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DAFFEY'S ELIXIR SALUTIS - 1675









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1368 DAFFY (Anthony, *Student of Physick*), *Elixir Salutis; the Choice Drink of Health, or Health-bringing Drink; being a Famous Cordial Drink found out of the Providence of the Almighty, &c., the original prospectus of Daffy's Elixir, with his seal of arms on title* (4 ll.) Sm. 4to., half bound, UNCUT, PROBABLY UNIQUE, Printed with allowance for the Author by

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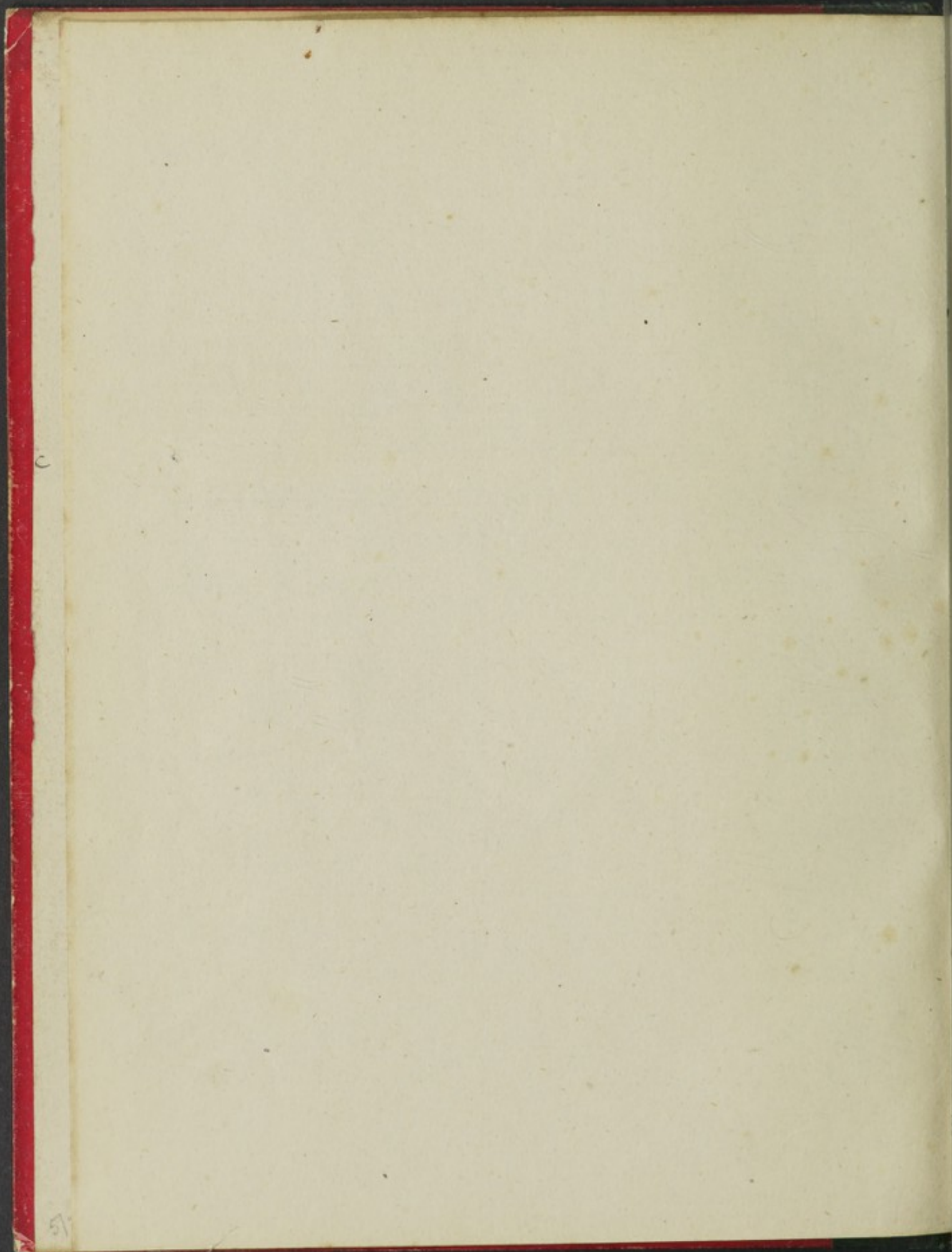
\* \* " . . . Moreover for prevention of fraud, each bottle of this, my Elixir, shall be sealed with my Coat of Arms according to its impression in the Title " vide p. 7. Not known to Lowndes.

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# Elixir Salutis:

THE  
CHOICE DRINK OF HEALTH

OR,

Health-bringing Drink.

BEING

A Famous *CORDIAL DRINK*,

Found out by the Providence of the Almighty, and  
(for above Twenty years,) Experienced by my self  
and divers persons (whose names are at most of  
their Desires here inserted) a most Excellent  
Preservative of Man-kind.

## A SECRET

Farr beyond any Medicament yet known, and is  
found so agreeable to Nature, that it effects all its Opera-  
tions, as Nature would have it, and as a virtual Expedient  
proposed by her, for reducing all her Extreame unto an  
equal Temper; the same being fitted unto all *Ages, Sexes,*  
*Complexions, and Constitutions*, and highly fortifying Na-  
ture against any Noxious humour, invading or offending  
the *Noble Parts*.

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Never Published by any but by Me  
*ANTHONY D A F F T, Student in Physick.*

*Reader beware of Counterfeits, for they swarm.*

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*LONDON*, Printed with Allowance,  
for the Author, by *W. G.* 1675.





*Courteous Reader,*

**I** Having by the Providence of the Almighty obtained the true Composition, together with the Secret of Right Preparing and making this Famous *Elixir*, or *Choise Drink of Health*; and having for *twenty* years last, downwards to this time, found the same (to admiration) successful in the perfect cure of most of the Torturing and painful Distempers and Maladies incident to Humane Bodies; as will be abundantly testified by sundry credible Persons in this City and elsewhere, upon their own happy Experiences of my *Elixirs* Admirable and almost incredible effects and virtues; the enumeration of whom would be too tedious here to insert: yet particularly (amongst many others) my *Elixir* was about four years since found successful under God in the perfect cure of one *Thomas Hinde*, most sadly afflicted with the Stone, and other distempers, after five years use of the best Means he could procure, either from Learned Physicians in this City, or the *Wells*; as by the said *Hinde's* Certificate under his hand, and other Testimonies may fully appear. He, the said *Hinde*, soon after his Cure, did by subtle suggestions of great Travails by him pretendedly undertaken, and crafty Insinuations into my favour, obtain from me a Direction unto some (though but few of) my *Elixirs* Ingredients, so far only as to prevent his Relapse into his then late Distempers; or to recover him if relapsed by change of Air, alteration of Climates, or otherwise: which said *Hinde* having thus (as he thought) accomplished his Ends, did soon after (like a juggling *Don Quixot*) by the Letters T. H. G. midwife by stealth a Libellous Pamphlet, crawling into the world, yet keeping it self in dark Corners, as a Moon-blind Brat, demurely counterfeiting my *Elixir*, under the varnished and specious Appellation of his Famous and Wonderful NEVER FAILING CORDIAL DRINK OF THE WORLD, &c. to be sold onely within *Aldersgate* at the Picture-shop, and at one place more, in *Dork City*; audaciously making use of, and misapplying the substance of my Bill of Directions, by me published in print above six years since; and also Ape-like imitating my own Expressions, which he had from time to time heard me declare of my own and my Patients manifold Experiences of my *Elixirs* virtues, with much impudence imposing them upon the World, as if they were his own many years Experiences of the virtues of what he calls his *Never failing drink* &c. though it is well known to me, and many others in this City, that he himself was (within this five years last) a stranger to my *Elixir*, and to the Names of those few Ingredients in it, which now he pretends to know. Divers of my Patients, in this Book, viz. *Mr. Pen. Hope*, *Mr. William Crawley*, and others, having been cured by me above 11 years since, and to this time remaining living monuments to God's praise of my Medicines virtues. It is here very remarkable, that this *Hinde*, though stored with so great a stock of Confidence of the infallible effects of his *Never Failing Drink*; yet he boggles at the publication of the Names and Places of abode of such Patients of his, as have been cured of any one Distemper by that his NEVER FAILING Cordial; or of the time or times when such Cure (if any) were made. By which sinister and indirect Practice of this *Hinde*, it being observed, that sundry people of most Ranks have been egregiously beguiled, their health indangered, and my self injuriously abused; I have in the faithful Discharge of my Conscience unto God, and in love to the Publick Good, sometime since published in Print two Advertisements, for undeceiving the deluded World, unto which I never received one syllable of Answer from this *Hinde*. I shall therefore leave the Consideration of the whole matter to the judgment of the Impartial Reader.

*Qui vult decipi, decipiatur.*

London, April 9. 1675.

ANTHONY DAFFE.



## ELIXIR SALUTIS:

OR,

*The Famous and Choise Cordial Drink of Health.*

**T**HE Excellent uses and transcendent *Virtues* of this *Inestimable Jewel*, proved by the happy and successful experiences of many *Credible Persons*, being now living and *Healthful Monuments* to God's Praise, hereunder named and described, are (amongst divers others, in so small a Volume not Comprizeable) these, *viz.*

**The Gout.**

**T**HIS Choise Preservative (if duly prepared) effectually and perfectly cures the *Gout*, as hath (through God's blessing) been happily experienced, and will be testified (amongst others) by *Benjamin Hope* of *Camerwell* in the County of *Surrey*, having been very sorely afflicted with this Torturing Malady. For, this my Drink stifles the *Gout* in its Birth, and kills it in its strength; extracting out of all parts of the Patient's Body those crude and viscous humours, which are the Spawn and nourishing cause of this grievous Disease, and frees the Joynts of all other Diseases and Pains to *Admiration*.

§ A Person of Honour also, to wit, *Leonard Grey, Esq;* Son of the late Right Honourable *Henry, Earl of Stanford*, having for the space of twelve Years and upwards, been so deeply afflicted with the *Gout*, that he was necessitated (during that time) to make use of Crutches, hath for four Months last been so Cured by the Means of this my *Elixir*, that he now walks with ease, having only a Cane in his Hand; and desires, for the encouragement of others, that his Name be thus made publick, this 22. of *February, 1675*.

For the *Gout* and *Dropsy*, *Mr. Athie*, at the *Nagg's head*, over against the *Royal Sword*, beyond the *New Exchange* in the *Strand*, hath also found my *Elixir* happily successful in his Cure: Besides many hundreds more, that are not free to be made publick.

**The Stone and Gravel in the Reins, or an Exulceration in the Kidneys or Mouth of the Bladder.**

**T**HIS Drink dissolves, and perfectly cures the *Stone* and *Gravel*, and hath been by God's blessing found an effectual Remedy against it in *Men, Women, and Children*. It wonderfully cleanseth the *Reins* of all foulness and imperfections, forcing *urine*, never failing to cure the *Gravel* in the *Reins, Kidneys, or Bladder*, though ulcerated, and the Patients *urine* like *bloud*. These excellent virtues of this my Drink have to admiration been found eminently successful by very many persons in divers Countries, and this City: as, for Instance, by *Mr. William Crawley* of *Luton*

in



in the County of *Bedford*, who was cured Eleven years since, and may once a Fortnight be found at the *Three Broad Arrows* in *Golden Lane*, *London*; who by God's blessing upon this my *Drink*, voided above an *Hundred Stones*; whereof the first, as big as the middle part of a *Tobacco Pipe*, and about an *inch long*, and so soft at its coming away, that one might crumble it between the fingers; most of the other *Stones*, smaller, some of the bigness of an *Horse-bean*, some as little as a *Pea*, all rendred soft, and of a crumbling nature.

Mistress *Tanner*, living within the *New Postern*, over against *Aldermanbury*, *London*, hath likewise found my *Drink*, under God, effectual to the cure of this grievous painful Distemper, in bringing away above *sixty stones*, one whereof is as big as a *Date-stone*.

So Mr. *Elliot* at the *Parrot*, at the upper end of *Drury Lane*, and Mr. *Stephen Dallyson* a Shoo-maker, next *Soverfet house* in the *Strand*.

Also the said *Thomas Hinde* at the *Picture-Shop*, when all other *Means* and *Physicians* (from one to another) in five years sore affliction, proved unsuccessful to him, either for *help* or *ease*; Nine Spoonfuls, or three *Doses* of this my *Drink* (as I prepared it) did by the Lord's blessing, bring him to void a *Stone*, three-forked, like the upper end of some *Tobacco stopper*, about the bigness of an *Horse-bean*, which hath been seen by sundry persons of Note in this *City*, and elsewhere. And of his Cure by my *Drink* I have his *Certificate* (ready to shew, if need require.) Many more living Testimonies might be named of the incredible and excellent virtues of this *Drink*, bringing away the *Stone*, *Sand*, and *Gravel*, when congealed, the *Sand* and *Gravel* brought away as soft, as Meal or Flower under the finger: and if the same be congealed, it sometimes brings it away on a suddain, hard as a *Pibble*, as the aforesaid Mr. *Crawley* hath experienced. Mr. *Robert Goodson*, at the *Red Cross* in *St. Martins le Grand*, having also lately been sorely racked with this torture, found this *Elixir* under God a speedy and effectual remedy in voiding with much ease a *Stone*, of the bigness of a small *Bean*, since which he hath been very well, and so remains to this day.

### Against Languishing and Melancholly.

It raiseth Languishing Nature, and Melancholly drooping Spirits, it fails not of curing the *Hypocondriack-Melancholly*, and most powerfully opposeth all black and mixed humours (as Nature's grand Enemy) continually drawing them out of the *Veins* and *Arteries* into the *Stomach*, and from thence sends them away; and after their expulsion Nature rejoiceth.

### Shortness of Breath, Collick, Gripping in the Guts.

His *Drink* doth, by the Lord's blessing, suddainly help bad Digestion, or stoppage of the *Stomach* and shortness of *Breath*, causing a good appetite, and defending the head from all vapors ascending from the *Mother* and *Spleen*. It is found a most certain Remedy for the *Collick*, and any Gripping of



of the *Guts*, and stayeth *Vomiting*; which Virtues have been successfully experienced by the aforesaid *Benjamin Hope* of *Camerwell*, *Mr. Layton* of *Chick-lane*, *London*, *Cordwainer*, *Mrs Petit* in *Cursiters Alley*, and my own Family.

And many others will also testifie, that the same takes away all pains from the *Heart*, and perfectly cured them, when they were sorely stoppt with *Phlegme*, yea when they feared *Choking*, and were accustomed in their sleep to be near *stifling* for want of *Breath*.

### The Ptisick.

IT gives much relief and ease to *Aged People*, afflicted with the *Ptisick*, but perfectly cures such, as have strength of *Nature*, and are not too far spent in that sad Distemper. It hath been found successful in the Cure of the said *Mr. Tho. Layton*, and *Mr. Cox*, living at the sign of the *Cock* in *Fleet-lane*, *London*.

This harmless and pleasant Cordial is so good a friend unto *Woman-kind* in all conditions, and hath been so experienced, that they cannot treasure up a richer Jewel by them, or have a more acceptable gift presented them, the virtues of it being found effectual in clearing them of all obstructions, fitting and enabling them for conception.

### The Green-sickness.

IT also certainly and speedily cures the *Green-sickness* (of any kinde or *Nature* whatsoever,) not failing to bring *Virgins* to their *Maiden-blush*, rendering painting altogether out of fashion, making the *Face* well coloured, the *Breath* sweet, and the *Body* lusty.

### Against Surfets.

IT pursueth *Surfets*, from one place to another in the body, yea, though the body be swollen up, it doth by God's help speedily raise the Patient from a bed of *Languishing*; as hath been happily experienced by one *Mr. De-Hewes*, a *Glass-maker*, in *Winchester-yard*, *Southwark*, who found the same admirably successful in his speedy and compleat *Recovery* from that dangerous Distemper. And (among many others more) *Mr. Matthew Bush*, a *Workman-Brewer* at *Mr. William Collins* his *Brew-house*, over against *St. Giles's Church*, desires that his Name be here inserted for the encouragement of others, to the Praise of God, for his signal Blessing upon this means, in his *Recovery* from a very dangerous *Surfeit*, which brought his life into great peril.

### Scurvy and Dropsie.

THIS Cordial Drink wonderfully acquits the Body of the *Scurvy*, root and branch; and hath also been found (to *Admiration*) successful in the perfect cure of the *Dropsie*, and other *Distempers*, accompanying the same, as hath been happily experienced by the aforesaid *Mr. Layton* of *Chick-lane*, the said *Mr. De-Hewes*, and others (too many here to mention.)



**Coughs, Wheezings, Consumption, and Agues:**

**I**T hath been found, through God's blessing, an effectual Remedy against *Coughs* of all sorts, yea in the height of *extremity*. It also removes and takes away the *Causes* of all *Wheezings*, and hath to Admiration cured *Consumptive persons*, Nature being not too far spent. It hath been in *February 1672.* found successful in the Cure of an Apprentice, by name *Geo. Amblin*, who was sorely afflicted with a *Quotidian Ague*, the young man may be spoken with, or heard of at Mr. *Barnham's* Coffee-house, in *Bishops-gate street*, over against the *old Post-house*.

**Mother, and Spleen, and Fitts of the Mother.**

**T**His Cordial Drink admirably frees the *Liver* and *Spleen* of all *Obstructions*, and is a proper Expedient and effectual Remedy against the *Fitts of the Mother*, as is happily Experienced by the Wife of Mr. *Edward Brandereth*, a Taylor, in *Plow-stable-Alley* by Little *Lincolns-Inn-Fields*, who having been in a very sad manner extraordinarily afflicted with very fore Fitts, is now, by the Blessing of the Lord upon this *Elixir*, Cured and Freed of that Distemper.

It is also of Excellent use for *Wet Nurses*, cleansing their *bloud*, and rendering their *Milk* wholsom and *nutritive* to the sucking Babe.

**Against Rickets.**

**I**T cures the Rickets, and other distempers in Children, by opening and removing Obstructions in them.

It keeps a clear passage between the *head* and *heart*, not admitting of any Noxious humour, that annoyes those Noble parts.

It admirably keeps off *frightful fears* and *griefs* from seizing on the *heart*, by removing those noxious and sharp humours that occasion the same.

It also takes away the Cause of, and cures the extream *burnings* in the bottoms of the *feet* and *palms* of the *hands*, which sorely afflict the *Heart*.

Finally, it highly exalts the *Generative virtue*, and restores *Radical Moisture*, cleansing and strengthening the Seminal vessels in both Sexes.

And in a word, amongst all the Diseases and Distempers incident to humane Bodies, which I have heard or read of in these parts of the world, whether of *Men, Women, Children, or Babes*, I do in the presence of God, upon my long Experience of the virtues of this *Cordial Drink* affirm, There is not one Disease able to withstand, but is through God's blessing subject unto this *my Drink's* innocent, powerful, and miraculous operation (God's appointed time for the *Patient's Dissolution* being not come.)

You have in this Sheet (at the parties desires) published the Names and Habitations of some persons, who have, by Gods blessing, experienced the successfulness of this my Inoffensive Cordial, in their Cures of the Distempers, (herein specified) which shall for brevity sake suffice, many hundreds of others, Cured also by this my Cordial (which might be particularly expressed) I shall omit, as in a small Volume not comprizeable.



I might without ostentation, or any vain Glory (if brevity were not designed) give instances of persons that have (by God's blessing upon the seeming improbable means of this *my Drink*) been cured of the *Pestilence*, some of *Agues*; and of others, that by this *Drink* have been cured of the *King's evill*, (so by its common Symptoms generally judged of:) whereof persons applying themselves to me, may have full satisfaction.

And I do in the presence of the Almighty Searcher of hearts, affirm and faithfully promise, that this my *pleasant inoffensive Drink*, is with much carefulness and integrity duly prepared by me; so that I have (through the Lord's goodness) successfully given the same unto my wife (*lying in*) and unto *Babes* in the *Moneth*, (so qualifi'd, as in my *Directions* for taking the same is particularly exprest.)

Moreover for prevention of *fraud*, each Bottle of this my *Elixir* shall be sealed with my *Coat of Arms*, according to its Impression in the Title; The *London Price* being but *Five Shillings the Pint*, or *Two Shillings sixpence the half Pint Bottle*; And the same is (for the better and more convenient Accommodation of Persons living at a distance from me) to be Sold at the Places, and by the Persons hereunder named, which are all that in *London, Westminster, or Southwark*, do vend the same for me, *viz.*

By Mr. *Tho. Lowe* a Shoemaker, within *Aldersgate*, directly against the Fountain Tavern. Mr. *Will. Milward*, a Bookseller, at *Westminster Hall Gate*. Mr. *Robert Green*, a Stationer, at the *Rose and Crown* in *Budg-Row*. Mr. *Ben. Billingsley*, a Bookseller, at the Printing-Press by the *Royal-Exchange*. Mr. *Francis Smith*, a Bookseller, at the *Elephant and Castle* in *Cornhill*, *London*. Mr. *Samuel Scott* Haberdasher, at the *Hart and Gun* without *Bishopsgate*. Captain *William Newman*, at his Coffee-House, now in *Tabbot Court* in *Grace-Church-street*. Mrs. *Spoonar*, a Distiller, at the Still and Tobacco-roll at *St. Margarets-Hill* in *Southwark*. Mr. *John Bright*, a Shoemaker, at the *Last* in *Tooley-street*, *Southwark*. Mr. *William Woodward*, a Potter, in the *Rules*, nigh *St. George's Church*, and the *Half-Moon Inn*. *Deborah Meadows*, Widow, in *Jacob Street* nigh *Horsly-Down*. Mrs. *Hull*, Cheesemonger, over against the *Axe* in *East-Smith-field*. Mrs. *Mary Gawton*, a Grocer, in *New Queen-street*, *London*, near the *Three Cranes* in the *Vintrey*. Mr. *Michael Richardson*'s a Shoemaker, at the *Cock* in *Beuhlem* without *Bishopsgate*. Mr. *Minnakin*, a Stationer, at the *Kings-Head*; Mr. *Passimer*, a Shoemaker, at the *George*, both in *St. Martins Le Grand*. At the *Widow Kemps Coffee-House*, over against the *Royal Exchange*. At Mr. *Thomas Spencers*, over against the *Golden Artichoke* in the middle of the *Great Minories*.

By



By Mrs. *Ursula Hester* at her House in *Long-Acre*, over against the Black Lyon, nigh *Drury-Lane*. At *William Urwins* Coffee-House at *Bow-street* end in *Covent-Garden*. By Mr. *Athie*, at his House, under *St. James* Market place. Mr. *George Lyon*, Grocer, at the Corner of Little *Queen-street* in *Holborn*, at the Sign of the *Tobacco Roll*. Mr. *Lightfoot*, Stationer, at the *Three Golden Anchors* nigh the *Custom-House*. The Widow *Duke*, Coffee-Seller, in the *Strand*, nigh *Northumberland-House*. Mr. *Daniel Clark*, at the *Turk and Slave*, against the *East-India-House*, in *Leaden-Hall-street*. Mr. *John Playford*, at the *Temple* near the Church. *Thomas Mow* Shoemaker, in *Greenwich*, against the Church. Mr. *John Burton*, over against the *Globe* Tavern in *Deptford*. Mr. *William Battersby*, at *Thavies Inn Gate* in *Holborn*. Mrs. *Webb*, at the *Free-School* in *Ratcliff*. Mr. *Philip Smith*, Instrument-maker, against the *Red-Lion Tavern* in *Ratcliff*. Mr. *John Thornton*, at the *Dial*, in the middle of the *Minories* neer the *Bars*, Plat-maker. Mr. *Sandford*, at Mr. *Kendal's*, at the sign of the *French King* in the *Strand*, near *Bedford House*. Mr. *William Dodson*, at the *Harrow* in *West-Smithfield*, near *St. Bartholomews-Hospital-gate*.

And at my own House in *Prinjean's-Court*, by the *Ship Tavern* in the *Old Bailey*, nigh *Ludgate-Hill*; *London*.

At which several places above mentioned, all Persons that are desirous of this *Cordial Drink*, may, (together with a Bottle of the same,) receive one of these Printed Books, sealed with my Seal, and Printed Directions for the use and application thereof, proper to each Distemper, and the Patients condition and strength of Body.

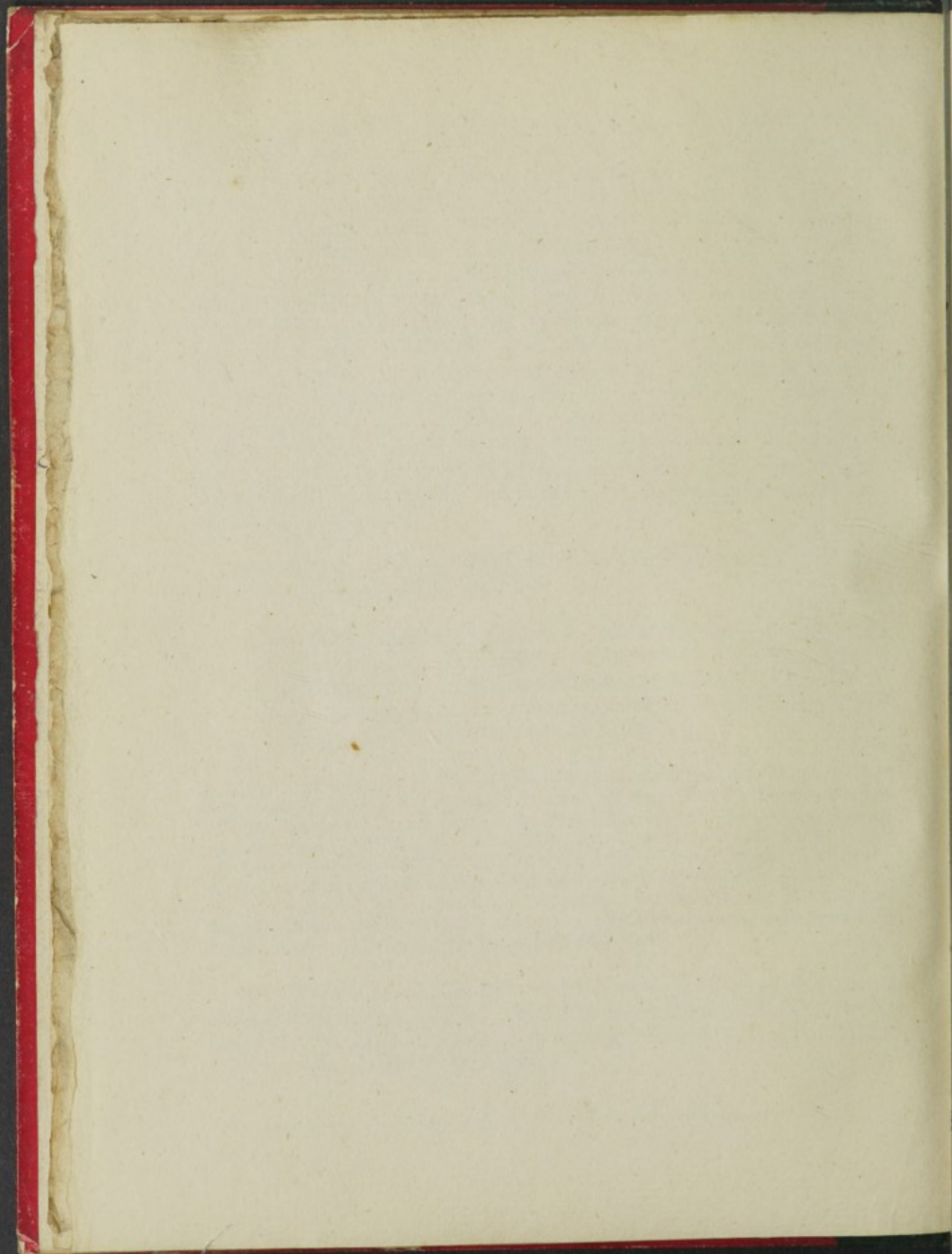
And it having pleased God so highly to own my endeavours, and Crown my Medicine with so eminent and incredible success in the Cure of divers People, afflicted with the Distempers (herein specified;) some Malevolent and Mercenary persons do endeavour the Counterfeiting of it, to the great prejudice and peril of sundry People: These are therefore to give notice, That whosoever in this City or Suburbs or elsewhere, (not named in this Book) that shall undertake the Sale of any *Cordial-Drink* called by my Drinks Name, and the Bottles and Books, not sealed, as this Book; the same I do averr is a Counterfeit, though the name of my Drink, and my own, and others many Years Experiences of the Virtues of it be impudently stolen, nigh word for word.

As for *Benedict Barnham*, at the *Leaden Hall* Coffee-house, against the *Bull* in *Leaden-Hall-Street*. And *Tho. Booth*, Baker, at the *Axe* in *East-Smithfield*, (for several reasons) I do expunge their names out of this Book, and they never to sell my *Elixir* more.

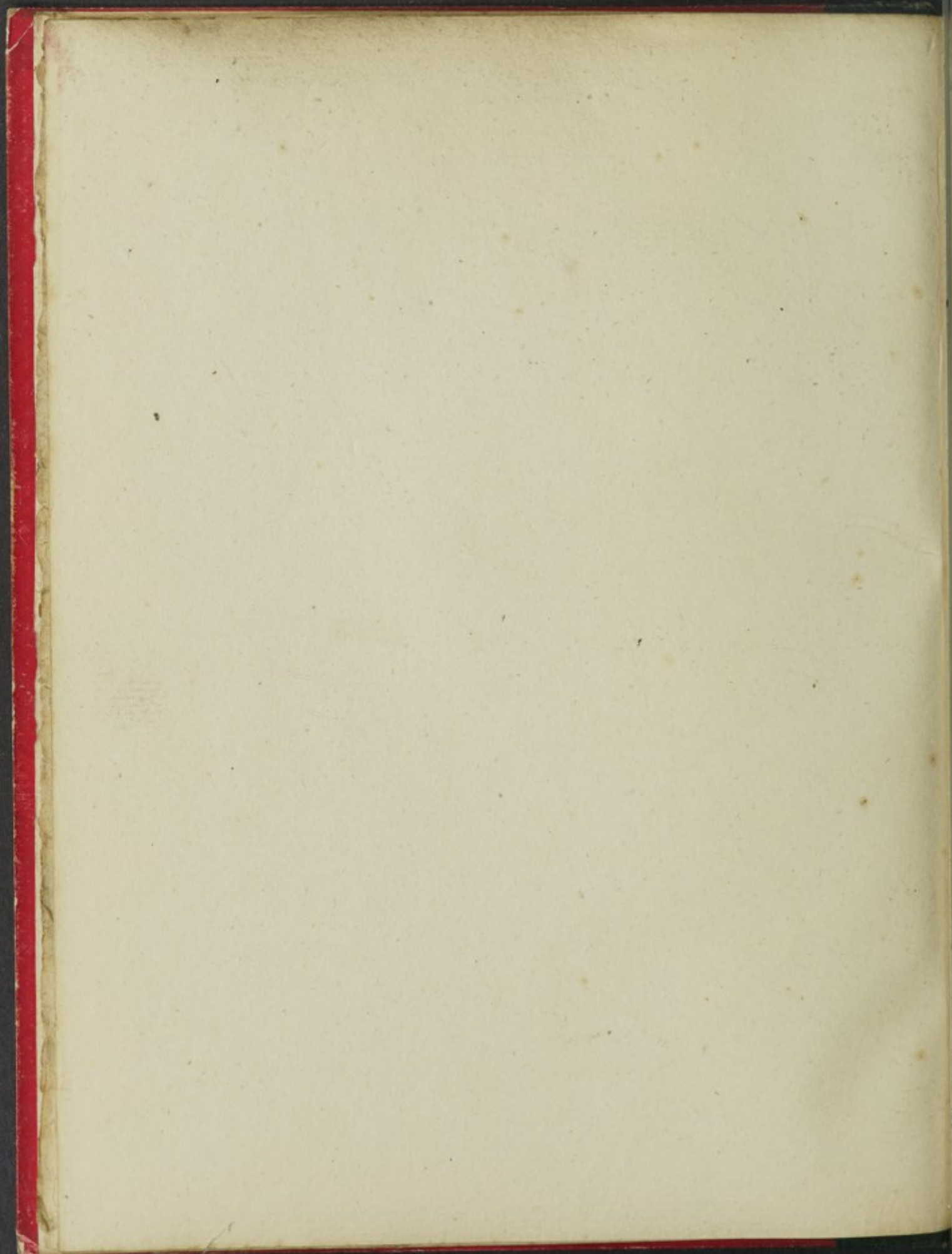














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