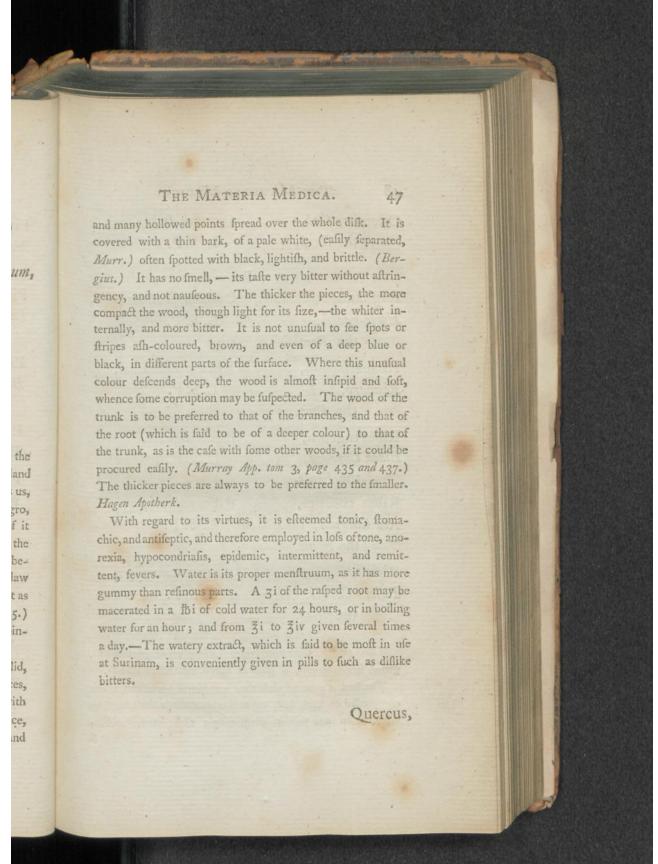
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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 48 Quercus, Oak, Quercus Robur, the Bark. L.S.P. R. Raphanus rusticanus, Cochlearia Armoracia, Horse-radish, L. S. P. the Root. Rhabarbarum, Rheum palmatum, Rhubarb. L.S.P. the Root. Ribes nigrum, Ribes nigrum, Black Currant. L.S.P. the Fruit. Ribes rubrum. Ribes rubrum, Red Currant. L. S. P. the Fruit. Ricinus. Ricinus communis, Palma Christi, L. S. P. the Seed.

This plant, called also Negro Oil-bush, (Hughes Barb.) grows spontaneously in most of our West-Indian Islands.

The feed is generally less than a common horsebean, ovate, compressed on each side, covered with a brittle shell, speckled with brown and yellow, containing a white kernel inclosed

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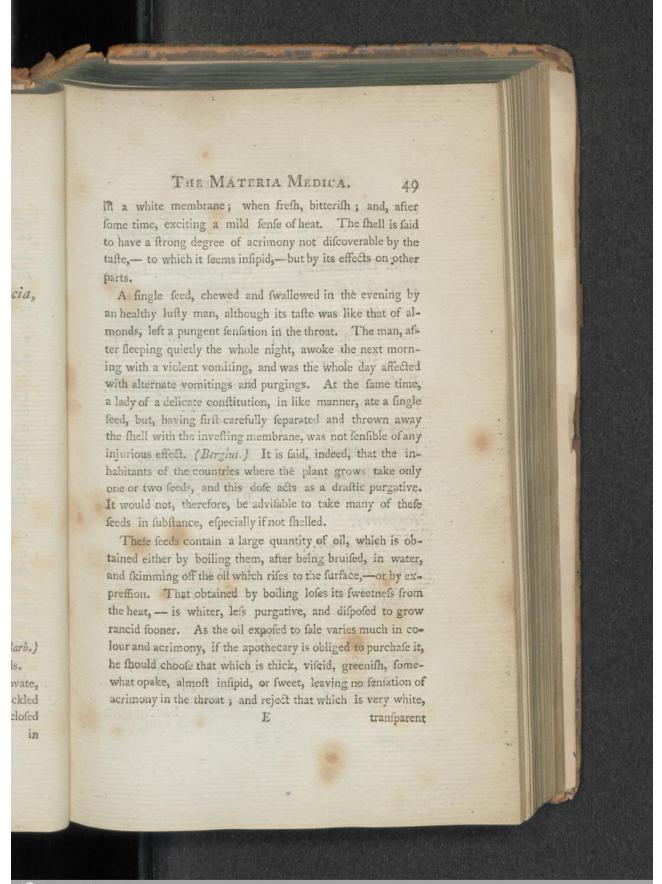
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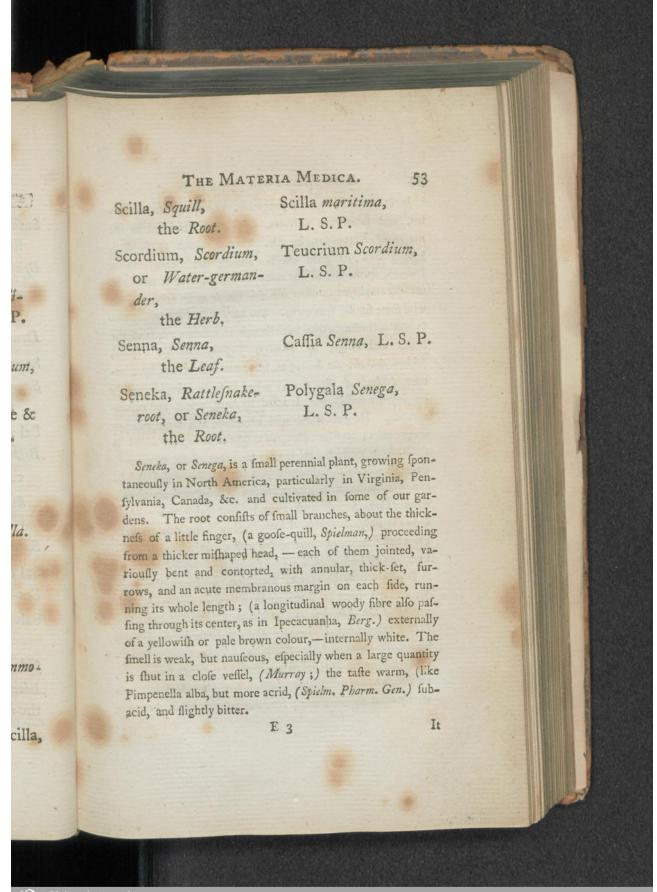
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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 50 Sac transparent, - or of a saffron colour. - The college expect the apothecary to express it. See hereafter under expressed oils. Bi Rofa Damascena, Rosa centifolia, L.S.P. Sa Damask Rose, the Petal. D Rosa rubra, Red Rose, Rosa Gallica, L. S. P. Sa the Petal. Sa Rofmarinus, Rofmarinus officinalis, Rosemary, L. S. P. Sa the Flower and Top. Bi Rubia, Madder, Rubia tinetorum, the Root. L. S. P. Rubus idæus, Rubus idæus, L. S. P. Raspberry, Si the Fruit. Ruta, Rue, Ruta graveolens, the Herb. L. S. P. Sabina, Savin, Juniperus Sabina, B the Leaf. L. S. P. Saccharum

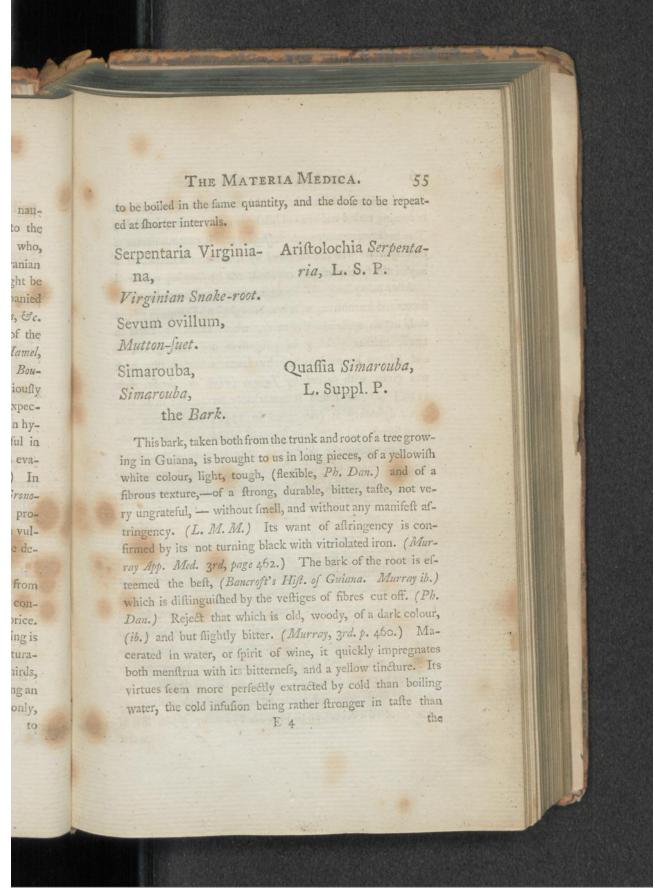
THE MATERIA MEDICA! Saccharum non puriet the ils. ficatum, Brown Sugar. S.P. Saccharum purifica- Saccharum bis coctum, tum: Double-refined Sugar. 5. P. Sagapenum, Sagapenum, ralis, the Gum-refin. Sal amarus, Magnefia vitriolata. Bitter Salt, commonly called Bitter purging Salt. S.P. Sal Ammoniacus, Ammonia muriata. Sal Ammoniac. Sal muriatious, Natron muriatum. Sea-Salt. Salvia, Sage, Salvia officinalis, the Leaf. L. S. P. Sambucus, Sambucus nigra, Black-berried Elder, L. S. P. the inner Bark, Flower, arum and Berry. Sanguis E 2

THE MATERIA MEDICA. 52 Sanguis Draconis, Dragon's Blood, the Refin. Santalum rubrum, Pterocarpus Santolinus, L. Suppl. P. Red Saunders, the Wood. Santonicum, Artemisia Santonicum, L.S.P. Worm-seed. Sapo ex oleo olivæ & Sapo, Soap, made of Olive-oil natro confectus. and Barilla. Sarcocolla, Sarcocol, the Gum-refin. Smilax Sarfaparilla. Sarfaparilla, L. S. P. Sarsaparilla, the Root. Saffafras, Saffafras, Laurus Sassafras, the Wood, Root, and L. S. P. its Bark. Convolvulus Scammo -Scammonium, nia, L. S. P. Scammony, the Gum-refin. Scilla,



It is diuretic, gently purgative, often excites a naufea, and fometimes falivates. It was introduced to the notice of Europeans, by Dr. Tennent, about 1736, who, having feen its good effects among the Pennfylvanian Indians, in the bite of the rattle-fnake, thought it might be usefully employed in other diseases which were accompanied with some fimilar symptoms. See his Physical Enquiries, &c. It was accordingly tried with fuccess in inflammations of the breast and lungs, by Lemery, Justieu, and Du Hamel, (Mem. de l'Ac. des Sc. 1739,) but more accurately by Bouvart, (Mem. Ac. Sc. 1744,) who, in some cases, previously employed venesection. It acted by stool, urine, and expectoration. He gave it also with advantage as a diuretic in hydropic cases; and Dr. Percival thinks it sometimes useful in the hydrops pectoris, as, befides its other effects as an evacuant, it acts on the bronchial glands. (Effays, Vol. II.) In the rheumatism it is recommended in a letter from Gronovius. (Com. Lit. Norimb. 1741.) Not being able to procure the Polygala amara, I have tried both the Polygala vulgaris and Seneka, in confumptive cases, but without the defired fuccess from either.

It is given in powder or decoction. — In powder, from \Im it to \Im is two or three times a day, + and most conveniently Dr. Monro thinks in pills with extract of liquorice. (On Pharm. Chem.) In cases where to hazard a vomiting is unsafe, the decoction is most eligible. Tennent used a saturated decoction of \Im ii, boiled in a quart of water to two-thirds, of which he gave \Im is every three hours; but this causing an uneasy heat in the throat, &c. Bouvart directed \Im i only,



the decoction; which last, whilst hot, is pellucid and yellow; becoming turbid and of a reddish brown as it cools. (L.M.M.) The milky appearance which Justieu says it communicates to boiling water was not observed by Levois in the decoction of any of the specimens he examined, nor by Bergius, nor Crell.

After being long used in Guiana as a medicine in alvine fluxes and hæmorrhages, it was brought into France in 1713; and, in an epidemic dyfentery, which raged at Paris in 1718, neither yielding to purgatives nor aftringents, and faid to be made worse by Ipecacuanha, - this bark was given with success by Justien. (Hist. Ac. des Sc. Ann. 1729.) Degner found it remarkably serviceable in an epidemic dyfentery at Nimeguen in 1736; but the cure was more speedy and certain in fluxes of blood, and bloody matter, than when the discharges were bilious; - and, from the experiments of Juffieu, during 15 years, it appears to have been fuccessful, not in dysenteries only, but in chronical diarrhoas of feveral species. It was used with success also in an habitual dysenteric cholic, (Att. N. C. Vol. VIII. p. 94;)-in a chronical heparic flux, by Boeneken, (Nov. Act. N. G. Vol. II. p. 80;) - in a lientery, (ibid. p. 82;) - in leucorrhœa by Speer, (Duncan Comm. Vol. VII.) - and for worms, by De Haen. Præl. Path. tom 2.

It is given in powder from His to 31s, or more, several times a day;—but more commonly in decoction, which, if not given in too large a dose, neither excites nausea or vomiting; whereas the powder sometimes seems heavy, and to disagree with the stomach. Fussieu advises to begin with a weaker decoction, and proceed afterwards to a stronger. He directed a decoction to be made by boiling 3 ij in stij of water

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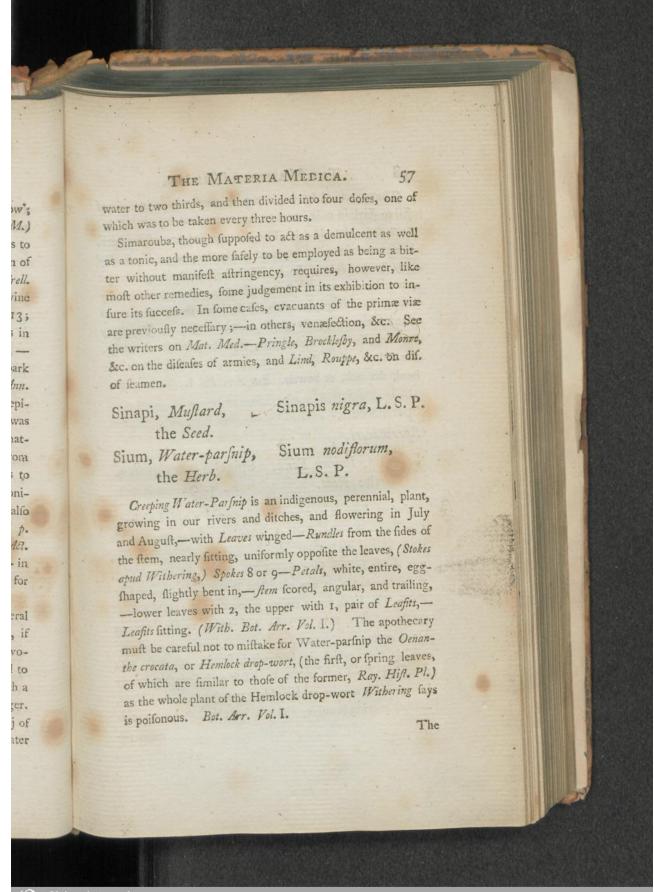
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The expressed juice is given as an antiscorbutic in doses of \$\frac{2}{3}iy\$, in milk, or any other convenient liquor. (Beirie Diet. de la Mat. Med.) The juice, or infusion of the herb, is used in cases called scorbutic and in scrophula. (Doody apud Ray Synops. Ed. 2, App.) Withering says, a young lady, six years old, was cured of an obstinate cutaneous disease by taking three large spoonfuls of the juice twice a day; and that he has repeatedly given to adults \$\frac{2}{3}iij\$, or \$\frac{2}{3}iv\$, every morning, in similar complaints, with the greatest advantage. He adds, that, in the doses he gave, it neither affects the head, stomach, or bowels. Bot. Arr. Vol. I.

Sperma ceti, Spermaceti.

Spigelia, Indian Pink, Spigelia marylandica, the Root. L. S. N.

Indian Pink is a perennial plant, and a native of South Carolina,—the root of which, after being many years in use there, among the Indians, planters, and medical practitioners, was made known in 1754, to Dr. Whytt, by Dr. Lining, whose account of it was published in the Essays phys. and lit. Edinb. Vol. I. as was a farther account in the third vol. of the same Essays, sent, in 1764 and 1766, to Dr. Hope by Dr. Garden.

This root, which is horizontal, fimple, unequal, with many long fibres,—is faid to be a fafe anthelminthic, rarely failing, if the root be not too old,— not naufeous to children,—often proving laxative, and in a large dose purgative or emetic;—

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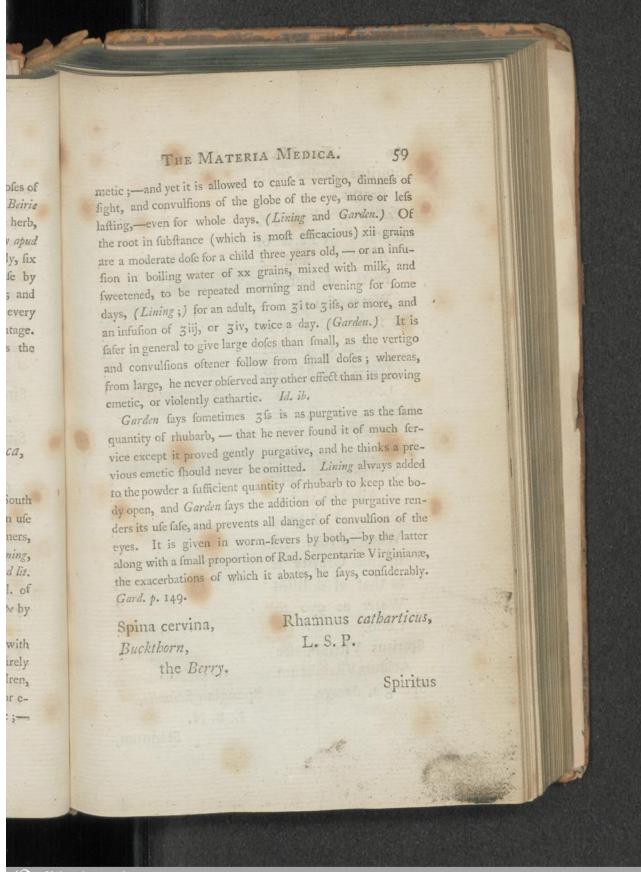
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THE MATERIA MEDICA; 60 Spiritus vinosus rectificatus, Stan Restified Spirit of Wine, Sta contains 95 Parts of Sta Alkohol, and 5 Parts of distilled Water of 100. pro Its specific Gravity is difa taf to that of distilled WI Water as 835 to we 1,000. the Spiritus vinosus tenuior, Proof Spirit of Wine, contains 55 Parts of Alkohol, and 45 Parts of distilled Water in 100. Its fpecific Gravity is to that of distilled Water as 930 to 1,000. Spiritus Vitrioli, fee Acidum Vitriolicum. Spongia, Sponge. Spongia officinalis, L. S. N. Stannum,

Stannum, Tin. Staphisagria, Staves-acre,

Delphinium Staphifagria, L.S. P.

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the Seed.

The plant is a native of the fouthern parts of Europe,—producing large rough triangular feeds, of a dark colour, a difagreeable finell, and a very naufeous, bitterifh, burning, tafte. They were formerly used as a cathartic, but operated with so much violence, both upwards and downwards, and were so liable to inflame the throat, that the internal use of them has long been laid aside. L.M.M.

Of late they have only been employed externally for the defruction of vermin, either in a powder or liniment.

Styrax, Storax, the Refin.

Styrax officinalis, L. S. P.

Succinum, Amber.
Sulphur, Brimstone.
Sulphuris flores,
Flowers of Brimstone.

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Tamarindus,
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the Fruit.

Tamarindus Indica, L. S. P.

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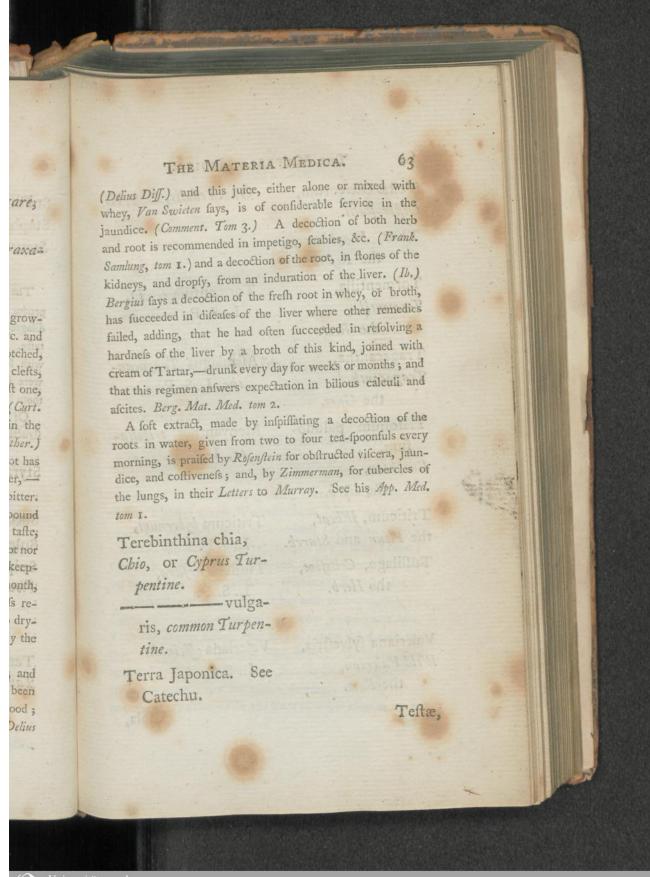
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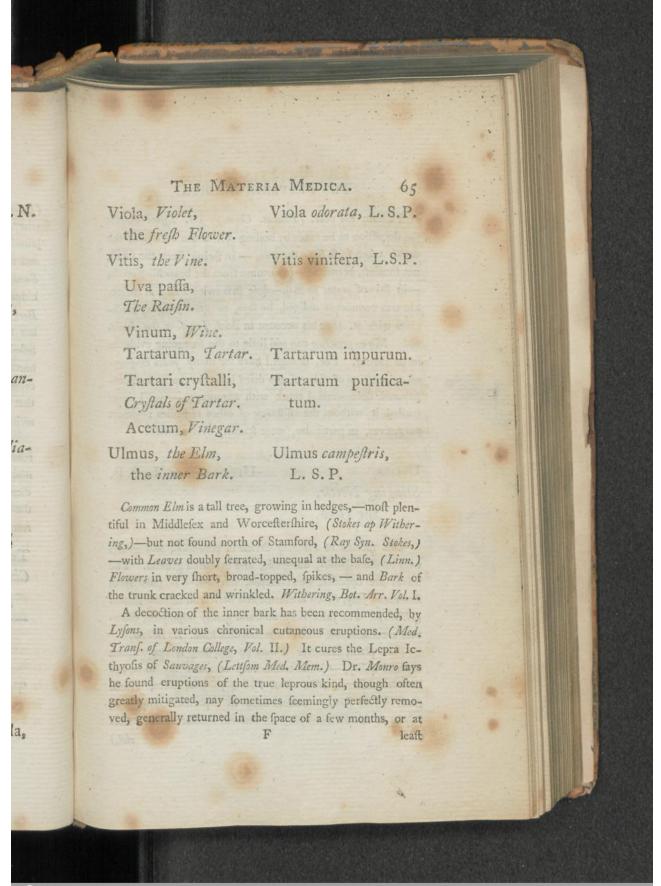
Common Dandelion is an indigenous perennial plant, growing in meadows, pastures, road sides, ditch-banks, &c. and flowering from April to September, with leaves notched, finely toothed, fmooth, (Linn.) varying from winged clefts, in a very dry fituation, to nearly entire in a very moist one, (Woodward;) frem somewhat cottony towards the top, (Curt. Stokes,) bloffom yellow, expanding about five or fix in the morning, and closing early in the afternoon. (Wither.) The smell of the herb is weak, the taste bitter, -the root has no smell; the taste at first a little sweetish, then bitter, fweeter at the beginning of fpring; in fummer more bitter. (Bergius.) The roots, leaves, and flower-stalks, abound with a milky juice of no particular fmell, but a bitterish taffe; not lost by inspissation. (L. M. M.) Neither the root nor the plant in substance, nor its preparations, bear long keeping. The dry root, after being kept about a twelvemonth, entirely lost its bitterness, and only a slight sweetishness remained. An extract from the fresh root, inspissated to dryness, and kept the same length of time, suffered nearly the fame change. (Id. ib.)

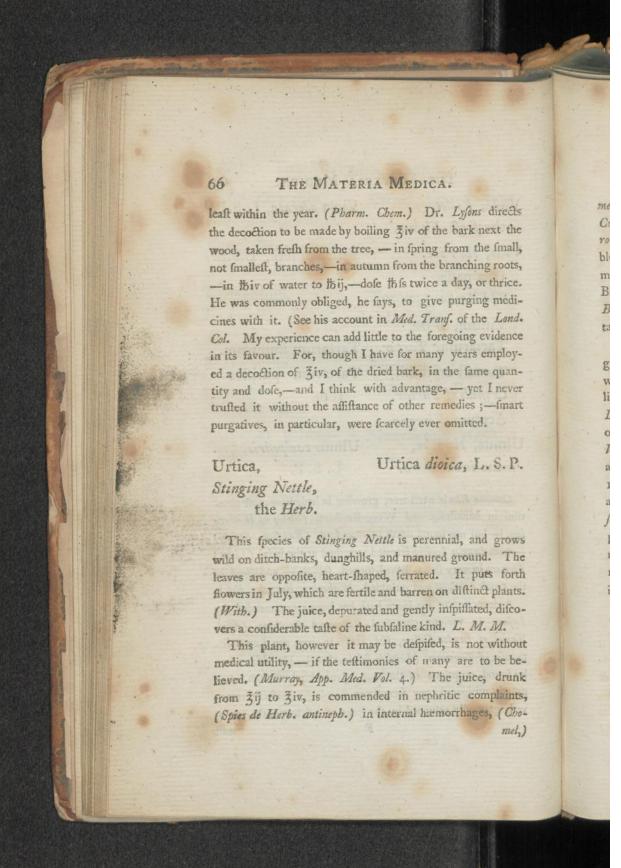
The expressed juice of the herb is diuretic, aperient, and somewhet laxative; of which from Ziss to Ziv have been given, three or four times a day, to correct thick, sizy, blood;

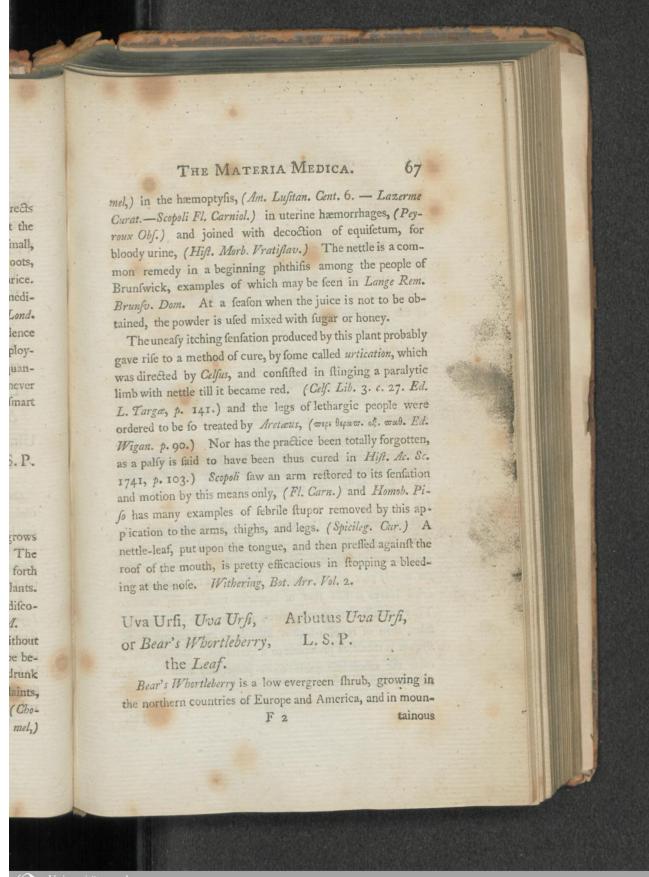
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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 64 Testæ Ostreorum, Ostrea edulis, L. S. N. Oister-shells. Thus, Frankincenfe, the Refin. Tormentilla, Tormentilla erecta, Tormentil. L. S. P. the Root. Tragacantha, Aftralagus Tragacan-Tragacanth, tha, L.S.P. the Gum. Trifolium paludo-Menyanthes trifolia-U fum, ta, L. S. P. Buckbean. the Herb. tifu Triticum, Wheat, Triticum bybernum; ing the Flour and Starch. L.S.P. Tuffilago, Coltsfeot, Flo Tuffila Farfara, the the Herb. L. S. P. Ly V Tr Valeriana fylvestris, Valeriana officinalis, thy Wild Valerian, L. S. P. he the Root. gre vec Viola.







tainous places of the temperate regions of Europe. It is cultivated here in gardens, but not preferved without difficulty.

The apothecary must take care not to take for it the Vaccinium Vitis idea, or red Whortleberry of Linnaus, which in some respects resembles it. The leaves of Uva Ursi are narrower at the bale, thicker, entire underneath; whilst those of the red whortle are broader at the base, thinner, slightly indented at the end, the mid-rib terminating in a roundish knob, (Stokes ap. With.) - with deep veins above, which are equally prominent underneath, (Woodward ap.eund.) underneath dotted, (dots dark brown, prominent, (Stokes.) - That (viz. uva urfi) has trailing stalks, - this stalks obliquely ascending. - That has an ovate corolla, under the germen, with ten stamina; -this is bell-shaped, deeper cut, higher than the germen, with eight stamina.-That a berry, farinaceous, dry, infipid, commonly with five cells and feeds; - this a berry full of an acid juice, four cells, and numerous feeds. Murr. App. Med. Vol. 2.

The leaves of the Uva Urfi have a tafte at first styptic, afterwards agreeably bitter; — the stalks and their bark are much more astringent than the leaves, but less bitter, — and the woody part almost entirely insipid. The smell of the dried leaves is like that of liquorice-root, or its extract. They contain more gummy parts, in which the bitterness resides, than of resin, which is insipid, — an aqueous mensurum is therefore preserable to a spirituous. Boiling extricates the efficacious parts more powerfully than insusion. Murray ib.

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THE MATERIA MEDICA. 60 This plant is faid to have been known and used in Spain, It is Naples, and Montpellier, long before 1756, about which time the experiments made with it at Vienna, in calculous culcomplaints, excited the general attention. The greatest number of inflances of its good effects in fuch diforders were acnich when feated in the kidneys; but there are many where a are ftone was manifeftly in the bladder : some patients found immediate relief, others not till after fome months continuance htly of the remedy, and some were restored to perfect health. iob, (Haen. Rat. Med. Vol. 1, & feq .- Murray App. Fal. 2.) It ally has appeared also to be serviceable in various diseases of the ted, urinary passages in which a stone was not suspected, - in ulrfi) cerations, dyfury, strangury, -mucous, purulent, and bloody, has urine, &c .- even a suppression of urine, which had required s is the introduction of the catheter for more than three months, ght was cured by Uva Urfi in a few weeks. (Plank Mat. Chyr.) It has not indeed always fucceeded. Haller, who had laboured feveral years under a dyfury, was relieved by it only for a short time (Comm. nov. Gotting.) It failed with Acrel, in Sweden, both before and after lithotomy, - with Werlhoff, afin Germany,- and, in Britain, the expectations of feveral are (perhaps too much raised) were disappointed. But, though and Uva Urfi does not appear to be a folvent of human calculi, (and perhaps there is no fuch known, at least when fwallowict. ed,) it may be confidered as a valuable remedy, if it only leffens the torture, and thereby renders life more tolerable, reen-(Murray ibid.) whether it does this by fome balfamic or un-

known power, weakening the irritating quality of the urine, &c. or the irritability of the organs, this is not the place to en-

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The leaves are given in powder, from 15 gr. to 3ij, three or four times a day.—An infusion of 3i, or 3ij, in a sto of water is more agreeable than a decoction,—but the decoction, as before observed, is most efficacious. See Haen Rat. Med.—Murray Comment. & App. Med.—Girardi, Quer, &c.

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Zedoaria, Zedoary, Kæmpferia rotunda, the Root. L. S. P.

Zincum, Zinc.

Lapis Calaminaris, Lapis calaminaris uf-Calamine. tus.

Tutia, Tutty.

Vitriolum Album, Zincum vitriolatum. White Vitriol.

Zingiber, Ginger. the Root.

Amomum Zingiber, L. S. P.

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PRÆPARATIONES SIMPLICIORES.

THE MORE SIMPLE PREPARATIONS.

QUORUNDUM IN AQUA NON SOLUBILIUM PRÆPARATIO.

THE PREPARATION OF SOME SUBSTAN-CES NOT SOLUBLE IN WATER.

powder; then, pouring on a little water, levigate it upon a hard and polished, but not calcareous, stone, that it may be made as fine as possible. Dry this powder upon blotting-paper laid on chalk, and set it in a warm, or at least dry, place for some days.

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72 SIMPLE PREPARATIONS.

In this manner are to be prepared

AMBER,

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OISTER-SHELLS, first cleansed from their impurities.

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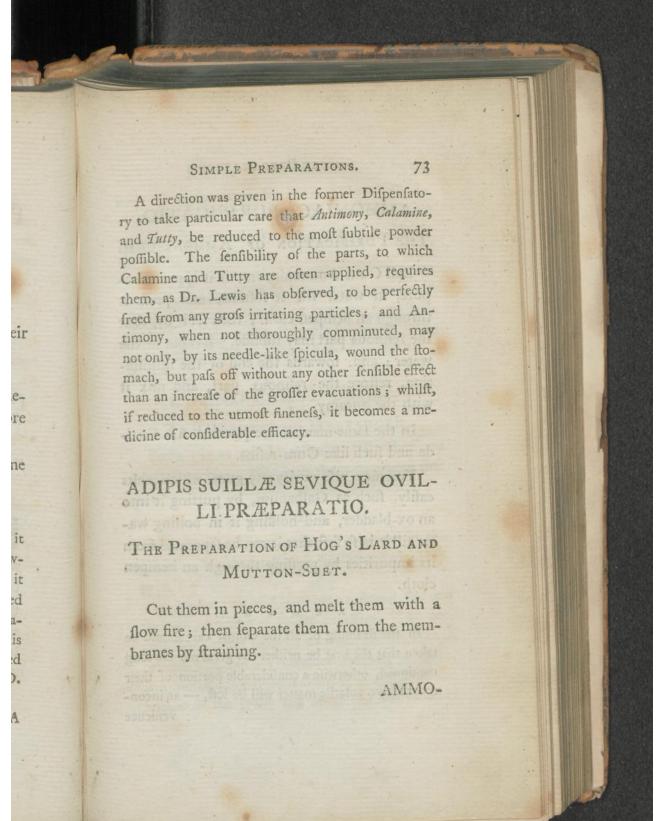
CRABS CLAWS, first broken into small pieces, must be washed with boiling water before they are levigated.

VERDEGRIS must be prepared in the same manner.

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Calamine is roasted, or calcined, in order that it may be more easily reducible to a very fine powder; and, the shops being usually supplied with it in this calcined state, the College have so directed it in the Materia Medica. See Zinc. Where Calamine cannot be procured already calcined, this ore of Zinc is to be thrice heated to a strong red heat, and as often quenched with water. Ed. D. 1756.

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SIMPLE PREPARATIONS.

AMMONIACI PURIFICATIO.

THE PURIFICATION OF AMMONIACUM.

Boil Gum-Ammoniacum, if it appears impure, in water till it foftens, and prefs it through an hempen cloth; then fet it by, that the refinous part may fubfide. Evaporate the water; and, towards the end of the infpiffation, restore the refinous part, and mix it with the gummy.

In the same manner are purified Asa Fœtida and such like Gum-resins.

You may also purify any gum, which melts easily, such as Galbanum, by putting it into an ox-bladder, and holding it in boiling water till it is so soft that it can be separated from its impurities by pressing through an hempen cloth.

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In the straining of all the Gums, care should be taken that the heat be neither too great nor too long continued, otherwise a considerable portion of their more active volatile matter will be lost, — an inconvenience

SIMPLE PREPARATIONS. venience which cannot, by any care, be wholly avoided. Hence the purer tears, unstrained, are preferred, for internal use, to the strained gums, by UM. the faculty of Paris. L. As an additional reason for this preserence, we immay add, that some of the gum-refins, purified in is it the common way, by folution in water, expression, that and evaporation, are not fo easily foluble in aqueethe ous menstrua before, as after, such depuration. iffax it CORNU CERVI USTIO. THE BURNING OF HARTSHORN. ceti-Burn pieces of Hartshorn till they are perfectly white; then rub them to a very fine nelts powder. into K. M wa-The pieces of Horn, generally employed in this from operation, are those left after distillation. L. Disp. apen 1746. In the burning of Hartshorn, a strong fire and the free admission of air are necessary. The potter's furnace was formerly directed for the fake of ld be convenience, but any common furnace, or stove, long will do. If some lighted charcoal be spread on the their

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the Horns are laid, they will be burnt to whiteness, still retaining their original form. L.

Burnt Hartshorn is not now considered as a pure earth, having been found to be a compound of calcareous earth and phosphoric acid. It is the weak-est of the animal absorbents, or soluble in acids with the most difficulty; but, whether it be of equal or superior use, in diarrheas, to more powerful absorbents, must be determined by observation.

HERBARUMET FLORUM EXSIC-CATIO.

THE DRYING OF HERBS AND FLOWERS.

Spread them lightly, and dry them with a gentle heat.

REMARK.

Both the colours and virtues of Herbs are preferved in greatest perfection when they are dried bastily by an heat of common fire as great as that which the sun can impart; an instance of which we have in the drying of Tea by the Chinese. Quick drying is more particularly proper for slowers. Saffron is a part of a slower, dried on paper, on a kind of kiln, with an heat sufficient to make it sweat, Twe

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fweat, taking care only not to endanger its fcorching. L.

MELLIS DESPUMATIO.

THE DESPUMATION, OR CLARIFYING, OF HONEY.

Melt the Honey in a water-bath, and take off the scum.

MILLEPEDÆ PRÆPARATIO.

PREPARATION OF THE WOOD-LOUSE.

Suspend the Wood-lice, inclosed in a coarse hempen cloth, in a close vessel, over hot proofspirit, that, being killed by the vapour, they may be rendered friable.

PULPARUM EXTRACTIO.

THE EXTRACTION OF PULPS.

Set pulpy fruits, if they are unripe or ripe, and dry, in a moist place, that they may soften; then press the pulps through a hair-sieve; afterwards boil them with a gentle fire, frequently

SIMPLE PREPARATIONS. 78 quently stirring them untill they are of a proper thickness. Also take the pulp of Cassia of the cane, from the pod, and boil it to a due thickness. Press out the pulps of ripe and fresh fruits through a fieve, without any boiling. The manner of obtaining the pulp of Cassia from the pod is here left to the operator. The former Dispensatory directed it to be boiled out of the bruised pod; by which method the pulp is not obtainable perfectly pure, as the feeds part with their mucilage,-though nothing should be communicated by the pod. The pulp is obtained in the greatest purity, if the quantity be not large, by slitting the pods lengthwife, pushing out the cells and feeds with the fingers, and washing the pulp from them. The quantity extracted at a time ought not, as Lewis has observed, to be great, as it is apt to turn four by long keeping. SCILLÆ

SCILLÆ EXSICCATIO.

THE DRYING OF SQUILL.

Cut the Squill transversely, after the outer skin has been taken off, into thin slices, and dry it with a gentle heat.

REMARK.

A proof of the Squill being properly dried is its retaining, though friable, its original bitterness and acrimony.

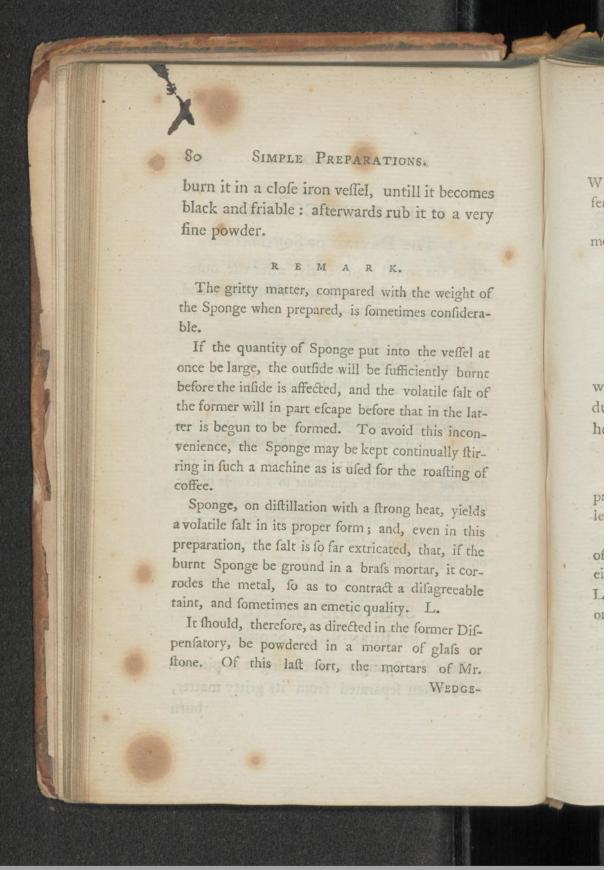
By drying, Lewis fays, the root loses four-fifths of its original weight; and that the parts which exhale are merely watery: hence four grains of the dry root are nearly equivalent to a scruple of the fresh.

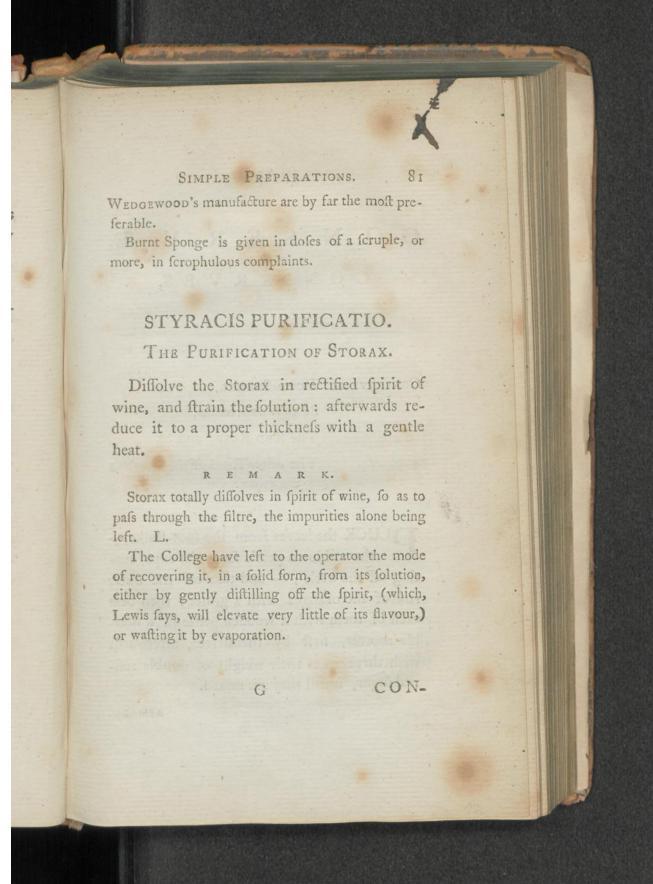
It is given as an expectorant and diuretic, to adults, in doses of a few grains: in somewhat larger ones it proves emetic.

SPONGIÆ USTIO.

THE BURNING OF SPONGE.

Beat the Sponge, after cutting it in pieces; and, when separated from its gritty matter, burn







CONSERVES.

CONSERVE OF WOOD-SORREL,

SEA-WORMWOOD,

The RED Rose, and of

The outer Rind of the SEVILLE

ORANGE.

the unblown petals from the cups, cutting off the heels; — and take off the outer find of the oranges with a grater: then beat each of them with a wooden petale in a marble mortar, first by themselves, afterwards with three times their weight of double-refined sugar, untill they are mixed.

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REMARK.

The Sugar should be powdered by itself, and passed through a sieve, before it is mixed with the vegetable mass, otherwise it cannot be properly incorporated. L.

Rose-buds, and some other vegetables, are ufually prepared for mixing with sugar by a small wooden mill, contrived for that purpose. P.

CONSERVA ARI.

CONSERVE OF CUCKOW-PINT.

Take of the fresh root of Cuckow-pint, bruifed, half a pound.

Double-refined Sugar one pound and a half.

Beat them together in a mortar.

REMARK.

Those, who hold in veneration the integrity and experience of Sydenham, will have no doubt of the effects of this medicine in rheumatic cases. The Pulvis Ari compositus has been rejected because its virtue decreased by keeping. The Conserve may be given to adults in doses of a dram.

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CONSERVA CYNOSBATI.

CONSERVE OF THE HIP.

Take of the pulp of ripe Hips one pound.

Double-refined Sugar, powdered, twenty ounces by weight.

Mix them into a Conferve.

REMARK.

This pulp should be separated with great care from the rough prickly matter inclosing the seeds; a small quantity of which, retained in the Conserve, is apt to occasion an uneasiness at the stomach, a pruritus about the anus, and sometimes vomiting. L.

CONSERVA PRUNI SYLVESTRIS.

CONSERVE OF THE SLOE.

Put the Sloes in water, upon the fire, that they may foften, taking care that they be not broken; then, having taken them out of the water, prefs out the pulp, and mix it with three times its weight of double-refined fugar into a Conferve.

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CONSERVA SCILLÆ.

CONSERVE OF SQUILL.

Take of fresh Squill one ounce by weight.

Double-refined fugar five ounces by weight.

Beat them together, in a mortar, into a Conferve.

REMARK.

This Conferve is directed to be prepared in a small quantity, to guard against its variation in strength. It may be given, to adults, from half a drain to two scruples, or more,—especially when fresh.

Keep all the Conferves in close vessels; especially those of ARUM and SQUILL.

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SUCCUS COCHLEARIÆ COMPO-SITUS.

COMPOUND JUICE OF SCURVY-GRASS.

AKE of the juice of Garden Scurvygrafs two pints.

Water-creffes of each one pint.
Seville Oranges twenty ounces by measure.

Mix them; and, after the fœces have fubfided, pour off the liquor, or strain it.

REMARK.

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Juices.

REMARK.

These Juices, formerly called Succi Scorbutici, are given from two to four ounces, in scorbutic disorders, twice, or oftener, in a day.

SUCCUS BACCÆ SAMBUCI SPIS-SATUS.

INSPISSATED JUICE OF THE ELDER-BER-

Take of the expressed and depurated juice of Elder-berries two pints.

Inspiffate it in a water-bath, faturated with fea-falt.

In the fame manner inspissate the juice of the BLACK CURRANT, of the LIMON, and of HEMLOCK, gathered on the first appearance of the flowers.

REMARK.

Confiderable care is required in preparing the infpissated juice of Hemlock. Besides the precaution G 4

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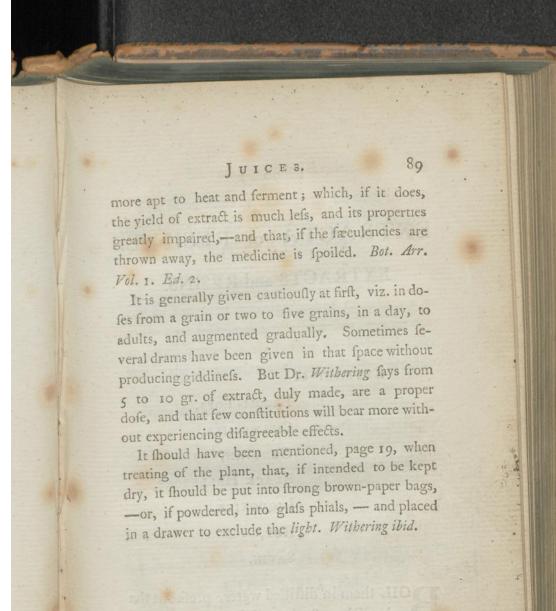
of gathering the plant at the proper feafon, and preventing the mixture of any other vegetable, (fee Mat. Med.)-the evaporation should take place as soon as possible after the expression; and therefore the juice fhould not be bought, already expressed, from a gardener, -as has been in London too often done. For, if, as Lewis observes, this expressed juice, which retains the smell of the plant, be suffered to settle till it becomes clear, it lofes nearly all the specific flavour of the Hemlock; the odorous principle feeming to feparate and fubfide with the herbaceous fæculencies. (M.M.) Moreover, if the opinion of Störk, who imputes its fometimes failing of fuccess to a too great diffipation of its volatile parts by an hasty evaporation, he as well founded as it is generally believed, the evaporation should be flow. It were to be wished that the degrees of inspissation, both of Juices and Extracts, could always be determined with precision. In the inspissation, however, of this juice, the confistence intended is such as is proper for forming it into pills; which it may be, with proper attention, and its strength rendered more constantly uniform, than by adding a quantity of the powdered leaves, as Störck directed.

In confirmation of the above observations, Dr. Withering fays no medical plant, when collected, is

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EXTRACTA et RESINÆ.

EXTRACTS and RESINS.

EXTRACT of

Broom-Tops,
Chamomile,
Gentian,
Black Hellebore,
Liquorice,
Rue,
Savin.

DOIL them in distilled water, press out the decoction, strain and set it by, that the seces may subside; then boil it again in a water-bath, saturated with sea-salt, to a confishence proper for making pills.

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The same kind of bath is to be used in the preparation of all Extracts, that the evaporation may be properly performed.

REMARK.

The Extract of Broomtops and of Chamomile were not in the last Dispensatory. The former is given as an useful laxative and, diuretic in hydropic cases, and in the quantity, to adults, of a dram. See Mat. Med.

The latter, if Sir John Pringle's experiments are to be relied on, is a bitter, remarkably antifeptic, and given in doses of a scruple or two, either by it-felf, or as an affistant to other remedies, in statulency, dyspepsy, and pains of the stomach or bowels.

EXTRACTUM COLOCYNTHIDIS COMPOSITUM.

COMPOUND EXTRACT OF COLOQUINTI-

DA.

Take of the pith of Coloquintida, cut small, fix drams by weight.

Socotrine

Socotrine Aloes, powdered, an ounce and an half by weight.

Scammony, powdered, half an ounce by weight.

Smaller Cardamom-feeds, hufked and powdered, one dram by weight. Proof-fpirit one pint.

Digest the Coloquintida in the spirit, with a gentle heat, during four days. To the expressed tincture add the Aloes and Scammony: when these are dissolved, distill off the spirit, so that the matter may be of a consistence proper for making pills, adding the seeds towards the end of the process.

REMARK.

This Extract, formerly called Extractum Catharticum, prepared as here directed, retains all the effential oil of the Cardamoms, of which, in the former method of preparing, it was deprived.

It is given, to adults, from a scruple to half a dram in cases where strong Cathartics are required.

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Slit ripe wild Cucumbers, and pass the juice, very lightly pressed, through a very sine sieve, into a glass vessel; then set it by for some hours untill the thicker part has subsided. Pour off the thinner part which swims at the top, and separate the rest by filtering: cover the thicker part, which remains after filtration, with a linen cloth, and dry it with a gentle heat.

REMARK.

Such part of the fluid as cannot be poured off is not to be filtered through paper, as its groffer parts form a vifcid cake on the paper, through which the more fluid cannot pass. The manner of filtering, usually employed in this preparation, has been by placing one end of some moistened strips of woollen cloth, skains of cotton, or the like, in the juice, and laying the other end over the edge of the vessel, so as to hang down lower than the surface of the liquor; by which management all the moisture will be gradually drained away.

It is given to adults, in doses of one or two grains, or more, as a strong cathartic in hydropic cases, — sometimes usefully. Baldinger gives it in small doses, with other medicines, to promote urine. See his Animadversiones in Ph. Ed.

EXTRACTUM LIGNI CAMPE-CHENSIS.

EXTRACT OF LOGWOOD.

Take of the shavings of Logwood one pound.

Boil them four times, or oftener, in a gallon of distilled water, to one half; then, all the liquors being mixed and strained, boil them down to a proper consistence.

REMARK.

If the difficulty with which Logwood communicates its virtue to an aqueous menstruum would feem to require it to be powdered, yet, if the Apothecary buys it ground to a coarse powder only, there is danger, however cheap the Logwood, of having it mixed with Jamaica and other woods still cheaper, — the detection of which, in that state, is not easy, and in a fine powder scarcely possible.

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Extract of Logwood is given in alvine fluxes, from half a dram to a dram, twice or thrice a day.

EXTRACTUM CORTICIS PERU-VIANI.

EXTRACT OF PERUVIAN BARK.

Take of Peruvian Bark, coarfely powdered, one pound.

Distilled water twelve pints.

Boil it for one or two hours, and pour off the liquor, which, while hot, will be red and pellucid; but, as it grows cold, will become yellow and turbid. The fame quantity of water being again poured on, boil it as before, and repeat this boiling untill the liquor, being cold, remains clear. Then reduce all these liquors, mixed and strained to a proper thickness, by evaporation.

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This Extract must be prepared under two forms; one SOFT, and sit for making pills: the other HARD, that it may be reducible to a powder.

REMARK.

This Extract is intended for cases where the stomach is unable to bear powdered bark in a requisite quantity; ten or twelve grains of which, in its hard form, are esteemed nearly equivalent to half a dram of the bark in substance.

EXTRACTUM CORTICIS PERU-VIANI CUM RESINA.

EXTRACT OF PERUVIAN BARK WITH THE RESIN.

Take of Peruvian Bark, reduced to coarse powder, one pound.

Rectified Spirit of Wine four pints.

Digest it for four days, and pour off the tincture; boil the residuum in ten pints of distilled water to two; then strain the tincture and decoction separately, evaporating the wa-

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ter from the decoction, and distilling off the spirit from the tincture, untill each begins to be thickened. Lastly, mix the resinous with the aqueous Extract, and make the mass fit for forming into pills.

In the same manner is to be prepared the EXTRACT of CASCARILLA and of JALAP.

REMARK.

The Extract of Cascarilla, now first introduced into our Dispensatory, is a medicine of considerable use as a tonic in dyspepsy, debility of bowels, and in some circumstances of epidemic severs. It may be given from ten to twenty grains two or three times a day.

The Extract of Jalap is an efficacious cathartic, given to adults from eight or ten to fifteen grains.

EXTRACTUM SENNÆ.

EXTRACT OF SENNA.

Take of Senna one pound.

Distilled water one gallon.

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Boil the Senna in the distilled water, adding, after its decoction, a little rectified spirit of wine. Evaporate the strained liquor to a proper thickness.

REMARK.

Beaumé fays the refinous parts of Senna are in fo fmall a proportion to the gummy, that they are readily boiled out together.— The spirit may be added when the decoction is reduced to one half or to three pints.

The Extract is giver as a gentle purgative from ten grains to a scruple, or, in less quantity, as an affistant to the milder laxatives.

OPIUM PURIFICATUM.

PURIFIED OPIUM.

Take of Opium, cut into fmall pieces, one pound.

Proof-Spirit of Wine twelve pints.

Digest the Opium with a gentle heat, stirring now and then till it is dissolved, and filter

EXTRACTS AND RESINS. 99 filter through paper. Distill the tincture, fo 19, prepared, to a proper thickness. of Purified Opium must be kept under two forms; one sort, proper for forming into pills; the other HARD, which may be reduced into powder. fo eaded ARK. to Proof-Spirit has been found, by experiments, to be the best menstruum for Opium, having difom folved nine-twelfths of dried Opium, -a much greatan er proportion than was taken up either by rectified spirit or water. Apoth. Rep. All Extracts should be frequently stirred during their inspissation. Sprinkle a little vinous spirit on all the waone tery Extracts of the fofter kind. its. II-OLEA ind lter

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OLEA EXPRESSA.

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OLEUM AMYGDALÆ.

ALMOND-OIL.

POUND fresh Almonds, either sweet or bitter, in a mortar, then press out the Oil in a cold press.

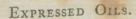
In the fame manner is to be expressed from the bruised seeds

OIL of FLAX,

Mustard, and
Palma Christi, previoufly husked.

REMARK.

As the Oil of Palma Christi, or, as it is commonly called, Castor Oil, prepared, by expression, even from



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from fresh feeds, after long keeping grows thick, reddish, transparent, (Bergius,) and rancid,—its purgative property decreasing with its increasing acrimony, (De Machy;) and, as there is sometimes danger of a mixture of different seeds, or of old oil with the fresh, the College has directed the apothecary himself to express it.

It has been long in use as a mild lubricating purgative, producing its effect, without griping, in cafes where the more acrid purgatives are thought less necessary or safe. It acts so gently, that it may be given to new-born infants, and to pregnant and lying-in women, and has been found an useful remedy in vomiting, iliac passion, spasmodic cholic, (Frafer,) asthma from the sumes of lead, (Selle Handb. der med. Prax.) in dysentery, worms, &c.

It is given to infants in the dose of zi, or more;—to adults, from 3 is to 3i, and repeated (as a large dose excites nausea and vomiting) at proper intervals. See Canvane's Essay. Fraser in Med. Obs. and Inq. Vol. 2. &c.

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OLEA DISTILLATA. DISTILLED OILS.

Essential Oil of Anise,

CARAWAY,

JUNIPER-BERRY,

LAVENDER,

ORIGANUM,

PENNY-ROYAL,

PEPPERMINT,

ROSEMARY,

SASSAFRAS-ROOT,

and

SPEARMINT.

ET these Oils be drawn off, by distillation, from an alembic with a large refrigatory; but, to prevent an empyreuma,

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water must be added to the substance, and in that it is to be macerated before distillation.

The water which comes over with the Oil in distillation is to be kept for use.

MARK.

Essential Oils are prepared from vegetables in the manner of their distilled waters; but with a fomewhat less proportion of water; - those of the odoriferous kind chiefly from flowers, or plants in a flowering state. See Rosemary, &c. in Mat. Med. The time of maceration varies with the temperature of the feafon and texture of the fubstance, from two or three days to a week or longer.

The heat, Lewis fays, should be expeditiously raifed at first, and continued in such a degree, that the Oil may come over freely, - that most of these Oils require the water to boil, but that many of those from odoriferous flowers, as Lavender, Rosemary, &c. rife with an heat confiderably less; and, for these substances, he proposes a contrivance, by which they are exposed to the vapour of boiling water only. See his Mat. Med. and Difp.

These Oils are separated from the water which accompanies them by means of a funnel; the stem of

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of which being stopped by a finger, and the liquor poured into it, the Oil, if light, soon swims on the surface, or subsides if ponderous; the undermost, whether oil or water, is, by removing the singer, first let out; the uppermost retained by replacing the singer, and again closing the stem. L.

OLEUM PETROLEI.

OIL OF PETROLEUM.

Let Petroleum be distilled in a fand-heat.

OLEUM TEREBINTHINÆ.

OIL OF TURPENTINE.

Take of common Turpentine five pounds.

Water four pints.

Distill the Turpentine, with the water, from an alembic of copper.

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RESINA FLAVA.

YELLOW RESIN.

Remains after the distillation of Oil of Turpentine.

OLEUM TEREBINTHINÆ REC-TIFICATUM.

RECTIFIED OIL OF TURPENTINE.

Take of Oil of Turpentine one pound.

Distilled Water four pints.

Distill.

REMARK.

Spirit of Turpentine, as this effential Oil has been commonly called, is given as a diuretic and fudorific in doses of a few drops; — but it has been given in much larger doses for removing chronic rheumatisms; — not, indeed, often successfully when unaccompanied with other remedies. An instance has been mentioned of a large dose having been succeeded by bloody urine.

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OLEUM ANIMALE.

ANIMAL-OIL.

Take of Oil of Hartshorn one pound.

Distill three times.

REMARK.

This Oil, first introduced, about the beginning of this century, by Dippelius, (whose name it has borne,) when properly prepared, will be limpid, of a finell not ungrateful, and an aromatic tafte. Model, of Petersburgh, took some pains to lessen the expence, by reducing the fifteen or fixteen rectifications, then thought necessary, to a smaller number. He directed the fœtid Oil to be poured into a glass cucurbit with an alembic head, so as not to foul the fide of the veffel, and diffilled with a gentle heat; feparating, by a change of the receiver, the limpid oil which first comes over from the more yellow which follows; and, in like manner, the fecond from the third. He fays, that, to rectify the first limpid portion, one distillation with a flow fire is fufficient; but the later ones commonly require two; in which the limpid part must be sepa

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parated, in the same manner, from the more impure which follows, by changing the receiver; and the process thus be continued till all the Oil flows limpid and white. Vide Commerc. Literar. Norimberg. Ann. 1741.

To prevent this Oil becoming feetid, and turning yellow or black by the access of the air, it must be kept in phials, holding only a dram or two, filled full, close stopped, tied down, and placed with their mouths in fand, or immersed in water.

This penetrating Oil is given, in doses from ten to forty drops, to adults, in spasmodic cases; and before the paroxysm of intermittents, where great danger is apprehended from a return of such paroxysm.

OLEUM SUCCINI RECTIFICA-TUM.

RECTIFIED OIL OF AMBER.

Take of Oil of Amber one pound.

Distill three times.

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OLEUM VINI.

OIL OF WINE.

Take Alkohol,

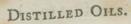
Vitriolic Acid, of each one pint.

Mix them by degrees, and distill; taking care that no black foam passes into the receiver. Separate the oily part of the distilled liquor from the volatile vitriolic acid. — To the oily part add as much water of pure kali as is sufficient to take away the sulphureous smell: then distill the ather with a gentle heat. The Oil of Wine remains in the retort, swimming on the watery liquor, from which it is to be separated.

REMARK.

Some caution is requisite in mixing the two liquors, that the consequent heat and ebullition, which would dissipate a part of the mixture, hazard the breaking of the vessel and the hurt of the operator, may be avoided. The securest way is to add the vitriolic acid to the spirit of wine by a little at

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a time, waiting till the first addition is incorporated before another quantity is put in; by which, the ensuing heat is inconsiderable, and the mixture is effected without inconvenience. L.

As to the instruments, a retort with a tubulated receiver, and a common receiver, adapted to that, are sufficient.

In the process, the liquor should at first be made to boil, and the distillation afterwards continued with a milder heat to perfect dryness. After having separated the oily part of the distilled liquor by the funnel, as mentioned in p. 70, and mixed with that the pure Kali, the mixture is to be committed to distillation; and, the æther being drawn off with a very gentle heat, the Oleum Vini will be lest in the retort.

The use at present made of the Oleum Vini is for the Sp. Ætheris vitriolici compositus. See Mixtures hereafter.

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ACIDUM VITRIOLICUM DILU-TUM.

DILUTED, OF WEAK, VITRIOLIC ACAD.

TAKE of vitriolic Acid one ounce by weight.

Distilled water eight ounces by weight.

Mix them by degrees.

REMARK.

This was called, in the last Dispensatory, Spiritus vitrioli tenuis, and is supposed capable of producing every salutary advantage expected from the Elix. Vitrioli acidum,—now omitted. Its antiseptic power is very considerable, and has not often been found

found hurtful.—Whether the intoxicating fpirituous antiseptics, brought into fashion about the middle of this century, or the vinous, which since succeeded, have contributed more to the preservation of mankind than the antiseptics in former use, will, perhaps, be doubted by some.

ACIDUM NITROSUM.

NITROUS ACID.

Take of purified Nitre, by weight, fixty ounces.

Vitriolic Acid, by weight, twenty-nine ounces.

Mix and distill.

The specific gravity of this is to the weight of distilled water as 1,550 to 1,000.

REMARK.

This was formerly called Spiritus Nitri Glauberi. A pound of vitriolic acid is sufficient to expel all the nitrous Acid from about two pounds of nitre, not from more; and, if equal parts of the two be employed, the produce, in either case, is in quality

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quality the same; the difference, in this respect, affecting only the residuum. If less Nitre, it cannot afford Alkali enough to saturate the vitriolic acid, and the residuum will not be a neutral, but a very acid, Salt. In this last case there is one conveniency; the acid Salt being readily soluble in water, so as to be got out without breaking the retort, which the others are not. L.

The caution, given in the last Dispensatory, to make the mixture under a chimney, is very necessary to be observed; for, red corrosive sumes will rise very copiously, which are extremely pernicious, and ought to be carefully avoided by the operator.

For greater fecurity, some employ a large receiver with two tubes, to the uppermost of which is fitted another tube, three feet long, whilst the lowermost is inserted into a smaller receiver, or bottle. The Swedish Dispensatory directs only a receiver, large and properly tubulated. The Nitre, dried and powdered, being put into a retort, of which it must not take up more than one-third, and the retort being placed in a fand-heat, the vitriolic acid is to be poured into it through a glass funnel, whose stein is long, and bent so as to form a right-angle with its cup; when, the apparatus being

being adjusted, and the receiver, &c. immediately luted, the distillation is to be performed with an heat gradually raised, and continued till the recipient grows cool, and no drops fall from the retort.

ACIDUM NITROSUM DILUTUM.

DILUTED, OF WEAK, NITROUS ACID.

Take of nitrous acid,

Distilled Water, of each one pound;

Mix them.

REMARK.

A noxious vapour arises on mixing the nitrous acid with water, which the operator should avoid.

ACIDUM MURIATICUM.

MURIATIC ACID.

Take of dry Sea-falt ten pounds.

Vitriolic Acid fix pounds.

Water five pounds.

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Add, by degrees, the vitriolic Acid, first mixed with the water, to the falt: then diftill.

The specific gravity of this is to that of distilled water as 1,170 to 1,000.

REMARK.

This was formerly called Spiritus Salis marini Glauberi. The addition of water is here necessary; the marine vapours being so volatile, as scarcely to condense without some adventitious humidity. The vitriolic acid is most conveniently mixed with the water in an earthen or stone-ware vessel; for, unless the mixture is made very slowly, it grows so hot as to endanger the breaking a glass one. The mixture should be put to the falt under a chimney, as the white sumes, here arising, ought also to be avoided.

When the mixture is grown fomewhat cool, it may be poured on the Salt already placed in the retort; and the distillation directly begun. Here also a tubulated receiver is proper. The heat is to be so conducted as to prevent the matter from boiling over, or the sumes rising so quick as to endanger the receiver. The Salt left in the retort, when purified, gives

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gives the Sal Catharticus Glauberi. See Natron vi-

ACETUM DISTILLATUM.

DISTILLED VINEGAR.

Take of Vinegar five pints.

Distill with a flow fire, in glass vessels, so long as the drops fall free from empyreuma.

REMARK.

The Swedish Dispensatory directs the distillation from a glass retort, and by a water-bath:—that the fourth part, which first comes over, and is phlegm, be thrown away, and, the receiver being then changed, the distillation to be continued so long as the sluid comes over limpid. Beaumé says, that, though what first comes over is less acid than that which follows, it is however infinitely more grateful in smell, and has too much acidity to deserve being thrown away; and the College have thought the preparation as directed above sufficiently acid for the purposes to which it is applied.

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ACIDUM ACETOSUM.

ACETOUS ACID.

Take of Verdegris, in coarse powder, two pounds.

Dry it perfectly by means of a water-bath faturated with fea-falt; then distill it in a fand-bath, and after that distill the liquor.

Its specific gravity is to that of distilled water as 1,050 to 1,000.

REMARK.

Vinegar distilled from Verdegris has a disagreeable smell, and turns blue on being saturated with Aq. Ammoniæ, — a manifest proof that it contains copper, (Leonhardi Anmerk. in Macquers Chem. Worterb. Vol. 2.)— a portion of which it retains, according to Pörner, even after a re-distillation with a gentle heat. — According to Mr. Bertbolet, this acid differs effentially from the acid of vinegar. See Mem. Ac. Sc. Ann. 1783. — It is employed in the preparation of Hydrargyrus acetatus.

SAL ET OLEUM SUCCINI.

SALT AND OIL OF AMBER.
Take of Amber two pounds.

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Distill in a heat of sand, gradually augmented: an acid liquor, oil, and salt souled with oil, will ascend.

REMARK.

In the distillation of Amber, the fire must for some time be continued gentle, scarcely exceeding the degree at which water boils, till the aqueous phlegm and thin oil have arisen; after which it is to be slowly increased. If the fire be urged too hastily, the Amber will rise in its whole substance into the receiver, without undergoing the requisite separation of its parts. The acid liquor, formerly called spirit, is a mere solution of a small portion of the salt in phlegm.

The falt is usually dried between the folds of spongy paper.

The oil is given internally from five to eight or ten drops in hysterical spasms, and applied externally in the same disorder.

SAL SUCCINI PURIFICATUS.

PURIFIED SALT OF AMBER.

Take of Salt of Amber half a pound.

Distilled water one pint.

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Boil the Salt in the distilled water, and set the solution aside to crystallize.

REMARK.

Salt of Amber, freed from as much of the oil as spongy paper will imbibe, is still of a dark brown colour: when perfectly pure it is white, and of an acid taste not ungrateful. It requires, for its solution, of cold water, in summer, about twenty times its weight; of boiling water about twice its weight; and is scarcely soluble at all, in rectified spirit, without the assistance of heat. L.

It is given as a cooling diuretic in doses of a few grains, and also in hysterical complaints.

FLORES BENZOES.

FLOWERS OF BENJAMIN.

Take of Benjamin, in powder, one poundary Put it into an earthen pot, placed in fand; and, with a flow fire, fublime the flowers into a paper-cone, fitted to the pot.

If the flowers are of a yellow colour, mix them with white clay, and fublime them again.

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REMARK

Only a small portion must be put in at a time, and the heat be very gentle. — Even a re-sublimation from tobacco-pipe clay does not so effectually purify the flowers as might be wished. L.

The Chymists have long disused the paper-cone. Maud, of London, and others, employed glass retorts, for the first sublimation, with the narrow part of the tubes cut off, to which they joined receivers not luted; scraping out the flowers frequently from the necks of the retorts, and using a degree of heat just sufficient to keep the Benzoin melted. For the rectification, they employed stone-ware bodies, with large glass blind-heads sitted to them, without luting. The impure flowers, after being wrapped in bibulous paper and moderately pressed, were resulting into the blind heads of a pearly whiteness. Mr. Bartlett, a disciple of Maud's, improved the apparatus for large quantities; but the description of it is too long to be inserted here.

The flowers are given from three or four grains to fifteen in dyspnæa, &c.

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KALI PRÆPARATUM.

PREPARED KALL.

Take of Pot-ash two pounds.

Boiling distilled Water three pints.

Dissolve the Pot-ash, and filtre the solution through paper: evaporate this solution till a pellicle appears on the surface; then set it aside for a night, that the neutral salts may crystallize; after which pour out the liquor, and boil away the whole of the water, constantly stirring, lest any Salt should adhere to the pot.

In like manner is purified impure Kali from the ashes of any kind of vegetable.

The same SALT may be prepared from TAR-TAR, burnt till it becomes of an ash colour.

REMARK.

This is intended to supply the place of Sal Absinthii. It is given from three or four grains to fifteen or more, properly diluted, as a diuretic.

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AQUA KALI.

WATER OF KALI.

Take of Kali one pound.

Set it by in a moist place till it dissolves, and

REMARK.

This is instead of the Lixivium Tariari of the last Dispensatory, and is said to contain nearly one part of alcaline salt to three of an aqueous sluid.

AQUA KALI PURI.

WATER OF PURE KALL.

Take of Kali four pounds.

Quick-lime fix pounds.

Distilled Water four gallons.

Put four pints of water to the lime, and let them stand together for an hour; after which, add the Kali and the rest of the water; then boil for a quarter of an hour; suffer the liquor to cool, and strain. A pint of this

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this liquor ought to weigh fixteen ounces. If the liquor effervesces with any acid, add more lime.

REMARK.

This was formerly called Livivium faponarium.

The boiling should be performed in an earthen or glass vessel, and the straining be through linen.

KALI PURUM.

PURE KALI.

Take of the water of pure Kali one gallon.

Evaporate it to dryness; after which let the Salt melt on the fire, and pour it out.

REMARK.

This preparation, formerly called Alcali vegeta-bile fixum Causticum and Lapis septicus, is described, in the Ed. Disp. 1783, more particularly, viz. to evaporate the Lixivium in a very clean iron vessel upon a gentle fire, till, on the ebullition ceasing, the saline matter gently flows like oil, which happens before the vessel becomes red. Pour out the caustic, thus liquisied, upon a smooth iron plate;

plate; let it be divided into small pieces before it hardens, and these are to be put into phials close stopt. It is a very powerful caustic, but too apt to liquify upon the part to which it is applied, and to spread beyond the limits in which it is intended to operate.

CALX CUM KALI PURO.

LIME WITH PURE KALI.

Take of Quick-lime five pounds and four ounces.

Water of pure Kali fixteen pounds.

Boil away the water of pure Kali to a fourth part; then fprinkle in the Lime, broken to powder by the affusion of water. Keep it in a vessel close stopped.

REMARK.

This preparation, the Causticum commune fortius of the last Dispensatory, is less apt to liquify, and hence keeps better confined within the limits intended, but at the same time is proportionably more slow in its operation. L.

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NATRON PRÆPARATUM.

PREPARED NATRON.

Take of Barilla, powdered, two pounds.

Distilled Water one gallon.

Boil the Barilla in four pints of water for half an hour, and strain. Boil the part which remains after straining with the rest of the water, and strain. Evaporate the mixed siquors to two pints, and set them by for eight days: strain this liquor again; and, after due boiling, set it by to crystallize. Dissolve the crystals in distilled water, strain the solution, boil and set it aside again to crystallize.

AMMONIA PRÆPARATA.

PREPARED AMMONIA.

Take of Sal ammoniac, powdered, one pound.

Prepared Chalk two pounds.

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REMARK.

This was in the last Dispensatory called Sal volasilis Salis ammoniaci. The process requires a strong fire; for, the chalk must receive some degree of calcination before it will act on the Sal ammoniac, though it is not reduced to perfect lime; (for, with lime, no solid salt can be obtained.) P.

Though chalk does not act upon Sal ammohiac till a confiderable heat is applied, it must not
be too great nor too suddenly raised; for, if it is,
a part of the chalk (though of itself not capable
of being elevated by any degree of heat) will be carried up along with the volatile salt. Du Hamel
(Mem. Acad. Sc.) could not separate the chalk,
thus volatilised, by the gentlest re-sublimation; it
dissolved with the volatile Alkali in water, and exhaled with it in the air. La

AQUA AMMONIÆ PURÆ.

WATER OF PURE AMMONIA.

Take of Sal ammoniac one pound.

Lime two pounds.

Water one gallon.

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Add to the Lime two pints of the water. Let them stand together an hour; then add the Sal ammoniac and the other six pints of water boiling, and immediately cover the vessel. Pour out the liquor when cold, and distill with a flow sire one pint.

REMARK.

This water is far more pungent than the Aqua Ammoniæ with Kali, both in finell and tafte; and, like Kali, rendered caustic by the absorption of its fixed air on the admixture of lime, raises no effervescence with acids. It is too acrid for internal use, and was omitted in the last Dispensatory, Pemberton says, lest it should be given instead of the Aqua Ammonia made with Kali, which follows. It is chiefly used for smelling to, in faintings.

AQUA AMMONIÆ.

WATER OF AMMONIA.

Take of Sal ammoniac one pound.

Pot-ash one pound and an half.

Water four pints.

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Draw off two pints, by distillation, with

REMARK.

In the preparation of this water, (named in the last Dispensatory Spiritus Salis Ammoniaci;) a punigent odour arises as soon as the Pot-ash and Saliaminoniac are mixed. Hence Lewis advises to mix them in the retort, dissolving first the two salts separately, in half the water, pouring in the solutions together, and immediately fitting on a receiver, to begin the distillation.

LIQUOR VOLATILIS, SAL, ET OLEUM, CORNU CERVI.

THE VOLATILE LIQUOR, SALT, AND OIL, OF HARTSHORN.

Take of Hartshorn ten pounds.

Distill with a fire gradually increased. A volatile Liquor, Salt, and Oil, will ascend.

The Oil and Salt being feparated, distill the liquor three times.

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To the Salt add an equal weight of prepared Chalk, and sublime thrice, or till it becomes white.

The same volatile Liquor, Salt, and Gil, may be obtained from any parts (except the fat) of any kind of animals.

REMARK:

Hartshorn, when the quantity is not large, is made as dry as possible, and distilled from an iron pot, to which an alembic head, of earth or iron, is fitted, fet in an open fire. The receiver may be of glass, and large, with a glass or tin adopter, inferted between that and the pipe of the head. The Swed. Difp. directs a tubulated iron retort and adopter. The fire is to be first moderate, increafed flowly, and at length raifed almost to the highest degree. An aqueous liquor arises, succeeded by the falt and oil. The falt at first dif folves as it comes over in the phlegm; and, when this is faturated, the remainder of the falt comes over, and concretes in a folid form. When the Salt begins to arise, white fumes are seen to pass into the receiver, which increasing, yellow faline crystals form themselves on its sides. The fire is not now to be haftily augmented, as these sumes come with such vehemence as would sometimes throw off or burst the receiver, if a small hole were not made in the luting, to be stopped with a wooden peg, or lest open at discretion. After the Salt has all arisen, a thick Oil, of a dark red colour, comes over: the process is now to be discontinued, and the vessels, when grown cold, unluted.

The Liquor being poured out of the receiver, the Salt which remains adhering to its fides is to be washed off with a little water, and added to the rest; unless it be required to have the whole of the salt solid and undissolved, in which case the phlegm should be removed as soon as the Salt begins to arise, and the receiver till that time lest unluted.

The Oil may be first separated from the volatile liquor (formerly called Spiritus Cornu Cervi) by the funnel, and afterwards, more perfectly, by filtration through paper first wetted.

The volatile liquor may be freed, from the fuperfluous phlegm, by diffillation in a common retort, placed in a fand-furnace, if conducted with a
very gentle heat. The Salt will rife first, and fix
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phlegm. As foon as the Salt is almost dissolved, Lewis has advised, to raise the retort out of the sand, to stop the process directly, and, if any Oil swims on the top, to skim it off. The liquor will thus be fully saturated, and prove always equal in strength; whereas, if the process is not now stopped, the phlegm continuing to rise must render the liquor weaker. As this rectification is not sufficient to render it pure, that is, clear, and of a grateful odour, the College have directed it to be repeated a third time.

The Salt may be separated from the Liquor, and purified, in some degree, by sublimation in a tall body with a glass head; removing the vessels as soon the phlegm begins to rise: but it requires farther depuration, by subliming it from a small portion of Alkohol, or, as the College directs, from chalk:

KALI VITRIOLATUM.

VITRIOLATED KALI.

Take of the Salt which remains after the diftillation of the nitrous Acid two pounds.

Distilled

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Distilled Water two gallons.

Burn out the superfluous acid, with a strong fire, in an open vessel; then boil it a little while in the water; strain and set the liquor aside to crystallize.

REMARK.

This neutral Salt, the Tartarum vitriolatum of the former Difpensatory, is of all others most difficult of solution, very little of it being taken up by cold water. It is of a taste moderately bitter, and has been given to adults, in doses of a scruple or half a dram, as a deobstruent; and, in doses of sour or five drams, as a mild cathartic, which does not pass off so hastily as the Natron vitriolatum, and is supposed, by some, to perform its office more completely, as well as to extend its action beyond the primæ viæ.

NATRON VITRIOLATUM.

VITRIOLATED NATRON.

Take of the Salt which remains after the distillation of the muriatic Acid two pounds.

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Distilled Water two pints and an half.

Burn out the superfluous acid, with a strong fire, in an open vessel; then boil it a little in the water: strain the solution, and set it by to crystallize.

REMARK.

This Salt, the Sal Catharticus Glauberi of the former Difpenfatory, is in common use as a purgative, acting quickly and without griping; and given to adults from fix drams to ten.

NITRUM PURIFICATUM.

PURIFIED NITRE.

Take of Nitre two pounds.

Distilled Water four pints.

Boil the Nitre in the water till it is diffolved: strain the folution, and set it by to crystallize.

REMARK.

The usual method of evaporating folutions of Salts, in order to their crystallization, till a pellicle appears

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appears on the top, fails in Nitre. Here, when the liquor is become ready for shooting, if a little be taken up in a spoon as it cools, the Salt will begin to shew itself in small threads. P.

KALI ACETATUM.

ACETATED KALL.

Take of Kali one pound.

Boil it, with a flow fire, in four or five times its quantity of distilled vinegar; the effervescence ceasing, let there be added, at different times, more distilled vinegar, untill the first vinegar being nearly evaporated, the addition of fresh will excite no effervescence, which will happen when about twenty pounds of distilled vinegar are consumed; asterwards let it be dried slowly. An impure Salt will be left, which melt for a little while with a slow fire; then let it be dissolved in water, and siltered through paper.

If the fusion has been rightly performed, the strained liquor will be colourless; if otherwise, of a brown colour.

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Lastly, evaporate this liquor, with a flow fire, in a very shallow glass vessel; the Salt whilst it dries being sometimes stirred, that it may sooner grow dry, which should be kept in a vessel close stopt.

The Salt ought to be of the greatest whiteness, and dissolve wholly, both in water and spirit of wine, without leaving any foces. If the Salt, although white, should deposite any foces in spirit of wine, that solution in the spirit should be filtered through paper, and the Salt again dried.

REMARK.

This is the Sal diureticus of the former Dispensatory. The operator must be very careful, in melting the impure Salt, not to use too great an heat, or to keep it liquisied too long; a little should be occasionally taken out, and put into water; and, as soon as it begins to part freely with its black colour, the whole is to be removed from the fire. In the last drying, the heat must not be so great as to melt it; otherwise it will not prove totally soluble. L.

It is celebrated as a powerful diuretic in hydropic cases, and proving at the same time mildly laxa-

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tive. Its dose to adults is from a scruple to a dram or two.

AQUA AMMONIÆ ACETATÆ.

WATER OF ACETATED AMMONIA.

Take of Ammonia, by weight, two ounces.

Distilled Vinegar four pints; or as much as is sufficient to saturate the Ammonia.

Mix.

REMARK.

The strength of this medicine is not a little precarious, as depending on that of the vinegar. L.

Spielman, in his Pharm. general. mentions the dose as a dram. Here it is commonly given as a diaphoretic more largely; viz. from two or three drams to fix.

KALI TARTARISATUM.

TARTARISED KALL.

Take of Kali one pound.

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Crystals of Tartar three pounds.

Distilled Water, boiling, one gallon.

To the Salt, dissolved in water, throw in gradually the crystals of Tartar, powdered: filter the liquor, when cold, through paper; and, after due evaporation, set it by to crystallize.

REMARK.

This is the *Tartarum folubile* of the former Difpensatory, and given to adults, from half an ounce to an ounce, as a mild purgative.

NATRON TARTARISATUM.

TARTARISED NATRON.

Take of Natron twenty ounces by weight.

Crystals of Tartar, powdered, two pounds.

Distilled Water, boiling, ten pints.

Diffolve the Natron in the water, and gradually add the crystals of Tartar. Filter the liquor

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liquor through paper; evaporate and fet it by to crystallize.

REMARK.

This has been commonly called Sal Rupellensis, or Rochelle Salt. Like soluble Tartar, it is decompounded by acids, but does not, like that, liquify on exposure to the air, and its purgative quality is weaker. It is given from an ounce to an ounce and a half as a mild purgative.

ALUMINIS PURIFICATIO.

PURIFICATION OF ALUM.

Take of Alum one pound:

Chalk one dram by weight.

Distilled Water one pint.

Boil a little, ftrain, and fet the liquor a-fide to crystallize.

ALUMEN USTUM.

BURNT ALUM.

Take of Alum half a pound.

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Burn it in an earthen veffel fo long as it bubbles.

REMARK

This burning expels only the water, the acid still remaining. It is used externally to destroy what is called fungous slesh.

If the crystals of Salts are fouled with any impurities, first wash them with the liquor left, then with a little distilled water or rectified spirit of wine.

When the crystals of any kind of Salt are formed from any liquor, pour out the remainder of that liquor; and, if necessary, strain it. By repeated evaporation waste a part of it, and set aside the rest to crystallize. Repeat this so long as pure crystals are obtained.

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MAGNESIA ALBA.

WHITE MAGNESIA.

TAKE of bitter purging Salt,

Kali, of each two pounds.

Distilled Water, boiling, twenty pints.

Dissolve the bitter Salt and the Kali separately in ten pints of water, and filter through paper; then mix them. Boil the liquor a little while, and strain it whilst hot through linen, upon which will remain the WHITE MAGNESIA; then wash away, by repeated affusions of distilled water, the vitriolated Kali.

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Magnefia is a peculiar earth, forming, when united to the vitriolic acid, a purgative falt, eafily foluble in water, whilst common absorbent earths, united with this acid, form compounds astringent and scarcely soluble.

In feparating Magnesia from this salt, a double elective attraction takes place, the acid leaving the Magnesia, and joining the mild Kali, whilst the Magnesia receives the fixed air discharged from the Kali: hence two new products, a vitriolated Kali and Magnesia united with fixed air. The former is dissolved by water, the latter is precipitated. It is in general esteem for correcting acidity in the stomach of children, in whom it generally proves laxative when given from a scruple to a dram. To adults it is given more largely in Cardialgia, &c.

MAGNESIA USTA.

BURNT MAGNESIA.

Take of white Magnefia four ounces by weight.

Expose it to a strong heat for two hours; and, when cold, put it into a glass vessel to be close stopt.

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PRÆPARATA E SUL-PHURE.

PREPARATIONS OF SULPHUR:

FLORES SULPHURIS LOTI.

WASHED FLOWERS OF SULPHUR.

TAKE of Flowers of Brimstone one pound.

Distilled Water four pints.

Boil the Flowers of Sulphur a little while in the distilled water; then pour off this water, and wash off the acid with cold water; lastly, dry the flowers.

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PREPARATIONS OF SULPHUR.

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KALI SULPHURATUM.

SULPHURATED KALL.

Take of Flowers of Brimstone, by weight, one ounce.

Kali, by weight, five ounces.

Mix the Salt with the Sulphur, melted with a flow fire, by frequently ffirring, untill they unite into an uniform mass.

REMARK.

This preparation, formerly called Hepar Sulphuris, has been of late strongly recommended, to prevent the effects of mineral poisons, by Mr. Navier.

OLEUM SULPHURATUM

PETROLEUM SULPHURATUM.

SULPHURATED OIL AND SULPHURATED

PETROLEUM.

Take of Flowers of Brimstone, by weight, four ounces.

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Olive-Oil, by weight, fixteen ounces.

Boil the Flowers of Brimstone, with the Oil, in a pot slightly covered, untill they are united.

In the fame manner is made SULPHURATED PETROLEUM.

REMARK.

The operator must take care that the pipkin, or vessel, in which these preparations are boiled, be capable of holding at least three times the quantity of the ingredients. As soon as the mixture is nearly at the point of ebullition, it rarises so much as certainly to run over the sides of the vessel, and slame in a dangerous manner, unless removed in time from the sire. The sire should be gentle for some time, and at length increased till the oil just bubbles, in which heat it should be kept untill all the Sulphur appears dissolved. L.

SULPHUR PRÆCIPITATUM.

PRECIPITATED SULPHUR.

Take of fulphurated Kali fix ounces by weight.

Distilled

PREPARATIONS OF SULPHUR. 145 Distilled Water, by weight, one npound and an half. Vitriolic Acid, diluted, as much he as is fufficient. ire Boil the fulphurated Kali in the distilled water untill it is diffolved. Filter the liquor ED through paper, to which add the vitriolic Acid. Wash the precipitated powder by often pouring on water untill it becomes infipid. or a-M A R K. of This preparation is not fo white as that of the last rly Dispensatory, which was made with quicklime; but erit is more purgative. AKE of Antimony, powdered ne ne b -he Hel Trock rollen of L on mall . PRÆin boor; and, when cold, powder its after

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PRÆPARATA EX ANTI-MONIO.

PREPARATIONS OF ANTIMO-NY.

ANTIMONIUM CALCINATUM.

CALCINED ANTIMONY.

TAKE of Antimony, powdered, by weight eight ounces.

Nitre, powdered, two pounds.

Mix, and cast it by degrees into a red hot crucible. Burn the white matter about half an hour; and, when cold, powder it; after which wash it with distilled water.

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REMARK.

This is the Calx Antimonii of the last Dispenfatory. The Nitre should be purified, and carefully dried, - the mixture injected, by a spoonful at a time, into a crucible red hot, - the former Dispensatory says of a white heat, - and care taken not to melt the calx. With regard to its virtues, Vigani, a chemist of the last century, had pronounced it to have no more effect than tobacco-pipe clay, and that a person gained £ 2000 by this knowledge. Boerhaave has used a fimilar phrase. No wonder then that traders, as honest as Vigani's acquaintance, substituted that clay in its stead, and that the medicine fell into difuse. James's opinion of it may be feen in feveral places of his Dispensatory. It is, indeed, one of the mildest antimonials: but, if it be true that it proves emetic after long exposure to the air, and that, by means of the black flux, a regulus may be obtained from it, fome effect may be prefumed. The Translator hopes to be excused, if he says, that he prepared the Calx lota himself in 1741; - that he has ever fince used it,-often defignedly to excite naufea, - and continues deceived, if, when genuine, it is inefficacious. It is generally given in small doses, to promote a diaphoresis, from ten grains to a scruple.

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CROCUS OF ANTIMONY.

Take of Antimony, powdered,

Nitre, powdered, of each one
pound.

Sea-Salt one ounce by weight.

Mix, and put them by degrees into a redhot crucible, and melt them with an augmented heat. Pour out the melted matter; and, when cold, feparate it from the scoriæ.

ANTIMONIUM MURIATUM.

MURIATED ANTIMONY.

Take of the Crocus of Antimony, powdered, one pound.

Vitriolic Acid one pound.

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Dry Sea-falt two pounds.

Pour the vitriolic Acid into a retort, adding by degrees the Sea-falt and Crocus of Antimony, previously mixed; then distill in a fand-bath. Let the diffilled matter be exposed to the air feveral days, and then the fluid part poured off from the dregs.

PULVIS ANTIMONIALIS.

ANTIMONIAL POWDER.

Take of Antimony, coarfely powdered. Hartshorn-shavings, of each two pounds.

Mix, and put them into a broad red-hot iron pot, stirring constantly till the mass acquires a grey colour. Powder the matter when cold, and put it into a coated crucible. Lute to it another crucible inverted, which has a small hole in its bottom: augment the fire

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fire by degrees to redness, and keep it for two hours. Lastly, reduce the matter, when cold, to a very fine powder.

REMARK.

A process like this was published many years ago in a private Dispensatory, and supposed to be that of James. It is given in similar doses, viz. from six to sixteen grains, — nor is it inserior in its effects.

SULPHUR ANTIMONII PRÆCI-PITATUM.

PRECIPITATED SULPHUR OF ANTIMONY.

Take of Antimony, powdered, two pounds.

Water of pure Kali four pints.

Distilled Water three pints.

Mix, and boil them with a flow fire for three hours, conftantly stirring, and adding the distilled water as it shall be wanted; strain the hot ley through a double linen cloth, and ANTIMONY.

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and into the liquor, whilst yet hot, drop by degrees as much diluted vitriolic acid as is sufficient to precipitate the Sulphur. Wash off, with warm water, the vitriolated Kali.

REMARK.

Sulphur of Antimony, in a dose of three or four grains, generally proves emetic; it is therefore oftener given as an alterant in very small doses. Foreigners separate the Sulphur precipitated at different affusions of the acid, employing the Sulphur of the third precipitation more freely, as being less active.

ANTIMONIUM TARTARISA-TUM.

TARTARISED ANTIMONY.

Take of Crocus of Antimony, powdered, one pound and an half.

Crystals of Tartar two pounds.
Distilled Water two gallons.

Boil in a glass vessel about a quarter of an hour: filter through paper, and set by the strained liquor to crystallize.

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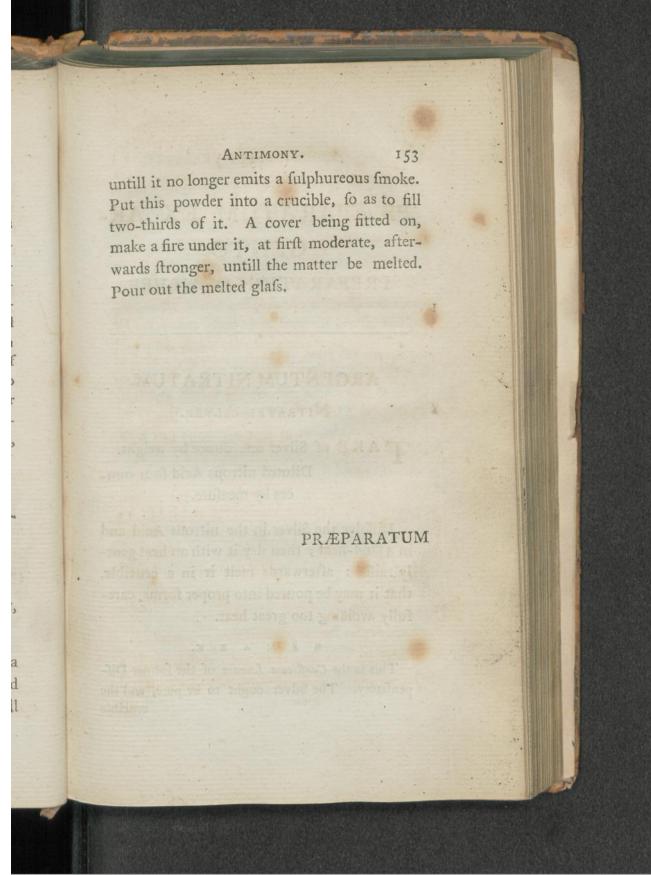
Concerning the best method of preparing this medicine, called in the former Dispensatory, Tartarum emeticum, Chemists are not agreed, and therefore the College have retained nearly the former process. It is a medicine, which, from its safety, convenience of exhibition, and little taste, is in general use as an alterant and emetic. It may be given, in the former intention, to adults, from one eighth of a grain to one half; in the latter, from one or two grains to four; or in the way the French give their Emétique en Lavage; that is, a full dose, largely diluted, is given by small portions, every half hour, till a vomiting succeeds.

ANTIMONIUM VITRIFICA-TUM.

VITRIFIED ANTIMONY.

Take of powdered Antimony, by weight, four ounces.

Burn it in a broad earthen veffel, with a fire gradually raifed, stirring with an iron rod untill



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ARGENTUM NITRATUM.

NITRATED SILVER.

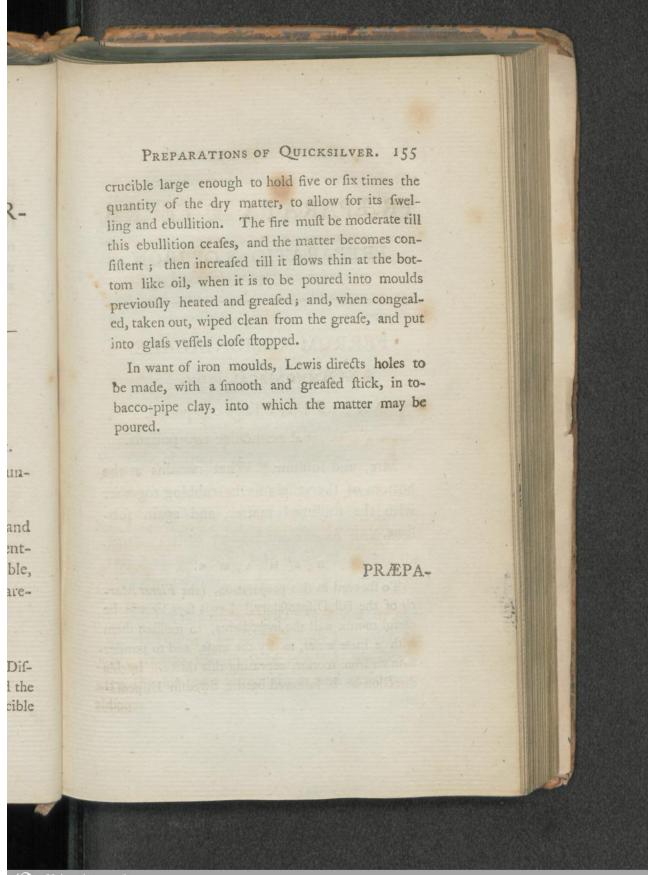
TAKE of Silver one ounce by weight.

Diluted nitrous Acid four ounces by measure.

Diffolve the Silver in the nitrous Acid and in a fand-heat; then dry it with an heat gently raised: afterwards melt it in a crucible, that it may be poured into proper forms, carefully avoiding too great heat.

REMARK.

This is the Causticum Lunare of the former Difpensatory. The Silver ought to be pure, and the crucible fil



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FERRUM AMMONIACALE.

AMMONIACAL IRON.

TAKE of iron Filings one pound.

Sal ammoniac two pounds.

Mix, and fublime. What remains at the bottom of the veffel mix by rubbing together with the fublimed matter, and again fublime.

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To fucceed in this preparation, (the Flores Martis of the last Dispensatory,) Lewis says, it will be useful to mix well the ingredients, to moisten them with a little water, to dry the mass, and to powder it in an iron mortar, repeating this thrice. In this direction he is followed by the Swedish Dispensa-

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PREPARATIONS OF IRON. 157 tory. He adds, that the fuccess of the process depends on raising the fire bastily, to prevent the Sal ammoniac from fubliming before the greater heat enables it to carry up a fufficient quantity of iron; that, hence, the most proper vessel is an iron pot, to which is luted an earthen jar, having a fmall hole in its bottom for the escape of elastic vapours; and that, by this method, flowers of a deep orange-colour often rife at the first sublimation. FERRI RUBIGO. RUST OF IRON. Take of iron Filings one pound. he Expose them to the air, often moistening them with water, untill they are corroded into rust; then powder them in an iron mortar, and wash off, with distilled water, the very fine powder. be But the remainder, which will not by moderate rubbing be reduced into a powder eader fily washed off, must be exposed, moistened, to the air for a longer time, and again powfadered ry.

dered and washed as before. Let the washed powder be dried.

FERRUM TARTARISATUM.

TARTARISED IRON.

Take of Filings of Iron one pound.

Powdered Crystals of Tartar two pounds.

Mix them with distilled water into a thick paste, which expose to the air, in an open earthen vessel, for eight days; then rub the matter, dried in a bath of sand, to the finest powder.

FERRUM VITRIOLATUM.

VITRIOLATED IRON.

Take of Filings of Iron,

Vitriolic Acid, of each, by weight, eight ounces.

Distilled Water three pints.

Mix them in a glass vessel; and, when the effervescence has ceased, place the mixture for

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PREPARATIONS OF IRON. for some time upon hot fand; then pour off ed the liquor; filter it through paper; and, after proper evaporation, fet it aside to crystallize. This is the Sal Martis of the last Dispensatory. The operator must be careful to make the mix-WO ture under a chimney, to avoid the pernicious vapour which arises, and which catches fire on the ick approach of a candle. If any cupreous particles are mixed with the filings, it may be known by dropen ping a little Aqua Ammoniæ puræ into fome of the the folution, which will change it to a fapphirine colour. eft It is given, as being stronger, in smaller doses than the former preparations of Iron, viz. from half a grain to three or four grains in cases of debility of fibre, chlorofis, &c. ht, PRÆPARATA the ure for

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HYDRARGYRUS PURIFICATUS.

PURIFIED QUICKSILVER.

TAKE of Quickfilver,

Filings of Iron, of each four pounds.

Rub them together, and distill from an iron vessel.

REMARK.

If a retort is made use of, the neck should be considerably inclined downwards, and the receiver be filled, almost to the neck of the retort, with cold water,

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PREPARATIONS OF QUICKSILVER. water, lest the heated Quickfilver, falling on the bottom, should crack the glass,-and the fire raised no higher than is sufficient to elevate the Quicksilver. L. HYDRARGYRUS ACETATUS. ACETATED QUICKSILVER. Take of purified Quickfilver one pound. Diluted nitrous Acid two pounds. Water of Kali as much as is fuf-JS. cient. Mix the Quickfilver, with the acid, in a glass vessel, and dissolve it in a sand-bath; then drop in by degrees the water of Kali, that our the calx of Quickfilver may be precipitated: wash this calx with plenty of distilled water, and dry it with a gentle heat. Thefe things ron being done, Take of the Calx of Quickfilver, just now described, one pound. 1 be Acetous Acid as much as is neiver ceffary to dissolve the Calx. cold M Mix ater,

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Mix them in a glass vessel; and, the solution of the Quicksilver being completed, strain it through paper; then evaporate it till a pellicle appears, and set it aside to crystallize.

Keep the crystals in a vessel close stopt.

REMARK.

This is faid to form the basis of Keyser's pills, and given, in venereal cases, like Calomel, in doses of a few grains.

HYDRARGYRUS CALCINATUS.

CALCINED QUICKSILVER.

Take of purified Quickfilver one pound.

Expose the Quicksilver, in a flat-bottomed glass cucurbit, to an heat of about 600 degrees in a sand-bath, till it becomes a red powder.

HYDRARGYRUS CUM CRETA.

QUICKSILVER WITH CHALK.

Take of purified Quickfilver, by weight, three ounces.

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QUICKSILVER. 163 Powdered Chalk, by weight, five ounces. Rub them together untill the globules difappear. This medicine, formerly called Mercurius alcatisatus, is said, by Cheyne, Huxham, and others, to be, when properly prepared, an useful alteraof tive in venereal cases and obstructions of the viscera; in doses, to adults, from ten grains to a scruple or half a dram. It is often joined with purgatives to prevent its producing a ptyalism. HYDRARGYRUS MURIATUS, MURIATED QUICKSILVER. Take of purified Quickfilver, Vitriolic Acid, of each two pounds. Dried Sea falt three pounds and an half. Mix the Quickfilver, with the acid, in a glass veffel, and boil in a fand-heat untill the ed M 2 matter 164 PREPARATIONS OF

matter is dried. Mix the matter, when cold, with the fea-falt, in a glass vessel; then sub-lime in a glass cucurbit, with an heat gradually raised. Lastly, let the sublimed matter be separated from the scoriæ.

REMARK.

This is the Mercurius corrosivus sublimatus of the former Dispensatory, which, at the time that was published, was prepared by sew Apothecaries or Chemists, and generally imported from Holland. It has been, for some years, prepared by several chemists in London, and large quantities exported to sorreign countries.

The Dutch sublimate was long suspected to be adulterated with arsenic, and is afferted to be so, by *Piderit*, so lately as 1782. (*Pharmac. ration.*) If such a sophistication was, by some peculiar management, practicable, which Lewis seems to have been asraid to deny,—it might be detected by the smell of garlic upon throwing it on burning coals. Experiments, however, have lately proved not only that arsenic will not sublime with an heat which elevates muriated Quicksilver; but a stronger argument against such sophistication is,—that arsenic is not neces-

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li w fary to increase the produce,—as such increase can be effected without the admixture of any arsenic at all.

The operator should be careful to avoid the pernicious sumes, which arise on mixing the vitriolic acid with the Quicksilver, and to choose for the sublimation a glass cucurbit, of which the ingredients will occupy only one third. In the process, the vitriolic acid, after having corroded the Quicksilver to a white calx, and to this the sea-falt has been added, quits the salt to unite itself with the Natron, which is the basis of sea-falt; the muriatic acid, thereby set free, unites with the Quicksilver more readily when assisted by the increasing heat, and sublimes with it in a white crystalline mass, adhering to the upper part of the cucurbit.

This preparation is a very strong active poison, — yet a solution of it was given to the Translator repeatedly as an emetic fifty years ago. It has been employed in very small doses as an alterative, in venereal cases, for more than a century; but its use was not generally known till Van Swieten, about the middle of this, warmly recommended it, and not unjustly.

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CALOMEL.

Take of muriated Quickfilver one pound.

Purified Quickfilver, by weight,
nine ounces.

Rub them together till the globules difappear, and fublime; then rub all the matter again, and fublime. In the fame manner repeat the fublimation four times. Afterwards rub the matter into the finest powder, and wash it by pouring on boiling diftilled water.

REMARK.

It is of the utmost consequence that the ingredients be perfectly united before the sublimation is begun. The person, who rubs the sublimate with the Quicksilver, should cover his mouth and nostrils, as is common in the powdering Cantharides, &c. it being difficult to prevent the lighter particles of the sublimate from affecting the mouth and eyes,

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Lewis recommends, as a precaution, to sprinkle the sublimate with a little rectified spirit during the triture; which, he says, will not impede the union of the ingredients, or prejudice the sublimation; but that, if this be done, it is better not at first to cover the subliming vessel with a cap of paper, as is usual, but to defer it till the mixture begins to sublime,—that the spirit may escape.

The marks of the fublimate being perfectly dulcified are its being infipid, and not foluble by long boiling in diffilled water. If the water has taken up any part of it, on dropping water of Kali, or of Ammonia, into the decoction, it will grow turbid; if not, it will continue limpid.

Calomel is in common use as an alterative in the Lues Venerea, in doses from one grain to five; sometimes joined with laxatives to prevent a ptyatism.

HYDRARGYRUS MURIATUS MI-TIS.

MILD MURIATED QUICKSILVER.

Take of purified Quickfilver,

Diluted nitrous Acid, of each half
a pound.

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Mix in a glass vessel, and set it aside untill the Quicksilver is dissolved. Let them boil, that the salt may be dissolved. Pour out the boiling liquor into a glass vessel, into which another boiling liquor has been put before, consisting of,

Sea-falt, by weight, four ounces. Distilled Water eight pints.

After a white powder has subsided to the bottom of the vessel, let the liquor swimming at the top be poured out, and the remaining powder be washed, till it becomes inspid, with frequent assumptions of hot water; then dried on blotting paper with a gentle heat.

REMARK.

This is the Mercurius dulcis pracipitatus of the Pharm. Lond. fol. 1721, p. 145,— adopted by the Edinburgh, 1744, under the name of Merc. pracip. albus,— and, fince that, by the Swedish Dispensatory, after the improvement of Mr. Scheele, under the name of Mercurius dulcis.

Mr. Scheele's direction is, — that, when the acid appears no longer to act upon the Quickfilver, the folution

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lution must be made nearly to boil, and continued in that heat for three or four hours, now and then shaking the vessel,—towards the end making it boil gently, for a quarter of an hour. See more on this subject in Scheele's Essays, and the Notes of Dr. Beddoes.

As it has been supposed by many to be a new invention of Mr. Scheele, and recommended by him as an easy and cheap substitute for Calomel, it has come pretty much into use; but the testimonies, before the Committee, of its good effects, not being consonant with each other, the College chose not to receive it instead of a medicine of such established character as Calomel, and introduced this for suture trial. It is given in doses similar to those of Calomel.

HYDRARGYRUS NITRATUS RUBER.

RED NITRATED QUICKSILVER.

Take of purified Quickfilver,

Nitrous Acid, of each one pound. Muriatic Acid, one dram by weight.

Mix them in a glass vessel, and dissolve the Quickfilver in a fand-bath; then raise the fire,

fire, untill the matter is formed into red cryf-

REMARK.

This preparation is the Mercurius corrofivus ruber of the former Dispensatory. Its sparkling appearance, which is considered as a test of its genuineness and strength, is presently lost if the Calx is not removed from the fire soon after it has acquired it. If adulteration with minium is suspected, it is discovered by the duller hue, but more certainly by burning some of it in a spoon; when the pure will deslagrate entirely, the adulterated will leave the minium or other impurities behind.

It is chiefly used by the Surgeons, as a cathæretic, in applications to foul ulcers, or to their callous edges, and to corrode what is called fungous flesh.

CALX HYDRARGYRI ALBA.

WHITE CALX OF QUICKSILVER.

Take of muriated Quickfilver,

Sal ammoniac,

Water of Kali, of each half a
pound.

Dissolve first the Sal ammoniac, afterwards the muriated Quickfilver in distilled water, and add the water of Kali. Wash the precipitated powder untill it becomes insipid.

REMARK.

This is the Mercurius pracipitatus albus of the former Dispensatory, and generally used in liniments externally; if adulterated with Cerusse, this is left upon burning some of it, as mentioned in a preceding remark.

HYDRARGYRUS CUM SULPHU-RE.

QUICKSILVER WITH SULPHUR.

Take of purified Quickfilver,

Flowers of Sulphur, of each one pound.

Rub them together untill the globules difappear.

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HYDRARGYRUS SULPHURA-TUS RUBER.

RED SULPHURATED QUICKSILVER.

Take of Quickfilver, purified, forty ounces.

Sulphur eight ounces, both by weight.

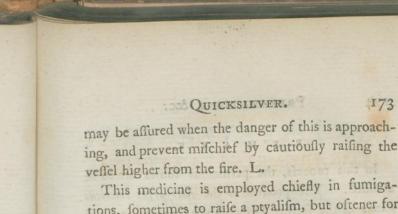
Mix the Quickfilver with the melted Sulphur; and, if the mixture takes fire, extinguish it by covering the vessel; afterwards reduce the mass to powder, and sublime it.

REMARK.

This preparation was, in the last Dispensatory, called Cinnabaris factitia. The mixture of the Quicksilver and Sulphur, here directed, is very apt to take fire, and a considerable explosion frequently happens (especially if the process is too hastily conducted) as soon as it grows consistent, when the pot, or vessel, must be immediately close covered with a wooden cover. In the sublimation, also, care must be taken to prevent the matter blocking up the neck of the bolt-head. By introducing at times an iron wire, somewhat heated, into its neck, the operator

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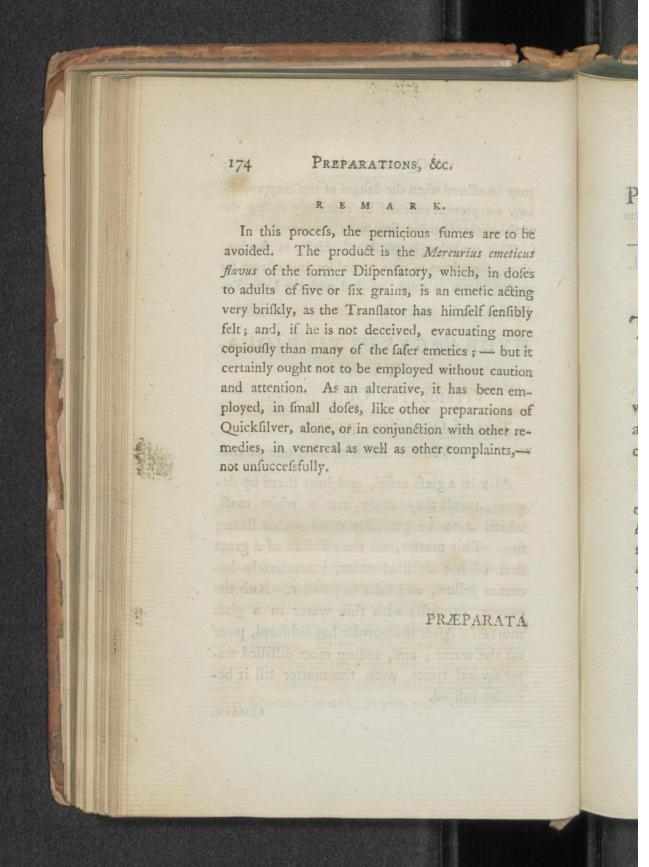
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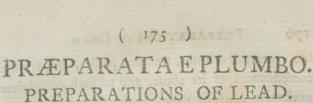
Take of Quickfilver, purified,

Vitriolic Acid, of each one pound.

Mix in a glass vessel, and heat them by degrees, untill they unite into a white mass, which is to be perfectly dried with a strong fire. This matter, on the affusion of a great deal of hot distilled water, immediately becomes yellow, and falls to powder. Rub the powder carefully with this water in a glass mortar. After the powder has subsided, pour off the water; and, adding more distilled water feveral times, wash the matter till it becomes infipid. REMARK.

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CERUSSA ACETATA.

ACETATED CERUSSE.

TAKE of Cerusse one pound.

Distilled Vinegar one gallon
and an half.

Boil the Cerusse with the vinegar untill the vinegar is saturated; then filter through paper; and, after proper evaporation, set it aside to crystallize.

REMARK.

Ceruffe being liable to adulteration with whiting, or calcareous earth, that species of it, called flake lead, Lewis says, is to be preferred. This preparation was called in the former Dispensatory Sach. Saturni, and there directed to be made in a leaden vessel. The Ceruffe should be finely powdered before the vinegar is poured to it, and stirred now and then during the boiling.

Its use is chiefly external. Internally employed, by the cautious and skilful, it is a most useful medicine;—by the ignorant, a dangerous poison. Cho-

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lics, contracted limbs, tremors, palfies, &c. are the confequences of its abuse, and to such complaints workers in lead are exposed even from its sumes.

AQUA LITHARGYRI ACETATI.

WATER OF ACETATED LITHARGE,

Take of Litharge two pounds and four ounces.

Distilled Vinegar one gallon.

Mix, and boil to fix pints, constantly stirring the liquor; then set it aside. After the fœces have subsided, strain.

REMARK.

This is only used externally; but, even this way, it has not been without mischievous effects. The Committee of the last Dispensatory, having their apprehension of saturnine medicines some way excited, admitted not this amongst others. The present Committee, sensible how impossible it is to guard against the misapplications of ignorance and rashness, have, with sentiments more masculine, replaced it; for, whilst Physicians seemed to avoid, or forget, the preparations of Lead, the empirical recommendations of a foreigner have made this so popular a favourite, that it must be strange indeed if no mischief sollows an use so indiscriminate.

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POWDERED TIN.

AKE of Tin fix pounds.

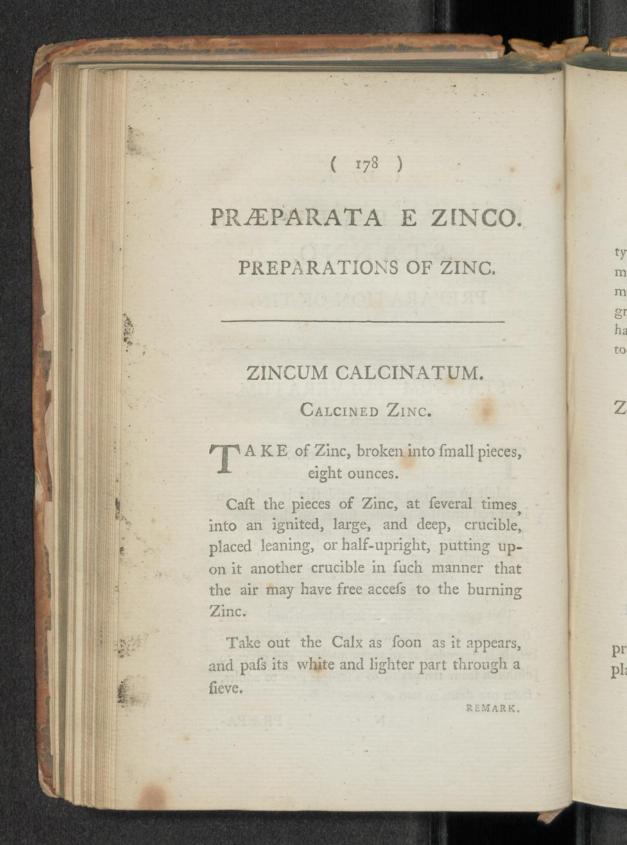
Melt in an iron vessel, and stir it with an iron rod untill a powder floats on the surface. Take off the powder, and, when cold, pass it through a sieve.

REMARK.

This powder of Tin is flightly calcined. Like that made by granulation, and the Limatura Stanni, it is intended as an anthelminthic, and given to children from ten grains to a scruple; — to adults, from one dram to two or more.

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REMARK.

This Calx of Zinc is more pure than Tutty or Pompholyx, and therefore supposed fitter for medical purposes. It has been strongly recommended, by Gaubius, in doses, to adults, from one grain to four or five, in epileptic complaints. It has been given since more largely, — not without, too often, disappointing expectation.

ZINCUM VITRIOLATUM PURI-FICATUM.

PURIFIED VITRIOLATED ZINC.

Take of white Vitriol one pound.

Vitriolic Acid one dram by weight.

Boiling distilled Water three pints.

Mix, and filter through paper. After a proper evaporation, fet it afide, in a cold place, to crystallize.

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AQUÆ DISTILLATÆ.

DISTILLED WATERS.

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DISTILLED WATER.

TAKE of Spring-water ten gallons.

Draw off by distillation, first, four pints; which being thrown away, draw off four gallons. This water is to be kept in a glass or earthen bottle with a glass stopper.

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DILL-WATER.

Take of Dill-feed, bruised, one pound.

Of Water sufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

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AQUA CINNAMOMI.

CINNAMON-WATER.

Take of Cinnamon bruised one pound.

Water fufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Macerate for twenty-four hours, and draw off one gallon.

AQUA FÆNICULI.

FENNEL-WATER.

Take of Sweet-fennel Seeds, bruised, one pound.

Water sufficient to prevent an empiyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

AQUA MENTHÆ PIPERITIDIS.

PEPPERMINT-WATER.

Take of the Herb Peppermint, dried, one pound and an half.

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Water fufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

AQUA MENTHÆ SATIVÆ.

SPEAR-MINT WATER,

Take of Spear-mint, dried, one pound and an half.

Water fufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

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ALL-SPICE WATER.

Take of All-spice, bruised, half a pound.

Water sufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Macerate for four and twenty hours, and draw off one gallon.

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AQUA PULEGII.

PENNYROYAL WATER.

Take of the dried Herb Pennyroyal one pound and an half.

Water fufficient to prevent an em-

Draw off one gallon.

AQUA ROSÆ.

ROSE-WATER.

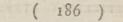
Take of the fresh petals of the damask Rose, the white heels being cut off, six pounds.

Water sufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

We have ordered the Waters to be distilled from the dried herbs, because fresh are not ready

DISTILLED WATERS. ready at all times of the year. Whenever the fresh are used, the weights are to be increased. But, whether the fresh or dried herbs are employed, the operator may vary the weight according to the feafon in which ne they have been produced and collected. n-Herbs and feeds, kept beyond the space of a year, are improper for the distillation of Waters. To every gallon of these Waters add five ounces, by measure, of proof-spirit. Pure Kali one cunce by weight SPIRITUS



SPIRITUS DISTILLATI. DISTILLED SPIRITS.

ALKOHOL.

TAKE of rectified Spirit of Wine one gallon.

Kali, made hot, one pound and an half.

Pure Kali one ounce by weight.

Mix the Spirit of Wine with the pure Kali, and afterwards add one pound of the hot Kali; shake them, and digest for twenty-four-hours. Pour off the Spirit, to which add the rest of the Kali, and distill in a water-bath. It is to be kept in a vessel well stopped.

The specific gravity of the Alkohol is to that of distilled water as 815 to 1,000.

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SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS VITRIOLI-CI.

SPIRIT OF VITRIOLIC ÆTHER.

Take of rectified Spirit of Wine, Vitriolic Acid, of each one pound.

Pour in, by a little at a time, the Acid to the Spirit, and mix them by shaking; then, from a retort, distill the Spirit of vitriolic Æther into a tubulated receiver, to which another recipient is sitted, — till sulphureous vapours begin to rise.

REMARK.

For the precautions necessary on mixing vitriolic acid with rectified vinous Spirits, and the instruments,—see Remark on Oil of Wine. A long range of adopters has not been found necessary.

The College of Edinburgh directs the distillation, from sand previously heated, into a receiver kept cool with snow;—the liquor to boil at sirst, to continue boiling till one fourth is drawn off, and then to raise the retort from the sand. On this ebullition of the mixture the success depends, (Mor188 DISTILLED SPIRITS.

ris Med. Obs. & Inq. Vol. 2.) what comes over before ebullition being mere vinous spirit. Bucquet, Règne végétal. tom. 2.

The use of repeatedly committing to distillation the acid residuum, each time with a smaller quantity of Alkohol, see in a paper read by Cadet to VAcad. des Sc. Ann. 1774.

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Take of the Spirit of vitriolic Æther two pounds.

Water of pure Kali one ounce by meafure.

Shake them together, and distill, with a gentle heat, fourteen ounces by measure.

REMARK.

The use of the Caustic, or pure Kali, is to arrest any uncombined vitriolic Acid in the spirit of vitriolic Æther.

Æther, the most light, volatile, and inflammable, of all fluids, is with difficulty preserved from exhalation. It has been supposed not miscible with wa-

ter, but Count Lauragais has shewn that ten parts of water dissolve one of Æther, and that the Æther which swims on the surface of water is the surplus, which the water cannot dissolve. It is therefore to be preserved, without water, in a phial, the stopper of which is ground exactly to its mouth, and a piece of bladder tied over it.

Given internally, it is a powerful tonic and antifpasmodic in dyspepsy, hysteric spasms, &c. in doses, from 10 or 12 drops, to 3i or more, on a lump of sugar, — or in syrup, diluted with water; — which should be swallowed quick, as it exhales with great celerity.—Externally it is applied in pains of the head, teeth, &c.

SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS NITROSI.

SPIRIT OF NITROUS ÆTHER.

Take of rectified Spirit of Wine two pints.

Nitrous Acid half a pound.

Mix by pouring in the acid to the spirit, and distill with a gentle heat one pound ten ounces.

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The young operator will take care not to invert the order of mixing, left a violent effervescence should disperse the matter in noxious red fumes. The mixture is made most fafely under a chimney, by pouring the Acid, through a funnel with a long flem, bent as mentioned, (p. 112,) upon the Spirit, by small portions at a time, shaking the vessel as foon as the effervescence succeeding each addition ceases, before the fresh addition to be made. During the action of the fluids on each other, the veffel should be lightly covered; - if close stopped it will burst; -if left open, the more valuable parts will exhale. The method of mixing these sluids, used, by the very modest and ingenious Dr. Black, for nitrous Æther, whether proper for the preparation here intended or not, deferves to be mentioned as given, it is faid, by Dr. Webster.

On two ounces of the strong acid, put into a phial, the Doctor pours, slowly and gradually, about an equal quantity of water; which, by being made to trickle down the sides of the phial, sloats on the surface of the acid without mixing with it. He then adds, in the same cautious manner, three ounces of highly-rectified spirit of wine, which, in its turn, floats on the surface of the wa-

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ter. By these means the three sluids are kept separate on account of their specific gravities, and a stratum of water is interposed between the acid and the spirit. The phial is now set in a cool place; the acid gradually ascends, and the spirit descends through the water. Lewis D. Edinb. Ed.

The heat must be gentle, otherwise the vessels may be endangered, especially if a tubulated receiver is not employed. The mixing the product with Kali is not here necessary, as the College has ascertained the quantity to be drawn.

Spirit of nitrous Æther, the Spiritus nitri dulcis of the former Dispensatory, has been long in use, as an antispasmodic and diuretic, from twenty drops to a dram; and, with proper additions, diaphoretic.

SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ.

SPIRIT OF AMMONIA.

Take of Proof-spirit three pints by measure.

Sal Ammoniac four ounces by weight.

Pot-ash fix ounces by weight.

Mix, and diffill with a flow fire one pint

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SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ FOETI-DUS.

FOETID SPIRIT OF AMMONIA.

Take of Proof-spirit of Wine six pints.

Sal ammoniac one pound.

Asa fætida four ounces by weight.

Pot-ash one pound and an half.

Mix, and distill with a flow fire five pints.

SPIRITUS ANISI COMPOSITUS.

COMPOUND SPIRIT OF ANISEED.

Take of Anise-seed,

Angelica-feed, of each, bruifed, half a pound.

Proof-spirit of Wine one gallon.

Water fufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

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SPIRITUS CARUI.

SPIRIT OF CARAWAY.

Take of Caraway-feeds, bruised, half a pound.

Proof-spirit of Wine one gallon.

Water fufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

SPIRITUS CINNAMOMI.

SPIRIT OF CINNAMON.

Take of bruifed Cinnamon one pound.

Proof-spirit of Wine one gallon.

Water sufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

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SPIRITUS JUNIPERI COMPOSI-TUS.

COMPOUND SPIRIT OF JUNIPER.

Take of Juniper-berries, bruised, one pound.

Caraway-feeds, bruifed,

Sweet-fennel Seeds, of each one ounce and an half.

Proof-spirit of Wine one gallon.

Water fufficient to prevent an empyreuma.

Draw off one gallon.

SPIRITUS LAVENDULÆ.

SPIRIT OF LAVENDER.

Take of fresh Flowers of Lavender one pound and an half.

Proof-spirit of Wine one gallon.

Distill in a water-bath five pints.

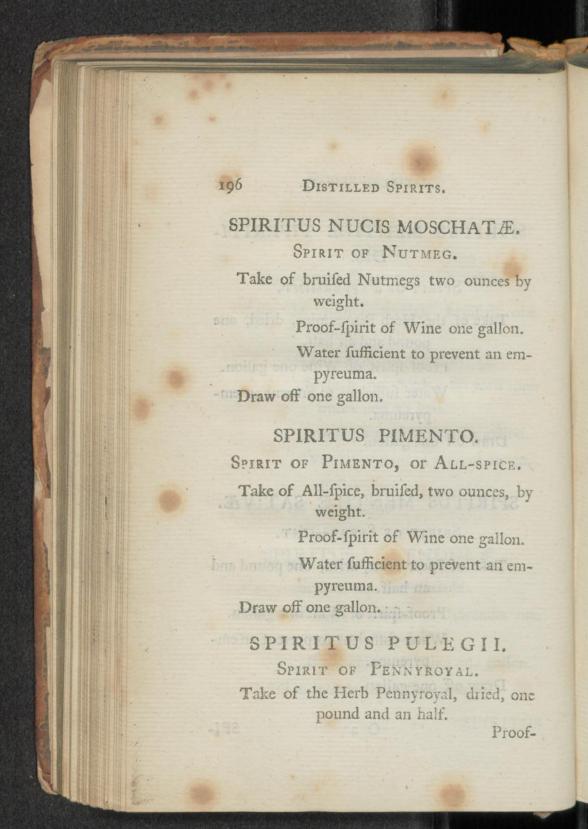
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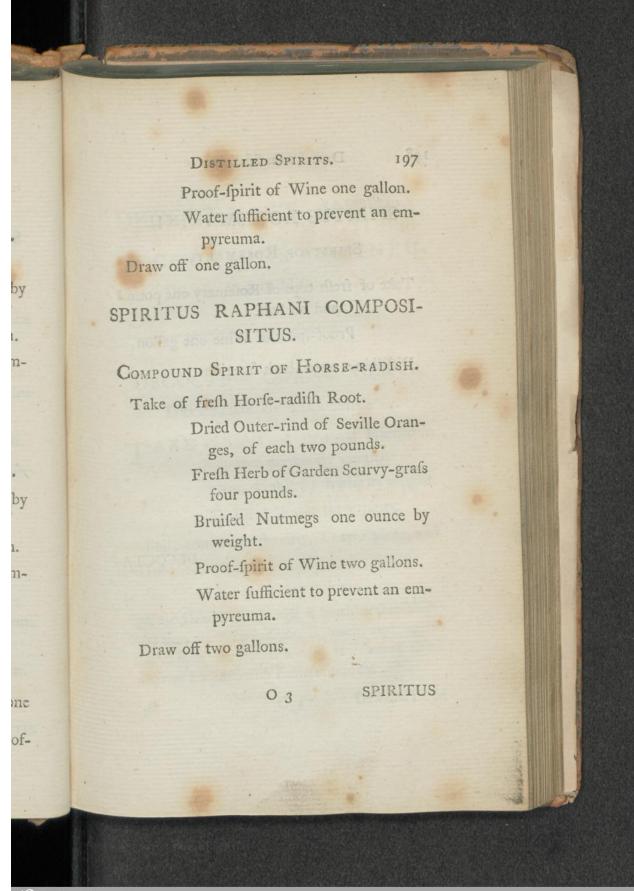
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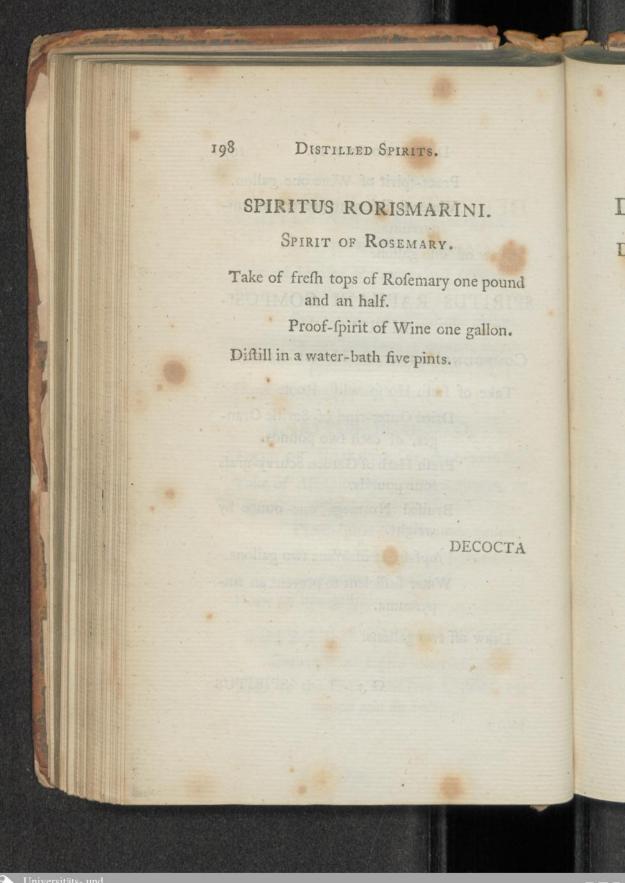
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DECOCTA ET INFUSA. DECOCTIONS AND INFUSIONS.

DECOCTUM CORNU CERVI.

DECOCTION OF HARTSHORN.

TAKE of burnt and prepared Hartshorn two ounces by weight.

Gum Arabic fix drams by weight.

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Distilled Water three pints.

Boil, constantly stirring, to two pints, and strain.

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.

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DECOCTUM CORTICIS PERUVI-ANI.

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 so short 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 by weight.

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Dried Chamomile-flowers half an ounce by weight.

Water one pint.

Boil, and strain.

DECOCTUM PRO FOMENTO.

DECOCTION FOR FOMENTATION.

Take of the dried Leaves of Southern-wood,

The dried Tops of Sea-wormwood,

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

Dried Bay-leaves half an ounce by weight.

Distilled Water six pints.

Boil them a little, and strain.

DECOCTUM HELLEBORI.

DECOCTION OF HELLEBORE.

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

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Distilled Water two pints.

Rectified Spirit of Wine two ounces by weight.

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.

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.

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DECOCTUM HORDEI COMPO-SITUM.

COMPOUND DECOCTION OF BARLEY.

Take of the Decoction of Barley two pints.
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.

DECOCTUM SARSAPARILLÆ.

DECOCTION OF SARSAPARILLA.

Take of the Root of Sarfaparilla, fliced, 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

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again macerate it for two hours. Then, the liquor being boiled to the measure of four pints, press it out, and strain.

REMARK.

This decoction has been much praised by Mr. (now Sir William) Fordyce, in venereal complaints, after mercurials had failed.

He gave shij in 24 hours, divided into several doses. See Med. Obs. & Inq. Vol. 1.

DECOCTUM SARSAPARILLÆ COMPOSITUM.

Compound Decoction of Sarsaparil-

Take of the Root of Sarfaparilla, fliced and bruifed, fix ounces by weight.

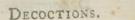
Bark of the Root of Sassafras,

Shavings of Guaiacum-wood,

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

Bark of the Root of Mezereon three drams by weight.

Distilled



Distilled Water ten pints.

Macerate, with a gentle heat, for fix hours; then boil to the measure of five pints, adding toward the end of the boiling the bark of the root of Mezereon, and strain the liquor.

REMARK.

This decoction is given in doses, from ziv to zviij, four times a day, in venereal nodes, &c. See Mezereon in the Mat. Med.

A medicine, which has had a confiderable fale under the name of the Liston Diet Drink, is faid to be a decoction of 3iij of Sarfaparilla, 3s of Mezereon, and 3ij of crude Antimony, with Liquorice, &c. boiled in fbx to fbv. See Murray, App. Vol. 1. p. 338.

DECOCTUM ULMI.

DECOCTION OF ELM.

Take of the fresh inner Bark of Elm, bruifed, four ounces by weight.

Distilled Water four pints. Boil to two pints, and strain.

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This is given, in cutaneous foulnesses, in doses, to adults, from four to eight ounces twice a day. See Elm-bark in the Mat. Med.

MUCILAGO AMYLI.

MUCILAGE OF STARCH.

Take of Starch three drams by weight.

Distilled Water one pint.

Rub the Starch, by degrees adding the diftilled 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 Water eight ounces by measure.

Rub the gum with the water untill it is diffolved.

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MUCILAGO SEMINIS CYDONII MALI.

MUCILAGE OF QUINCE-SEED.

· Take of Seeds of the Quince one dram by weight.

Distilled Water eight ounces by measure.

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

INFUSUM GENTIANÆ COMPO-SITUM.

COMPOUND INFUSION OF GENTIAN.

Take of the Root of Gentian one dram by weight.

Fresh outer Rind of Limons half an ounce by weight.

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

Boiling Water twelve ounces by measure.

Macerate for one hour and strain.

INFUSUM ROSÆ.

INFUSION OF THE ROSE.

Take of red Rose-buds, the heels being cut off, half an ounce by weight.

Vitriolic Acid, diluted, three drams by weight.

Boiling distilled Water two pints and an half.

Double-refined Sugar one ounce and an 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.

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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 veffel; and, the liquor being cold, strain.

INFUSUM SENNÆ TARTARISA-TUM.

TARTARISED INFUSION OF SENNÆ.

Take of Senna one ounce and an half by weight.

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

Crystals of Tartar two drams by weight.

Distilled Water one pint.

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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 flavour 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.

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Upon this quantity of Lime, put into an earthen veffel, the College of Edinburgh particularly direct to sprinkle gradually four ounces of the water, keeping the veffel shut during the effervescence and its falling

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falling into powder; then to mix the rest of the water with it by stirring, to renew the stirring after it has subsided, and this for ten times, always keeping the vessel shut, during the coullition, to prevent the access of air, and to silter it through paper, placed in a funnel close shut at its top. The College of London, by avoiding the frequency of stirring, expose it to the air still less.

Four ounces, or more, of Lime-water are given to adults, and repeated twice a day, or oftener, in fome alvine fluxes, diabetes, and leucorrhæa; 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 some cases.

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.

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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 Winetwo 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.

It will not be amiss to mix white fand, cleansed from impurities, with the powder,

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in order to prevent the moistened Aloes from getting into lumps

REMARK.

This medicine, the *Tinctura facra* of the former Dispensatory, but made stronger, has been long in esteem as a warm purgative, which this will generally prove to adults in a dose from fix drams to an ounce and an half.

VINUM ANTIMONII.

WINE OF ANTIMONY.

Take of vitrified Antimony, powdered, one ounce by weight.

Spanish white Wine a pint and an half.

Digest for twelve days, frequently shaking the vessel, and filter through paper.

REMARK.

This Wine, made with the glass, is admitted in place of the *Vinum antimoniale* of the former Dispensatory, made with the Crocus. The filtra-

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tion through paper must be here attended to, lest some finer parts of the glass should remain suspended in the wine, the virulence of which remains unabated.

It acts as an alterant from twenty to thirty drops;
—in larger doses of two or three drams it generally proves emetic.

VINUM ANTIMONII TARTARI-SATI.

WINE OF TARTARISED ANTIMONY.

Take of tartarifed Antimony two fcruples by weight.

Boiling distilled Water two ounces by measure.

Spanish white Wine eight ounces by measure.

Dissolve the tartarised Antimony in the boiling distilled water, and add to it the wine.

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VINUM FERRI.

WINE OF IRON.

Take of Filings of Iron four ounces by weight.

Spanish white Wine four pints.

Digest for a month, often shaking it, and strain.

VINUM IPECACUANHÆ.

WINE OF IPECACUANHA.

Take of the root of Ipecacuanha, bruifed, two ounces by weight.

Spanish white Wine two pints.

Digest for ten days, and strain.

VINUM RHABARBARI.

WINE OF RHUBARB.

Take of fliced Rhubarb two ounces and an half by weight.

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TINCTURA ALOËS.

TINCTURE OF ALOES.

TAKE of Socotrine Aloes, powdered, half an ounce by weight.

Extract of Liquorice an ounce and an half by weight.

Distilled Water,

Proof-Spirit of Wine, of each eight ounces by measure.

Digest in a fand-bath, now and then shaking the vessel, untill the extract is dissolved, and strain.

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TINCTURA ALOES COMPOSI-

COMPOUND TINCTURE OF ALOES.

Take of Tincture of Myrrh two pints.
Saffron,

Socotrine Aloes, of each three ounces by weight.

Digest for eight days, and strain.

TINCTURA ASÆ FOETIDÆ.

TINCTURE OF ASA FŒTIDA.

Take of Asa Fœtida four ounces by weight.

Rectified Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest with a gentle heat for fix days, and strain.

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TINCTURA BALSAMI PERUVI-ANI.

TINCTURE OF BALSAM OF PERU.

Take of Balfam of Peru four ounces by weight.

Rectified Spirit of Wine one pint.

Digeft untill the Balfam is diffolved.

TINCTURA BALSAMI TOLUTA-NI.

TINCTURE OF BALSAM OF TOLU.

Take of Balfam of Tolu one ounce and an half by weight.

Rectified Spirit of Wine one pint.

Digest untill the Balsam is dissolved, and strain.

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TINCTURA BENZOËS COMPO-SITA.

COMPOUND TINCTURE OF BENJAMIN.

Take of Benjamin three ounces by weight.

Storax, strained, two ounces by weight.

Balfam of Tolu one ounce by weight.

Socotrine Aloes half an ounce by weight.

Rectified Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest with a gentle heat for three days, and strain.

TINCTURA CANTHARIDIS.

TINCTURE OF THE SPANISH FLY.

Take of bruifed Cantharides two drams by weight.

Cochineal, powdered, half a dram by weight.

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Proof-Spirit of Wine one pint and an half.

Digest for eight days, and strain.

TINCTURA CARDAMOMI.

TINCTURE OF CARDAMOM.

Take of fmaller Cardamom-feeds, hufked and bruifed, three ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest for eight days, and strain.

TINCTURA CARDAMOMI COM-POSITA.

COMPOUND TINCTURE OF CARDAMOM.

Take of fmaller Cardamom-feeds, hufked, Caraway-feeds,

Cochineal, powdered, of each two drams by weight.

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Cinnamon, bruifed, half an ounce by weight.

Raifins, stoned, four ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit two pints.

Digest for fourteen days, and strain.

TINCTURA CASCARILLÆ.

TINCTURE OF CASCARILLA.

Take of the Bark of Cascarilla, powdered, four ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest with a gentle heat for eight days, and strain.

REMARK.

This warm and bitter Tincture is given, in doses of 3i or 3ij, in laxity and debility of the stomach and bowels,—and is to many more agreeable than Tinct. of Peruvian Bark.

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TINCTURA CASTOREI.

TINCTURE OF CASTOR.

Take of Russian Castor, powdered, two ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest for ten days, and strain.

TINCTURA CATECHU.

TINCTURE OF CATECHU.

Take of Catechu or Japan Earth three ounces by weight.

Cinnamon, bruised, two ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

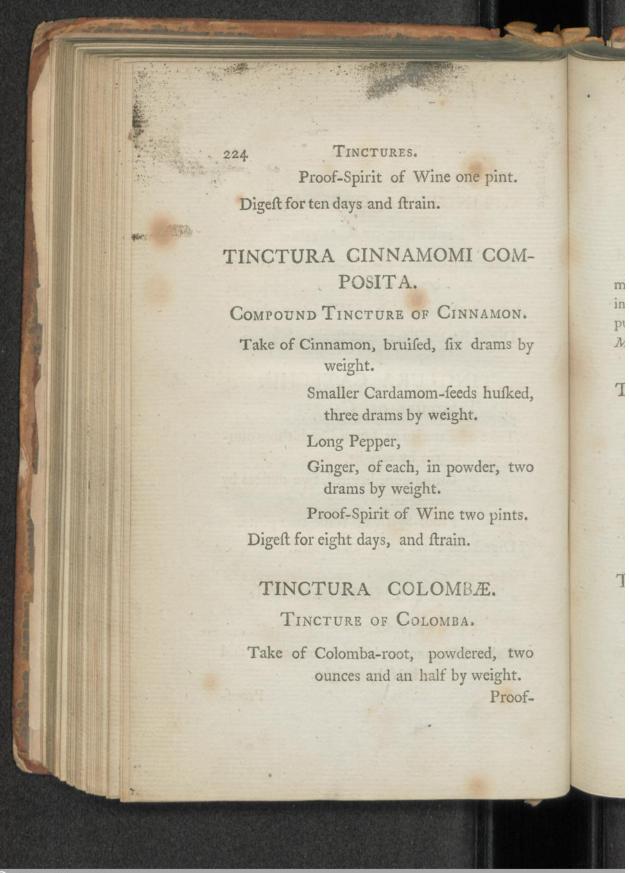
Digest for three days, and strain.

TINCTURA CINNAMOMI.

TINCTURE OF CINNAMON.

Take of Cinnamon, bruifed, one ounce and an half by weight.

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Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints. ...
Digest for eight days, and strain.

REMARK.

This Tincture, now first admitted, is recommended as a corroborant and sedative, and given in doses of a dram or two in bilious vomitings and purgings. — See article Colomba in the Materia Medica.

TINCTURA CORTICIS AURAN-TII.

TINCTURE OF ORANGE-PEEL.

Take of the fresh exterior peel of Seville Oranges three ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest for three days, and strain.

TINCTURA CORTICIS PERUVI-ANI.

TINCTURE OF PERUVIAN BARK.

Take of Peruvian Bark, powdered, four ounces by weight.

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REMARK.

This medicine has been celebrated under the name of Huxbam's Tincture. It is given as a corroborant and stomachic, in doses of two drams or more, to convalescents after long severs; and sometimes, in larger doses, for the cure of agues in persons averse to taking Bark in substance. There is reason to fear that these spirituous remedies may sometimes have led the way to dram-drinking, especially among the more delicate part of the human race, — a consideration certainly of the utmost importance.

TINCTURA FERRI MURIATI.

TINCTURE OF MURIATED IRON.

Take of the Rust of Iron half a pound.

Muriatic Acid three pounds.

Rectified Spirit of Wine three pints.

Pour the muriatic Acid upon the rust of Iron in a glass vessel; and shake the mixture now and then during three days. Set it by that the feeces may subside; then pour

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off the liquor: evaporate this to one pint, and, when cold, add to it the vinous spirit.

TINCTURA GALBANI.

TINCTURE OF GALBANUM.

Take of Galbanum, cut into fmall pieces, two ounces by weight. Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest with a gentle heat for eight days, and strain.

REMARK.

This Tincture, now first introduced, is not directed to be made of strained Galbanum,—perhaps, lest the straining might render the solution less easy, as is the case where the menstruum is merely aqueous. It is a warm antispasmodic, of service in complaints called nervous, hysteria, statulency, and the asthmatic complaints of old people.

TINCTURA GENTIANÆ COM-POSITA.

COMPOUND TINCTURE OF GENTIAN.

Take of Gentian-root, fliced and bruifed, two ounces by weight.

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Exterior dried Peel of Seville Oranges one ounce by weight.

Smaller Cardamom-feeds, husked and bruised, half an ounce by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints. Digest for eight days, and strain.

TINCTURA GUAIACI.

TINCTURE OF GUAIACUM.

Take of Gum Guaiacum four ounces by weight.

Compound Spirit of Ammonia a pint and an half.

Digest for three days, and strain.

TINCTURA HELLEBORI NIGRI.

TINCTURE OF BLACK HELLEBORE.

Take of black Hellebore-root, in coarfe powder, four ounces by weight.

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Cochineal, powdered, two scruples by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest with a gentle heat for eight days, and strain.

TINCTURA JALAPII.

TINCTURE OF JALAP.

Take of powdered Jalap-root eight ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest with a gentle heat for eight days, and strain.

REMARK.

Proof-Spirit extracts rather more than four-twelfths of the best Jalap. Ap. Rep.

The apothecary will probably strain twice, —the first time with expression, as the proportion of Jalap to the menstruum is large.

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TINCTURA LAVENDULÆ COM-POSITA.

COMPOUND TINCTURE OF LAVENDER.

Take of Spirit of Lavender three pints.

Spirit of Rosemary one pint.

Cinnamon-bark, bruifed,

Nutmegs, bruifed, of each half an ounce by weight.

Red Saunders one ounce by weight.

Digest for ten days, and strain.

TINCTURA MYRRHÆ.

TINCTURE OF MYRRH.

Take of Myrrh, bruifed, three ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine a pint and an half.

Rectified Spirit of Wine half a pint.

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. TINCTURES. 232 Digest with a gentle heat for eight days, th fre and strain. tit TINCTURA OPII. th m TINCTURE OF OPIUM. OI Take of hard purified Opium, powdered, bu ten drams by weight. by Proof-Spirit of Wine one pint. Digest for ten days, and strain. REMARK. This is intended to supply the place of the Tinet. Thebaica of the former Dispensatory, which was made with wine; twenty drops of which were fupposed to contain, at a medium, about one grain of opium,-but the folution was not equivalent in effect to the quantity of opium employed. It has been found by experiment, that, of two ounces of ftrained opium, not quite one ounce was diffolved in a pint of white wine, - nearly the whole in proofspirit. Ap. Rep. Proof-spirit is therefore the proper menstruum for strained opium; -and, although the proportion of opium has been lessened in the Tintt. Opii, its strength is not less,-rather greater,-than that

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that of the Tinet. Thebaica. It is given in doses from ten drops to twenty or more. Dr. Lewis has expressed a wish that, as drops may vary in the quantity of contained opium, though in number the same, the shops were furnished with a solution of it, made in a quantity of menstruum large enough, not only for the complete extraction of the active parts, but to admit of the dose being exactly determined by weight or measure: but this was not thought necessary by the majority of the Committee.

TINCTURA OPII CAMPHORA-TA.

CAMPHORATED TINCTURE OF OPIUM.

Take of hard purified Opium,

Flowers of Benjamin, of each one dram by weight.

Camphor two fcruples by weight.

Effential Oil of Anife-feed one dram by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest for three days.

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REMARK.

This medicine, the Elixir Paregoricum of the former Dispensatory, instead of being made with rectified, is here made with proof, spirit, the latter being found to suspend a greater proportion of Benjamin than is here ordered. Many have supposed this Tincture to have more effect as an anodyne than might be expected from the quantity of opium compared with that in the Tinct. Thebaica; and not without reason, — as not quite half the opium, directed in the last, was taken up by the menstruum. It is a very good palliative remedy in the tickling coughs of old people; given from one dram to two or three, but should seldom be trusted to without other remedies.

TINCTURA RHABARBARI.

TINCTURE OF RHUBARB.

Take of Rhubarb, fliced, two ounces by weight.

Smaller Cardamom-feeds, husked, and bruised, half an ounce by weight.

Saffron two drams by weight.

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Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints. Digest for eight days, and strain.

TINCTURA RHABARBARI COM-POSITA.

COMPOUND TINCTURE OF RHUBARB.

Take of Rhubarb, fliced, two ounces by weight.

Ginger, powdered,

Saffron, of each two drams by weight.

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

Distilled Water one pint.

Proof-Spirit of Wine twelve ounces by measure.

Digeft for fourteen days, and strain.

TINCTURA SABINÆ COMPOSI-TA.

COMPOUND TINCTURE OF SAVIN.

Take of Extract of Savin one ounce by weight.

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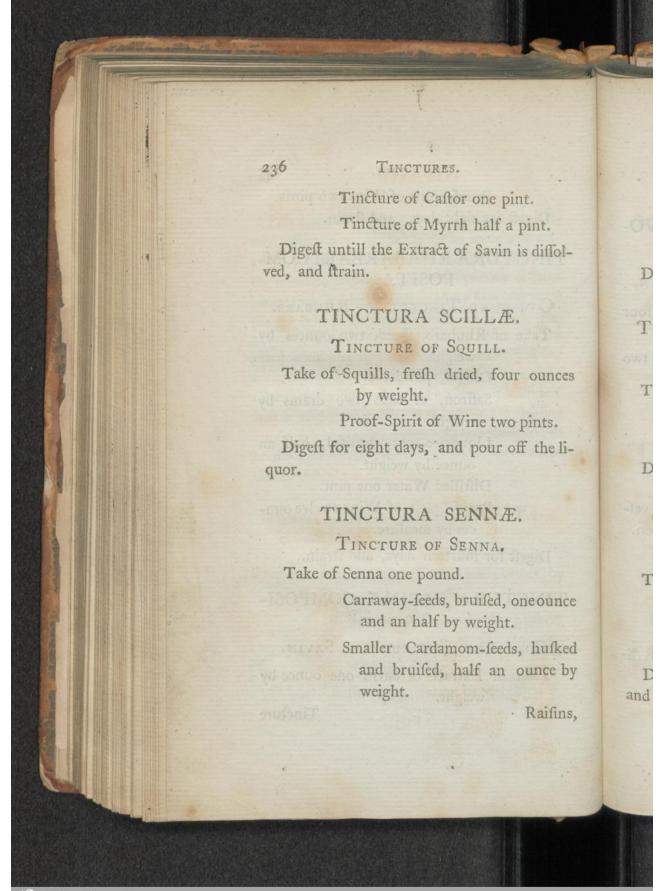
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Raifins, stoned, fixteen ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine one gallon. Digest for fourteen days, and strain.

TINCTURA SERPENTARIÆ.

TINCTURE OF SNAKE-ROOT.

Take of Virginian Snake-root three ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest for eight days, and strain.

TINCTURA VALERIANÆ.

TINCTURE OF VALERIAN.

Take of the Root of wild Valerian, in coarse powder, four ounces by weight.

Proof-Spirit of Wine two pints.

Digest with a gentle heat for eight days, and strain.

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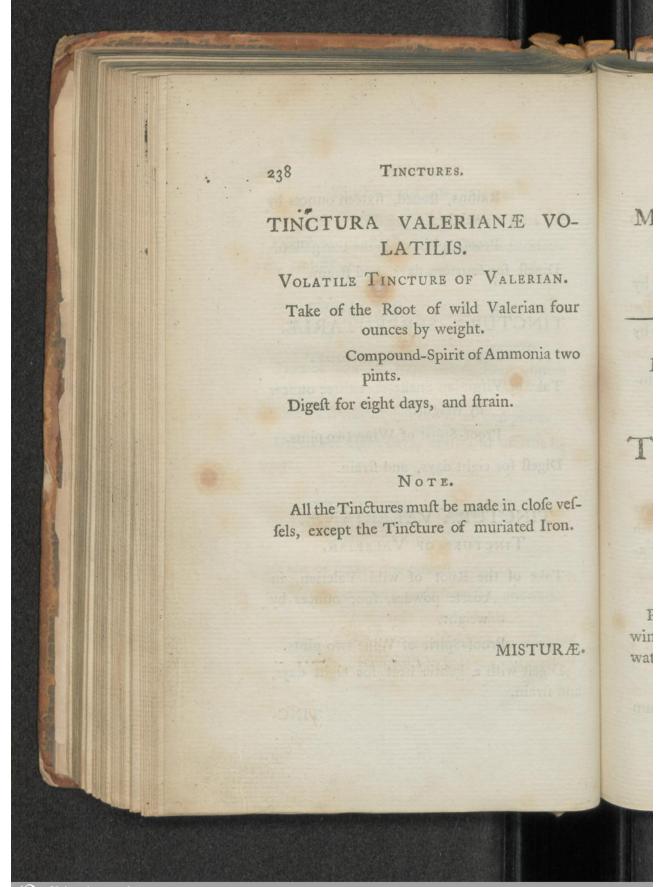
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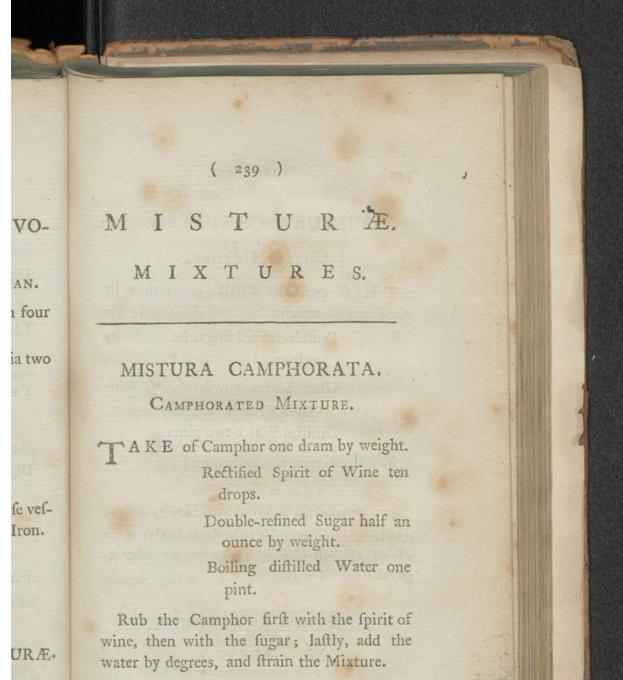
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MISTURA CRETACEA.

CHALK-MIXTURE.

Take of prepared Chalk one ounce by weight.

Double-refined Sugar fix drams by weight.

Gum Arabic, powdered, two ounces by weight.

Distilled Water two pints.

Mix them.

REMARK.

This Mixture has an earthy taste, which renders it to some too disagreeable to be drunk freely; which a small addition of Cinnamon-water, or other agreeable aromatic, removes.

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MUSK-MIXTURE.

Take of Musk two scruples by weight.

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Gum Arabic, powdered,

Double-refined Sugar, of each one dram by weight.

Rose-water fix ounces by measure.

Rub the musk first with the sugar, then with the gum, and add the Rose-water by degrees.

LAC AMYGDALÆ.

ALMOND-MILK.

Take of fweet Almonds one ounce and an half by weight.

Double-refined Sugar half an ounceby weight.

Distilled Water two pints.

Beat the almonds with the fugar; then, rubbing them together, add by degrees the water, and strain the liquor.

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AMMONIACUM-MILK.

Take of Ammoniacum two drams by weight.

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Distilled Water half a pint.

Rub the Gum-resin with the water, gradually poured on, watill it becomes a milk.

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SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS VITRIOLI-CI COMPOSITUS.

COMPOUND SPIRIT OF VITRIOLIC Æ-

Take of Spirit of vitriolic Æther two pounds by weight.

Oil of Wine three drams by weight.

Mix them.

REMARK.

This is supposed to be the celebrated Liquor anodynus mineralis of Hossman. See his Obs. Phys. Chem. Lib. ii.—his Diff. de acido Vitrioli vinoso,—and his Med. Rat. Syst. tom. iii.

It is given, as a fedative and antifpasmodic, in hysteric, arthritic, and other painful, complaints,

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to adults, from thirty drops to an hundred, or more, along with fugar, or some appropriate mixture.

SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ COMPOSI-TUS.

COMPOUND SPIRIT OF AMMONIA.

Take of Spirit of Ammonia two pints.

Effential Oil of Limon and of

Nutmeg, of each
two drams by weight.

Mix them.

SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ SUCCINA-TUS.

SUCCINATED SPIRIT OF AMMONIA.

Take of Alkohol one ounce by weight.

Water of pure Ammonia four ounces by measure.

Rectified Oil of Amber one fcruple by weight.

Soap ten grains.

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IN the making of Syrups, where we have not directed either the weight of the fugar or the manner in which it should be diffolved, this is to be the rule.

Take of double-refined fugar twenty-nine ounces by weight.

Any kind of liquor one pint.

Dissolve the fugar in the liquor, in a waterbath; then set it aside for twenty-four hours: take off the scum, and pour off the Syrup from the scees, if there are any.

SYRUPUS ALTHÆÆ.

SYRUP OF MARSH-MALLOW.

Take of the fresh Root of Marsh-mallow, bruised, one pound.

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Double-refined Sugar four pounds.

Distilled Water one gallon.

Boil the water, with the Marsh-mallow root, to one half, and press out the liquor when cold. Set it by twelve hours; and, after the seces have subsided, pour off the liquor. Add the sugar, and boil it to the weight of fix pounds.

SYRUPUS CARYOPHILLI RUBRI.

SYRUP OF CLOVE JULY-FLOWER.

Take of fresh Clove July-flowers, the heels being cut off, two pounds.

Boiling distilled Water six pints.

Macerate the Flowers for twelve hours in a glass vessel; and, in the strained liquor, dissolve the double-refined sugar, that it may be made a Syrup.

REMARK.

Beauty of colour being a principal quality of this Syrup, the straining should be made without expression. P.

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SYRUPUS CORTICIS AURANTII.

SYRUP OF ORANGE-PEEL.

Take of the fresh outer Rind of Seville Oranges, by weight, eight ounces.

Boiling distilled Water five pints.

Macerate for twelve hours in a close vessel; and, in the strained liquor, dissolve the double-refined sugar to make a Syrup.

REMARK.

In making this Syrup, it may not be improper to have the fugar previously powdered, in order that it may be the sooner dissolved in the infusion, and any unnecessary exhalation of the volatile parts of the peel avoided. P.

SYRUPUS CROCI.

SYRUP OF SAFFRON.

Take of Saffron, by weight, one ounce.

Boiling distilled Water one pint.

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Macerate the Saffron in the water for twelve hours, in a close vessel; and dissolve the double-refined sugar in the strained liquor, that it may be made a Syrup.

SYRUPUS SUCCI LIMONIS.

SYRUP OF LIMON-JUICE.

Take of Limon-juice, strained, after the feeces have subsided, two pints.

Double-refined Sugar, by weight, fifty ounces.

Dissolve the sugar that it may be made a Syrup.

Make, in the fame manner, a Syrup of the Juice of Mulberry,

RASPBERRY, and BLACK CURRANT.

REMARK.

In the preparation of these Syrups from fruits, the vessel employed should be of glass, or what is called stone-ware. Earthen vessels, glased with lead, are certainly to be avoided.

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SYRUPS. 249 SYRUPUS PAPAVERIS ALBI. it SYRUP OF THE WHITE POPPY. Take of the heads of white Poppies, dried, and the feeds taken out, three pounds and an half. Double-refined Sugar fix pounds. he Distilled Water eight gallons. ht, Slice and bruife the heads, then boil them in the water to three gallons, in a water-bath byfaturated with fea-falt, and press out the liquor. Reduce this by boiling to about the the measure of four pints, and strain it whilst it is hot, first through a fieve, then through a thin woollen cloth, and fet it afide for twelve hours, that the fœces may fubfide. Boil the liquor, poured off from the fæces, to three pints, and diffolve the fugar in it that it may lits, it is be made a Syrup. ead, US

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SYRUPUS PAPAVERIS ERRATI-CI.

SYRUP OF THE RED POPPY.

Take of the fresh Flowers of the wild, or red, Poppy four pounds.

Boiling distilled Water four pints and an half.

Put the Flowers, by degrees, into the boiling water, in a water-bath, conftantly stirring them. Afterward, the vessel being taken out of the bath, macerate for twelve hours; then press out the liquor, and set it aside that the seces made subside. Lastly, make it into a Syrup with double-refined sugar.

REMARK.

The flowers are first put into the boiling water, in a vessel placed in a water-bath, before their maceration, that they may shrink enough to be all immerged in the water; without this they can scarcely all be got in; and they are continued in it no longer than till this effect is produced, lest the liquor

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quor should become too thick, and the Syrup be rendered ropy. P.

SYRUPUS ROSÆ.

ROSE-SYRUP.

Take of the dried petals of the damask Rose feven ounces by weight.

Double-refined Sugar fix pounds. Boiling distilled Water four pints.

Macerate the petals of the Rose in water for twelve hours, and strain. Evaporate the strained liquor to two pints and an half, and add the sugar, that it may be made a Syrup.

REMARK.

This was, in the former Dispensatory, directed to be made with the decoction left on distillation, — but there was danger of some disagreeable impregnation without great care. It is an agreeable and mild purgative for children, in the dose of half a spoonful or a spoonful, and has been directed to

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to adults also, as a gentle laxative, with the defired effect.

SYRUPUS SPINÆ CERVINÆ.

SYRUP OF BUCKTHORN.

Take of the juice of ripe and fresh Buckthorn-Berries one gallon.

Ginger, bruised, one ounce by weight.

All-fpice, powdered, one ounce and an half by weight.

Double-refined Sugar seven pounds.

Set by the juice for some days, that the fœces may subside, and strain. Macerate the Ginger and All-spice, in a pint of the strained juice, for sour hours, and strain. Boil away the rest of the juice to three pints, then add that part of the juice in which the Ginger and All-spice have been macerated; and, lastly, the sugar, that it may be made a Syrup.

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SYRUPUS TOLUTANUS.

SYRUP OF BALSAM OF TOLU.

Take of the Balfam of Tolu eight ounces by weight.

Distilled Water three pints.

Boil for two hours. Mix with the liquor, strained after it is cold, the double-refined fugar, that it may be made a Syrup.

REMARK.

Whether the decoction be performed, as formerly directed, in a long-necked matrafs, with its mouth lightly ftopt, or in a circulatory vessel, which still more securely prevents any loss of the volatile parts of the balsam, is lest to the operator. If a long-necked matrafs be closed by another of a small neck, inverted into it, and the juncture luted, it forms a vessel answering the same purpose as the circulatory vessel of the old chemists, which has been found too expensive.

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SYRUPUS VIOLÆ.

VIOLET-SYRUP.

Take of the fresh petals of the Violet two pounds.

Boiling distilled Water five pints.

Macerate for twenty-four hours; afterwards strain the liquor, without pressing, through thin linen. Add the refined sugar, that it may be made a Syrup.

SYRUPUS ZINGIBERIS.

SYRUP OF GINGER.

Take of Ginger, bruifed, four ounces by weight.

Boiling distilled Water three pints.

Macerate for four hours, and strain; then add the refined sugar that it may be made a Syrup.

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MELLA MEDICATA.

MEDICATED HONEYS.

MEL ROSE.

Rose-Honey.

TAKE of dried red Rose-buds, with the heels cut off, four ounces by weight.

Distilled Water, boiling, three pints.

Clarified Honey five pounds by weight.

Macerate the Rose-petals in the water for fix hours; then mix the honey with the strained liquor, and boil the mixture to the thickness of a Syrup.

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mer Dispensatory Mel Ægyptiacum, will, it is hoped, as here prepared, no longer exist, — at least in the same degree. It is intended only as an external application for deterging foul ulcers and keeping down fungous sless.

OXYMEL COLCHICI.

OXYMEL OF MEADOW-SAFFRON.

Take of the fresh root of Meadow-saffron, cut into thin slices, one ounce by weight.

Distilled Vinegar one pint.

Clarified Honey two pounds.

Macerate the root of Meadow-faffron, with the vinegar, in a glass veffel, with a gentle heat, for forty-eight hours. Strain the liquor, pressed out strongly from the root, and add the honey. Lastly, boil the mixture, frequently stirring it with a wooden spoon, to the thickness of a Syrup.

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lished, about ten years after, under his direction, two ounces of the bulbs are directed; and Vogel successfully employed Oxymel of this last strength in a stupendous bydrops peritonai. It is of consequence that the bulbs be in persection; they should therefore be taken up in autumn, when, according to the abovementioned Pharm. Austr. they are most succulent. This medicine, though it sometimes fails, has, if I mistake not, too much power to deserve neglect. The trial of it, by Bergius, prepared e radicibus Colchici ab exteris apportatis, seems impersect. It is given to adults in the dose of a spoonful once a day at first, and gradually more, or oftener repeated. See Colchicum in the Mat. Med.

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OXYMEL OF SQUILL.

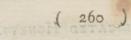
Take of Vinegar of Squill two pints.

Clarified Honey three pounds.

Boil them in a glass vessel, with a slow fire, to the thickness of a Syrup.

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MEDICATED HONEYS. 259 two OXYMEL SIMPLEX. fucftu-SIMPLE OXYMEL. tthe e ta-Take of distilled Vinegar one pint. ove-Clarified Honey two pounds. lent. Boil them in a glass vessel, with a slow fire; if I glect. to the thickness of a Syrup. Col-It is a day See S 2 PULVERES; Si v fire, MEL



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PULVIS ALOËTICUS.

ALOETIC POWDER.

TAKE of Socotrine Aloes one pound.

White Canella three ounces
by weight.

Rub them separately to powder, then mix them.

PULVIS ALOËTICUS CUM FER-RO.

ALGETIC POWDER WITH IRON.

Take of Socotrine Aloes, powdered, an ounce and an half by weight.

Myrrh, powdered, two ounces by by weight.

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Dry Extract of Gentian.

Vitriolated Iron, of each, in powder, one ounce by weight.

Mix them.

PULVIS ALOËTICUS CUM GUAI-ACO.

ALOETIC POWDER WITH GUAIACUM.

Take of Socotrine Aloes one ounce and an half by weight.

Gum Guaiacum one ounce by weight.

Aromatic Powder half an ounce by weight.

Rub the Aloes and Gum Guaiacum separately to powder; then mix all together.

PULVIS AROMATICUS.

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Smaller Cardamom-feeds, husked, Ginger,

Long Pepper, of each one ounce by weight.

Rub them together to a powder.

PULVIS ASARI COMPOSITUS.

COMPOUND POWDER OF ASARABACCA.

Take of the dry leaves of Afarabacca,

Sweet Marjoram, Syrian Herb-maftich,

Dry flowers of Lavender, of each one ounce by weight.

Powder them together.

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This is an efficacious errhine, not inferior to any of the powders fold under the name of berb-snuff.

PULVIS E CERUSSA.

Powder of Cerusse.

Take of Cerusie five ounces by weight.

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Sarcocol one ounce and an half by weight.

Tragacanth half an ounce by weight.

Rub them together into powder.

PULVIS E CHELIS CANCRORUM COMPOSITUS.

COMPOUND POWDER OF CRABS CLAWS.

Take of Crabs-claws, prepared, one pound.

Chalk,

Red Coral, of each, prepared, three ounces by weight.

Mix them.

PULVIS CONTRAYERVÆ COM-POSITUS.

Take of Contrayerva, powdered, five ounces by weight.

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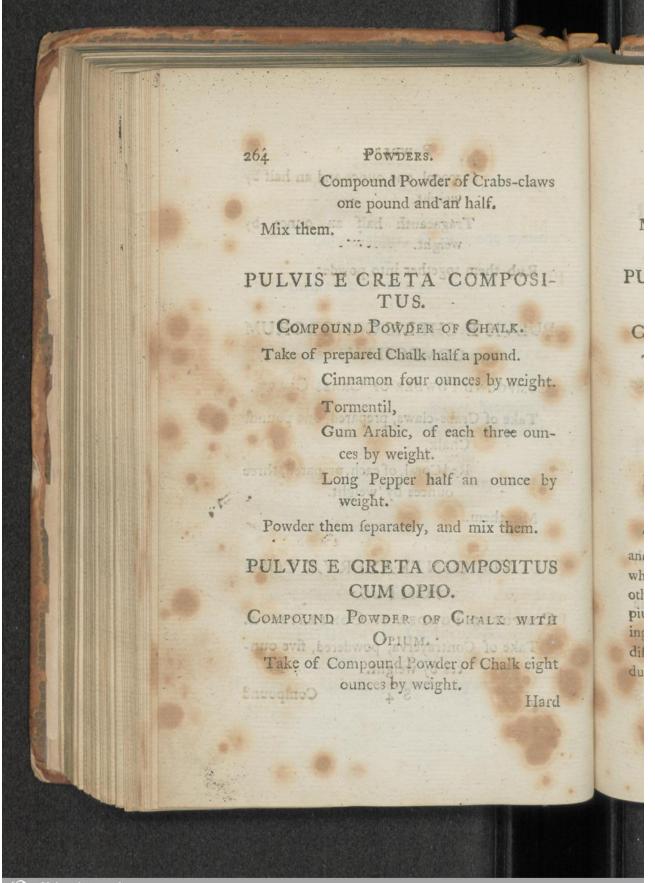
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PULVIS IPECACUANHÆ COM-POSITUS.

COMPOUND POWDER OF IPECACUANHA.

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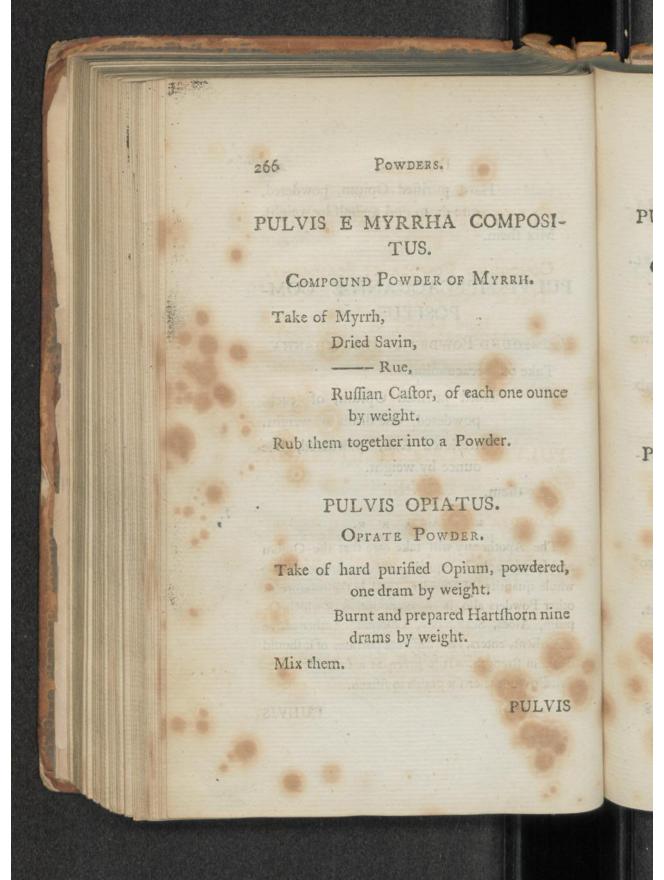
Hard purified Opium, of each, powdered, one dram by weight. Vitriolated Kali, powdered, one ounce by weight.

Mix them.

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The Apothecary will take care that the Opium and Ipecacuanha be equally distributed through the whole quantity of Powder, (and in the mixture of other Powders also, in the composition of which Opium, Aloes, Scammony, Calomel, or other active ingredient, enters,) lest different portions of it should differ in strength. It is given as a sudorific, to adults, from five or six grains to sisteen.

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PULVIS E SCAMMONIO COMPO-SITUS.

COMPOUND POWDER OF SCAMMONY.

Take of Scammony,

Hard Extract of Jalap, of each two ounces by weight.

Ginger half an ounce by weight. Powder them separately, and mix them.

PULVIS E SCAMMONIO CUM A-LOË.

POWDER OF SCAMMONY WITH ALOES.

Take of Scammony fix drams by weight.

Hard Extract of Jalap,

Socotrine. Aloes, of each an ounce and an half by weight.

Ginger half an ounce by weight.

Powder them feparately, and mix them.

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POWDERS. 268 PULVIS E SCAMMONIO CUM CA-PU LOMELANE. POWDER OF SCAMMONY WITH CALOMEL. Take of Scammony half an ounce. Calomel, Double-refined Sugar, of each two drams by weight. Rub them feparately to powder, and mix them. PULVIS E SENNA COMPOSI-TUS. COMPOUND POWDER OF SENNA. Take of Senna, Crystals of Tartar, of each two ounces by weight. Scammony half an ounce by weight. Ginger two drams by weight. Rub the Scammony by itself, the rest together into powder, and mix them all. PULVIS



PULVIS E. TRAGACANTHA COMPOSITUS.

COMPOUND POWDER OF TRAGACANTH.

Take of Tragacanth, powdered,

Gum Arabic,

Starch, of each an ounce and an half by weight.

Double-refined Sugar three ounces by weight.

Rub them together into powder.

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TROCHES OF STARCH.

TAKE of Starch an ounce and an half by weight.

Liquorice fix drams by weight.

Florentine Orris half an ounce by weight.

Double-refined Sugar one pound.

Rub these to powder; and, by the help of Tragacanth, dissolved in water, make Troches.

They may be made, if so chosen, without the Orris.

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TROCHISCI E CRETA.

TROCHES OF CHALK.

Take of Chalk, prepared, four ounces by weight.

> Crabs-claws, prepared, two ounces by weight.

> Cinnamon half an ounce by weight.

Double-refined Sugar three ounces by weight.

These being rubbed to powder, add the mucilage of Gum Arabic, and make Troches.

TROCHISCI GLYCYRRHIZE.

TROCHES OF LIQUORICE.

Take of Extract of Liquorice,

Double-refined Sugar, of each ten ounces by weight.

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Tragacanth, powdered, three ounces by weight.

Make Troches by adding water.

TROCHISCI E MAGNESIA.

TROCHES OF MAGNESIA.

Take of burnt Magnefia four ounces by weight.

Double-refined Sugar two ounces by weight.

Ginger, powdered, one scruple by weight.

With the addition of the mucilage of Gum Arabic make Troches.

REMARK.

One dram of these Troches, where acidity abounds in the stomach, will prove a very useful laxative, without increasing statulence.

TROCHISCI E NITRO.

TROCHES OF NITRE.

Take of purified Nitre, powdered, four ounces by weight.

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Double-refined Sugar, powdered, one pound.

Tragacanth, powdered, fix ounces by weight.

With the addition of water make Troches.

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The flow diffolution of Troches makes them convenient for the application of medicines to the fauces.—These, e Nitro, are found useful in some cases of uneasy deglutition.

TROCHISCI E SULPHURE.

TROCHES OF SULPHUR.

Take of washed Flowers of Sulphur two ounces by weight.

Double-refined Sugar four ounces by weight.

Rub them together; and, with the mucilage of Quince-feeds, now and then added, make Troches.

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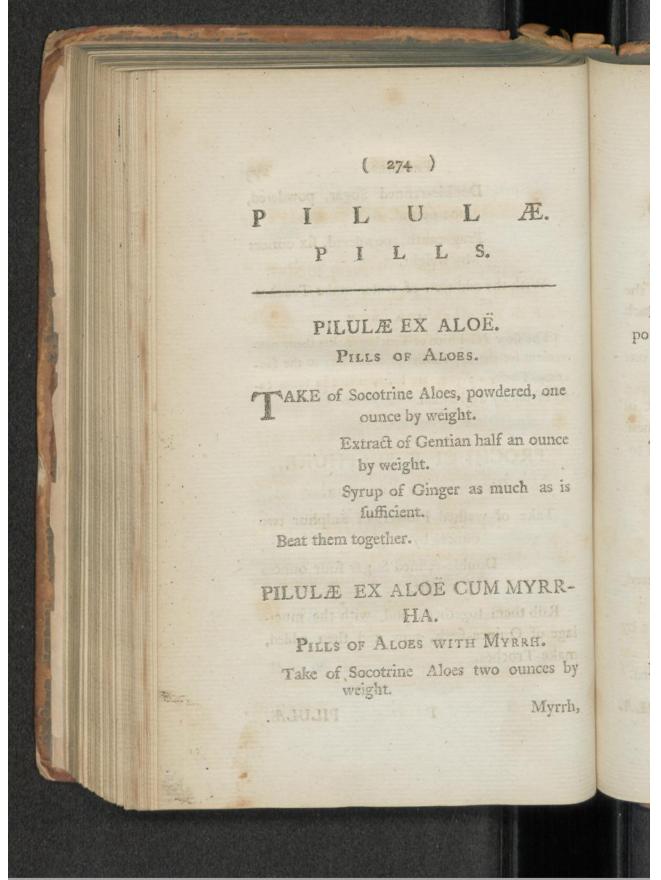
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Myrrh,

Saffron, of each one ounce by weight.

Syrup of Saffron as much as is fufficient.

Rub the Aloes and Myrrh feparately to powder; afterwards beat them all together.

PILULÆ E GUMMI.

GUM-PILLS.

Take of Galbanum,

Opopanax,

Myrrh,

Sagapenum, of each one ounce by weight.

Afa Fætida half an ounce by weight.

Syrup of Saffron as much as is fufficient.

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PILULÆ EX HYDRARGYRO.

QUICKSILVER-PILLS.

Take of purified Quickfilver,

Extract of Liquorice, having the consistence of Honey, of each two drams by weight.

Liquorice, finely powdered, one dram by weight.

Rub the Quickfilver with the Extract of Liquorice untill the globules disappear: then, adding the Liquorice-powder, mix them together.

PILULÆ EX OPIO.

OPIUM-PILLS.

Take of hard purified Opium, powdered, two drams by weight.

Extract of Liquorice one ounce by weight.

Beat them untill they are perfectly united.

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PILULÆ E SCILLA.

SQUILL-PILLS.

Take of fresh dried Squill, powdered, one dram by weight.

Ginger, powdered,

Soap, of each three drams by weight.

Ammoniacum two drams by weight.

Syrup of Ginger as much as is fufficient.

Beat them together.

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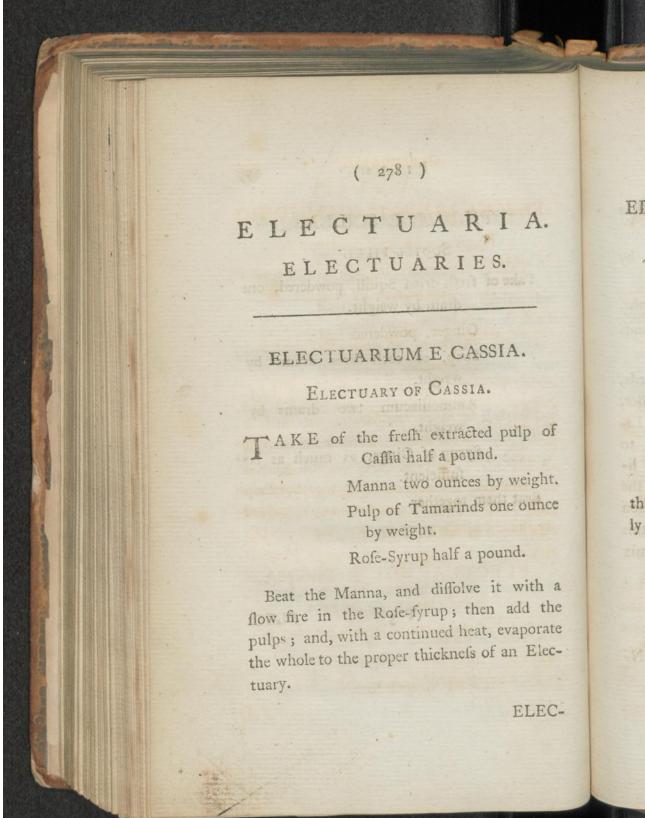
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ELECTUARIUM E SCAMMONIO.

ELECTUARY OF SCAMMONY.

Take of Scammony, in powder, one ounce and an half by weight.

Cloves,

Ginger, of each fix drams by weight.

Effential Oil of Caraway half a dram by weight.

Rofe-Syrup as much as is fufficient.

Mix the fpices, powdered together, with the fyrup; then add the Scammony, and lastly the Oil of Caraway.

ELECTUARIUM E SENNA.

ELECTUARY OF SENNA.

Take of Senna eight ounces by weight.

Figs one pound.

Pulp of Tamarinds,

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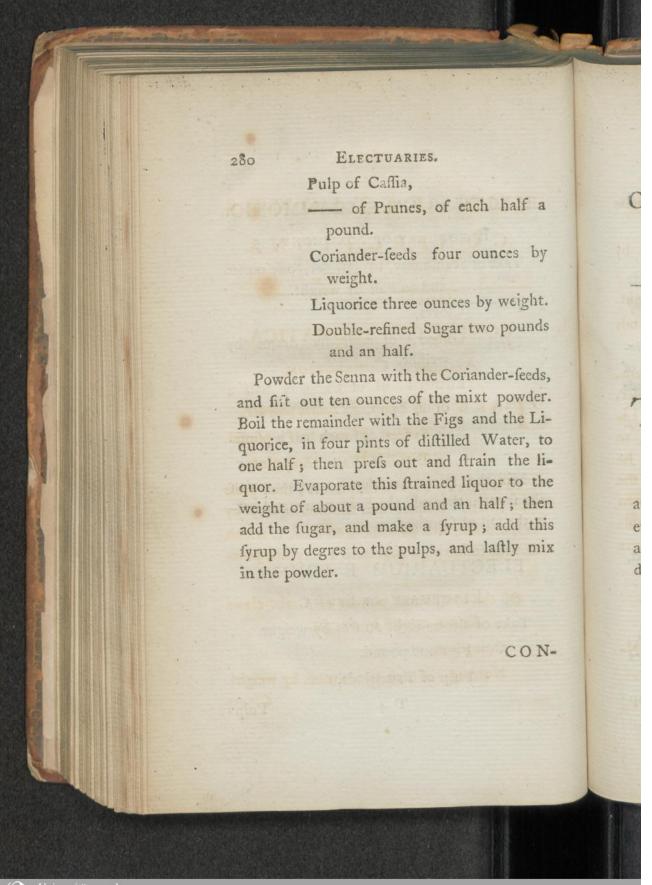
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CONFECTIONES.

CONFECTIO AROMATICA.

AROMATIC CONFECTION.

TAKE of Zedoary, in coarse powder, Saffron, of each half a pound. Distilled Water three pints.

Macerate for twenty-four hours; then press and strain. Reduce the strained liquor, by evaporation, to a pound and an half, to which add the following, rubbed to a very fine powder.

Of the compound powder of Crabs-claws fixteen ounces by weight.

Cinnamon,

Nutmegs, of each two ounces by weight.

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Cloves one ounce by weight.

Smaller Cardamom-feeds, hufked, half an ounce by weight.

Double-refined Sugar two pounds.

Make a Confection.

REMARK.

This is an improvement of the Confettio Cardiaca of the former Dispensatory. The essential Oil of the Cardamoms appeared, on an experiment made at the Hall, to be lost in the evaporation of the sincture;—the Cardamoms are, therefore, more properly added in powder.

CONFECTIO OPIATA.

CONFECTION OF OPIUM.

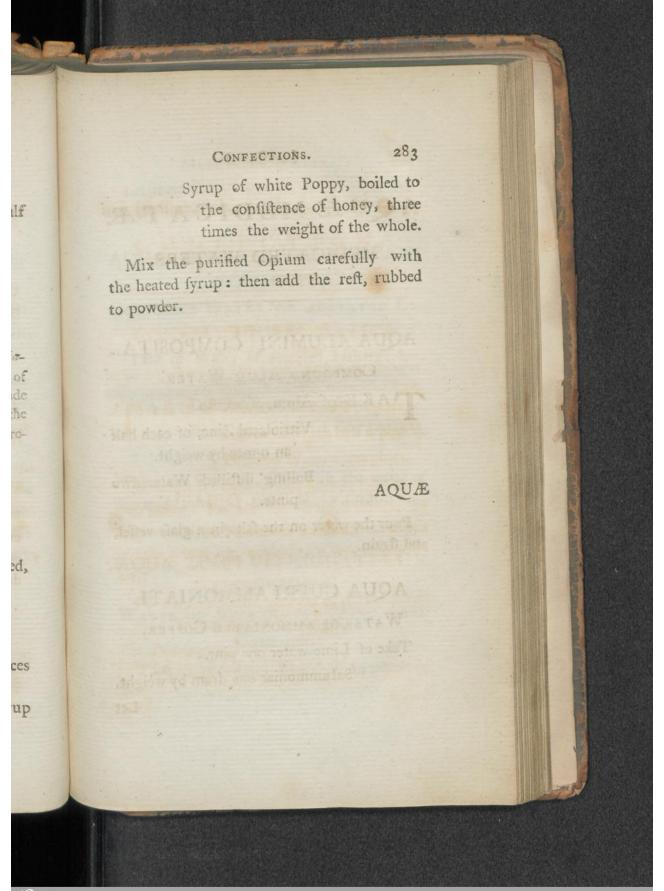
Take of hard purified Opium, powdered, fix drams by weight.

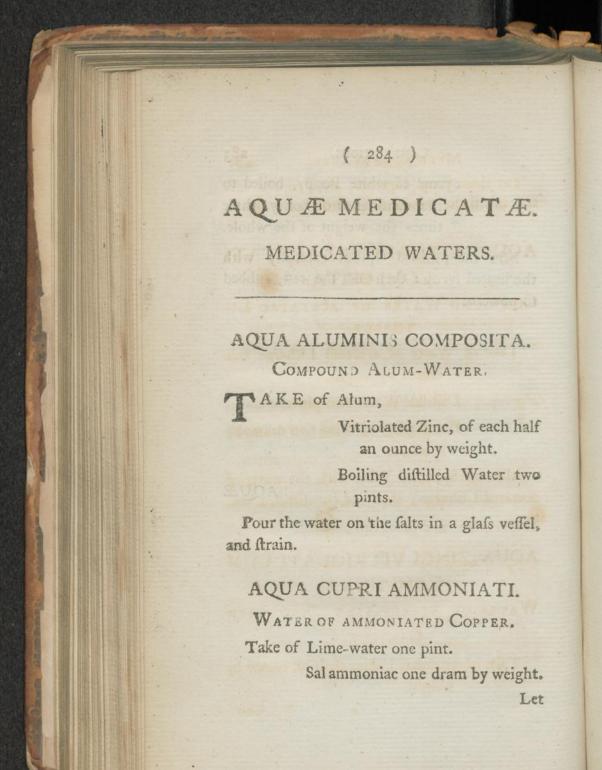
Long Pepper,

Ginger,

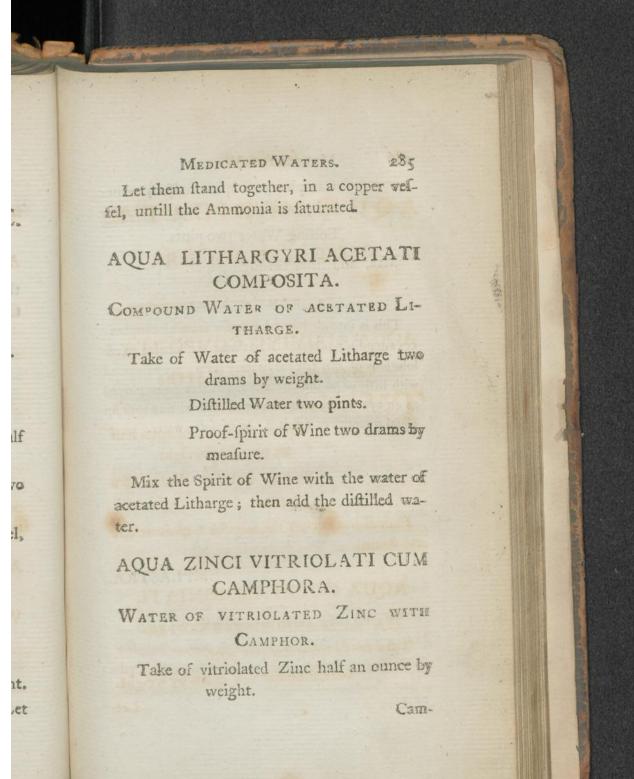
Caraway-feeds of each two ounces by weight.

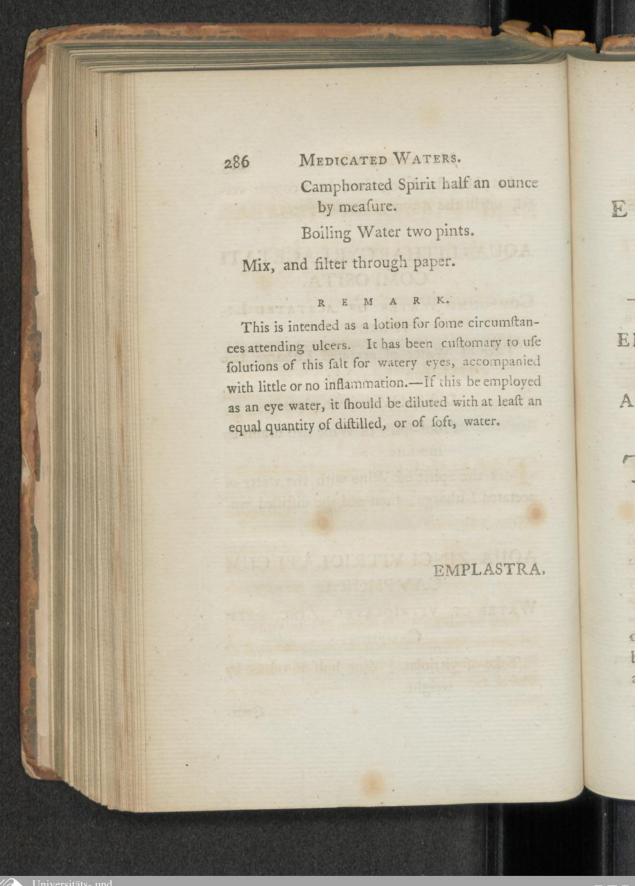
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E M P L A S T R A. PLASTERS.

EMPLASTRUM AMMONIACI CUM HYDRARGYRO.

AMMONIACUM-PLASTER WITH QUICK-

TAKE of strained Ammoniacum one pound.

Purified Quickfilver three ounces by weight.

Sulphurated Oil one dram by weight, or what is sufficient.

Rub the Quickfilver with the fulphurated oil untill the globules disappear; then add, by a little at a time, the melted Ammoniacum, and mix.

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EMPLASTRUM CANTHARIDIS.

PLASTER OF SPANISH FLY.

Take of Spanish Flies one pound.

Plaster of Wax two pounds.

Prepared Hog's Lard half a pound.

Having melted the plaster and lard, a little before they coagulate sprinkle in the Flies, reduced to a very fine powder.

REMARK.

Complaints have been often, and for a long time, justly made of the failure of blisters,—not, perhaps, always from a defect of the former formula. This and another composition were at the same time applied by one of the Committee on himself:—this was found to answer perfectly well, and with less pain than the other. That this, however, or any other composition should constantly succeed, the Apothecary must be careful that the Flies be good,—fresh powdered,—that powder very fine,—and that the Plaster be neither made in too great a quantity at once, nor spread with a spatula too much heated.

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EMPLASTRUM CERÆ.

WAX-PLASTER.

Take of yellow Wax,

Prepared Mutton-fuet, of each three pounds.

Yellow Resin one pound.

Melt them together, and strain the mixture whilst it is sluid.

EMPLASTRUM CUMINI.

CUMMIN-PLASTER.

Take of the Seeds of Cummin,

Caraway,

Bay-berries, of each three ounces by weight.

Burgundy Pitch three pounds.

Yellow Wax three ounces by weight.

Mix, with the melted Pitch and Wax, the rest of the ingredients, powdered, and make a Plaster.

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EMPLASTRUM LADANI.

LABDANUM-PLASTER.

Take of Labdanum three ounces by weight.

Frankincense one ounce by weight.

Cinnamon, powdered,

The expressed Oil, called Oil of Mace, of each half an ounce by weight.

Effential Oil of Spear-mint one dram by weight.

To the melted Frankincense add first the Labdanum, softened by heat; then the Oil of Mace. Mix these afterwards with the Cinnamon and Oil of Mint, and beat them together, in a warm mortar, into a Plaster. Let it be kept in a close vessel.

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This is the Empl. flomachicum of the former Difpensatory. The Committee on the former Dispensatory apprehended that no such Plaster could be effectual fet

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fectual without fome volatile substances; — that, to produce any considerable effects, the application must be frequently renewed; —and that this, being but moderately adhesive, might, without offending the skin, be taken off as often as should be judged necessary. See their Narrative.

EMPLASTRUM LITHARGYRI.

LITHARGE-PLASTER.

Take of Litharge, in very fine powder, five pounds.

Olive-oil a gallon.

Boil them, on a flow fire, with about two pints of water, confrantly stirring untill the Oil and Litharge unite, and have the confistence of a Plaster. But it will be proper to add more boiling water, if the water that was first added be nearly consumed before the end of the process.

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thecary, who has ferved an apprenticeship, knows that water is necessary to keep the heat moderate and prevent the fcorching and discoloration of the oil,-that conftant ftirring is not less fo, to prevent the matter fwelling too haftily and running over the fides of the veffel, - and that, if a subsequent addition of water be necessary, (as is generally the case,) it should be of a boiling heat, lest some of the boiling platter should fly in his face. But it should not be forgotten that a plaster is expected to stick, in some degree, to the part on which it is applied, -which this plaster but too often will not do. Lewis fays, fome of our industrious medicine-makers (perhaps having heard it faid that plasters are applications of little vie) have thought a cheaper composition would answer the purpose, and have accordingly added a large quantity of common whiting and hog's lard; whence it does not flick fo well, and the lard is apt to become rancid and acrimonious. Whether this plaster be spoiled by the fraud above mentioned,the ignorance,-or laziness,-of the preparer, in not boiling it fufficiently, - many other plasters, of which this forms the basis, will be deficient in the qualities expected by the College.

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EMPLASTRUM LITHARGYRI CUM GUMMI.

LITHARGE-PLASTER WITH GUM.

Take of Litharge plaster three pounds.

Strained Galbanum eight ounces
by weight.

Turpentine by weight ten drams.

Frankincense three ounces by weight.

The Galbanum and Turpentine being melted with a flow fire, mix with them the powdered Frankincense; and afterwards the Litharge-plaster, melted also with a very slow fire; and make a Plaster.

EMPLASTRUM LITHARGYRI CUM HYDRARGYRO.

LITHARGE-PLASTER WITH QUICKSIL-

Take of Litharge-plaster one pound.

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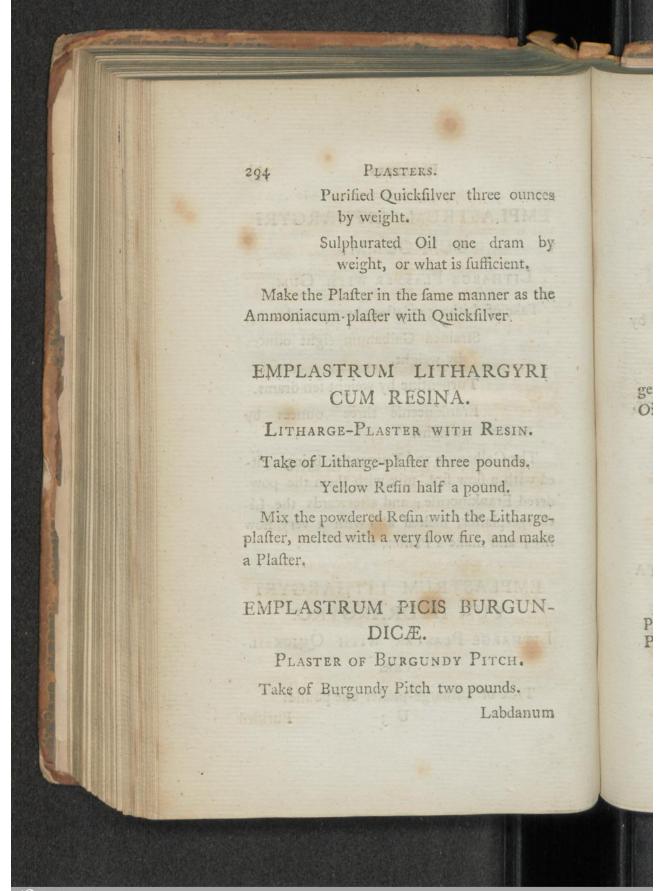
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Labdanum one pound.

Yellow Refin,

Yellow Wax, of each four ounces by weight.

The expressed Oil, commonly called Oil of Mace, one ounce by weight.

To the Pitch, Resin, and Wax, melted together, add first the Labdanum, and then the Oil of Mace.

EMPLASTRUM SAPONIS.

SOAP-PLASTER.

Take of Soap half a pound.

Litharge-plaster three pounds.

Mix the Soap with the melted Lithargeplaster, and boil them to the thickness of a Plaster.

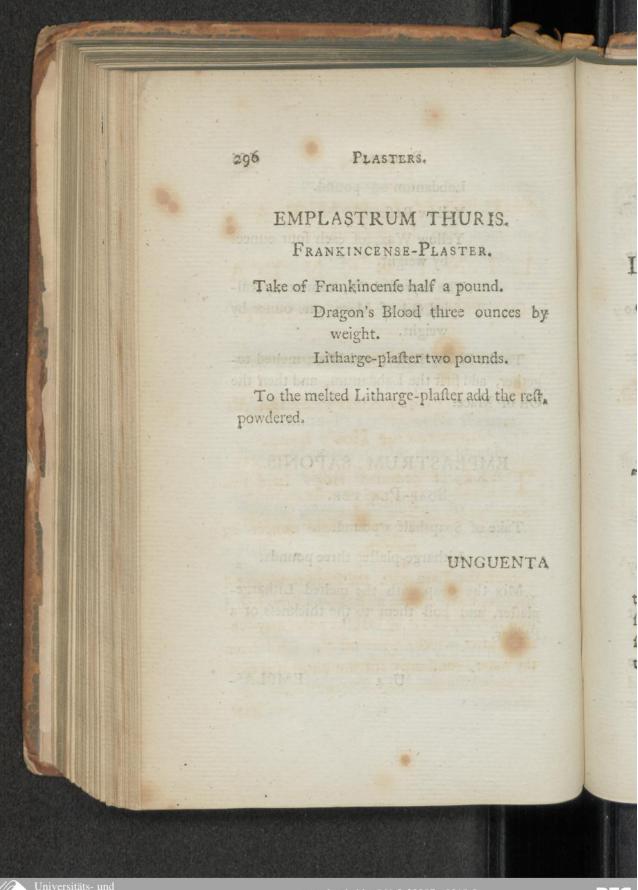
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OINTMENTS AND LINIMENTS.

UNGUENTUM ADIPIS SUILLÆ.

CINTMENT OF HOG'S LARD.

TAKE of prepared Hog's Lard two pounds.

Rose-water three ounces by measure.

Beat the Lard with the Rose-water untill they are mixed; then melt the mixture with a flow fire, and set it by that the water may subside; after which, pour off the Lard from the water, constantly stirring untill it is cold.

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OINTMENTS, 298 UNGUENTUM CALCIS HY-DRARGYRI ALBÆ. OINTMENT OF THE WHITE CALX OF QUICKSILVER. Take of the white Calx of Quickfilver one dram by weight. Ointment of Hog's Lard one ounce and an half by weight. Mix, and make an Ointment. CINTMENT OF HOG'S LARD. UNGUENTUM CANTHARIDIS. OINTMENT OF THE SPANISH FLY. Take of Spanish Flies, powdered, two ounces by weight. Distilled Water eight ounces by measure. Ointment of yellow Resin eight ounces by weight. Boil the water with the Spanish Flies to one half, and strain. To the strained liquor add the

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the Ointment of yellow Refin. Evaporate this mixture in a water-bath, faturated with Sea-falt, to the thickness of an Ointment.

UNGUENTUM CERÆ.

WAX-OINTMENT.

Take of white Wax four ounces by weight.

Spermaceti three ounces by weight.

Olive-oil one pint.

Stir them, after being melted with a flow fire, constantly and briskly, untill cold.

UNGUENTUM CERUSSÆ ACE-TATÆ.

OINTMENT OF ACETATED CERUSSE.

Take of acetated Cerusse two drams by weight.

White Wax two ounces by weight.

Olive-oil half a pint.

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Rub the acetated Cerusse, previously powdered, with some part of the Olive-oil; then add it to the wax, melted with the remaining oil. Stir the mixture untill it is cold.

UNGUENTUM ELEMI.

OINTMENT OF ELEMI.

Take of Elemi one pound.

Mutton-fuet, prepared, two pounds.

Olive-oil two ounces by measure.

Melt the Elemi with the fuet; and, having removed it from the fire, mix it immediately with the Turpentine and Oil, after which strain the mixture.

UNGUENTUM HELLEBORI AL-

OINTMENT OF WHITE HELLEBORE.

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

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Ointment of Hog's Lard four ounces by weight.

Effence of Limons half a scruple by weight.

Mix, and make an Ointment.

UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI FORTIUS.

STRONGER OINTMENT OF QUICKSILVER.

Take of purified Quickfilyer two pounds.

Hog's Lard, prepared, twenty-three ounces by weight.

Mutton-fuet, prepared, one ounce by weight.

First rub the Quicksilver with the Suet and a little of the Hog's Lard, untill the globules disappear; then add what remains of the Lard, and make an Ointment.

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UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI MITIUS.

WEAKER OINTMENT OF QUICKSILVER.

Take of the stronger Ointment of Quickfilver one part.

Hog's Lard, prepared, two parts.

UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI NITRATI.

OINTMENT OF NITRATED QUICKSILVER.

Take of purified Quickfilver one ounce by weight.

Nitrous Acid two ounces by weight.

Hog's Lard, prepared, one pound.

Dissolve the Quicksilver in the nitrous A-cid; and, whilst it is yet hot, mix with it the Hog's Lard, previously melted, and now growing cold.

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The folution should be made by digestion in a fand-heat,—and its mixture with the lard in a mortar of marble, or rather of Mr. Wedgewood's manufacture, by briskly stirring till an union, as complete as possible, shall be obtained.

UNGUENTUM PICIS.

TAR-OINTMENT.

Take of Tar,

Mutton-fuet, prepared, of each half a pound.

Melt them together, and strain.

UNGUENTUM RESINÆ FLAVÆ.

OINTMENT OF YELLOW RESIN.

Take of yellow Resin,

Yellow Wax, of each one pound.

Olive-oil one pint.

Melt the Resin and Wax with a slow fire; then add the Oil, and strain the mixture whilst hot.

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As the application of unguents, in a melted state, to ulcers, has long been unfashionable, particular care should be taken that the resin be perfectly melted.

UNGUENTUM SAMBUCI.

ELDER-OINTMENT.

Take of Elder-flowers four pounds.

Mutton-fuet, prepared, three pounds.

Olive-oil one pint.

Boil the Flowers in the Suet and Oil, first melted together, till they are almost crisp; then strain with expression.

UNGUENTUM SPERMATIS CE-TI.

OINTMENT OF SPERMACETI.

Take of Spermaceti fix drams by weight.

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White Wax two drams by weight. Olive-oil three ounces by measure.

Melt them together with a flow fire, stirring them constantly and briskly untill they are cold.

UNGUENTUM SULPHURIS.

SULPHUR-OINTMENT.

Take of Ointment of Hog's Lard half a pound.

Flowers of Sulphur four ounces by weight.

Mix, and make an Ointment.

UNGUENTUM TUTIÆ.

TUTTY-OINTMENT.

Take of prepared Tutty,

Ointment of Spermaceti, what is fufficient.

Mix them so as to make a soft Ointment.

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LINIMENTUM AMMONIÆ.

LINIMENT OF AMMONIA.

Take of Water of Ammonia half an ounce by measure.

Olive-oil one ounce and an half by measure.

Shake them together in a phial till they are mixed.

LINIMENTUM AMMONIÆ FOR-TIUS.

STRONGER LINIMENT OF AMMONIA.

Take of water of pure Ammonia one ounce by measure.

Olive-oil two ounces by measure.

Shake them together in a phial.

LINIMENTUM CAMPHORÆ.

CAMPHOR-LINIMENT.

Take of Camphor two ounces by weight.
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Water of Ammonia fix ounces by meafure.

Spirit of Lavender fixteen ounces by weight.

Mix the water of Ammonia with the spirit, and distill from a glass retort, with a flow fire, fixteen ounces. Then dissolve the Camphor in the distilled liquor.

LINIMENTUM SAPONIS.

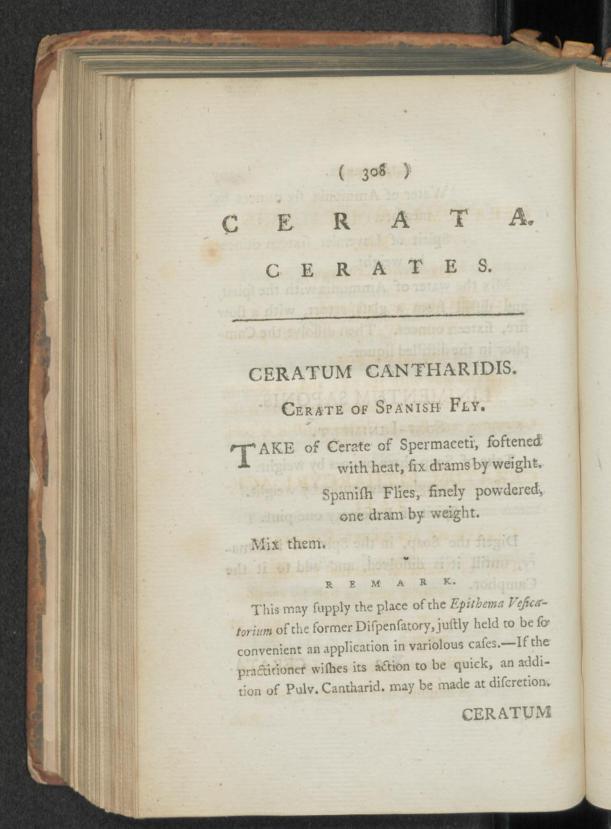
SOAP-LINIMENT.

Take of Soap three ounces by weight. Camphor one ounce by weight. Spirit of Rosemary one pint.

Digest the Soap, in the Spirit of Rosemary, untill it is diffolved, and add to it the Camphor.

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CERATUM LAPIDIS CALAMINA-RIS.

CALAMINE-CERATE.

Take of Calamine, prepared,

Yellow Wax, of each half a pound.

Olive-oil one pint.

Melt the wax with the oil; and, as foon as the mixture begins to thicken, mix with it the Calamine, and fir the Cerate untill it is cold.

CERATUM LITHARGYRI ACE-TATI.

CERATE OF ACETATED LITHARGE.

Take of Water of acetated Litharge two ounces and an half by measure.

Yellow Wax four ounces by weight.

Olive-oil nine ounces by measure. Camphor half a dram by weight.

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Rub the Camphor with a little of the oil. Melt the Wax with the remaining Oil, and, as foon as the mixture begins to thicken, pour in by degrees the water of acetated Litharge, and stir constantly untill it is cold; then mix in the Camphor, before rubbed with oil.

CERATUM RESINÆ FLAVÆ.

CERATE OF YELLOW RESIN.

Take of Ointment of yellow Resin half a pound.

Yellow Wax one ounce by weight.
Melt them together, and make a Cerate.

CERATUM SAPONIS.

SOAP-CERATE.

Take of Soap eight ounces by weight.

Yellow Wax ten ounces by weight.

Litharge, powdered, one pound.

Olive-oil one pint.

Vinegar one gallon.

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Boil the Vinegar with the Litharge, with a flow fire, constantly stirring until the mixture unites and thickens; then mix in the rest, and make a Cerate.

CERATUM SPERMATIS CETI.

CERATE OF SPERMACETI.

Take of Spermaceti half an ounce by weight.

White wax two ounces by weight.
Olive-oil four ounces by measure.

Melt them together, and stir until the Cerate is cold.

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CATAPLASMA CUMINI.

CATAPLASM OF CUMMIN.

TAKE of Cummin-feed one pound.

Bay-berries,

Dry Leaves of Water-germander, or Scordium,

Virginian Snake-root, of each three ounces by weight.

Cloves one ounce by weight.

Rub them all together; and, with the addition of three times the weight of honey, make a Cataplasm.

CATAPLASMA SINAPEOS.

MUSTARD-CATAPLASM.

Take of Mustard-seed, powdered,

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Crumb of Bread, of each half a pound.

Vinegar as much as is fufficient. Mix, and make a Cataplasin.

COAGULUM ALUMINIS.

ALUM-CURD.

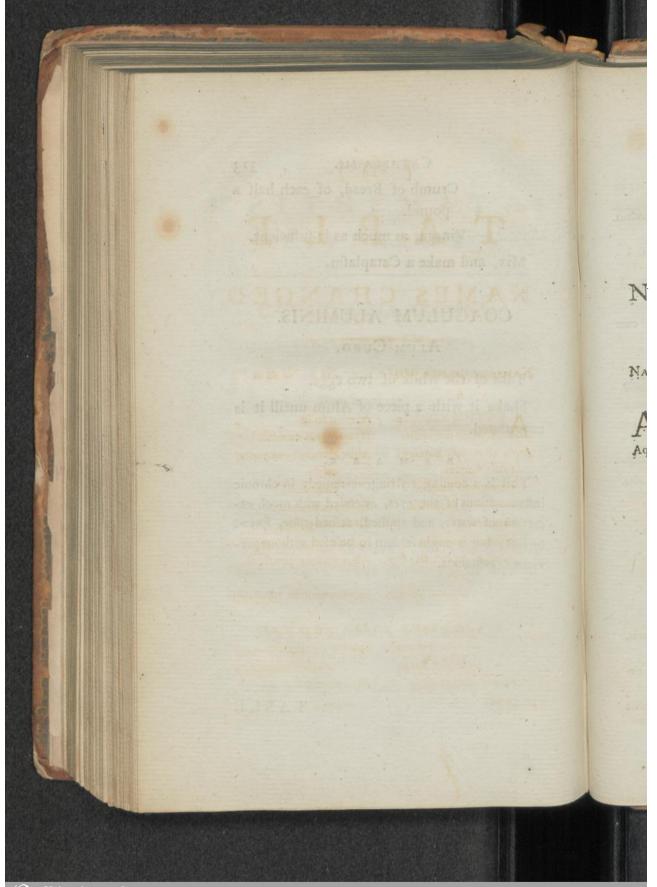
Take of the white of two eggs.

Shake it with a piece of Alum untill it is coagulated.

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This is a cooling reftringent remedy in chronic inflammations of the eyes, attended with much excretion of water, and applied, at bed-time, fpread on lint; but it ought feldom to be used without previous evacuations.

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A.

CETUM scilliticum. Æthiops mineralis. Aqua aluminofa Bateana. calcis fimplex. cinnamomi fimplex. ____ fpirituofa. hordeata. juniperi composita. menthæ piperitidis fimplex. ____ fpirituofa. vulgaris fimplex. fpirituofa. nucis moschatæ. piperis jamaicenfis. pulegii fimplex.

NEW NAMES.

Acetum feillæ.

Hydrargyrus cum fulphure.

Aqua aluminis composita.

calcis.

cinnamomi.

Spiritus cinnamomi.

Decoctum hordei.

Spiritus juniperi compositus.

Aqua menthæ piperitidis.

Aqua menthæ fativæ.

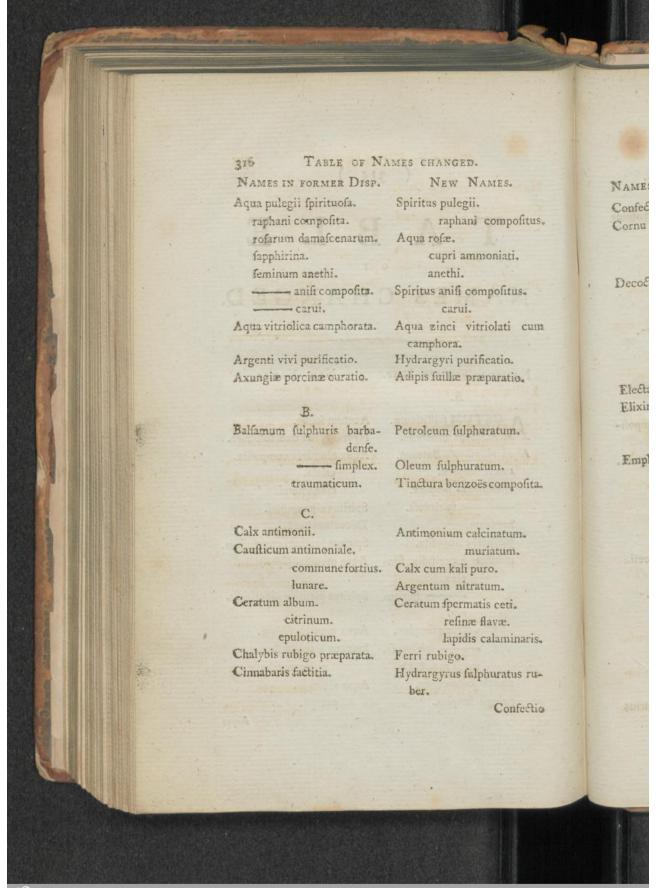
Spiritus menthæ fativæ.

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Aqua pimento.

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Confectio cardiaca. Cornu cervi calcinatio. NEW NAMES.

Confectio aromatica. Cornu cervi uftio.

Crium-purif Cum.

Decoctum album. commune pro clyftere. pectorale.

Decoctum cornu cervi. pro enemate.

hordei compositum.

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Electarium lenitivum. Elixir aloës.

myrrhæ compositum. paregoricum.

Emplastrum ex ammoniaco cum mercurio.

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Electuarium e fenna. Tinctura aloës composita.

fabinæ composita. opii camphorata.

Emplastrum ammoniaci cum hydrargyro.

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- cum refina.

- cum gummi.

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NEW NAMES.

Mercurius calcinatus.

Hydrargyrus calcinatus. muriatus.

corrofivus fublima-

nitratus ruber.

- ruber. dulcis fublimatus. emeticus flavus.

Calomelas.

præcipitatus albus.

Hydrargyrus vitriolatus. Calx hydrargyri alba.

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Nitrum vitriolatum,

Kali vitriolatum.

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Oleum petrolei barbadensis.

Oleum petrolei.

terebinthinæ æthe-

reum.

terebinthinæ rectificatum.

Opium colatum. Oxymel scilliticum. Opium purificatum, Oxymel scillæ.

P.

Philonium londinense. Pilulæ aromaticæ.

Confectio opiata.

Pulvis aloëticus cum guaia-

rufi. Pulvis e bolo compositus. Pilulæ ex aloë cum myrrha.

- -- cum opio.

Pulvis e creta compositus. - - cum opio,

- cerussa compositus.

- cerussa.

sternutatorius.

afari compositus.

R.

Rob baccarum fambuci.

Succus baccæ fambuci fpiffatus.

S.

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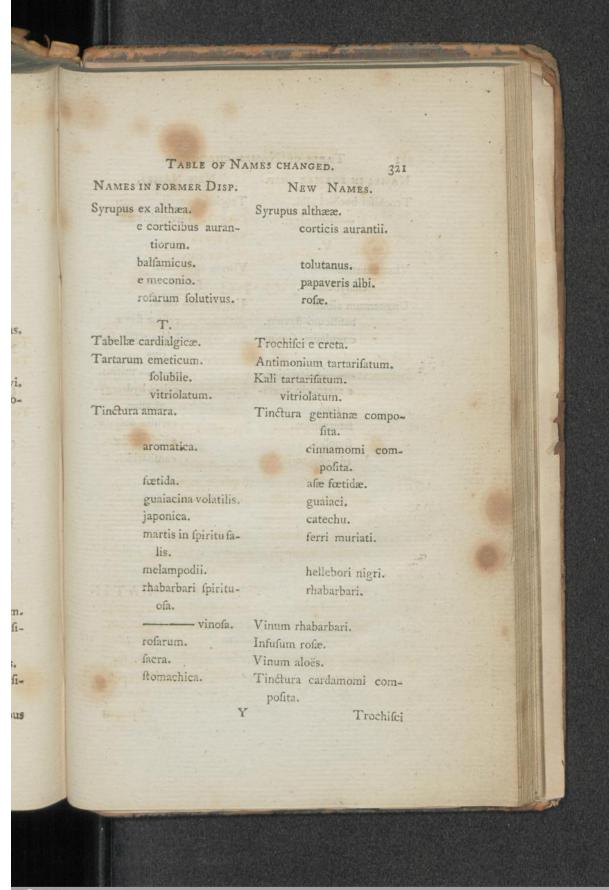


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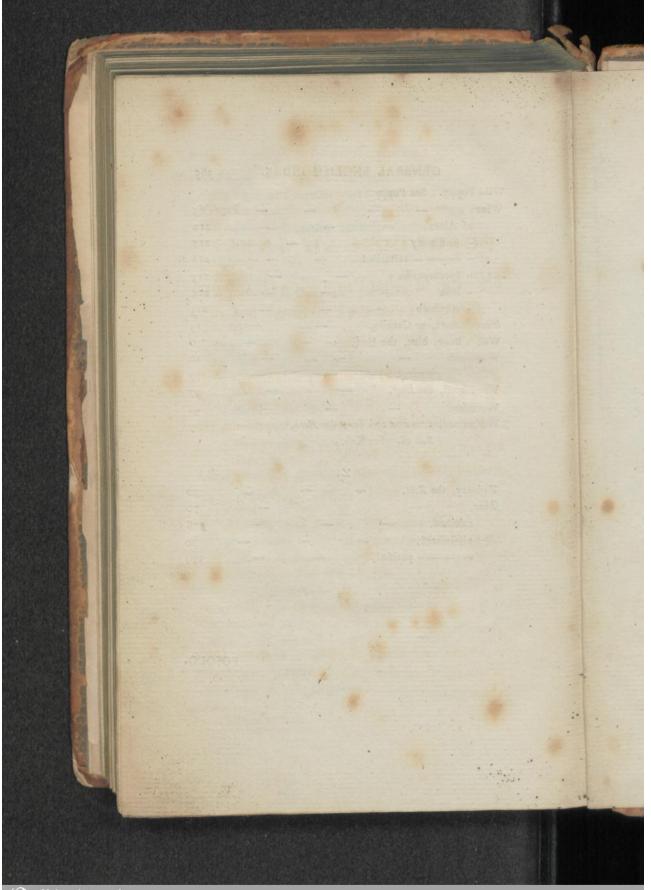
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CONFECTIO OPIATA contains one grain of Opium in thirty-fix grains.

EMPLASTRUM AMMONIACI CUM HYDRAR-GYRO contains one ounce of Quickfilver in five ounces.

EMPLASTRUM LITHARGYRI CUM HY-DRARGYRO contains one ounce of Quickfilver in five ounces.

PILULÆ EX HYDRARGYRO contain four grains of Quickfilver in ten grains.

PILULÆ EX OPIO contain one grain of Opium in five grains.

Pulvis E CRETA COMPOSITUS CUM OPIG contains about one grain of Opium in fortythree grains.

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Pulvis IPECACUANHÆ COMPOSITUS contains one grain of Opium in ten grains.

Pulvis opiatus contains one grain of Opium in ten grains.

Pulvis e Scammonio cum Calomelane contains one grain of Calomel in four grains.

UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI FORTIUS con-

UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI MITIUS contains one dram of Quickfilver in five drams.

UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI NITRATI contains twelve grains of nitrated Quickfilver in one dram.

UNGUENTUM CALCIS HYDRARGYRI ALBÆ contains four grains and an half of white Calx of Quickfilver in one dram.

THE END.

