

*Medicated Vinegars, in Latin, aceta Medicata.**Distilled Vinegar, in Latin, acetum Distillatum.*

Put six quarts of strong vinegar into an earthen pan, evaporate about a quart in a bath, which is the phlegmatick part, and pour that which remains into a glass or earthen Cucurbit, and distil it in a strong sand heat, until there remains nothing at bottom, but a substance like honey, keep this vinegar well stoppt, some call it spirit of Vinegar.

Virtues Its principal use is to dissolve or precipitate bodies, it is sometimes mixed in cordial potions, to resist putrefaction, it is mixed with water, this is called oxycrate, which is used to stop Hemorrhagies, and being outwardly applyed it asswages inflamations.

Dose. Half a spoonful of it may be taken at a time in some proper liquor.

Rose Vinegar, in Latin, Acetum Rosaceum.

Take of red Roses before they are full blown, the white being cut off, one pound, they must be dried in the Sun, add to them six quarts of Vinegar, set them in the Sun for the space of forty days, then strain the Vinegar, repeat the infusion with fresh Roses; after the same manner is made Vinegar of Elderflowers, Rosmary flowers, and clove Gilly Flowers.

Note. That these Vinegars are prescribed for sauces, according to the various diseases of the sick, as vinegar of Rosmary flowers, for instance in diseases of the head and the like.

Treacle

Treacle Vinegar, in Latin, Acetum Theriacale Norimberg.

Take of the roots of the greater Celandine one ounce and an half, of the roots of Angelica, Masterwort, Gentian, Bistort, Valerian, Burnet, White Dittany, Elecampane, Zedoary, each one dram, of the root of the greater Planrain one dram and an half, of the leaves of Moufear, Sage, Scabious, Scordium, Dittany of Creet, of Blessed Thistle, each half an handful, of the bark and seeds of Citron, each one dram and an half, of Bole armonick one dram, of Saffron three drams, of Hartshorn one dram and an half, of these let the Saffron, Hartshorn, Dittany and Bole be tyed up in a rag, and infused with the other ingredients for many days, in five pints of the sharpest vinegar; you must infuse them in a glass well stopped in a moderate heat, strain out the vinegar, and dissolve in it six drams of the best Treacle, shake it often and keep it for use.

Virtues. This is proper to be used in the Plague time and against Malignity, and to prevent infection.

Dose. Half a spoonful of it may be taken at a time, in some proper liquor.

Decoctions.

Common Decoction for a Glyster, in Latin, Decoctum commune pro Clystere.

Take of the leaves of Mallows, Violets, Pellitory, Beet, Mercury, each one handful, of the flowers of Camomel two Pugils, of sweet Fennel seeds half an ounce, of Linseed two drams, boil them in a sufficient quantity of water to a pint.

Virtues. This is used in general to empty the Bowels,