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Description of Pot Ashes.

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bauoda doidwolodt HE best Kind of Pot a Rozin or Gum, muft Afbes are those which being broke appear of a fine light bluish Colour, intermix'd with red and yellowifh Veins, free from Coals, of a strong Smell, and extreme quick, poinant Taste, they are generally in Cakes about three or four Inches thick.

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Proper Woods for making them of.

ASHES

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Woods unfit.

The best Woods for making of Pot Ashes are well grown Oak, Afh, Poplar, Hiccory, Elm, Hafel, Beech, and other Sorts of white The following may aboo Wided on as the ge-

> But Pine, Fir, Saffafras, liquid Amber or fweet Gum, and all odoriferous Woods, as well as those which abound with a Rozin or Gum, must be utterly rejected.

Season for cutting the Wood.

about three or four Inches

The Wood must be cut in the Months of November, December, January and February, split and stack'd up in Piles to dry.

Time

It ought to continue ftack'd Time of keeping the ten or twelve Months, that Wood before it may be thoroughly dry, burnt. before it is burnt. Quantity produced from the

The Wood should be burnt to Ashes on a tight and booWBrick-hearth, by a flow Fire, in a kind of Kiln, or clofe Place, otherwife when it is not burnt in the open Air by a ftrong Fire great Quantities of the Ashes are confum'd in Smoak, by the faline and terrestrial Parts being carried Backs, twenty or up in Fumes before they are feperated from the exhalable new bases parts by the action of the Fire, for the Difference between vodt oroning berning Wood in a close admold synhon Place, and burning it in the videuonorit warn open Air is fo great, that it diffolve, putrify and attain has: their due Strength.

Place for burning the Wood.

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has been found by Experience the Quantity of Afhes obtain'd from the Former are more than double the Quantity produced from the Latter.

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The Wood being thus Sifting the Ashes. burnt into Ashes, they must be well fifted thro' two Sieves, one finer than the other.

The fifted Afhes must be taken and put into tight fquare Brick Troughs, or Manner of prepar- wooden Backs, twenty or ing the Wood thirty in Number, about four Afhes, and how Foot deep, cover'd with long they are to Water, and well marsh'd or lay. incorporated, where they must lay four or five Months that they may thoroughly diffolve, putrify and attain their due Strength.

Proper

that naket ad blood one Care should be taken that they are not wetted with Vood, a firong Fire Proper Water to be Spring Water, much less with what is brackish, the made Ufe of. proper Water for the Purpose being soft River or Rain the prepared Afhes Water. thrown gradually on

(with a large Iron Warm open Weather is Seafon for making the only Time for making Pot Ashes. Pot Affbes in. never go out till the

Process being thus Form of the Ovens or Furnaces, and

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Two or three Furnaces must be made of Brick, after the Manner of BakersOvens, but much larger, the Mouth of the Furnace must be very in what Manner large, and three or four Holes to be heated. towards the Top of the Furnace, to make it draw, which out, tuo mais may be ftopp'd, if there is Occasion; the Furnaces must be

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be made hot with Oak or Afhen Wood, a ftrong Fire in each Furnace, which muft burn Day and Night.

Rules to be observ'd in throwing on the prepared Ashes.

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Then the prepared Afhes must be thrown gradually on the Fire (with a large Iron Ladle) when they will run into a Metal like Lead, the Fire must never go out till the Furnace is almost full of *Pot Ass.*

Directions for packing Pot Afhes, and how they are to be kept. The Process being thus finish'd, and the Furnace cool, the Asses must be broke to as to be taken out, (but the larger the Pieces are the better) as foon as the *Pot Assess are taken out, the large Pieces must be put into tight Casks by themselves, fo that no Air may come to them*

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them to make 'em flack, and get moift, which damages Pot Albes, ---- The Duft and fmall Pieces must be put into Casks by themselves, and distinguished from the others by a Mark on the Heads of the Casks.

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