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JOHN ARMSTRONG, M.D. (The Universal Almanack, 1748)

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A P R I L William Harvey, discoverer of the circulation of the blood, born 1578. Summer-time begins (Seasonal incidence of "athlete's foot" calls for 'Tineafax'). Concert: Gigli, Royal Albert Hall. British Tuberculosis Association. Annual Conference at Trinity College, Cambridge.	1st 3rd 5th 6th- 9th	Harveian Society of London. The Harveian Lecture by Sir Gordon Gordon-Taylor, K.C.B. 5 p.m. at the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C. Digoxin 'B. W. & Co.' is especially effective for Cardiac Failure associated with auricular fibrillation. Elgar Festival commences. Royal Albert Hall.	25th 30th
Exhibition. Royal Academy of Scottish Art, Edinburgh.	30th	JUNE	
F.A. Cup Final, Wembley.	1	Bath, West and Southern Counties Agri- cultural Show. Bristol.	1st- 4th
MAY		The Derby. Epsom.	4th
British Industries Fair. London and Birmingham.	2nd- 13th	Antique Dealers' Fair and Exhibition. Grosvenor House, London, W. 1.	9/h- 24/h
Medical Society of London. Annual Oration, Mr. A. C. Palmer on "Temperament". 8.30 p.m. at II Chandos Street, W. I.	9th	Chadwick Public Lecture, by Dr. Sibyl Horner. 2.30 p.m. at 26, Portland Place, London, W. 1	2Ist
Royal Windsor Horse Show. Windsor.	12th- 14th	Midsummer Eve. Hempseed to be sown and fernseed to be gathered at midnight.	23rd
Edward Jenner born at Berkeley, Glos., 17th May, 1749; performed his first vaccination, 14th May, 1796.		British Medical Association Meeting, Har- rogate. (Don't forget to visit Stand No).	27th- July 1st



PRESCRIPTION OF THE QUARTER

To put a man to sleep (or to soothe him) that he may be treated. Take of the gall of a swine, the juice of hemlockroot and of vinegar three spoonfuls each, and mingle all together . . . and put it to a gallon of wine or ale. Put two spoonfuls thereof and give him to drink, and he shall sleep soon. (15th Century Recipe.)

For relief of pain without narcosis, however, certain present-day leeches prefer 'PHYSEPTONE' mask an effective modern analgesic.

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