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THE MEDULLA MEDICINÆ
UNIVERSÆ, composed by the
Command of His ROYAL HIGHNESS the
DUKE, for the Use of the Military
Hospital abroad, during the late War,
and published for these six or seven
Years past with a Translation and Com-
ment, I have the Pleasure to find has
met with a favourable Reception from
the World. And, indeed, the Gentle-
men, who, in Obedience to His ROYAL
HIGHNESS's Commands, were employed
in compiling it, have undoubtedly given
an incontestible Proof of their medical
Sagacity, the Result of their Delibera-
tions on this Occasion being a remark-
able Instance, to what a narrow Com-
pass solid Judgment and long Experi-
ence can reduce the prescribing Province.

In order to render the Plan still more
compleat, I have subjoined a large
additional

additional APPENDIX to it, containing various extemporaneous Forms, (accompanied with a Detail of the Virtues of every particular Prescription) corresponding with most medicinal Intentions of Cure. For, however well adapted the MEDULLA, &c. might be to the Removal of Disorders incident to the human Body, yet a Variety of Forms would not, I conceived, be disagreeable to those Gentlemen who should have the Care of sick Persons, inasmuch as such Sick frequently grow weary of the same identical Medicine, let it be never so proper for them; not to mention several Compositions devoted purely to the Treatment necessary for the FAIR SEX, and some occasional Hints in respect of Children; and, by way of Corollary to the Whole, I have sketched out some Directions concerning BLEEDING.

There is one Point that is very minutely and circumstantially handled in this Piece, as it is of a pretty extensive Nature, and apt besides (by young Practitioners at least) to be but superficially understood, namely, a GONORRHOEA. The intire Proceſs of that Distemper, from

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from the Beginning to the End, with its Symptoms and Concomitants, is set forth with all imaginable Candour, and without the least Reserve; and a Method laid down for its Cure, confirmed by a long successful Practice in regard of that unlucky Disorder.

Moreover, that nothing might be omitted, which could in the least Degree contribute to any Kind of Utility, Indexes are subjoined, regulated in the exactest Manner possible, of the various Diseases that occur, and of the Remedies appropriated to the particular Cases. And there is one farther Circumstance attending the following Piece, viz. whatever relates to the Cure of the Maladies specified in it, is delivered throughout in so plain and familiar a Stile, that any Person of tolerable Sagacity may on many Occasions be his own Physician: the Whole being calculated for the Benefit of the Community no less than for that of the FACULTY of PHYSICK.

JOHN THEOBALD.

PREFACE

From the beginning to the End, with its
Symptoms and Concomitants, is attended
with all imaginable Carriage, and with
one the same Patients, and a Method
led down for its Cure, contained in
a long tract, the Author is obliged to
the University of Oxford.

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contribute to any kind of Utility,
I have not hesitated to insert in the
English Manuscript parts of several
Diseases that occur, and of the Remedies
demonstrated to the particular Cases.
And there is one farther Circumstance
concerning the following Treatise, which
even relates to the Cure of the Distemper
specified, as it is delivered throughout
in so plain and familiar a Style, that
any Person of reasonable Sagacity may
on many Occasions be his own Physician;
the whole being calculated for the Use
not of the Country, no less than for
that of the Faculty of Physicians.

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