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ENCOURAGEMENT AND PROTECTION

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IF the terms employed in any science imply the most essential properties of the things which those terms are intended to signify; and if these terms be as few and as short, as is consistent with the meaning to be conveyed; the acquisition of knowledge in such science will be greatly facilitated.

Chemistry consists in the knowledge of certain properties of different species of substances, which properties principally arise from the action of the chemical attraction or affinity of these substances upon one another: and this attraction takes place either between different kinds of simple substances, or between substances compounded of different kinds of simple bodies.

The easiest mode of attaining this knowledge is, *first*, to acquire notions of the properties arising from the chemical attraction of *undecomposed* substances upon each other: *secondly*, to acquire notions of the properties arising from the chemical attraction between *compound* bodies and *simple* bodies: and, *lastly*, to acquire notions of the properties arising from the chemical attraction between *compound* substances and *compound* substances.



These notions relating either to *undecompounded* bodies, or to bodies *compounded*, it is proper here to observe, that the most important chemical properties of the *former* arise especially from their *affinities*; and the most important chemical properties of the latter arise from their *composition* and their *affinities*: consequently the terms employed to denote the different substances should, for the *former*, imply chiefly their *affinities*; and for the *latter*, their *composition* and *affinities*.

The following instances may serve to exemplify the advantages to be obtained by the use of terms, which imply the most important properties of the substances intended to be denoted by those terms:

There is a substance in the *Gaz* state which is most commonly denominated VITAL AIR: now this term implies merely that this substance is *necessary to life*; but this is not a chemical property; and consequently, in chemistry, this term is improper. The most important chemical property of this substance is, that of *producing acid* by uniting with certain other bodies: and therefore the term OXYGEN, (which implies this acidifying property,) with the addition of the term GAZ, (which implies the state of elastic fluidity,) must excite a more just chemical notion of this substance than the term VITAL AIR.

Again there is a substance popularly known by the term GLAUBER'S SALT, which term barely implies that this substance was discovered, prepared, or used by *Glauber*; but it denotes no distinguishing chemical property whatever. Now the most important chemical property of this substance is, its composition, namely, that it consists of SODA united with SULPHURIC ACID; or of OXYGEN, SULPHUR, and SODA united: for SULPHURIC ACID is compounded of OXYGEN and SULPHUR, and SODA is an undecompounded body. Now if the term SULFATE be under-



stood (as in the new system of chemistry) to mean a substance composed of SULPHURIC ACID, and a BASIS which is a METALLIC OXYD, EARTH, or ALKALI; and if it be understood that the term signifying the particular basis is added to denote the particular species of SULFATE, then a just notion of GLAUBER'S SALT will easily be conveyed and recollected by the term SULFATE of SODA.

I have likewise said that as few and as short terms should be employed as is consistent with the notions to be conveyed. It is particularly advantageous to observe this rule in chemistry, on account of the vast number of substances whose chemical properties are the objects of this branch of natural knowledge. The practice of this rule may be very extensive in chemistry; because, among the great number of different substances to be known, one kind of component or undecomposed body frequently serves to compose a number of these very different substances; many different species of things have one, or more, eminent property in common, and there are other, though more remote, analogies in the properties of different kinds of substances. A single example, taken from the New System of Chemistry, may explain clearly how much brevity and simplicity in terms, provided the terms have a proper import, facilitate the acquisition, retention, and communication of chemical knowledge.

SULPHUR may be a component of a great number, at least three hundred, different species of substances; for, in the *first place*, SULPHUR may unite with OXYGEN, by which combination it is rendered into the ACID STATE; but this ACID is of three different species, according to three different quantities of Oxygen which may combine with a given quantity of Sulphur, and these three species are named the *Sulphureous*, the *Sulphuric*, and the *OXYGENATED Sulphuric Acids*.



*Secondly*, each of these Acids may unite with at least twenty-six different kinds of substances, which are metallic Oxyds, Earths, and Alkalies, and consequently produce seventy-eight different compound bodies. These compound bodies may be denoted by analogous words corresponding to the analogies of the composition of the bodies which they denote. Accordingly, the word *Sulfite* denotes compounds consisting of the *Sulphureous* Acid and each of the above twenty-six different kinds of substances; *Sulfate* implies compounds consisting of *Sulphuric* Acid and the above twenty-six bases; and *Oxygenated Sulfate* signifies compounds consisting of the *Oxygenated Sulphuric* Acid and the above twenty-six different bases.

The particular species of compound substances belonging to each of these three genera, named *Sulfite*, *Sulfate*, and *Oxygenated Sulfate*, are signified by subjoining the name of the basis as an adjective to these generic names. Accordingly the meaning of the names *Sulfite* of Soda, *Sulfate* of Soda, *Oxygenated Sulfate* of Soda, will, without difficulty, suggest the composition of these substances.

Different species of substances are also produced by different quantities of *Sulphuric* Acid uniting with given quantities of Alkalies, Metallic Oxyds, and Earths; and when such compounds possess acid properties they are generally named *Acidulous Sulfite*, *Acidulous Sulfate*, *Acidulous Oxygenated Sulfate*. The species comprehended under these three generic terms are denoted (as already mentioned on the subject of the genera *Sulfite*, *Sulfate*, and *Oxygenated Sulfate*) by subjoining the name of the species of basis to the generic name.

*Thirdly*, *Sulphur* may unite with Metals, Earths, Alkalies, Hydrogen Gaz, and other bases which are not acidified or are not



acidifiable. The compound bodies produced by these combinations are denominated SULPHURETS, and by subjoining to the word Sulphuret the name of the particular species of basis, the composition of the particular species of Sulphuret will be clearly implied.

By the names SULPHURET OF POTASH, SULPHURET OF SODA, SULPHURET OF IRON, SULPHURET OF LIME, SULPHURET OF HYDROGEN GAZ, &c. a just notion may be acquired of the composition of the compound just mentioned to consist of SULPHUR AND CERTAIN BASES NOT ACIDIFIED or NOT ACIDIFIABLE.

*Fourthly*, SULPHUR may combine with a set of substances, called OXYDS OF METALS; which consists of a Metal united to Oxygen, and which, as their denomination imports, are in a state *approaching to Acid*. The compounds of this genus are named SULPHURATED OXYDS, and by subjoining the name of the particular species of Oxyd, names are formed which import the composition to be a compound of Metallic Oxyd and Sulphur, or of Metal Oxygen and Sulphur; as will appear on mentioning the names SULPHURATED OXYD OF ANTIMONY, SULPHURATED MERCURIAL OXYD, &c. As the Oxyds of the same metal are of different species according to the *quantity of Oxygen* combined with the *Metal*, of course the Sulphurated Oxyds of the same metal are of different species, and the number of species of Sulphurated Oxyds is very considerable.

It appears therefore that by four different terminations of the word Sulphur, and by two different abbreviations of it, and by adding the word which is the name of the species of substance united to Sulphur, or by prefixing a word which signifies the substance combined with a compound of Sulphur Oxygen and a basis, above 300 different kinds of substances (which consists of Sulphur united to other



bodies) may be denominated, so as to import the most essential properties of the things which these terms are intended to signify. The just meaning, simplicity, and brevity of the terms in these instances arise from naming substances analogous in their composition by the same term for the analogy and with an epithet to denote the difference. Hence the notion of the substance will suggest the name, and the name will suggest a just notion of the substance. A language so formed is the only means by which the mind is rendered equal to the comprehension and recollection of such an immense number of properties of substances as belong to chemistry; and this will surely be allowed by every person who will compare the effect of the terms above explained with the effect of the terms in former nomenclatures; which latter terms have no analogy to each other, however analogous the substances may be which those terms were intended to signify.

In proportion to the advances towards perfection in science may the language of science be rendered more and more perfect. Things are generally very imperfectly known by those who first observe them, and consequently in general improper names are bestowed by the first observers. The first persons known to have cultivated chemistry were what we now distinguish by the name of *Alchemists*, or *Astrologers*, or *Magicians*. They lived in the dark ages of literature, from about the ninth to the fourteenth century. They were but very imperfectly acquainted with the chemical properties of most substances, and from motives of vanity and pride, (and in order to commit frauds) they communicated their knowledge in metaphorical, bombastic, and mystical language. Considerable improvements were made in chemistry during the fifteenth and sixteenth, and especially the seventeenth century, but the progress of it was far from proportioned to the progress of the other branches of natural phi-



losofhy. The *general* properties of material substance had been investigated very fully before the properties arising from the action of *particular* species of substances on certain other species were investigated to any considerable extent. Mayow and Boyle were the only persons in the seventeenth century who can be truly said to have investigated the chemical properties of substances with a view to the science of chemistry. Newton, however, in the beginning of this century, proposed that many phenomena of chemistry should be arranged under the head of a peculiar attraction: and in the early part of the present century Stahl accounted for so many chemical properties from the presence and absence of PHLOGISTON, (although an imaginary substance) that few chemical explanations were given for fifty years afterwards without using the word phlogiston, or words derived from it. Boerhaave, Geoffroy, Lewis, and Cullen (principally by showing the difference between affinity, or chemical attraction, and mechanical attraction) distinguished clearly the science of chemistry from natural philosophy. Hales, by numerous experiments, made appear that property of many species of matter by which, under different circumstances, they will be either in the gaseous or concrete state; which property had been demonstrated, though less extensively, by Mayow and Boyle. The fundamental and important discoveries of Carbonic Acid, and Hydrogen Gas, by Black and Cavendish, between the years 1755 and 1766, appear to have been the chief causes of the unparalleled number of new chemical facts found out between the year 1770 and 1780, not only unparalleled by those discovered in any former equal period, but perhaps in any whole century. This rapid progress of chemistry from 1770 to 1780 made the cultivators of it sensible of the many improprieties, absurdities, and barbarisms in its terms, and partial reforms were made by Baumé, Cullen, and others. How unjust, whimsical, and



ridiculous must the names Sugar of Lead, Liver of Sulphur, Oil of Vitriol, Butter of Antimony, Mercurius Vitæ, Luna Cornea, Microcosmic Salt, Calomelas, Flowers of Zinc, Flowers of Benzoin, Terra foliata Tartari, Glauber's wonderful Salt, Vital Air, Caustic Alkali, Semi-metal, Diaphoretic Antimony, &c. now appear to every person acquainted with the chemical properties of the substances thus denominated !

But besides these fantastic denominations, the same term was, in many instances, employed for substances in no respect similar; for instance, Calx was employed for Oxyd of Metal, and Quick Lime.

In other instances the same species of substance was sometimes denominated differently, according to the different matter from which it was prepared; so the same kind of Alkaline Salt was called Salt of Tartar, Salt of Wormwood, Pearl Ash, Potash.

The difficulties to students in chemistry, after the improvements made up to the year 1780, must have been very great, on account of the immense number of facts to be known by terms which did not import the nature of these facts; which terms had no similarity to one another, according to the similarity of the things intended to be signified, and which were often periphrases or definitions. No *general* reform of chemical language was proposed till the year 1782, by De Guyton, (ci-devant, De Morveau,) in a "Memoir upon chemical denominations, the necessity of improving the system, and the rules for attaining a perfect language." With this memoir he published a "Table of Chemical Nomenclature; containing the principal analogical denominations, and examples of the formation of compound names." This table was a system of names agreeably to five principles in the above memoir, namely,

I. That every substance should be denoted by a *name*, and not by a *phrase*:



II. That the names should be given according to the nature of the things intended to be signified by them :

III. That when the character of the substance is not sufficiently well known to determine the denomination, a name which has no meaning should be preferred to one which might give an erroneous idea.

IV. In the choice of new denominations, those which have their root in the most generally known dead languages should be preferred, in order that the word may be suggested by the sense, and the sense by the word.

V. The denominations should be arranged with care, to suit the genius of the language for which they are proposed.

How much indebted the authors of the Nomenclature of the new system in particular, and the public in general, are to De Guyton, will appear most plainly on comparing his chemical table with that of the new system. The learned and judicious Bergman, who had previously introduced some new names, in 1782 proposed his plan of reform, particularly in the Nomenclature of Oryctology, formed upon certain principles, "*ut vere, perspicue, apte, et breviter exprimantur, quæ verbis sunt indicanda.*" These principles of Bergman, and his Nomenclature, are nearly the same as those of De Guyton, whose plan Bergman approves.

Principally from the influence of the writings of De Guyton and Bergman, chemical writers for several years have adopted their method of naming; and, what is remarkable, I find many medicines in the Pharmacopoeia Rossica, so early as 1782, denominated by terms denoting their composition. In the Pharmacopoeia Edinburgensis, published in 1783, also a few new names, agreeably to the plan of Bergman, are inserted; and the writers of the Pharmacopoeia



Suecica in 1785 have availed themselves of Bergman's Nomenclature to signify the composition of many substances.

A more extensive and a better acquaintance with the chemical properties of matter which have occasioned improvements in its language, have also occasioned a new manner of reasoning in chemistry. The experiments of Wilcke, Irwin, Black, and Crawford, (showing that that substance or quality which produces the sensation of heat may exist in most bodies in a state of combination, or analogous to combination, without producing the sensation of heat,) and the experiments principally of Cavendish and Priestley, and perhaps of Mayow and Hales, (showing that different species of rare, elastic, and, for the most part, invisible fluids may very often by combination serve to compose dense solids) furnished the facts which suggested to Lavoisier explanations of phenomena hitherto referred to the hypothetical principle, Phlogiston. To those who reasoned according to Lavoisier's principles, the former language of chemistry was doubly improper, because the import of many of the words was according to the Phlogistic hypothesis, and, as hath been already said, the words did not import the most essential properties of the things intended to be signified. To a person who has seen the change of Phosphorus and Sulphur into the Acid state by their combination with Oxygen, and the reproduction of Phosphorus and Sulphur by separating Oxygen from Sulphuric and Phosphoric Acids, how absurd and erroneous must appear the words dephlogisticated Phosphorus and Sulphur, and phlogisticated Phosphorus and Sulphur, used to signify these changes: and how just and significant of the cause of these changes are the words oxygenated Phosphorus and Sulphur, and de-oxygenated phosphoric and sulphuric Acids.

The new principles of reasoning proposed by Lavoisier of course



occasioned many names to be added to, and many to be discarded from, the chemical Nomenclature of De Guyton and Bergman; because the two last-mentioned Chemists reasoned upon the principle of Phlogiston. Soon after the new Nomenclature and new theory of Chemistry had been disseminated, mankind sustained a severe misfortune by the death of Bergman, which happened in 1784. De Guyton continuing his labours to improve the language of chemistry, and sensible of the extreme difficulty of rendering it perfect, wisely, in 1787, availed himself of the assistance of the Members of the French Academy. Very probably, it was from his conferences with them that he became a profelyte to the new or antiphlogistic theory. De Guyton was especially assisted by Lavoisier, Bertholet, and De Fourcroy; and these four Chemists, by their joint labours, have formed a Table of chemical Nomenclature according to the new theory and the principles above mentioned to have been stated by De Guyton. This table was presented to the Royal Academy of Sciences the 18th of April, 1787, and published in May or June following. For two or three years the chemical table, excepting by the French Chemists, was generally censured or neglected; probably because the theory upon which it was founded was not thought to be sufficiently well supported, and because those who possess knowledge are unwilling to be at the trouble of changing the words by which they retain it, however improper those words may be.

The new system of chemical Principles and Nomenclature have been most remarkably fortunate in receiving confirmation from almost every new fact discovered since its first publication, particularly with respect to the main facts by which it was originally supported; namely, the composition of Water, the composition of Acids, especially of the several kinds produced by the combination of Oxygen with different proportions of Nitrogen, Carbon, Sulphur,



Phosphorus, Arsenic, &c.; and the composition of Oxyds. Since the year 1790, the New System of Chemistry, as it is called, and its new language, have been very generally adopted. Kirwan, in January 1790, after, as he says, "combating in defence of Phlogiston for ten years," lays down his arms; and Black, in the same month of that year, which is a remarkable coincidence, acknowledges that he is a convert to the "new doctrine."

I must acknowledge that I have experienced greater facility in teaching, and students experience greater facility in learning, the new system of principles with its Nomenclature than the former system of chemistry. I find the trouble of learning the meaning of new names amply compensated by a more just and extensive knowledge of things.

Under the present circumstances of chemistry, I have considered myself to be fully justifiable in teaching the new system and employing the new terms; and in order to facilitate the acquisition of the knowledge of them, I have translated from the French the New chemical Nomenclature, with the alterations and additions hereafter to be explained.

I beg leave to observe, that I do not consider the terms in the original table, nor in the table in the state in which it is now submitted to the public, as even near perfection. I am fully sensible of many defects, and some improprieties, in the new Nomenclature, and that as the subject becomes better known the terms must receive successive improvements; but, in my apprehension, the new paths now laid open lead to the highest attainments in chemical science, and to the most beneficial consequences to the arts in common life.

Although I think I can vindicate the new System of chemical Nomenclature, I must lament, for the sake of medical students, the introduction of the new names in the London Pharmacopoeia of



1788, and the Edinburgh Pharmacopoeia of 1792. I apprehend that it would have been fortunate if the former names had been continued in use, or if those of the new Chemistry had been inserted. Many of these new denominations in the Pharmacopoeias, it is true, had been already used by Bergman, and some are formed upon his principles, and denote justly the chemical composition; but the denominations upon these principles are, in many instances, not given, and in some cases they denote a composition not belonging to the substance. Likewise, many of the terms inserted on the authority of the colleges do not, as Bergman requires, *vere, perspicue, et apte*, import the substances which they are intended to signify. But if the new names had been, according to Bergman's principles, extensively and properly imposed, the insertion of them in place of the former names would but have increased the difficulties of students; because in elementary books and lectures, in general, either the denominations of the new Nomenclature, or the ancient names only, have been hitherto used.

I have said that in many instances the names of the Dispensatories of London and Edinburgh do not denote the chemical composition of medicines; as instances, I point out Antimonium Vitrifactum, which is compounded of Oxyd of Antimony and Sulphur, and Sulphur Antimonii Præcipitatum also compounded of the same substances; Crocus Antimonii, a compound of Oxyd of Antimony and Sulphur mixed with Potash and Muriate of Soda; Flores Zinci, a compound of Zinc and Oxygen; Magnesia, a compound consisting of Magnesia and Carbonic Acid; Alumen, which consists of Sulphuric Acid united to Alumina; Calomelas is compounded of Oxyd of Mercury and Muriatic Acid; Natron and Kali præparatum are compounded of Carbonic Acid and a peculiar species of alkaline Salt; Flores Benzoës are an Acid.



I have said that in these Pharmacopœias some terms have been erroneously imposed, for they signify a different composition from the composition of the medicines they denote, as in the instance of the *Hydrargyrus nitratus ruber*; in which I can discover no nitrous Acid as its name implies, but merely Oxygen and Mercury; and *Sulphur Antimonii præcipitatum*, which is not Sulphur precipitated from Antimony, but a compound consisting of Oxyd of Antimony united to Sulphur, and which is therefore called, in the new system, Sulphurated antimonial Oxyd.

I have affirmed also that many of the names inserted for the first time on the authority of the colleges of London and Edinburgh do not convey a just meaning of the substances which they should signify. The word *Kali*, hitherto used to signify the plant whose ashes contain a species of alkaline Salt, which by uniting with acidulous Tartrate of Potash serves to compose the Salt popularly known by the name Rochelle Salt, in the London Pharmacopœia signifies a totally different species of alkaline Salt, namely, that which, by uniting to acidulous Tartrate of Potash, produces Tartrate of Potash or Soluble Tartar. The substance named *Kali* is composed of carbonic Acid and a peculiar alkaline Salt, which composition is not implied by this name. In this instance, too, the rule that new names shall not be introduced unnecessarily is violated, for those already in use, viz. Potash, Vegetable Alkali, &c., were at least as proper as those newly introduced. The name *Lixiva*, in the Edinburgh Pharmacopœia, inserted to signify the species of Alkali just mentioned to be signified by the name *Kali*, is from the words *Lix* and *Lixiva*, and *Lixivium*, used by Pliny to signify a ley or solution in water of the saline Matter of the Ashes of Fuel. This name *Lixiva* cannot surely with propriety be used to denote the substance in-



tended to be signified by it, viz. a compound consisting of carbonic Acid and a peculiar species of alkaline Salt.

The word Natron in the London Pharmacopoeia not only does not denote the composition of the substance, which substance is compounded of the Carbonic Acid and a peculiar species of Alkaline Salt, but it is a corruption of the word *Νιτρον* or Nitrum, and this word should have been again brought into use if it was thought to be a proper denomination for the compound of carbonic Acid and Alkali. It does not, however, seem proper to introduce this name even with the original orthography, not only for the reason just mentioned, but because, ever since the discovery of gunpowder, the word Nitrum has signified a Salt which contains an Acid called nitrous Acid. The word Natron also should not have been used, as other names already well understood might have been chosen, namely, Soda, fossil Alkali, &c.

Although I have thought it my duty to point out perhaps some defects and little improprieties in the terms of two Pharmacopoeias, it is with great pleasure that I can truly declare that, in my opinion, these works are considerable improvements compared with former editions of them; and I think it probable that, with some alterations, the names in them would have been used for a very long time, if nearly at the same time the reformers of the Nomenclature of the new System of Chemistry had not, from a more attentive contemplation of the composition and other properties of matter, discovered a better theory, from which arose names which signified things more clearly, justly, aptly, and simply. If the present system of Chemistry, and its terms, be found to consist with future discoveries at the time when it shall be thought necessary to publish new editions of the above Dispensatories, I am sure, from the liberality and candour of the two Colleges, that the present new names will be introduced; as well as the names in the



Linnean system, which the colleges have begun to adopt; and that they will be the general names in use.

It is necessary for me, in the next place, to explain the *Table of Chemical Nomenclature* of the French Academicians; and to point out the *alterations* which I have ventured to make, and the *additions* which I thought useful.

This table (now contained in the four sheets at the end of this work) is divided into *six perpendicular columns*, which are numbered accordingly, and the titles of their contents are at the top of each of them.

#### OF THE FIRST COLUMN.

The title of *the first column* is SIMPLE OR UNDECOMPOUNDED SUBSTANCES: by which title is to be understood that the substances contained in this column cannot be rendered into other bodies by decomposing them, or be produced by combining together other bodies: or at least it will be found most useful to consider these substances as acting after the manner of simple bodies. This class of substances is *the first* in the order of arrangement; because the substances in the other *five columns* are *combinations* of two or more of these simple bodies. The number of these uncompounded substances in the original table is FIFTY-FIVE, but in the present table there are FIFTY-SEVEN; because *three* new articles are inserted, namely, *Uranite*, *Radical Laccic*, and one division of *new Earths*; and *one* of the substances in the original table, namely, *Ammoniac*, is removed to another place in this table, it being proved



by analysis and synthesis to be compounded of two substances belonging to the first column, viz. *Nitrogen* and *Hydrogen*. In order to refer conveniently to the *undecompounded bodies* of this column, and to refer to, and easily understand, their combinations, the place of each of them is marked by an Arabic cipher denoting number, written upon the border of the *first* and *sixth* column. For the same purpose the fifty-seven substances of the first column are separated from one another by *horizontal lines*, which are continued through the other *five columns*.

The *undecompounded bodies* are referred to *five* heads, on account of the similarity of properties of the substances under each of those heads; and the Nomenclators have been studious to place the chemical substances in the most natural and just order of the operation of the mind in the acquisition of the knowledge of chemistry.

The *first* of these five heads contains, within a perpendicular bracket at the top of the first column, **FOUR SUBSTANCES**, viz. *Light*, *Caloric*, *Oxygen*, and *Hydrogen*. The term **LIGHT** is intended to signify the same thing which it is understood to signify in common conversation; but **CALORIC** \* is a new term, because there was no name in use to denote that which produces the sensation of heat, except the word *heat*, which is equivocal, for it denotes the sensation called heat, as well as that which causes the sensation.

The distinguishing property of the next substance in order is that of *producing Acid* by combining with certain bodies, and which

\* The terms *Light* and *Caloric* being intended by the authors of the new system to denote *substances*, are explained accordingly, but the translator is well acquainted with the reasons, entertained by some respectable philosophers, for thinking that *Light* and *Caloric* are only *properties*; and perhaps not essentially different properties.



therefore is aptly denominated OXYGEN \*, *i. e.* generator of Acid.

A characteristic property of the next substance in order being to produce water by combination with Oxygen, it is named HYDROGEN †.

The second of the five heads of the *first* column comprehends, within a perpendicular bracket, in the original table TWENTY-SIX SUBSTANCES, but in the present table there are *twenty-seven substances*, because the RADICAL LACCIC is added. These twenty-seven substances, agreeing in the property of being rendered into Acids and uniting with Oxygen, are named, on the outside of the bracket, *acidifiable Bases*, or *radical of Acids*. There are other bodies not included under this head, as some Metals which become Acids by uniting with Oxygen; and therefore the negative property *un-metallic* might perhaps have been properly added.

With regard to the names of the particular acidifiable bases, so much respect has been paid to usage, that they are all derivations or abbreviations of the former names of the Acids of which they are the bases, except the term *radical Carbonic* or *Carbon*; and their meaning will easily be apprehended from the knowledge of the former names of Acids.

The most exceptionable, and, I think, unnecessary term, is AZOTE ‡; because, *first*, its etymological import, viz. *a thing not furnishing the aliment of life*, is not a chemical property; *secondly*, a negative property is not sufficiently characteristic; *thirdly*, this negative pro-

\* Lavoisier has composed the term Oxygen from two Greek words οξύς, *acidum*, and γινωμαι, *gignor*, and *gigno*; and this term, he conceives, implies *generator of acid*.

† This term Hydrogen is derived from ὑδωρ, *aqua*, and γινωμαι, *gignor*.

‡ This term, *Azote*, is from α, *priv.*, and ζην, *vita*.



perty is not a peculiar one to this substance; *fourthly*, the most distinguishing and essential property of this substance is to produce *Acid of Nitre* by uniting with Oxygen, and to produce *Ammoniac* by uniting with *Hydrogen*; and therefore this acidifiable basis might have been called NITROGEN\*, (which term I have added, but I believe it is not now used for the first time); or the term radical Nitric, inserted in the original table as the synonym of *Azote*, would have been alone a proper denomination. The word *Ammoniagen* would have been a less proper name, on account of its combinations, to be named by derivations and analogous terms. As it may be thought that the word *vitriolic* is unnecessarily changed for *sulphuric*, it will be proper to observe that the Acid commonly called vitriolic Acid is now generally produced from Sulphur, and its combination could not be so justly named by derivations from *vitriolic* as from *sulphuric*.

The analogy of the substances belonging to this head is denoted by the termination of the names of all of them in IC. It is observed that of the twenty-seven acidifiable bases only *four* are known in a separate state, namely, *Nitrogen*, (and this only in the Gaz state, or in combination with Caloric) *Carbon*, *Sulphur*, and *Phosphorus*; the other bases are presumed on the strongest arguments of analogy to exist in combination with Oxygen, by which they become Acids.

It will be proper to remark that the bases of the animal and ve-

\* The just etymological import of *Nitrogen* is *Generator of NITPON*, i. e. of *Soda*; but for several centuries *Nitre* having been understood to signify a Salt composed of an *Acid* called *nitrous Acid*, and of an *Alkali* now called *Potash*, the abbreviations of *Nitre* will most generally be understood to mean *nitrous Acid*, or its combination with *Potash*, and other bases.



getable Acids are all truly compound bodies; for Carbon, Hydrogen, Nitrogen, and Oxygen, and sometimes Phosphorus, can be obtained from these Acids; but as these radicals of Acids unite without decomposition, and exert their affinities and produce Acids after the manner of the other simple bodies of this division, it was deemed more proper to class them in this column.

The *third* bracket of this *first column* contains EIGHTEEN \* SUBSTANCES, the name of which set of substances not being changed, they are called METALS. They all combine with Oxygen, and are thereby rendered into a state approaching to *Acid*, called *Oxyd*; and three of them may be changed into *Acids*: they might therefore have been called *oxydable metallic bases*. The names of the species of metals are also not changed, being single words, and having no known etymological import, they cannot mislead. Seven species of Metals only were known to the ancients. One new Metal, the *Uranite*, was discovered by Klaproth in 1790, and therefore was not in the original table.

A mark of interrogation is written after *Tungsten*, because no one has been able to confirm the experiments of D'Ellyart; in particular Klaproth and myself have in vain tried to obtain this metal. On account of the analogy in the nature of Metals, the termination of the latin names of all of them is UM.

By the *fourth* bracket are included substances called by their popular name, EARTHS: of which there are in the original table FIVE SPECIES, viz. *Silica*, an earth found especially in flint, sand, and

\* If future experiments confirm the conclusion from the experiments of an able chemical philosopher, Mr. Gregor, that the *Menackanite* is probably a new metal, the number of metals will be *nineteen*.



quartz; *Alumina*, the earth contained in Sulfate of Alumin, or common Alumn, and which earth was formerly called Clay\*; *Baryt*, an abbreviation of the word Barytes, so named on account of its great weight; *Lime*, and *Magnesia*, which two were names always employed to denote these two last earths. With regard to the substances in the sixth division of *Earths*, they have been discovered since the publication of the original table, and although their properties may not have been investigated so fully as to ascertain satisfactorily that they are different species from those already known, yet it has been rendered extremely probable that they may be considered as distinct species. They are set down therefore in one compartment, with a mark of interrogation after each to denote that the propriety of their place as new species is not fully determined.

The fifth and last section of the first column, entitled ALKALIES, comprehended within the bracket THREE SUBSTANCES, named *Potash*, *Soda*, and *Ammoniac*; but, for reasons above given, the Ammoniac has been removed to a different division of the table. Probably the word *Alkali* originally was intended to signify only the alkaline salt obtained from the plant *Kali*; which species of Alkali is now well known to be Soda combined with carbonic Acid; but for a very long time the word *Alkali* has been understood to mean any of the three substances here named, *Potash*, *Soda*, and *Ammoniac*; both in their pure state, and combined with carbonic Acid.

The word Potash was used to signify that impure salt containing Alkali which is obtained by evaporating the aqueous solution of vegetable Ashes in general, and especially of wood Ashes, to dry-

\* The substances commonly known by the name of Clays, are now well known to be a mixture of about two parts of *Silica* and one of *Alumina*.



ness; which Alkali, by uniting to *acidulous* Tartrate of Potash, serves to compose Tartrate of Potash; by uniting to sulphuric Acid it produces Sulfate of Potash; by uniting to fat Oil it produces a soft kind of Sope; and united to carbonic Acid it deliquesces in the air. This same species of Alkali, produced from acidulous Tartrate of Potash, has been called Salt of Tartar; when produced from Wormwood it has been called Salt of Wormwood, and also by other names, according to the substance from which it was obtained, and its state of dryness or solution. To assist the memory and prevent mistakes, Chemists of late called this Alkali, from whatever source it was procured, *Vegetable Alkali*, but the new Nomenclators have proposed to name it by one short word, (which can be conveniently applied to form the names of its combinations) already in use, to signify the substance from which it is principally obtained, that is, by the word *Potash*. The College of Physicians of London have denominated this salt by the words *Kali Purum*; and the College of Edinburgh have called it *Cauticum Commune Acerrimum*, naming the Salt which affords it *Lixiva Purificata*.

The word *Soda* has been frequently used to denote the Alkali united to carbonic Acid, which is obtained from the Ashes of the *Kali Spinosum*, and of many sea plants; which Alkali, by uniting to acidulous Tartrate of Potash, produces sodaceous Tartrate of Potash, (Rochelle Salt); by combining with sulphuric Acid it produces Sulfate of Soda; by uniting with fat Oil it affords a firm heavy Sope; and which, when combined with carbonic Acid and chrySTALLIZED, effloresces in the air. This Alkali is also called mineral and fossil Alkali, because it may be obtained from fossil and sea salt. The Nomenclators have proposed to call this salt in its pure state, and free from carbonic Acid, from whatever source it may be procured,



by the name *Soda*. This name is adopted by the College of Edinburgh for the Soda combined with carbonic Acid: which compound of carbonic Acid and Soda the London College have called *Natron*, from the corrupted orthography of *Nitron*. No other name in use but *soda* is so short, and could be made, consistently, to serve to denote its combinations.

In this table, in preference to the names popularly known, of Spirit or Salt of Hartshorn; Spirit or Salt of Sal *Ammoniac*; and Volatile Alkali, &c., the name *Ammoniac* is adopted, because this Alkali was especially obtained from Muriate of Ammonia, or Sal Ammoniac; and because it is one word, and suitable for the formation of the names of its combinations. In the London and Edinburgh Dispensatories the term *Ammonia* denotes this Alkali in a state of union with carbonic Acid.

It will surely now appear that the names of the fifty-seven substances in the *first column* are all, except three or four, either derived from words previously used according to their present meaning, or they are words which are intended to signify the same things as before.

In this table the Latin names of each substance is inserted in the same division with the English name, in order that the student may readily get acquainted with the Latin chemical Nomenclature. The little alteration made in the orthography of the old Latin words, the reader will perceive, was for the sake of analogy; therefore all the Latin names of the Metals terminate in *um*, and of the Earths in *A*, except the word *Calx*, which it was thought could not be changed without introducing an alteration inconsistent with the rules laid down.

In inspecting the table to understand the explanation, the reader will notice the perpendicular division of each column, by a small black line; and that the titles of the contents of these divisions are



written at the top of each, under the horizontal bracket; one of these divisions is there entitled, *new or adopted names*, and the title of the other is *former names*. The divisions containing the former names contain also *observations*, the *synonyma* of the London, Edinburgh, Swedish, Russian, Danish, and other Dispensatories; *the names of the authors*; and *dates of many discoveries*. It is hoped that, by this means, students will easily know the substances in the Pharmacopœias which have been treated of in the new Chemistry: And in this division of the columns is contained a considerable part of the history of the discoveries which have given birth to the present system, namely, of the Carbonic Acid; Hydrogen Gaz; Nitrogen Gaz; the composition of Water;—of Acids of Nitre;—of Ammoniac, &c. To explain the use of this part of the table, I take as instances the accounts of the Alkalies. One of these, *Soda*, is stated to be the Alkali of the נָתֵר of the Hebrews, which is denoted in the Polyglott Bible, and Septuagint Greek version, and in *Dioscorides*, by the word NITPON; from some of these writings *Pliny* probably derived the words, *Nitrum*, *Aphronitrum*, or *Spuma Nitri*, to signify this substance. The term *Spuma Nitri*, or *Aphronitrum*, clearly denote a characteristic property of crystallized *Soda*, namely, that of efflorescence. In this compartment for *Soda*, it is farther stated, that the moderns have called this salt *Natron*, which word is a corruption of *Nitron*. It was also necessary to state that this Alkali is a constituent part of *Seignette's Salt*, because the compounding of it by saturating acidulous *Tartrite of Potash* with the Alkali from the Ashes of *Kali*, *Soda Hispanica*, and of many marine plants\*, afforded an essentially different substance from the Salt compounded

\* These Ashes, after being melted, are called *Kelp*, a word probably of Teutonic and Saxon origin, which signified substances obtained from the sea plants and shells.



by saturating acidulous Tartrite of Potash with Potash, or Alkali of common vegetables; and thereby a most distinguishing property between these two alkalies was discovered. The specific difference between the two Alkalies being still farther shown by the composition of the Sea Salt, (Muriate of Soda), a reference is made to that discovery.

The history also of the other fixed Alkali, *Potash*, may be traced from Pliny's time to the present, by the references in the compartment of this column for *Potash*.

In the original table the perpendicular division of this column, entitled, "*former names*," contains merely a few of the *Synonyma*; but the additional matter now inserted has occasioned the present table to be double the size of that of the French Academicians.

## OF THE SECOND COLUMN.

The bodies to be named which belong to this column, are supposed to be compounded of CALORIC (a substance so rare as to be imponderable, and so subtile as to pervade the pores of the most dense vessels) and any one of the other simple bodies of the first column; by which union with Caloric they are rendered into *the state of Gaz*, permanent in every known temperature of the atmosphere. These are the simplest compounds, and, except *Light* and *Caloric*, they are the rarest and most subtile of all known bodies whatever: and in particular they are the simplest state known of Oxygen, Hydrogen, and Nitrogen. There are but three species of the undecomposed bodies which are known to be rendered into the state of Gaz by Caloric, namely, Oxygen, Hydrogen,



and Nitrogen; and consequently this column contains but three substances, namely, Oxygen Gaz, Hydrogen Gaz, and Nitrogen Gaz.

Some of the most essential properties of *Oxygen Gaz* were discovered above a century ago by *Mayow*, but they were probably unheeded by all subsequent philosophers, and had utterly sunk into oblivion, till they were again brought to light, independently of the first discoverer, by *Priestley* and *Scheele*, in 1774.

The most essential properties of the second of these Gases, in order, *Hydrogen Gaz*, were investigated by *Cavendish*; who published an account of them, together with the first considerable improvements of the chemical pneumatic apparatus, in 1766.

The third and last of the Gases, in this column, *Nitrogen Gaz*, was discovered by *Priestley* in 1772, and, from his hypothetical notion of its nature, it was named *phlogisticated Air*. I feel much satisfaction in recording the name of *Rutherford* as one of the earliest discoverers of this Gaz, because he has not received due honour on this account from the public. I was made acquainted with this discovery by Dr. *Cullen*, in a conversation on the subject of air, in 1773, who referred me to *Rutherford's* inaugural Dissertation *de Aëre Mephitico*, published at Edinburgh in 1772.

### OF THE THIRD COLUMN.

In this column are inserted the substances produced by the combination of *Oxygen* with any one of the other *undecompounded bodies*, in the order of the arrangement of these bodies.

*Hydrogen* is the only substance of the first division of the first column which combines with *Oxygen* to form a compound, which is not in the Gaz state, and this combination is named *Water*. The



discovery of the composition of Water having introduced a totally different opinion from that universally entertained of the elementary nature of this substance from the time of the oldest Grecian philosophers; and so many phenomena being now explained by reasoning upon its composition, the date of this discovery by CAVENDISH in 1781 must surely be ever considered as a memorable epoch in the history of chemical philosophy. The term, *Water*, is continued because it cannot mislead by any known import of its nature; and the meaning of the term is popularly understood. In this case, besides many others, the Nomenclators have given a decisive proof of their aversion from unnecessary innovation in Nomenclature; for otherwise an obvious new name, *Oxyd of Hydrogen*, would have been inserted to denote the composition of Water.

The substances of the *second division* of this column are acidifiable; of course, by uniting with Oxygen, they become Acids, according to the present theory. Some of the acidifiable substances unite with several different quantities of Oxygen; with smaller proportions of it they are rendered into the state *approaching to Acid*, and are called *Oxyds*; and with larger proportions they become *Acids*. For instance, a given quantity of Nitrogen unites with four different quantities of Oxygen; with the smallest it produces *Oxyd of Nitrogen*; with the second quantity the substance called *Nitrous Oxyd* is composed; with the third proportion the *nitrous Acid* is compounded; and with the largest quantity of Oxygen the *nitric Acid* is produced.

The rule observed in forming the denominations of the Acids appears to have been to denote the species by an abbreviation of the name of the radical from which it is produced with the addition of the terminations in *ous*, and *ic*, and with the epithet *oxygenated*, according to the degrees of oxygenation of the basis or radical. If



these oxygenated substances possess many of the properties, but not the whole of what are usually reckoned the properties of Acids, the specific name terminates in *ous*; if they possess the whole of the properties of Acids, the name of the species terminates in *ic*; and if these last Acids are combined with a certain further quantity of Oxygen, they are denominated by the name of such Acids, with the epithet *oxygenated*. Some acidifiable bases unite only with that determinate quantity of Oxygen which produces the first sort of Acid; for instance, the radical Tartaric yields only the tartareous Acid in which the basis is conceived to predominate: other bases unite only with one certain quantity of Oxygen, but with a larger proportion than the former bases, and produce the second sort of Acids; for instance, the radical Boracic yields only the Boracic Acid, in which it is imagined the two components of Acid are in such proportions as to afford perfect Acids. And some bases unite with two proportions of Oxygen to afford both these Acids; for instance, the radical Acetic yields the acetous and the acetic Acids. The radicals which give the third sort of Acids also always afford the second, and sometimes the first, as well as second; for instance, the radical Muriatic, according to the quantity of Oxygen with which it combines, affords the muriatic, and *oxygenated* muriatic Acids; the radical Sulphuric affords, according as it is oxygenated, in the first, second, or third degree, the sulphureous, the sulphuric, and the *oxygenated* sulphuric Acids. In these last Acids it is supposed the Oxygen predominates. It now appears, that although there are but twenty-seven acidifiable bases, there are many more species of Acids.

The division of this column corresponding to the third division of the first column, contains the substances composed by the union of Oxygen with each of the metals. The metals in general may be united with different proportions of Oxygen. The three first,



namely, Arsenic, Tungsten, and Molybdena, combine with the greatest proportion, for they can be brought into the *Acid state*; the other metals can be rendered by oxygen into the state only of *Oxyd*. A few years ago an account was published of the acidification of Tin, but it has received no confirmation, and the author has acknowledged his error in having concluded Tin to possess this property.

The species of compounds of Metals and Oxygen are denominated by the generic name *Oxyd* and the name of the metal oxydated subjoined; for instance, the compound of Iron and Oxygen is named *Oxyd of Iron*; the compound of Copper and Oxygen is called *Cupreous Oxyd*, or *Oxyd of Copper*.

The different species of metallic Oxyds cannot be denominated according to the different proportions of Oxygen which they contain, because the proportions are not yet investigated. The different kinds of *Oxyd* of the same metal are denoted at present by their colour, mode, and means of oxygenation, &c.; for instance, the different kinds of *Oxyd* of Antimony are termed *vitreous*, by *sublimation*, by *muratic Acid*. And the Oxyds of Manganese are termed *white*, *black*, *vitreous*.

The inferior parts of this column corresponding to *Earths*, and *Alkalies*, are vacant, because Oxygen does not form any combinations with either of these two divisions.

#### OF THE FOURTH COLUMN.

The substances belonging to the third column, which by combination with *Caloric* are in the *Gaz* state, in every known temperature of the atmosphere, are referred to this head. These combinations,



therefore, consist of Caloric and Oxygen united to certain bases, which are some of the undecomposed bodies. *Four* of these bases only are known to produce the compounds belonging to this column, namely,

1. *Nitrogen*, which with Caloric and Oxygen, according to three different proportions, affords three different species of Gases, named *Gaseous Oxyd of Nitrogen*, *Nitrous Oxyd Gaz*, and *Nitrous Acid Gaz*:

2. *Carbon*, which by union with Oxygen and Caloric, affords *Carbonic Acid Gaz*:

3. *Sulphur*, which by combining with Oxygen and Caloric produces *fulphureous Acid Gaz*:

4. *Radical Muriatic*, which by uniting with Oxygen and Caloric, produces the *Muriatic Acid Gaz* and *oxygenated Muriatic Gaz*:

5. *Radical Fluoric*, which by uniting with Oxygen and Caloric yields *Fluoric Acid Gaz*.

These substances are inserted in the places of this column corresponding to their bases in the first column: but the other compartments in the fourth column corresponding to the acidifiable bases, Earths, and Alkalies, are vacant. And that part of it corresponding to the Metals must have been also vacant if the Nomenclators had not availed themselves of the opportunity of filling it by inserting the combinations of metallic Oxyds with different substances (principally with Sulphur) which are not Acids. For these combinations a proper place, it was thought, could not be found in the other parts of the table. This set of compounds are entitled in the fourth column, "*Oxyds united with different bases.*" The combinations of Sulphur and metallic Oxyds are named *fulphurated Oxyds*; to which generic name is added the name of the metal oxydated and combined with Sulphur: for instance, the Oxyd of Iron combined with Sulphur is called *fulphurated Oxyd of Iron*; the Oxyd of Antimony combined



combined with sulphur is denominated *sulphurated* antimonial Oxyd. These combinations will surely be distinguished, sufficiently, by the words *sulphurated Oxyd*, from the combinations of the metals and Sulphur and other bases, in the sixth column, called *Sulphures* or *Sulphurets*. The same method of naming will easily be employed to denote and distinguish compounds of Phosphorus and metallic Oxyds from those of Phosphorus and metals and other bases; the former being denominated *phosphorated* metallic Oxyds, and the latter being named *Phosphorets*, or *Phosphures* of metals, &c.

The combinations of metallic Oxyds with Sulphur have been but little investigated; those known furnish many valuable medicines; and from the success of *Bergman* in his experiments on the subject of "Sulphurated Antimonials," there is no reasonable doubt that a further investigation would yield an ample compensation to other inquirers.

#### OF THE FIFTH COLUMN.

This class is intended to comprehend combinations of *oxygenated substances and different bases*; which compounds are *Acids* united to metallic Oxyds, Earths, and Alkalies.

As each of the unmetallic Acids, which are at least in number thirty-three, (produced by the oxygenation of the twenty-seven acidifiable bases) and the three metallic Acids, may be united with each of the metallic Oxyds, (of which there are about twenty-six species already known), and certainly with four of the Earths and with the three Alkalies: and as some of the Acids may produce different compounds according to the proportions in which they unite; and as also some of the Acids may produce compounds by



uniting with two, or perhaps more bases, it will appear plain that if the names of the whole of these species had been inserted, this column would have been extended to a most inconvenient length, and have rendered the table very costly. Accordingly, in the original table, a few instances only of the names of these species are inserted; but in the present table the denominations only of the *genera* are set down, with their definitions, because it was proposed to have a separate table for the species belonging to this part of the fifth column. It is presumed, however, from the very simple method of naming employed, that the student will find no difficulty to form the terms of the species from those of the *genera* set down in this table, and of the particular bases in the first column.

The method of forming the denominations of the particular compounds in this column is evidently this: a word is composed of an abbreviation of the name of the radical Acid and the terminating syllable *ate*, or *ite*, to denote the combination of an Acid with a metallic, earthy, or alkaline basis. When the name of the Acid in combination terminates in *ic*, it is named in the state of combination with a basis by the terminating syllable *ate*; and when the name of the Acid in combination terminates in *ous*, it is named in the state of combination with a basis by a word the last syllable of which is *ite*. For instance, *Acetate*, and the assumed Latin word *Acetas*, denotes a combination of the *acetic* Acid and a basis of the kind just mentioned; and *Acetite*, and the assumed Latin word *Acetis*, denotes a combination of the *acetous* Acid and a basis. If the acetic Acid could combine with Oxygen to produce the oxygenated acetic Acid, its combinations would be named *oxygenated Acetates*. From this illustration it is hoped there will be experienced no difficulty to understand the *generic* terms *Muriate*, *oxygenated Muriate*, *Sulfite*, *Sulfate*, *oxygenated Sulfate*, *Pyro-mucite*, *Tartrite*; and it is pre-



fumed as little difficulty will be met with in forming the names of the species of these genera, which consists in subjoining the name of the basis given in the present Nomenclature. The meaning will be obvious of the terms *Acetate* of Soda, *Muriate* of Iron, *oxygenated Muriate* of Potash, *Sulfite* of Ammoniac, or ammoniacal *Sulfite*, *Sulfate* of Antimony, or antimonial *Sulfate*, oxygenated *Sulfate* of Potash, *Pyro-mucite* of Zinc, *Tartrite* of Cobalt, or cobaltic *Tartrite*, &c.

To denote the predominance of Acid or Alkali in these combinations, the epithet acidulous or alkaline is employed. For instance, Potash affords a neutral combination, with a certain proportion of tartareous Acid, which is named *Tartrite of Potash*, (soluble Tartar); and with a certain larger proportion of this Acid, it gives a combination with Acid properties, named *acidulous Tartrite of Potash*, or Chrystals of Tartar. Soda neutralised by Boracic Acid is named *Borate of Soda*; Soda combined with a smaller proportion of Boracic Acid in which the Alkali predominates is named *supersaturated Borate of Soda*, or alkaline *Borate of Soda*, *i. e.* common Borax.

To denote the combinations of Acids with *two bases*, the name may be that of the compound of the Acid and the basis already united with the addition of the name of the other basis; if they be composed by adding a basis to such compounds; as in the case of the salt compounded by saturating acidulous *Tartrite of Potash* with Soda, by which is produced a substance named *sodaceous Tartrite of Potash*. In other cases in which a triple compound is produced by applying *two bases* at the same time to an Acid, the combination may be denominated by the name of the combination of the Acid with either of the bases, and the name of the other basis.

It appears then, in the combinations of this column, that each of the generic names, with the name of the particular basis, is calcu-



lated to recall to the memory the composition of nearly one hundred different species of analogous combinations; and the advantages of such a method of naming seem to be so obvious that an explanation would be unnecessary.

The division of each of the genera into metallic, earthy, and saline, according to the combination of the Acids with metallic Oxyds, Earths, and Alkalies, will be found very useful. The combinations of Acids and metallic Oxyds consist of three simple substances, viz. Oxygen, an acidifiable basis, and a metal; or of two compound substances, viz. an Acid and a metallic Oxyd. The earthy and saline combinations are compounded of only two simple substances.

#### OF THE SIXTH COLUMN.

In the first of the five preceding columns are classed the undecomposed bodies. In the second are contained the combinations of Caloric and any of the other undecomposed bodies, which are permanent Gases. And to the three other columns are referred the combinations of Oxygen with one or more undecomposed bodies, besides Caloric in one of these classes; but independently of Oxygen, and of the combination of Caloric with any *one* other undecomposed body, the substances belonging to the first column combine with one another, and these combinations are reserved for the sixth column. The meaning of the title of this column, namely, *combinations of acidifiable bases*, (but not acidified), *and of substances not acidifiable*, will by this explanation be understood.

The combinations of this head which are known are,

- I. Of the radicals of Acids.
- II. Of the metals with one another.



To the former set belong *four genera*, namely,

1. Compounds of *Azote* or *Nitrogen* with the bases mentioned to produce the substances belonging to this column have been called AZOTURES or AZOTURETS: or, according to the method of the present Nomenclature, being produced from Nitrogen, they may be named NITRURES or NITRURETS. One of the species here set down is called AMMONIAC, on account of the term *Sal Ammoniac*, (employed to signify a salt which contains this substance) being familiarly known, and also to avoid innovation by the name *Nitruret of Hydrogen*, however proper it may be. This combination, when pure, is united with Caloric, and is in the Gaz state, called Gaz of Ammoniac; or if united with water to be liquid it has been named Spirit of Sal Ammoniac, or of Hartshorn, Aqua Ammoniaë puræ, &c.

If I had not intended to publish a table of the species belonging to the *fifth* column, it would perhaps have been better to have inserted the *Ammoniac* in the division for the Alkalies in the first column, on account of the combinations which it makes like a simple body.

2. The second radical of Acids, which yields combinations belonging to this column, is *Carbon*. These are named CARBURETS, or CARBURES. The species of this genus are but little known; two of them, mentioned as instances of compounds of Carbon and Iron, are commonly called Steel, and Plumbago. The former *Carburet of Iron*, or Steel, contains a very large portion of Iron; and the latter, Carburet, or Plumbago, contains a very small proportion of Iron to the Carbon. It will be very easy, after these examples, to form the names of the other species of the genus *Carburet*, as well as of the former, *Nitruret*.

3. The next radical of Acids, *Sulphur*, affords combinations belonging to this column, now named SULPHURETS, or SUL-



PHURES; which were formerly called *Hepars* or *Livers*, and the compounds of Sulphur and Metals were called *Pyrites*. Sulphur combines with the Metals, Alkalies, and Earths; there are therefore a great number of species, for which names may easily be formed according to the present Nomenclature. As examples I mention the terms, Sulphuret of Potash, Sulphuret of Lime, Sulphuret of Iron.

Sulphur also combines with Hydrogen Gaz, which compound belongs to this genus, and is named in the new system, Sulphuret of Hydrogen Gaz, or fulphurated Hydrogen Gaz, but formerly it was called Hepatic Air.

Sulphuret of Hydrogen Gaz combines with Carbon, and other substances; which combinations belong to this head, and may easily be denominated according to the present Nomenclature as soon as their species are more known.

4. The only other species of Acid radical which affords combinations to be classed in this column is *Phosphorus*. This genus is called PHOSPHORET or PHOSPHURE. The species are combinations of Phosphorus with Metals, Earths, and Alkalies; and receive their denominations from the name of the genus and the basis, which will easily be formed, namely, Phosphoret of Iron, Phosphoret of Lime, Phosphoret of Soda, &c.

The other set of compound bodies belonging to this column, combinations of Metals with one another, are in the original table named ALLOYS: but this term in the English language often signifies a deterioration or debased state of Gold, and Silver, and, perhaps, of Platina, from union with other Metals. In this table the term ALLOY, or *Inquinamentum*, is used only to denote these last-mentioned compounds. What is intended to be meant by the term *Aurum inquinatum Ferro*, *Argentum inquinatum Cupro*, &c. will readily be understood.



The compounds of *Quicksilver* and other metals are denominated AMALGAMS\*, a word of perhaps the same import as CONNUBIA. The term *Connubia* might have been the word used to denote every combination of metals with one another, if it had not been thought better to employ different terms for the combinations of Gold, Silver, and Platina, with other metals, and for the compounds of *Quicksilver* and other Metals. The term *Connubia* is therefore the Latin word, or the English word *Combinations*, reserved to denote those compounds of Metals which are not those explained to be signified by the terms *Alloy* and *Amalgam*.

I know that the most judicious and experienced English operator in the fusion of Metals is of opinion that Metals do not *combine* but merely *mix* or *diffuse* through one another; that the Alloys, and other compounds of Metals, are merely *mechanical mixtures*. I think, however, that so considerable an alteration of chemical properties is produced by the fusing together of some Metals in certain proportions, as in the instances of the *fusibility* of the compound of certain proportions of Bismuth, Lead, and Tin, and of the *augmentation of specific gravity* of Copper and Tin after fusion together; not to mention the decisive property of chemical affinity between Metals, afforded by the solution of Tin, Bismuth, Lead, &c. in *Quicksilver*, that I conclude metals *combine* with one another chemically, as well as many other bodies. *Lavoisier* refers also to *Briche* for experiments showing that Metals, in certain proportions, unite with one another *chemically*.

\* *Amalgama* seems to be derived from ἀμα, simul, and γαμω, nubo.



## OF COMPOUND SUBSTANCES NOT YET PRODUCED BY SYNTHESIS.

The above fix columns into which the table of the new chemical Nomenclature is divided comprehend the names of all the known species of *simple bodies*, and of all the genera and many of the species of compound substances which are at this period pretty certainly known, that is, which have been demonstrated both by analysis and synthesis. But there is a number of substances of a compound nature which have not been compounded by uniting the bodies which they yield on decomposition, and therefore the composition of these bodies is considered to be imperfectly known. In general also they cannot be produced at all by art, as animal muscles, blood, vegetable mucilage, gum, farina, essential oil, &c. These compound bodies all combine, without decomposition, with certain other substances; but the nature of these combinations, and the chemical properties of these compound bodies which enter into these combinations, have not been extensively investigated. It was probably from these considerations that the Nomenclators thought it best to arrange these substances together at the foot of the table of fix columns, under the title of

*Denominations of divers more compound Substances, which combine without  
Decomposition.*

These substances are principally animal and vegetable solids and fluids, which readily afford *mucilaginous solutions* in water, and undergo the putrefactive fermentation, by which they are resolved into *Gazes*,



or substances capable of becoming Gases. Many of these substances are also *Oils*; and others, as *Alcohol* and *Æther* and *Oil of Wine*, are the products only of the vinous fermentation.

The composition shown by analysis of these substances appears to be a combination of *Carbon*, *Hydrogen*, *Nitrogen*, and *Oxygen*; and in some of them are other substances, as Phosphorus and Sulphur. To denominate these compound substances from their supposed composition, they should be called Oxyd hydro-carboneous; Oxyd hydro-carbonic; Oxyd carbon-hydrous; Oxyd carbon-hydric; Carbon oxyd-hydrous; Nitro-hydro-carbonic; Carbo-nitro-hydrous; Oxyd hydro-nitro-carbonic; Oxyd nitro-hydro-carbonic, &c. or by abbreviations of these words. The Academicians, however, have more judiciously determined to proceed no farther than experiments justify in their method of naming from the composition of bodies, and therefore have denominated the set of substances classed together in this place by the shortest, least improper, and best-known names, or common names a little altered. And they probably found it difficult to impose names denoting the composition of the substances in this part of the table, which names should be a single word, and which also should be such as are not deemed *barbarous* in European languages.

Having given the explanation which I thought necessary to enable the student to understand the *plan* or *method of naming*, and the *terms* in the table of Nomenclature now published; having made observations to develop the advantages which may reasonably be expected from this new system of names; and having made some remarks on the propriety of many of the new terms, I wish the reader to consider the subject thoroughly, and according to his own judgement to adopt, reject, or alter the present table of Nomenclature.

I cannot, however, satisfactorily to myself close this publication



without making some remarks upon the strictures of the *English translator of Macquer's Dictionary* on the new system of Chemistry, and its new Nomenclature; because I am aware of the extensive influence, upon the public mind, of the opinion of a chemical philosopher of such high reputation, and from whom the public have received so much information. These strictures are contained in the elegant preface to the first part of his new Macquer's Dictionary, published in 1790, a work which must, from the ability of the translator, become the most popular book in Chemistry. The eloquence of this author has been, probably, one of the principal causes of the very slow progress of the new Chemistry in this country. He has employed *reasoning* to subvert the foundations of the new system, and *wit* to expose it to ridicule; and by these means he has endeavoured to confirm the partisans of the *phlogistic* system in their attachment, and allured the student to embrace the old doctrine. If the arguments of this *Chief*, who still ranges himself under the banners of Phlogiston, can be refuted, the student will in other authors meet with little to create hesitation as to which of two systems he ought to adopt.

In the first place, notice must be taken of the arguments against the principles of the new system, because the propriety of the new terms depends entirely upon them.

1. The author alleges that the principal foundation of the new system is on suppositions, and not, as is pretended, on well-established facts. In this light he considers the composition of water, which is affirmed to be compounded of Oxygen and Hydrogen; the composition of Carbonic Acid, supposed to consist of Oxygen and Carbon; the composition of Nitrous Acid, supposed to consist of Nitrogen and Oxygen; the composition of Ammoniac, which is affirmed to be a combination of Nitrogen and Hydrogen; the existence of Ni-



nitrogen as a component of animal mucilage. With regard to these facts, I observe, that as they have all received confirmation since the time this author objected to them; and as no experiments have been published, which, in the opinion of Chemists in general, affect the conclusions concerning the composition of the above substances; the new system may be safely considered to be founded on well-ascertained facts. The author observes also, that the reasoning in the new system on the composition of the Gases being Caloric and peculiar bases, and on the composition of animal and vegetable Mucilage, and Oil, being Carbon united to Nitrogen, Hydrogen, and Oxygen, is merely hypothetical ground. It is very true that experiments have not yet afforded nearly equal demonstrative evidence of the composition of these bodies to that of the substances above mentioned; but here the new Theorists assume only to reason on hypothetical principles, which is warrantable by the laws of philosophizing, until more satisfactory explanations can be obtained, and with which the author of the preface has not favoured the public.

2. The authors of the new Chemistry are reproached with misleading others as they have misled themselves, by unwarrantable pretensions "of never using any hypothesis; of never supplying the want of facts; of never concluding more than experiments authorize; of their doctrine being not so much a theory as a mere declaration of facts." If the new Theorists had not in this passage alluded to certain parts of Chemistry, which however they evidently do, their diffident and modest explanations in general, and their acknowledging in other parts of their system the imperfect state of Chemistry, would convince the reader that they are neither deluded themselves, nor will delude others, by the pretensions mentioned.

"Cette science," (la Chimie), says *Lavoisier*, "présente des lacunes nombreuses qui interrompent la série des faits, et qui exigent des ra-



cordemens embarrassans et difficiles. Elle n'a pas, comme *la géométrie élémentaire*, l'avantage d'être une science complète, et dont toutes les parties sont exactement liées ensemble." Although it is plain from this quotation that *Lavoisier* and his colleagues consider Chemistry, in its present state, as a series of facts interrupted by numerous chasms, and renounce all pretensions "to the precision of method employed in geometry, and the certainty of its corollararies," yet the author of the preface criticises them for "announcing their system as a mere exposition of facts in which no hypothesis is admitted to fill up the chasms," and for pretending to the demonstrative evidence of geometry.

It appears then that the system of the new Chemistry does not contain so great a proportion of hypotheses as hath been alleged, and it is agreed by all, that if the principal facts above mentioned, on which it is founded, shall be further established, it will afford more extensive and satisfactory explanations than the old doctrine; that the facts are arranged in a better order for the memory, and for further discoveries as well as for application to the arts of life; and therefore that it is the preferable system.

The ingenious and learned Translator has made many acute but rather severe remarks on the new Nomenclature, as well as on the new system of Chemistry. Having in the preceding pages attempted to show the advantages of a reform in chemical language, I shall only make remarks on his *critique*.

He acknowledges that some of the old names in Chemistry are barbarous, and others tend to produce unjust notions of the properties of substances; as Oil of Vitriol, and Butter of Arsenic. "The number of these words is, however, not great, and we have never heard of any bad consequences having arisen from the names of Oil and Butter having been applied to those acrimo-



“ nious mineral matters, which have certainly no other resemblance  
 “ but that of a simlar consistence. It is, however, a desirable ob-  
 “ ject to purge the science of these remains of barbarism and alche-  
 “ mical mystery, and to introduce terms more *precise* and *elegant*,  
 “ and especially such as clearly distinguish the objects, either by  
 “ *proper names*, or by such as indicate some *sensible* and *obvious* pro-  
 “ perty; and above all, which have *no theoretical etymology*, and con-  
 “ sequently no tendency to give *false ideas*, or to give stability to  
 “ such as are *uncertain* and *hypothetical*.” — “ The new Nomenclature is entirely relative to the new theory.”

The Translator observes that the scheme of a systematic language is impracticable — that a Roman Emperor could not introduce one word into the language of his subjects — that Bishop Wilkins in vain attempted to introduce a new philosophical language — that a language *justly* and *completely* formed on the principles of the *constituent parts* and *characteristic properties* of substances, as attempted in the new Nomenclature, is a degree of perfection which is not perhaps attainable. “ Such may perhaps be the language of the *Gods* of which *Homer* speaks, but I think it will not be soon spoken on *Earth*.”

The Translator does not seem to comprehend the grand scope of a new chemical Nomenclature: the object is not merely, or principally, to avoid error in the use of substances occasioned by the erroneous import of their names, but to facilitate the acquisition and retention of the knowledge of the properties of substances. As to the impracticability of the introduction of a new language, already at least one half of the chemical writers and teachers employ it. And to suppose that a language is unattainable the names of which shall denote the constituent parts and characteristic properties, is to suppose that the knowledge of the composition of substances is un-



attainable; but it will surely be allowed that we are acquainted, probably, with the constituent parts of Sulphuret of Potash, of Nitrite of Potash, and of several thousand double and triple combinations; and it cannot be denied also that properties are known which are characteristic of a great number of simple substances by which these compounds are produced. It is presumed that few persons will object to the introduction of names denoting the supposed composition of bodies, and their characteristic properties, and analogous according to the analogy of the substances; in place of absurd names, and names which have no analogy to one another, however analogous the substances: and especially when it is considered that the number of newly-discovered bodies which are not scarcely yet known by any popular name, exceed the number of the old ones; — that it is only by such a method of naming that the memory becomes equal to the recollection of so great a number of substances, — and that even supposing hereafter some errors in the names from composition should be discovered, or properties more characteristic be known, the language will have answered its grand purpose, that of promoting science.

Historians inform us that *Claudius* (to whom it is presumed the learned translator alludes) was unable to introduce his three new letters, but the objects of this addition to the alphabet were totally different from those of the new chemical Nomenclature, so that surely this fact affords no argument against the practicability and utility of the present system. And the objects, principles, and plan of the new language proposed by the learned *Wilkins*, and the circumstances in which he made this attempt, were so very different from those of the new Chemistry, that the friends of it ought not to be discouraged by the Bishop's ill success.



The Author of the new Dictionary of *Macquer* criticises the French Academicians because they state after *Condillac*, that “ Men *think* only by means of *words* ;” for that, says he, implies, that “ dumb persons are destitute of thought.” The question whether men think *only* by means of words is not perhaps determined, but it is admitted, I apprehend, by every person, that words enable men to think and reason more extensively, than they can who do not possess them ; and therefore, it is of great consequence to attend to the words employed in Chemistry.

With regard to the change in the meaning of old words, as in the instance of the names, Potash, Soda, and Ammoniac, now employed to denote the Alkalies in their caustic or pure state ; and with respect to comprehending such dissimilar substances as Sugar and *Minium* under the term Oxyd, it is hoped the propriety of these alterations will be understood from the explanation of the new Nomenclature in the preceding pages.

With respect to the “ classical solecisms,” from the mixture of words, partly Greek and partly Latin, and sometimes from the use of words composed of partly Greek and partly of Latin syllables, as the object of language is to convey our thoughts, we have only to consider what words will answer this purpose best, and we with more freedom introduce in particular sciences names formed from different languages, because our own language has gradually attained its present copiousness by adopting words from other nations.

It is observed that the study of Chemistry ought not to be confined to learned men, and that the avenues to it, *Names*, ought to be rendered as easy and accessible as possible ; but the new Nomenclators have rendered Chemistry impregnable by “ a tremendous “ *chevaux de frize* of hard and uncouth words.” On this passage I beg leave just to remark, that the new Nomenclature is intended for



those who study the new system or theory of Chemistry, and that with proper explanations both are more easily learnt, even by persons but little acquainted with Greek and Latin, than the former terms and old system; and therefore I can confirm *Fourcroy's* assertion, that a much shorter time is now requisite to learn Chemistry than formerly. "This effect," says the writer of the Dictionary, "of a few Greek terms is the more extraordinary, as it is not produced on cloistered students devoted to erudition, but on audiences, composed of ladies as well as gentlemen, and selected from the polite circles of Paris." It would be ridiculous to impute the taste of the polite circles of Paris for Chemistry to a few terms from the Greek, but it seems reasonable to account for it from the many new and beautiful experiments, from the clear and just method of arrangement, from the satisfactory explanations afforded by the new principles, from the simplicity and just import of the new Nomenclature; and also from the eloquence of the popular lecturer *Fourcroy*.

There is no just ground of fear that, "from the zeal for reforming language, such a number of reformers may arise, that our ears will not be less stunned, nor our understandings less perplexed, than if we were exposed to the clamour of *Babel*, or the *thaw of words* of Sir John Mandeville:" for the distinguished superiority of a system produced by a *De Guyton*, a *Lavoisier*, or a *Bergman*, would surely supersede the work of persons of inferior ability.



## POSTSCRIPT.

**I**MMEDIATELY after the preceding sheets were printed, a pamphlet by Dr. *Priestley* was published, entitled “ *Experiments on the Generation of AIR FROM WATER; to which are prefixed, Experiments relating to the DECOMPOSITION OF DEPHLOGISTICATED AND INFLAMMABLE AIR, from the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. LXXXI. p. 213.*”

In these papers he argues, as in his former works, that *Nitrous Acid, Water, and Carbonic Acid*, are not compounded in the manner stated in the above *Table of Nomenclature*, and consequently that the principal parts of the new system are erroneous. Dr. *Priestley* having been one of the most successful labourers in the field of chemical science, for in number of discoveries he is rivalled only by *Scheele*, it is reasonable to apprehend that his opinions must tend to frustrate the principal intention of the present work, namely, the diffusing more generally the knowledge of the new system of Chemistry. It is not incumbent upon me as the author of the present publication to answer every objection to the new chemical doctrines, but as Dr. *Priestley* observes that the partisans of the new theory have not replied to his last paper in favour of Phlogiston, and as he now comes forward with additional strength from new experiments, I am induced to publish a few remarks on his arguments.

With regard to the composition of Nitrous Acid, Dr. P. alleges that his experiments are “decisive in favour of an Acid from dephlogisticated Air and inflammable Air.”

1st. Phlogisticated Air,” (Nitrogen Gaz), says Dr. P., “does not



produce nitrous Acid, because the more phlogifticated Air is contained in the two other kinds of Air mixed in the proportion of two measures of inflammable Air (Hydrogen Gaz) and one of dephlogifticated (Oxygen Gaz) the less Acid I got; but that, when I purposely mixed any given quantity of phlogifticated Air with them, it appeared not to have been at all affected by the process, but remained the very same, in quantity and quality, as before."

*Remark.* It appears from the experiments of Mr. Cavendish, (*Phil. Transf. Vol. LXXIV. p. 132*), and other able Chemists, that Oxygen Gaz has a stronger affinity for Hydrogen Gaz than for Nitrogen Gaz; and as in the experiments from which Dr. P. argues there was apparently a sufficient quantity of Hydrogen Gaz present to saturate the Oxygen, no Acid of Nitre could be produced, nor Nitrogen Gaz be destroyed, in whatever quantity this latter Gaz was present.

2. " Because Mr. Cavendish, though in a very different process, had found Nitrous Acid to result from the decomposition of phlogifticated and dephlogifticated Air; and because Mr. Lavoisier and his friends had found nothing but pure water after the slow burning of dephlogifticated and inflammable Air; it was maintained by the favourers of their system, that the water only in the liquor which I procured came from the union of the two kinds of Air, and the *Acid* from the *phlogifticated Air*, which I had not been able to exclude."

*Remark.* This is but a partial statement of the facts from which the above conclusion was drawn, for it should have been mentioned, that in the most accurate experiments the production of Nitrous Acid was uniformly attended with an adequate diminution of Nitrogen Gaz, and that this Gaz had been found to be present in every case of combustion in which Nitrous Acid was produced.



3. Dr. P. finding that it was still objected that the Oxygen Gaz upon which he operated might contain Nitrogen Gaz, he says, "the dephlogisticated Air which I at present use is so pure, that it contains no sensible quantity of phlogisticated Air, - - - yet in these circumstances in which all phlogisticated air is excluded I procure even a *stronger Acid* than before."

*Remark.* I do not recollect that any accurate Chemist besides Dr. P., has ever affirmed that he had procured Oxygen *quite free* from Nitrogen Gaz; for Oxygen Gaz got from super-oxygenated Muriate of Potash contained \*  $\frac{1}{100}$ , in one case, and in the other,  $\frac{1}{12}$  † of its bulk of Nitrogen; and it is the more extraordinary because the Oxygen used by Dr. P. was obtained from Oxyd of Mercury. As however this pure Oxygen Gaz, on mixture with Nitrous Gaz, left a residue of about four hundred parts of the bulk of Oxygen Gaz, it is probable that the Oxygen contained Nitrogen Gaz; and *one* grain of Nitrogen in 100 of Oxygen Gaz has produced near five grains of Nitrous Acid ‡. As to the small quantity of Nitrous Acid obtained by Mr. Cavendish from 3194 grain measures of atmospherical Air in one experiment, and 2710 grain measures in another experiment, Dr. P. seems to have overlooked the quantity produced by which the Mercury of the apparatus was oxydated and dissolved.

4. "I constantly observe, that if there be a surplus of dephlogisticated Air, the result of the explosion is always the Acid liquor; but if there be a surplus of inflammable Air the result is simply water. That phlogisticated Air is not in all cases affected by this process, I completely ascertained, by admitting a little common

\* See Annales de Chimie, Vol. VII. p. 260; VIII. and IX. p. 91.

† ————— Vol. X. p. 140.

‡ ————— p. 139.



Air into that mixture of the two kinds of Air which always produced water, and finding nothing but water in the result."

*Remark.* These observations confirm Mr. Cavendish's first conclusions, and the phenomena have been above explained on the principle of single elective attractions. It must however be observed, that although redundant Oxygen Gaz (to the quantity required to saturate the Hydrogen Gaz) be present, and also Nitrogen Gaz be in the mixture, no Acid is produced unless the combustion be *rapid*.

5. Dr. P. says he now considers it as uncertain that water and Nitrous Acid are composed of the same "elements" in different proportions, namely, of "dephlogisticated and inflammable Air;" "for when I mix the two kinds of Air in such proportions as to produce *Water*, I find in the residuum much more *phlogisticated Air* than I do when *Acid* is produced; which affords a suspicion that, in this case, *the principle of Acidity* goes wholly into the phlogisticated Air - - - so that it is very possible that the *pure water* we find may be nothing more than the basis of the two kinds of Air; and the principle of Acidity in the dephlogisticated Air, and the Phlogiston in the inflammable Air, may combine to form a superfluous Acid in the one case, and the phlogisticated Air in the other." - - - As the reason why in my former experiments I always produced an acid liquor, and never pure water, was my using too great a proportion of dephlogisticated Air; so the reason why Mr. Lavoisier and his friends generally produce but little Acid, and at last none at all, must have been, that the *slow combustion* which they made use of gave the principle of Acidity in the dephlogisticated Air, and the Phlogiston in the inflammable Air, a better opportunity of escaping and forming the phlogisticated Air in their residuum, of which they have not published any satisfactory account; and it is probable, that the weight of these elements compared with that of water, which forms the basis of the two kinds of Air, may be very small."



Dr. P. concludes that “ the source of the *Acid* in these experiments is not *phlogisticated Air*, as Mr. Cavendish imagined, but the union of the dephlogisticated and inflammable Air ; and that they make it at least doubtful whether these two kinds of Air compose *pure water*.”

*Remark.* I cannot help expressing my complete astonishment at the mode of reasoning of so great a discoverer as Dr. Priestley. It has been proved by abundant experiments, made with admirable precision and infinite labour, that whenever Nitrous Acid was obtained by the combustion of Oxygen and Hydrogen Gaz, that Nitrogen Gaz which had been mixed with them disappeared in quantity adequate to the nitrous Acid produced ; but that when this Acid was *not produced*, either the Oxygen Gaz was wholly saturated by the Hydrogen Gaz, or the fire of the combustion was probably not sufficiently intense to unite Oxygen to Nitrogen Gaz. If Dr. P.’s theory were just, *Nitrogen Gaz* (phlogisticated Air) *must have been produced* in those experiments in which the combustion was *slow*, or the portion of Hydrogen more than sufficient to saturate the Oxygen Gaz. It has likewise been shewn by experiments above referred to, that Nitrous Acid may be produced by passing the electric spark through the mixture of Nitrogen and Oxygen Gaz. Dr. P. says that “ *phlogisticated Air*,” more than was contained in the Airs before combustion, was found in the elaborate and accurate experiment of *Fourcroy, Vauquelin, and Seguin*, related to the Royal Academy of Paris, May 21st, 1790\*. I think it necessary to give only a very short account of this experiment, leaving the reader to determine for himself whether the whole of the “ phlogisticated Air” (Nitrogen

\* See *Annales de Chimie*, tome VII. p. 257.

—————, tome VIII. p. 230.

—————, tome IX. p. 30.



Gaz) did not exist in the Gases before the combustion, and also to draw his own conclusions with respect to the composition of water.

To obtain the Hydrogen Gaz. 1st, Zinc was melted and rubbed into a powder in a very hot mortar. 2dly, This metal was dissolved in concentrated sulphuric Acid diluted with seven parts of water. The Gaz procured was made to pass through caustic Alkali. To obtain the Oxygen Gaz, two pounds and a half of chrystallized super-oxygenated Muriate of Potash were distilled, and the Gaz was transferred through caustic Alkali. This experiment was begun on Wednesday, May 13, 1790, and was finished on Friday, the 22d of the same month. The combustion was kept up 185 hours with little interruption: during which time the machine was not quitted for a moment. The experimenters alternately refreshed themselves when fatigued, by lying for a few hours upon matrasses in the laboratory.

The volume of Hydrogen Gaz employed was 25963,563 cubic inches; and the weight was 1039,358 grains.

The volume of Oxygen Gaz was 12570,942, and the weight was 6209,869 grains.

The total weight of both elastic fluids was 7249,227.

The weight of water obtained was 7244 grains, or 12 ounces, 4 gros, 45 grains.

The weight of water which should have been obtained was 12 ounces, 4 gros, 49,227 grains.

The deficit was 4,227 grains.

The volume of Nitrogen Gaz before the experiment was 415,256 cubic inches; and at the close of it 467. The excess of Nitrogen after the experiment was consequently 51,744 cubic inches. This augmentation is to be attributed, the Academicians think, to the small quantity of atmospheric Air in the cylinders of the Gazometers at the time the other Gases were introduced. These additional



51 cubic inches could not arise from the Hydrogen Gaz, for experiment showed that it contained no Nitrogen Gaz. Some addition of Nitrogen Gaz, the Experimenters think, cannot be avoided, on account of the construction of the machine.

The water being examined was found to be as pure as distilled water. Its specific gravity to distilled water was as 18671 : 18670.

With regard to the composition of "*fixed Air*," or carbonic Acid, Dr. P. considers it to be compounded of the same elements as nitrous Acid. On which opinion I have only to remark that, besides the experiments showing that nitrous Acid is composed of Nitrogen and Oxygen Gaz, and consequently not as Dr. P. supposes, of Hydrogen and the acidifying principle of Oxygen Gaz, it has been demonstrated, by synthetic as well as analytic experiments, that carbonic Acid is produced by the union of Carbon with Oxygen; and that in no instance has it been decisively shown to be produced without Carbon and Oxygen.

The experiments related in the other paper, of this pamphlet, namely, *On the Generation of Air from Water*, have induced Dr. P. to change his opinion with respect to the elementary nature of water, but not to conclude with the antiphlogistic party, that it consists of Oxygen and Hydrogen. He now supposes that its components are "dephlogisticated and phlogisticated Air," or Oxygen and Nitrogen: and that water only requires "heat" to be combined with it to become a mixture of Oxygen and Nitrogen Gaz.

The first argument is from analogy. "Nothing but heat being necessary to convert Spirit of Wine, Oil, and other inflammable substances, liquid or solid, into permanent inflammable Air."

*Remark.* The effect of *Heat* (*Caloric*, as it is called in the new



system) in rendering concrete substances into the Gaz state, is equally favourable to Mr. Cavendish's opinion of the composition of water as to the different conclusion of Dr. Priestley. But Dr. P. is not quite accurate in stating that the inflammable bodies mentioned are changed into " inflammable Air by heat ;" for they also yield Oxygen Gaz, Nitrogen Gaz, and Carbon united to Oxygen, that is, Carbonic Acid Gaz.

2. " Steam being made to issue from the end of a copper, or glass tube into a recipient containing water, every bubble of steam collapsed into a small bubble of permanent Air." This Air was generally much purer than " common Air," the standard of it with an equal quantity of nitrous Air being 0.9, 0.85, or even 0.8 instead of 1.0 or 1.1, which is the usual standard of atmospherical Air after being agitated on its mixture with nitrous Air - - - - Twenty-five ounces of water being distilled through a red-hot copper tube, with the tube by which the steam was conveyed not covered with water, I got two ounce measures of Air."

*Remark.* From the quantity and quality of the Air afforded by given quantities of water, in the manner related, it will appear to most persons at least as probable that the Air was disengaged from solution in water, as that it was from the decomposition of this liquid. Dr. P. being aware of this objection, made the following experiment:

3. " I contrived to use the same water repeatedly, confined by Mercury, than which I do not know that any process can be more unexceptionable. Filling long glass tubes, closed at one end, partly with Water, and partly with Mercury, the open ends being immersed in basons of Mercury, I began with exposing a part of the tube above the Mercury to heat, so as to convert the water contigu-



ous to that place into steam, the water having been previously made as free from Air as possible" - - - - - That the water in the tube might not be for even a moment exposed to the common atmosphere and imbibe Air, " I provided a long trough of Mercury, and plunging the tubes into it, let out the Air under the Mercury, so that the water never came into any contact with the Air of the atmosphere. But I always found that when the tubes were again brought to the fire, and the water converted into steam, Air was produced as before; and I did not cease to repeat this process, till I was thoroughly satisfied that the repetition would answer no purpose. I therefore could not help concluding that, on whatever principle the effect was produced, the whole of any quantity of water is convertible into Air by means of heat, or by heat and light jointly. For the glass tubes in this set of experiments being transparent, light might have some influence in the business." On making the experiment, however, in opaque vessels, as much Air was produced as in transparent ones.

*Remark.* This is the least exceptionable experiment in the whole set, but I confess that it does not carry conviction to my mind of the change of water into " Air" by this process. It seems probable that on reading the account of this experiment without much consideration, in which it is stated, that a certain quantity of water afforded Air, day after day, and week after week, in as great quantity as at the first, many persons will be disposed to think the Air could not have been contained in the water, but must have been generated from it. But I beg leave to observe, that Dr. P. has not said that he has ever converted the *whole*, or even *one half*, of a given quantity of water into Air by the application of heat. Nor has he re-produced water by re-uniting the " phlogisticated and dephlogis-



ticated Air" obtained from water\*. The quantities of Air which he mentions to have been procured are but a very small part of the weight of the water which afforded it; and it has been long known how very difficult it is to free Water from Air, and that it probably contains in solution a far greater quantity than is commonly supposed.

However inconclusive these experiments appear to me, and although I cannot help *reasoning* differently, from Dr. P. on the subjects of these two papers, I must acknowledge that there are few chemical writers who afford me so much information with respect to *facts*.

\* The experiment of Messrs. *Paets van Troostwyk* and *Deiman*, published above three years ago, is singularly curious and interesting, because it seems at once to prove, both by analysis and synthesis, that water is a compound of Hydrogen and Oxygen. It affords, perhaps, the strongest proof hitherto obtained of the decomposition or analysis of water. Notwithstanding the importance of this experiment, I believe it has not received confirmation: I have only heard that an experienced Chemist did not succeed in his attempt to repeat it. But I have now the satisfaction of informing philosophical men that Mr. *Cutbberston*, late of Amsterdam, (so advantageously known for his improvements in the construction of the Air-Pump, Electrical Machines, and other instruments) obligingly desired me to see him make this experiment a few days ago: of which a short account may be acceptable.

A tube about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of an inch in diameter in the bore, and 11 inches in length, with wire introduced at each end, was bent in the manner described by *Paets* and *Deiman*. The upper wire at the end of the tube hermetically sealed was about  $\frac{1}{32}$  of an inch in thickness,  $1\frac{3}{8}$  of an inch in length; the under wire was of gold; and the water in the tube had been boiled and exposed under the exhausted receiver. By means of a plate electrical machine two feet in diameter, (of Mr. *Cutbberston's* construction), about 360 interrupted discharges, taken at the distance of  $\frac{1}{8}$  of an inch, from a Leyden jar, containing 160 square inches of coated glass, were made to pass through the tube, from the platina wire to the gold wire. So much air was by this means produced that it occupied nearly the space of half an inch of the length of the tube. This air being placed between the ends of the two wires, on passing a spark from the conductor through the tube it instantly disappeared, excepting a residue of about  $\frac{1}{40}$  of the air which had been produced. This residue, I believe, has not been examined. It is probably air disengaged from the water, or detached from the sides of the tube, by the electric sparks which neither a boiling heat nor the exhausted receiver had separated.

The water in the tube after the experiment did not render lime water turbid, nor turn paper stained with litmus to a reddish colour.

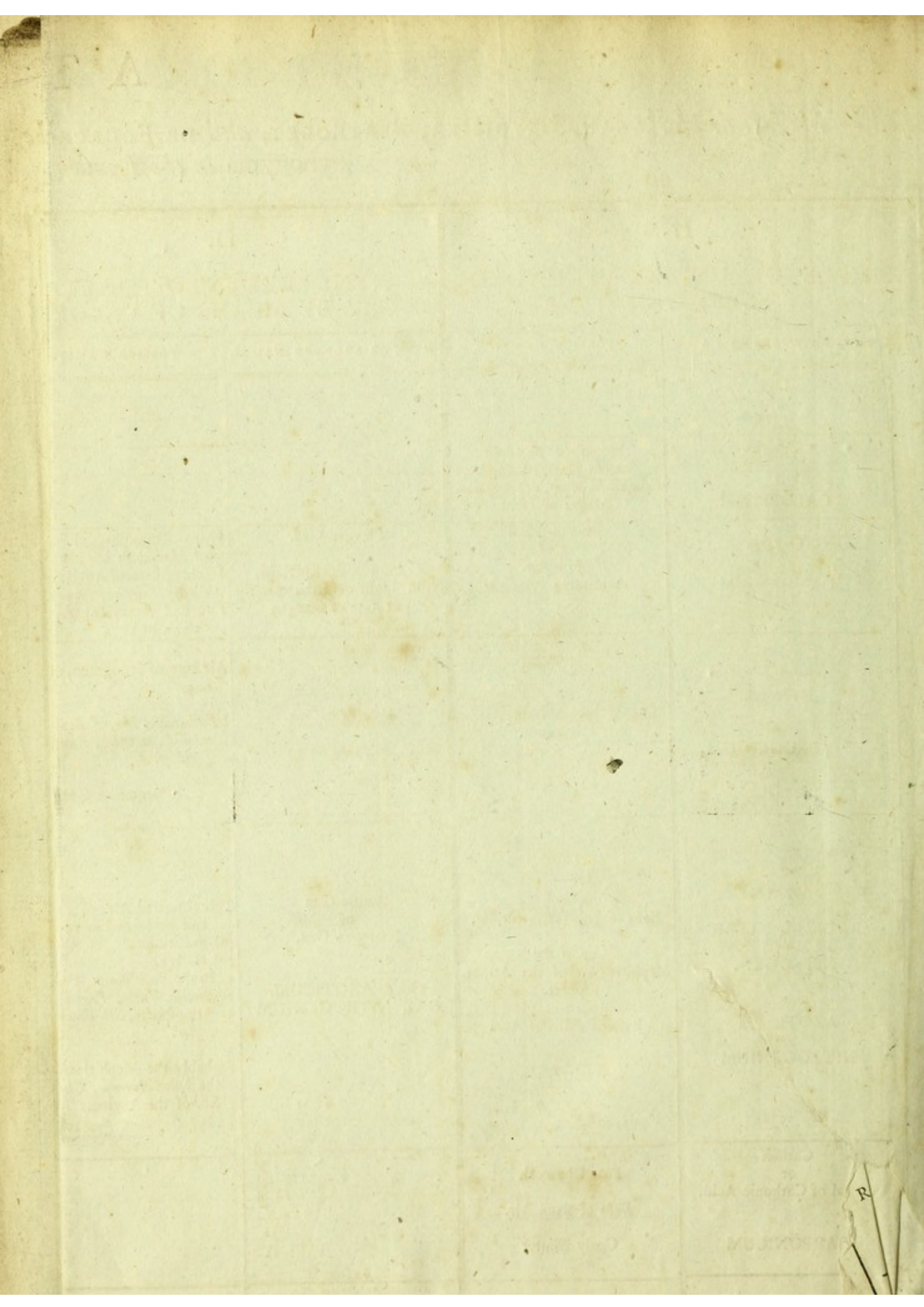


A TABLE OF CHEMICAL NOMENCLATURE,

*Messrs. de MORVEAU, LAVOISIER, BERTHOLET, and DE FOURCROY, in May, 1787: to which are added, by the Translator, the Latin Names in the new System of Chemistry; some of the former and popular Titles, and the Synonyma in the London, Edinburgh, and other Pharmacopœias; with References to Authors of Discoveries; and Observations.*

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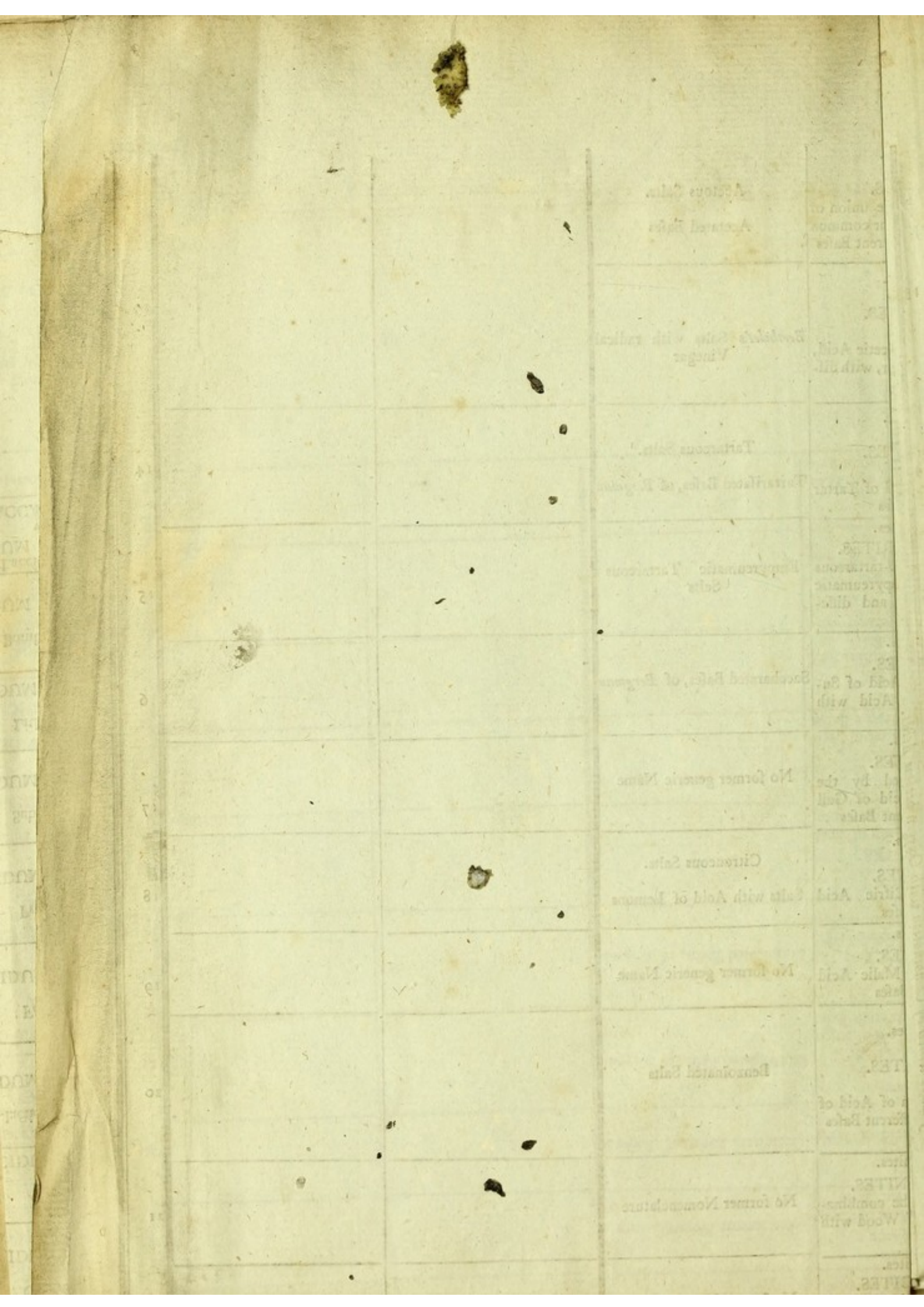






Radical Acetic.	Basis of Acetic Acid, or of Vinegar	Acetic Acid. ACIDUM ACETOSUM	Vinegar. Basis of Acetic Acid oxygenated in the fifth degree. ACETUM. Ph. L. et Ed. ACETUM DISTILLATUM Ph. L. et Ed.	Acetites. The formed by the union of Acetic Acid, or common Vinegar and different Bases	Acetous Salts. Acetated Bases
ACETICUM		Acetic Acid. ACIDUM ACETICUM, of Berzelius	Radical Vinegar. ACIDUM ACETIGINIS. ACETUM RADICALE. ACETUM ACETOSUM Ph. Lond. Basis of Acetic Acid oxygenated in the second degree	Acetons. ACETATES. Combinations of Acetic Acid, or radical Vinegar, with different Bases	Berzelius's Salts with radical Vinegar
Radical Tartaric.	Basis of Acid of Tartar	Tartareous Acid. ACIDUM TARTAROSUM	Acid of Cream of Tartar, Tartareous Acid, of Scheele. ACIDUM TARTARI CRYSTALLISATUM, Pharm. Ross. 1782, et Since, 1787	Tartarites. TARTARITES. Compounds of Acid of Tartar with different Bases	Tartarated Salts. Tartarified Bases, of Bergman
Radical Pyro-Tartaric.	Basis of Pyro-tartaric Acid	Pyro-tartareous Acid. ACIDUM PYRO-TARTAROSUM	Spirit of Tartar, Lully. Empyreumatic Acid of Tartar, ACIDUM TARTARI DIS-TILLATUM. Ph. Suecica.	Pyro-tartarites. PYRO-TARTARITES. Compounds of Pyro-tartarous Acid, or Emphyreumatic Acid of Tartar, and different Bases	Emphyreumatic Tartarous Salts
Radical Oxalic.	Basis of Acid of Sugar	Oxalic Acid. ACIDUM OXALICUM	Saccharine Acid, of Bergman. Acid of Sugar. Oxaline Acid	Oxalates. OXALATES. Combinations of Acid of Sugar or Oxalic Acid with different Bases	Saccharated Bases, of Bergman
Radical Gallic.	Basis of Acid of Gall Nut	Gallic Acid. ACIDUM GALLACEUM	Acid of Gall-Nut, of Scheele and Knechtel. Astringent Principle	Gallates. GALLATES. Compounds formed by the union of the Acid of Gall with different Bases	No former generic Name
Radical Citric.	Basis of Acid of Lemons	Citric Acid. ACIDUM CITRICUM	Citronous, or Lemon Acid. SUCCUS LIMONUM. Ph. L. et Ed.	Citrates. CITRATES. Compounds of Citric Acid with different Bases	Citronous Salts. Salts with Acid of Lemons
Radical Malic.	Basis of Apple-Acid	Malic Acid. ACIDUM MALICUM	Acid of Apples, of Scheele. Malic Acid	Malates. MALATES. Combinations of Malic Acid with different Bases	No former generic Name
Radical Benzoic.	Basis of Acid of Benjamin	Benzoic Acid. ACIDUM BENZOICUM Scheele	Acid of Benjamin, of Lefebvre. FLORES BENZOINI. Ph. E. BENZOES. Ph. Ross. Ph. Lon. et Ed. SAL BENZOES. Ph. Suec. ACIDUM BENZOICUM, Ph. E.	Benzoates. BENZOATES. Salts by the union of Acid of Benzoic with different Bases	Benzoated Salts
Radical Pyro-lignic.	Basis of Acid distilled from Birch and other Woods	Pyro-ligneous Acid. ACIDUM PYRO-LIGNOSUM	Empyreumatic Spirit of Wood. Ligneous Acid, of Gmelin	Pyro-lignites. PYRO-LIGNITES. Compounds formed by the combination of Acid of Wood with different Bases	No former Nomenclature
Radical Pyro-mucic.	Basis of Acid of Honey	Pyro-mucous Acid. ACIDUM PYRO-MUCOSUM	Spirit of Honey, Sugar, &c. Syrupous Acid	Pyro-mucites. PYRO-MUCITES. Compounds of Honey with different Bases	No former Nomenclature
Radical Camphoric.	Basis of Acid of Camphor	Camphoric Acid. ACIDUM CAMPHORICUM	Acid of Camphor, of Klaproth	Camphorates. CAMPHORATES. Combinations of Acid of Camphor with different Bases	No former Nomenclature
Radical Lactic.	Basis of Acid of Milk	Lactic Acid. ACIDUM LACTICUM	Sour Milk Acid of Sour Milk, of Scheele Galactic Acid, of Bergman, Ph. Suec.	Lactates. LACTATES. Compounds of Acid of Milk with different Bases	Galactated Bases, of Bergman
Radical Saccharic.	Basis of Acid of Sugar of Milk	Saccharic Acid, of Bergman. ACIDUM SACCHO-LACTICUM	Acid of Sugar of Milk, of Scheele	Saccharolates. SACCHO-LATES. Combinations of Acid of Sugar Milk with different Bases	Saccharolated Bases, of Bergman
Radical Formic.	Basis of Acid of Ants	Formic Acid. ACIDUM FORMICUM	Acid of Ants, of Knechtel, Margraaf, and Arvidson. Formic Acid. ACIDUM FORMICE. Ph. Suec.	Formiates. FORMIATES. Compounds by the Union of Acid of Ants with different Bases	Formicated Bases, of Bergman
Radical Prussic.	Basis of Acid of Prussian Blue	Prussic Acid. ACIDUM PRUSSICUM	Tinging Matter of Prussian Blue, of Scheele Acid of Prussian Blue	Prussiates. PRUSSIATES. Compounds by the union of Prussic Acid with different Bases	No former Nomenclature
Radical Sebatic.	Basis of Acid of Fat	Sebatic Acid. ACIDUM SEBACICUM	Acid of Fat of Mutton, Cattle, Knechtel, and Siegel	Sebates. SEBATES. Compounds by the union of Acid of Fat with different Bases	No former Nomenclature
Radical Lithic.	Basis of Acid of Urinary Stone	Lithic Acid. ACIDUM LITHICUM	Acid of Urinary, or Benzoic Stone, of Scheele	Lithiates. LITHIATES. Compounds by the Lithic Acid with different Bases	No former Nomenclature
Radical Bombycic.	Basis of Acid of Silkworm	Bombycic Acid. ACIDUM BOMBYCUM	Acid of Silk Worm, of Chaptal	Bombycates. BOMBYCIATES. Combinations of Bombycic Acid with different Bases	No former Nomenclature
Radical Laccic.	Basis of Acid of Waxy Matter of the white Lac Cocoon	Laccic Acid. ACIDUM LACCICUM et LACCÆ ALBÆ	Acid of the waxy Matter produced by the White Lac Cocoon or Insect, by Pearson, in 1792	Laccates. LACCATES. Compounds by the union of the Laccic Acid with different Bases	No former Nomenclature







Oxyda united with different Bases OXYDA DIVERSIS CORPORIBUS CONJUNCTA.										
Arsenic. ARSENICUM	Regulus of Arsenic, of <i>Schreder</i> , in 1641, and of <i>Monro</i> , in 1773		Oxyd of Arsenic. OXYDUM ARSENICI	White or Flowers of Arsenic, of <i>Arsona</i> . ARSENICUM. Ph. Suec. et Ed. Arsenic oxygenated in the first degree.	Sulphurated Oxyd of Arsenic, <i>yellow</i> . OXYDUM ARSENICISULPHURATUM, <i>LUTZUM</i> . Schreder, Oxyd of <i>A. red</i> . OXYDUM ARSENICISULPHURATUM, <i>RUBRUM</i> . Artificial Oxyd of Potash.	Asiaticum, Ph. Opimorum, or Yellowish. Tasteless or slightly Kaustic.  Liver of Arsenic. <i>green</i> in and State by Water, or 40 Agor Drops?	Arseniate. ARSENATES. Compounds consisting of Acid of Arsenic and Oxyd, Earths, Alkalies, or other Bases.	Arsenical Salts, of <i>Maquer</i> and <i>Schreder</i> .	Combinations of Arsenic with Tin, or other Metals. CONNUBIA ARSENICUM STANNUM et CETERIS METALLIS, &c.	Arsenical Tin, &c.
Molybdæna. MOLYBDENUM	Regulus of Molybdæna, of <i>Hahn</i> , in 1784.		Oxyd of Arsenic, combined with more Oxygen. ACIDUM ARSENICI Oxyd of Molybdæna. Molybdic Acid. OXYDUM et ACIDUM MOLYBDENI	Arsenical Acid, of <i>Schreder</i> . Arsenic oxygenated in the second degree. Calc of Molybdæna. Acid of Molybdæna, of <i>Schreder</i> .	Sulphurated Oxyd of Molybdæna. OXYDUM MOLYBDENI SULPHURATUM	Molybdæna	Molybdates. MOLYBDATES. Consist of Molybdic Acid and different Bases.	Molybdated Bases	Combinations of Molybdæna with other Metals. CONNUBIA MOLYBDENI CUM CETERIS METALLIS	
Tungsten? TUNGSTENUM?	Regulus of Tungsten? of <i>Mellin de Laperre</i> , in 1793		Oxyd of Tungsten. Tungstic Acid. OXYDUM et ACIDUM TUNGSTENI	Yellow Calc or Acid of <i>Lape</i> <i>Ponderosa</i> , and <i>Wolfram</i> , of <i>Schreder</i> . Wolframium album, of <i>Gmelin</i> .			Tungstates. TUNGSTATES. Consist of Tungstic Acid and different Bases.	Tungstated Bases of different Kinds	Combinations of T., &c.?	
Uranine. URANIUM	Regulus of Uranine, of <i>Klaproth</i> , in 1795		Oxyd of Uranine. OXYDUM URANII	Calc of Uranine, of <i>Klaproth</i>					Uranine united to other Metals. CONNUBIA URANII CUM CETERIS METALLIS	
Manganese. MAGNESIUM	Regulus of Manganese, of <i>Gahn</i> , in 1777		Oxyd of Manganese. Manganous oxygenated in the first degree. Black Calc of Manganese. OXYDUM MAGNESII ALBUM, NIGRUM, VITREUM	White Calc of Manganese. Manganese oxygenated in the first degree. Black Calc of Manganese. Manganese oxygenated in the second degree.	Alkaline Oxyd of Manganese. OXYDUM ALKALINUM MAGNESII	Mineral Chameleon			Manganese combined with Iron, &c. CONNUBIA MAGNESII CUM FERRO, &c.	
Nickel. NICCOLUM	Nickel, of <i>Cronstedt</i> , in 1751, and of <i>Bergman</i>		Oxyd of Nickel. OXYDUM NICCOLI	Calc of Nickel					Nickel united to other Metals. CONNUBIA NICCOLI CUM CETERIS METALLIS	
Cobalt. CORALTIUM	Regulus of Cobalt, of <i>Brand</i> , in 1735, and <i>Linnæus</i>		Oxyd of Cobalt, <i>gray</i> . OXYDUM CORALTIUM, GRISUM, et VITREUM	Calc of Cobalt	Alkaline Cobaltic Oxyd. OXYDA ALKALINA COBALTICA	Precipitates of Cobalt dissolved by Alkalies			Combinations of C., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	
Bismuth. BISMUTHUM	Tin Glafs. Bismuth or Marcasite, of <i>Agner</i> , and <i>Schreder</i> , in 1641		Oxyd of Bismuth, <i>white</i> . Bismuthous. OXYDUM BISMUTHI ALBUM, LUTUM, et VITREUM	Margherite of Bismuth or white Colicite, Ph. <i>Sylvestris</i> . Yellow Calc of Bismuth. Glassy Calc of Bismuth.	Sulphurated Oxyd of Bismuth. OXYDUM BISMUTHI SULPHURATUM	Bismuth precipitated by ver of Sulphur			Combinations of B., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	
Antimony. STIBIUM	Regulus of Antimony, of <i>Roy</i> <i>Falconer</i>		Oxyd of Antimony. by 1. Nitric Acid. 2. Muriatic Acid. 3. Sulphuric Acid. 4. Vitreous. OXYDUM STIBII ALBUM, ACIDUM NITRICO, MURIATICO, et IGNE et OXYGENIO FACTUM	Diaphanous or white Powder of <i>A. of Red Falconer</i> . ANT. CALCIN. Ph. L. et E. ALGAROT'S POWDER. Gray Powder of <i>A. of Schreder</i> . Glass of Regulus of Antimony.	Sulphurated Oxyd of Antimony. OXYDA SULPHURATA STIBII Alkaline Oxyd of Antimony. OXYDA ALKALINA STIBII	Livers of Antimony. Sulphurated Antimonious. Antim. Vitre. Ph. L. et E. Sulphur Antimon. Ph. L. et E. Kermes Mineral. Ph. L. et E. Alkalised Calces of <i>mony</i>			Combinations of A., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	
Zinc. ZINCUM	Marcasite, of <i>Alfonso Magari</i> , in 1380. Zinc, of <i>Hempel</i> and <i>Lange</i> Distilled Zinc, of <i>Margraf</i> , in 1746 ZINCUM. Ph. L. et Ed.		Oxyd of Zinc by Sublimation. OXYDUM ZINCI SUBLIMATUM Oxyd of Zinc by Precipitation. OXYDUM ZINCI ACIDIS CONFECTUM	FLORES ZINCI, of <i>Glauber</i> , and Ph. L. Zincum album. Ph. Ed. CALX ZINCI. Ph. Suec. Calc by precipitation from Sulphate of Zinc, &c. Pompholyx, Calamine, or Impure Calc of Zinc. LAPS CALAM. Ph. L. et E.	Sulphurated Oxyd of Zinc. OXYDUM ZINCI SULPHURATUM	Precipitates of Zinc by 1. of Sulphur, or acids. 2. Fluide			Combinations of Z., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	
Iron. FERRUM	Man. FERRUM. Ph. L. et Ed.		Oxyd of Iron, <i>black</i> . Oxyd of Iron by Precipitation, <i>green</i> .	Martins Ethiops. Cereus Martins. <i>Albigenis</i> . Ocher. COLOTH. FERRI. Ph. E. RUBIGO. Ph. L. E. et Ed. Green Calc of <i>Griffith</i> <i>Trou</i>	Sulphurated Oxyd of Iron. OXYDUM FERRI SULPHURATUM	Sulphurated Calc of Iron			Combinations of I., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	
Tin. STANNUM	STANNUM. Ph. L. et Ed.		Oxyd of Tin, <i>yellow</i> and <i>white</i> . OXYDUM STANNI ALBUM, CINEREUM	Flowers of Tin. Calc of Tin	Sulphurated Oxyd of Tin. OXYDUM STANNI SULPHURATUM, <i>negrum</i> et <i>leucum</i>	Sulphurated Calc of Tin			Combinations of T., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	
Lead. LEAD	Stannum. PLUMBUM. Ph. L.		Oxyd of Lead, <i>brun</i> . Oxyd of Lead, <i>yellow</i> . Oxyd of Lead, <i>red</i> . OXYDUM PLUMBI, &c.	Lead Alb. Ceruss or White Lead. Ph. L. et Ed. Melliss. Ph. L. et E. Mistum. Ph. L. et Ed. Lithargyrum. Ph. L. et E.	Sulphurated Oxyd of Lead. OXYDUM PLUMBI SULPHURATUM	Sulphurated Calc of Lead			Combinations of L., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	
Copper. CUPRUM	Venus. CUPRUM. Ph. L.		Oxyd of Copper, <i>red</i> . Oxyd of Copper, <i>green</i> . OXYDUM CUPRI RUBRUM, &c.	Red or Brown Calc of Copper. Green Calc of Copper. Mauriceum. <i>Ed.</i>	Ammoniacal Oxyd of Copper. OXYDUM CUPRI AMMONIACALE	Cuprum Ammoniacal. CUPRUM AMMONIACUM. Ph. Ed.			Combinations of C., &c. CONNUBIA, &c.	



