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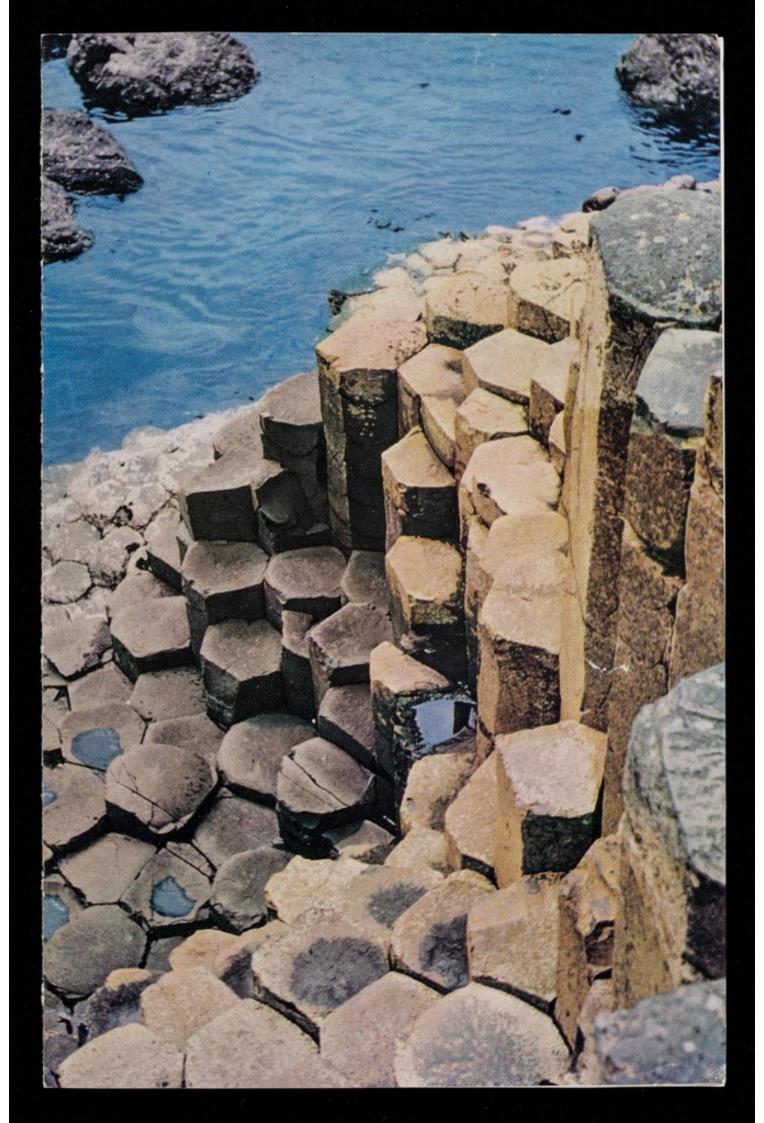
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# No. 3: The Giant's Causeway

Like massive crystals of a chemical salt on the walls of a laboratory vessel, the almost uniform columns of the Giant's Causeway cluster at the water's edge as if seeded from an evaporating sea.

They originate, in fact, from masses of molten basalt intruded into the sea bed, contracted and split during cooling into an orderly and exciting pattern.

Their unique beauty and romantic setting, bewitched by the rich folk-lore of the district, have drawn generations of tourists to the spot. The columns of the Giant's Causeway are echoed in the Western Islands of Scotland, and legend says that they are the remains of a road built by the giants to link the two countries. The name of the greatest of the giants is perpetuated in the equally celebrated Fingal's Cave, whose entrance is flanked by imposing columns of the same hexagonal formation that is so remarkable a feature of the Giant's Causeway.

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Colour photograph by A. N. Davenport

A NTACID therapy needs to be regulated to fit the acid-secretion pattern of the sufferer from hyperacidity.

Medication must be regular and continuous to suppress the attacks of acid pain, and should, ideally, be regulated to anticipate these attacks. This presents little difficulty in hospital, but is a problem to the patient who has to carry on with his work.

Ambulant patients can regulate the degree of their stomach acidity simply, pleasantly and predictably by carrying Prodexin tablets and sucking one occasionally to control their hyperacid "peaks." The efficient buffering capacity of Prodexin allows sufficient latitude to deal with wide variations in individual acidity.

Prodexin tablets act rapidly and for long periods. They do not alkalise the stomach contents or aggravate abnormal acid secretion. They provide a colloidal aluminium hydroxide gel without the loss of activity usually associated with dried alumina preparations. Prodexin tablets are palatable, smooth, non-gritty and non-irritant to stomach lesions.

# PRODEXIN

restores the pattern of gastric acid secretion

#### Each Prodexin tablet contains:

Aluminium glycinate (dihydroxy aluminium aminoacetate)...0.9 gramme Light magnesium carbonate..................0.1 gramme

#### DOSAGE

To ensure a steady and prolonged flow of medicament to the stomach the tablet should be allowed to dissolve *slowly* in the mouth.

# For hyperacidity

One to two tablets as required.

## For prevention of hyperacidic attacks

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## For peptic ulcer

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