

**An account of that most excellent medicine, the cordial balm of Gilead, so justly celebrated for the relief and cure of nervous disorders, female complaints, weaknesses, loss of appetite, impurity of blood, head-ache, relaxation.**

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NERVOUS DISORDERS,	BILIOUS CASES,
FEMALE COMPLAINTS,	DEBILITY,
WEAKNESSES,	INDIGESTION,
LOSS OF APPETITE,	COUGHS AND COLDS.
IMPURITY OF BLOOD,	CONSUMPTIONS,
HEAD-ACHE,	LOWNESS OF SPIRITS,
RELAXATION,	&c. &c. &c.

NERVOUS SYSTEM.

THE train of melancholy disorders which afflict the human frame, under the denomination of nervous diseases, are the principal sources of human misery in the privation of health. Those disorders proceed from such an infinite variety and complication of causes, as to render it impossible, if even it were always necessary, to trace them to their true source. The effects however are but too well known and too severely felt amongst too great a portion of mankind; and to these effects, it may without exaggeration be asserted, that any remedy superior or more celebrated for efficacy than Dr. Solomon's *Cordial Balm of Gilead*, never has been discovered. In all delicate, weakly, and relaxed constitutions, lowness of spirits, hypochondria, horrors, tremblings, weakness of sight, loss of memory, impaired vigour, tabes dorsalis, nervous consumptions, and the numberless symptoms of impaired and tottering constitutions, whether arising from a life of inactivity, intemperance, or inattention to health. Its efficacy has attained throughout the three kingdoms universal and unparalleled celebrity.—By strict perseverance in its use, it cheers, braces, and invigorates the whole nervous system, and gives new tone to all the vital functions, of which numberless instances can be avouched. Thousands at this day in the three kingdoms live to bless the day they first applied to this admirable remedy, and enjoy the blessings of health, who might otherwise have dropped into an untimely grave, the victim of an early imprudence.

Prepared only by S. SOLOMON, M. D. of the University and College of Physicians, and author of "The Guide to Health," at his House, *Solomon's Place, Brownlow-Street, Liverpool*; where he may be consulted, with his usual fee.

*Extract of a Letter from*

The REV. ROWLAND PHILLIPS, B. A.  
Long-Ashton, near Bristol, dated June 25, 1799.

*Who has very laudably given permission to its being made public for the good of the afflicted:—*

"I feel it a Duty incumbent on me as a Clergyman, to state, for the good of the Afflicted, that I am restored from a great Weakness, with a long Train of horrid Symptoms attended on a Nervous Complaint of many Years standing, by the use of the CORDIAL BALM OF GILEAD, though many Remedies prescribed by the Faculty, as well as those advertised, were tried in vain. My Spouse also derived great benefit therefrom; and several of the first Families in the vicinity of Bristol have declared, they owe the recovery of their Health solely to the great efficacy of that valuable Restorative. I therefore think it cannot be too generally known.

(Signed)

"ROWLAND PHILLIPS B. A."



# AFFIDAVIT OF J. BROOM, Esq. Downend, near Bristol.

I was long troubled with a *nervous complaint*, accompanied with great trembling, weakness, debility, and lowness of spirits, and when I conversed with a friend, tears involuntarily gushed from my eyes. Thus I became emaciated and so reduced as not to be able to walk into my own garden, or scarcely stand on my feet. I was afflicted with a bad cough and head-ach, and being constantly in pains both of body and mind, I was rendered incapable of doing any thing. In this deplorable state I entered upon a course of your *Cordial Balm of Gilead*, and found immediate relief; three bottles of which restored me to my usual state of health. It is now eighteen months ago since I was thus cruelly afflicted, and gratitude compels me to come forward in this public manner to declare that I have not had the least return since.

I am, Sir, your humble servant,

J. BROOM.

Witnesses. { W. Sheppard, No. 3, Wine-street, } Bristol.  
              { William Saunders, }

Sworn before me, January 28, 1799. C. J. HARFORD, *Bristol*,

*One of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Gloucester.*

Sir,

TO S. SOLOMON, ESQ. M. D. LIVERPOOL:

I feel much pleasure to have it in my power to communicate to you a most surprising cure, effected by your valuable medicine, the *Cordial Balm of Gilead*. A young man (a mercer) of this city, about twenty-five years of age, has been afflicted from his infancy with a nervous complaint, attended with great debility, languor, want of appetite, lowness of spirits, which latterly increased so much as to render him incapable of attending to business for the last twelve months. In this deplorable state he was advised by his physician, as the last resource, to go into the country, but he found no relief in the change.—He then tried your *Cordial Balm of Gilead*, from the first bottle of which he found immediate relief, and six bottles more have restored him to a sound and perfect state of health. This case has occurred within my own observation, and the particulars stated from the young man's narration, who, as well as myself, will give you of any enquirer such further information as may be desired respecting this wonderful and surprising cure.—I am, Sir, your humble servant,

JOHN FLETCHER,

Printer of the *Chester Chronicle*.

## MR. HARRISON, MINIATURE PAINTER,

No. 10, *Tavistock Street, Covent Garden, LONDON,*

(*A Native of BATH,*)

Was for years in a deplorable state of a consumption, attended with extreme weakness, which reduced him to a mere skeleton, so that for weeks together he was unable to follow his profession. His appetite was quite gone, and his digestion much impaired. Fortunately he was importuned by friends to make use of THE CORDIAL BALM OF GILEAD, from a few bottles of which he found the most wonderful benefit. The lowness of spirits left him, his appetite is returned, and his digestion perfectly recovered. This case is well known to many respectable families at Bath.

## WONDERFUL CURE, OF Mr. E. FOX,

*Livery-Street, Harper's-Hill, Birmingham.*

I long laboured under the painful effects of indigestion, and could obtain no relief from regular medical advice. In this state I was recommended to try the *Cordial Balm of Gilead*, but having an objection to public medicines, I resisted the idea for some time. The weakness, however, gained on my constitution, as scarcely any sustenance remained on my stomach, I determined to give the *Cordial Balm of Gilead* a fair trial, and immediately sent for some to Mr. Swinney's, printer, in this town; and the consequences have fully justified the report I had of your medicine; for my spirits were soon recruited, and my appetite and digestion, after eighteen months' wasting and excruciating illness, are now



happily restored. As this singular case may be the means of inducing others, under similar complaints, I consent to make it public:

*Livery-Street, Harper's-Hill,*

**EDWARD FOX.**

*Birmingham, December, 6th, 1798.*

The following Gentlemen, Residents of Birmingham, are Witnesses to Mr. Fox's Cure;

James Millar, Esq.

Walter Archer,

John Taylor, Esq.

John Ellis,

John Robotham,

Henry Hawkins.

### FROM A PRINCIPAL OFFICER OF A 74.

*Spithead, Dec. 2, 1798.*

FOR the benefit of mankind, and my brother Officers in particular, I authorize Dr. Solomon, of Liverpool, to publish this my acknowledgement of the efficacy of his medicine, the *Cordial Balm of Gilead*. As I do not chuse my name to appear in print, persons desirous to know the truth of my assertion, may, by enquiring of Messrs. Toulmins, Navy Agents, Surry Street, Strand, London; or Mr. Alexander, Navy Agent, opposite the Navy Post-office, Broad Street, Portsmouth, learn my name and address. By an irregular life I had been excessively weakened and debilitated; a dozen bottles of the *Cordial Balm of Gilead*, absolutely restored me to my primitive health.

### A LADY RESTORED FROM THE JAWS OF DEATH.

DEAR SIR,

*London, Nov. 29, 1798.*

THE disorders with which a lady of my acquaintance was afflicted, were nervous affections, and a very high inflammation of the lungs, attended with excessive coughing, which reduced her to death's door.—She told me that she had had the best medical advice she could procure, and Dr. Pitcairn among others, but to no good purpose. She continued twelve months in this disordered state; went to Bristol, and found no relief; that for four months together she could not lay down in her bed without the hazard of excessive pain or suffocation, and during that period could only rest by being propped up with pillows. Being almost worn out with suffering, a friend advised her to buy a bottle of your **CORDIAL BALM of GILEAD**: she purchased two half-guinea bottles, and found much relief by them, and then bought a *L. 5* box, which perfectly restored her from the debilitated state of her lungs, and nervous disorder. She also added that many of her friends, thro' her recommendation, had found great benefit by taking them. She informed me that she had it in contemplation to have written to you, but as she had relations in the medical line, she did not like her name to be made public, and thereby incur their displeasure. Mrs. Mathews and myself had an interview with the lady, who related the particulars; and either of us will with pleasure refer any respectable enquirer to the lady herself. Wishing that your medicine may prove productive to you by an extensive sale, and beneficial to mankind, I am, dear Sir, your humble servant,

JAMES MATHEWS, No. 18, Strand,

DR. SOLOMON, LIVERPOOL.

### *Extract of a Letter*

From BEVERLEY, in the County of YORK.

"A respectable Farmer's Daughter in the Neighbourhood of Beverley, who, for fifteen Years afflicted with a Nervous Complaint, attended with lowness of Spirits, violent Pain in her Back and left Breast, for which numerous Remedies were tried in vain, obtained a complete Cure by two Bottles of the *Cordial Balm of Gilead*."

Witness, M. TURNER,

Beverley, December 29, 1799.



Spilsbury, and Co. Importers of this Medicine in Dublin, have the satisfaction to assure the Public, that in the whole course of their business, they have not experienced such an extraordinary demand for any Medicine, as for the **CORDIAL BALM OF GILEAD**; having actually sold near **THREE THOUSAND BOTTLES** in little more than *Twelve Months*;—a certain proof of its unparalled and wonderful efficacy.

Want of room, and delicacy, preclude the insertion of letters of importance to the community, and to youth in particular. They may however be seen at large in the Doctor's publication entitled "**A GUIDE TO HEALTH**:" a new edition of which is now just publishing at three Shillings, and may be at H. D. Symonds, Paternoster-row, London; and all booksellers, with an elegant portrait of the Author.

To the AFFLICTED.

Dr. Solomon derives the greatest satisfaction from the number of cases that almost daily occur, wherein the efficacy of the *Cordial Balm of Gilead* is demonstrated, in eradicating the worst and most dangerous symptoms of nervous disorders; and he is fully convinced that nothing has tended so much to establish the fame of this Medicine, as its certain success in those complaints which strike their root so deep in the constitution, and are so fatal to the happiness of Mankind.

The *Cordial Balm of Gilead* is therefore earnestly recommended to those who in advanced age feel the consequences of youthful excess, or unfortunate youth who have thereby brought on themselves a numerous train of evils. It is at once the most elegant and efficacious Medicine ever yet discovered for nervous diseases.

To the young it will afford lasting health, strength and spirits, in place of lassitude and debility; and to the aged and infirm it will assuredly furnish great relief and comfort by gently and safely invigorating the system.

Nervous disorders of every kind, and from whatever cause arising, all the train of sinking anxieties, and tremors, which so dreadfully affect the weak, the sedentary, and the delicate, will in a short time be succeeded by cheerfulness, and every presage of health.

\* \* \* Persons in the country requiring the Doctor's opinion relative to inveterate cases, are to enclose his usual fee of **HALF-A-GUINEA**, in a letter, with the state of their case.—Such Letters should (*for safety*) be thus directed—"Money-letter, Dr. Solomon, Solomon's Place, Brownlow Street, Liverpool; paid double postage."

††† Letters may be ordered to be addressed for X. Z. or A. B. at the Post Office, till called for.

*A saving of One Pound Six-shillings,*

N. B. The *Cordial Balm of Gilead* is sold in Bottles, Price Half-a-Guinea each.

—There are also Boxes, Price 5l. containing equal to twelve Bottles, at 10s. 6d. by which the Patient saves 1l. 6s. which can be had of the Doctor, by remitting a **FIVE POUND Bank Note**.

† A Book of Directions with a variety of remarkable Cases, is Sealed up with each Bottle.

Sold Wholesale by *Dr. Solomon*, LIVERPOOL; *Mr. Mathews* No. 18, Strand, LONDON; *Mr. M'Donald*, GLASGOW; *Mr. Smith*, No. 38, North Bridge-Street, EDINBURGH; *Spilsbury, and Co.* No. 45, Mary-Street, and *Mr. Davisons*, No. 1, Parliament-Street, DUBLIN.

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Which fully explains, in a concise, plain manner, adapted  
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of diseases, which are treated of under their respective heads,  
viz.

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tions,—Female Diseases,—Fits,—Fluor Albus or Whites,—Flatulence or Wind,  
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positions attendant on Pregnancy,—Indigestion,—Juvenile Indiscretions, *baneful*  
*effects thereof*,—Lowness of Spirits,—Menstrual Evacuations,—Nervous Diseases,  
—Onanism or secret venery,—Pregnancy,—Phthisis or Cough,—Rheumatism,—  
Seminal Weaknesses,—Scurvy,—Turn of Life,—&c. &c.

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TO WHICH IS ADDED,

A Dissertation on the

*Use and Abuse of Cold, or Sea-Bathing,*

BY S. SOLOMON, M. D.

*Member of the University and College of Physicians, Aberdeen:*

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This celebrated Pamphlet assuredly points out the most efficacious remedies for  
most of the diseases incident to the human frame; particularly those *dreadful dis-*  
*orders* which are so prevalent in this kingdom usually termed *Nervous and Hypo-*  
*chondriac*, which in *this* publication are largely treated on, and the best and most  
certain remedies strongly and experimentally recommended.



## TO THE PUBLIC.

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**T**HIS work has passed through a number of editions, and has experienced a sale unprecedentedly great—it is therefore now reprinted with *many improvements*, and it may be with confidence asserted that *so valuable a publication to the afflicted in general* has never been printed in this or any other language:—The weak and delicate *female*—the *youth* who has just finished his education at any of the public seminaries—the *aged* who are drooping under disorders originating from an impurity of blood—people of fashion—studious persons of a confined and sedentary life—as also those afflicted with nervous affections in general will find “*Solomon's Guide to Health*” a faithful companion and an amusing instructor:—In short no person who values the enjoyment of a good state of health will be a moment without being possessed of this small, cheap, valuable, and important publication.

The *hidden sources of weakness and debility* with which thousands are afflicted, are herein laid open, and the *means of restoration* to the blessings of health and strength fully and amply communicated.

The disorders peculiarly incident to the *female sex* in every situation are also expatiated upon, together with advice to both sexes, for those *secret infirmities of nature*, which delicacy often forbids to disclose, even to the nearest relative: comprising a treatise on FEMALE DISEASES, Nervous, Hypochondriac, Consumptive Complaints, &c. &c.

The Public are now presented with a variety of new observations in this Edition, whereby the valetudinarian may behold the true picture of his disorder, whether hereditary or accidental, chronical or acute, and also the best approved remedies for obtaining an immediate and lasting cure recommended.

And as nervous and hypochondriac complaints are much more prevalent in Europe than is generally imagined, attended with many dreadful and alarming symptoms which certainly claim assistance, and not as is too generally the case, derision or contempt, the author has been very attentive to their method of cure; and he flatters himself, from the observations he has made, that the present is as good a treatise on those diseases as any extant.

The TENDER FEMALE, who, though by nature is destined to be the preserver of the human race, yet is alas! liable to many natural indispositions, which render her condition truly wretched and unequal when compared to the male. For whatever situation of life she is placed in, she seldom enjoys a perfect state of



health. If she enters into the wedded state, even from that source of pleasure something bitter arises; and *pregnancy* brings with it a train of loathing, sickness, &c. If she remains single, she will scarcely be able to avoid labouring under some infirmity, because she is "*a stranger to a mother's pangs.*"

What can be of more *importance* to a female, than to be properly acquainted with every symptom to which she is peculiarly liable? and how to conduct herself in such circumstances, without wounding her delicacy by a disclosure of her fears or her apprehensions, to the rude scrutiny of *pretended friends*?

YOUTH who have unguardedly plunged themselves into licentious love, and feel the dreadful consequences of impure embrace (or what is still more dreadful, injudicious treatment of a complaint which has too many illiterate pretenders to cure) will find a faithful "*GUIDE TO HEALTH,*" and *HAPPINESS* too, in the perusal of the present publication.

This pamphlet points out the methods of cure, from a *Blenorrhagia* or *Gonorrhœa* to a confirmed *Syphilis*. To which is added, an essay on *Secret Venery*, and a discourse on *Impotency* in the Male; *Sterility* or *Barrenness* incident to Females, &c.; an appendix on the subject of a solitary and destructive Vice, and an address to Parents, Guardians, Tutors, and those who have the care and education of youth. Likewise advice to Bathers, at Margate, Southampton, Scarborough, Bath, Bristol, &c. &c. particularly the afflicted with *Nervous Complaints*. The whole is illustrated and interspersed with a variety of authentic facts, never before published, explaining the symptoms, mode of treatment, and remedies in the different stages of a certain Disease: Cautions to young persons of the danger of improper connexions or improper treatment, &c. with the difference between real venereal symptoms and those frequently mistaken for them.

Those who have resided in hot climates, and are emaciated, or labour under a continual drain of nature, whereby their bodily strength is not only exhausted, but also their vigour and vivacity impaired, will meet with a *friendly monitor* in this small, though *important* publication.

Young people of either sex, who have unfortunately given way to a *delusive secret, and destructive vice*, injured their health, and destroyed their whole animal functions, will meet with a "*Balm of Consolation,*" in perusing the mode of cure laid down in "*The Guide to Health.*"

The valetudinarian by birth, who has received from his parents the inheritance of a diseased and unprolific frame; the delicate female, whom an immured and inactive life, together with the immoderate use of tea, and other weak and watery aliments, has, without any fault of hers, brought on all the calamitous symptoms of a consumptive habit, and are, without timely assistance, sinking



into an untimely grave! To such as these, "The Guide to Health," will afford the most permanent relief, and point out the mode of restoration, to the enjoyment of the greatest of all the comforts, HEALTH, without which life is not worth enjoying.

The Author is proud to confess, that he has been assisted by eminent literary medical men, to whose labours and assistance he is much indebted:—*they have tried the remedies* prescribed as well as himself, and have *not* been AFRAID OR ASHAMED to acknowledge their salutary and powerful efficacy.

Orders given to any Bookseller in Town or Country, for "SOLOMON'S GUIDE TO HEALTH," will be duly executed, at only 3s. each copy, free of carriage.

Every person, young and old, should certainly purchase this book, there is *scarcely an individual who is not interested in some part of it*. In particular it is recommended to *young men and boys*, as an early attention to the latter, may serve to guard them from a fatal rock on which thousands have been split, and be the means of preserving their bodies from disease, and also their souls, their minds, and all their faculties from destruction.

\*†\* For the very excellent character of this book see the different Reviews.

TO THE PUBLIC.—Nothing can be a stronger proof of the utility of this work than the unprecedented sale it has met with, no less than FIFTY THOUSAND COPIES having been disposed of in a very short time.

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J. LANG, PRINTER, No. 13, FENWICK STREET, LIVERPOOL.