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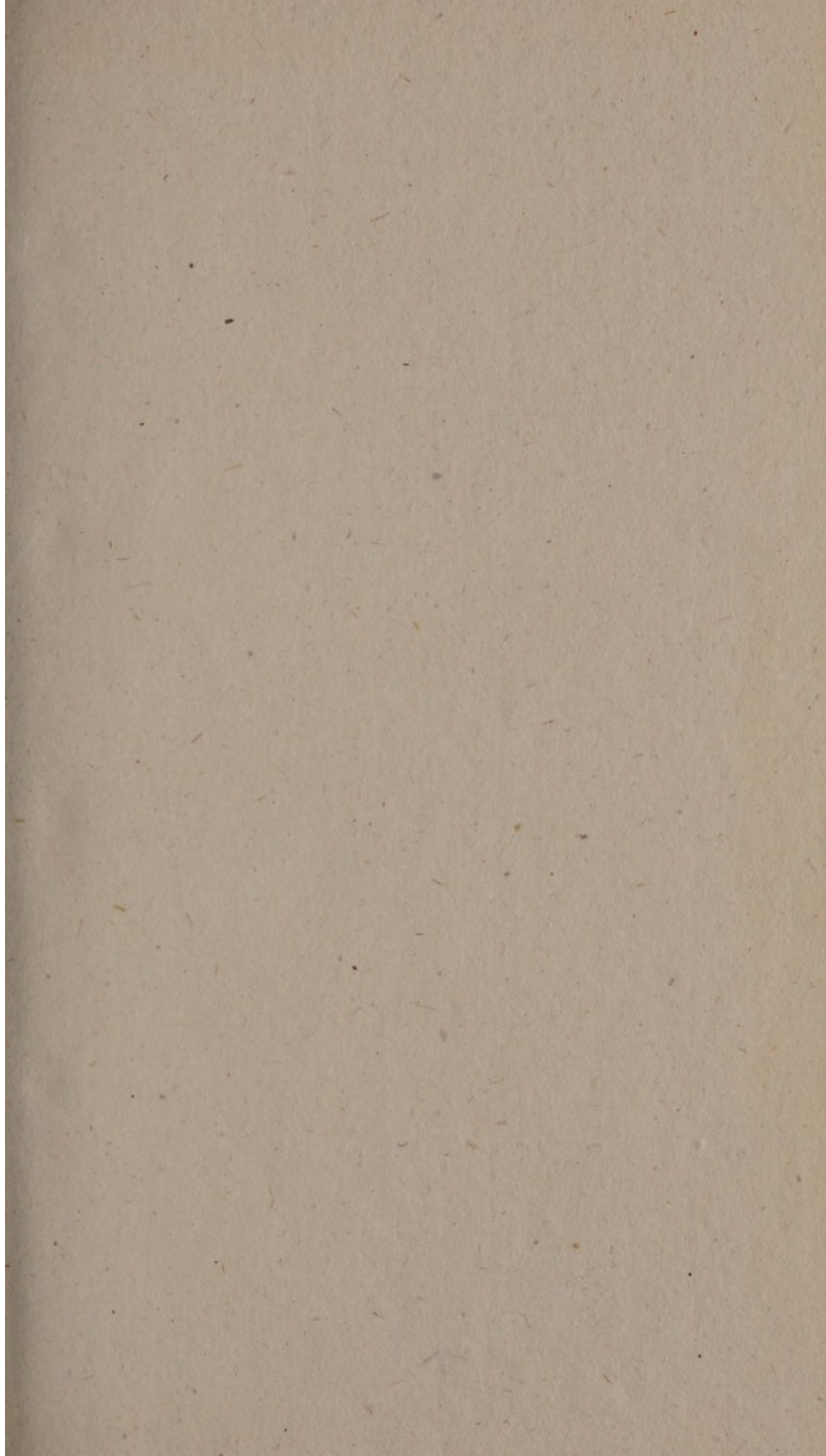
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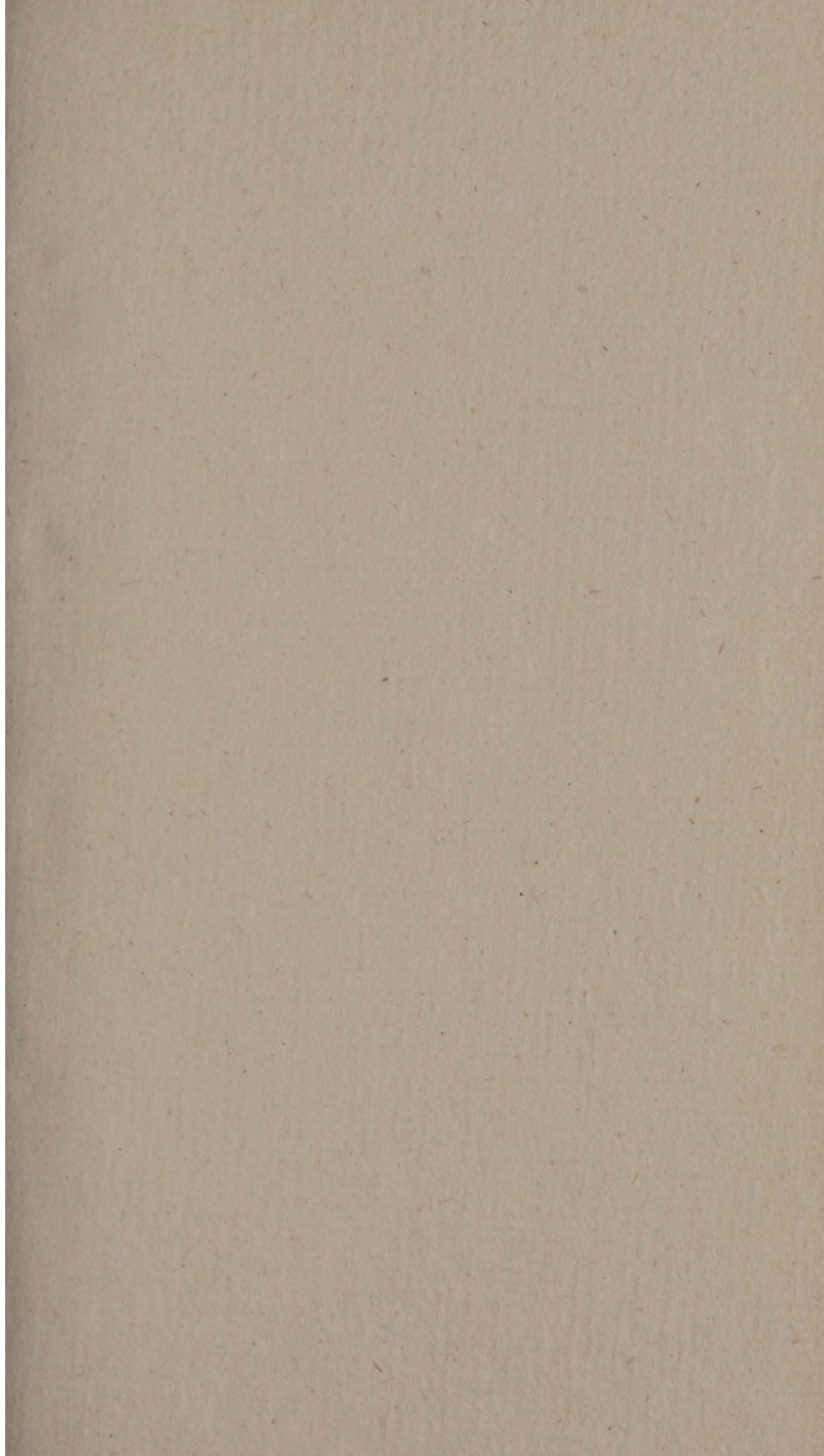
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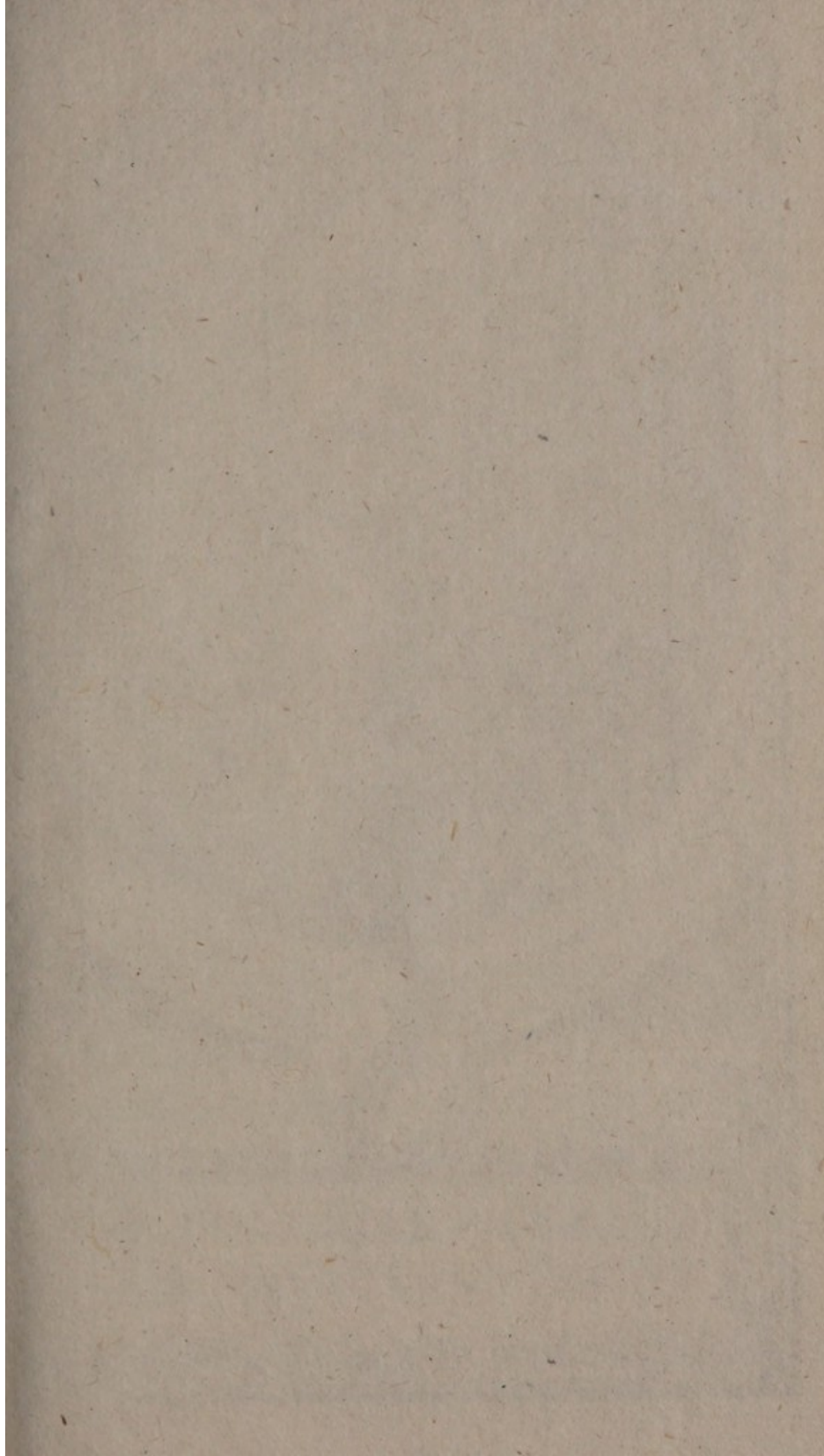
















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READER.



*Have, with some Pains
and Expence, got the
genuine Receipts of the
famous Dr. RAD-
CLIFF, who amass'd
so vast an Estate by
his Practice, that future Ages will
hardly credit it: He acquir'd the Name
of a quick Discoverer of the Causes
of Distempers, and, I don't at all
doubt, with Justice; for Success suffi-
ciently prov'd it. As to his Receipts,
I find he has follow'd the Advice of*
a 2 *the*

iv To the READER.

the Honourable Mr. Boyle, in his Treatise of Simple Medicines; for where will you find a Pharmacopœia more simple, and a Physician more successful? I believe, I need not mention how great a Man in Town now, copies his Receipts; 'tis too evident on the Files of the Apothecaries; and whoever reads these, knows his Methods; I wish him the same Success, as, doubtless, he deserves it.

I would advise every Prescriber to make Use of as few Remedies as possible, so they be effectual; for, doubtless, Jumbles affect our Blood and Vessels, as they do our Stomachs; nor can we easily bear 'em; so that the Remedy becomes as troublesome as the Disease. I know the Gentlemen of the Pestle will decry my Opinion; for as Fox-Hunters never praise that Horse, which does not, as they term it, make 'em feel every Corner of the Saddle; so some never approve a Physician, who does not plunder a Shop at a Prescription: However, some of 'em are more prudent in their Proceedings, and think it indiscreet in their Prescribers, to order such scarce and high-pric'd Medicines, as the Patients scruple to allow sufficiently for.

for. *And I am of Opinion, this very Method has laid the Grounds for discarding Physicians from so general Practice; for who can bear such Extravagancies, as to pay large Fees, and at length a large Bill? So that 'tis good Policy to depend on simple and efficacious Medicines, as well as good Practice.*

As the World approves this Collection, they may be favour'd with more of this great Man's Practice; but at present the Humour of Writing is wore off; nor shall it be easily reassum'd, till full Encouragement.

I would have no one doubt of the RECIPES being genuine, which 'tis easy to satisfy themselves of from any File in Town. All the Bookseller wishes for is, that they may have the same Fate their Master had, of pleasing the World, and refund him his Expences. 'Tis hop'd, the Observations may render it acceptable to the Readers, who, without 'em, would be much at a Loss: If it bring Profit to the one, and Pleasure to the other, it answers the End.

The Recipe's in this Part have been much cry'd down by many: First, Because they are look'd upon not to be genuine: And, in the next Place, because they are in English. But I challenge any Assaylant to make it appear, that they are not the Doctor's individual Receipts. For I have neither added to 'em, nor taken from 'em, that the World might judge of this great Man as they like.

A Second Volume will in a short Time be publish'd. With an Appendix, containing the whole *Materia Medica*, which will answer the Indications requir'd in all Diseases. To which will be annex'd, an *Index* pointing to the Indications requir'd in each Distemper.



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Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana.



Emplastrum Corroborans.

℞ Emp. ad Herniam, Emp. de minio, ā. p. æ. f. Emplastrum Lumbis applicandum.

A Strengthenng Plaster.

Take Rupture-Plaster, Plaster of Red-Lead, of each equal Parts; make a Plaster to be apply'd to the Loins.

OBSERVATIONS.



HIS Plaster is to be apply'd to the Loins in Danger of Miscarriages; and, to say the Truth, it seems to be a Policy, rather than good Reason, to trifle, if I may say so, with the weak Side
 B of

2 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
of the Women, who believe nothing is doing for their Relief, unless some Shew and Confinement is made and allotted; for let us reason the Case, and see how far such Externals can contribute to produce these Effects: If they are suppos'd to produce any Effects on us, it is by their Stypticity; by this Vertue they contract the adjacent Fibres; and by thus straitening a few of them, the Juices, that use to circulate in them, are driven from thence, and some others have a greater Share of 'em: If then this Portion should chance to fill the Vessels of the Womb with an additional Quantity, an *Hæmorrhage*, and an *Abortion*, would happen; the very Misfortunes we are studying to avoid! What then avails it to appear to be doing something to the Purpose, whilst we are trifling most ridiculously, at their Expence and Hazard?

Electu-

Electuarium Corroborans.

℞ Coral. r. ppt. 3℥. Terr. Japon.
gr. iii. cum q. s. Syr. de Mecon. m.
f. Bol. horâ somni fumend. quoti-
die, super-bibendo Cochl. iii vel
iv. Julap. seq.

A Corroborating Electuary.

Take red Coral prepar'd, half a
Dram ; Japan-Earth, 3 Grains ;
with a sufficient Quantity of Sy-
rup of Diacodium ; mix, and
make a Bolus, to be taken every
Night at Bed-time ; drinking 3 or
4 Spoonfuls of the following Julap
upon it.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a gentle *Astringent*, and
strengthens the Parts, thickens
the Blood and Juices, and shuts up
the gaping Mouths of the Vessels,
that the Blood or Juices may not
ouze through, which is the ordinary
Forerunner of Miscarriages, if not
timely prevented. I say, 'tis but
gentle,

4 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
gentle, and therefore I have known it
encreas'd, and alter'd thus by him:

℞ Conf. Ros. rub. ʒss. Coral. r. pp.
3ss. cum q. s. Syr. Caryoph. m.
f. Bol. hac nocte horâ somni fu-
mend. super-bibendo, &c.

Take Conserve of Roses half a Dram,
red Coral prepar'd half a Dram,
Syrup of Clove-gilly-Flowers as
much as is sufficient; mix, and
make a Bolus; to be taken this
Night at Bed-time, with a Julap,
as presently.

Julapium Hysterico-stypticum.

℞ Aq. Gemmular. Quercus ʒiv. Ce-
raf. nigr. ʒii. Protheriacal. ʒi.
Sacch. parum; m. f. Julap.

The Hysterick-styptick Julap.

Take Oak-Bud-Water 4 Ounces,
Black Cherry Water 2 Ounces,
Treacle Water 1 Ounce, a little
Sugar; mix, and make a Julap.

O B-

OBSERVATIONS.

I Am far from being satisfied, that any Water distill'd with a cold Still, affords any Stypticity; and therefore all that can be said of this Oak-Bud-Water is, that, having passed the Still, it is more free from some sort of Particles than Pump Water is; for that the *Collegio del Cimento* gives us to understand, that distill'd Waters do not precipitate *Salt of Tartar*, as common Water does; and in this Case so much the worse. The other Waters are somewhat acid, and therefore gently coagulate, and contribute towards stopping any Flux of Blood in a small Degree. He has alter'd it thus sometimes:

℞ Aq. Gemmular. Querc. lb. ss. Aq. Protheriac. ℥iii. Sacch. parum; m. f. Julap. de quo capiat Cochl. iii. ad libitum.

Or,

Take Oak-Bud-Water half a Pound,
Treacle 3 Ounces, a little Sugar;
B 3 mix,

6 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
mix, and make a Julap; of which
take 3 Spoonfuls at Pleasure.

Apozema Rubrum.

℞ Decoct. alb. lb. ii. Aq. Cinnam.
h. ʒ i. Sacch. rosar. q. s. m. f. A-
pozema; de quo bibat Haustum
mane & vesperi, & ad libitum.

Red Apozem.

Take white Decoction 2 Pounds, Bar-
ley Cinnamon Water 1 Ounce,
Sugar of Roses as much as suffices;
mix, and make an Apozem; of
which drink a Draught Morning
and Evening, and at Pleasure.

OBSERVATIONS.

IN a Flux of Blood, or in a com-
mon Flux call'd a *Diarrhæa*, this
is useful; as it is in any other Flux
of Blood, as is commonly known;
for that the Rose-buds in Sugar, or
any Way, are binding.

Mix.

Mixtura Hysterica Lactea.

℞ Gumm. Ammon. ℥ii. Galban. ℥i.
dissolv. in Aq. Ceras. n. ℥vi. m. f.
Mixtura; de qua capiat Cochl. i.
mane quotidie, & in Paroxysmis.

The Hysterical Milky Mixture.

Take Gum Ammoniack 2 Scruples;
Galbanum 1 Scruple, dissolve 'em
in black Cherry Water 6 Ounces;
mix, and make a Mixture; of
which take one Spoonful in the
Morning daily, and in the Fits.

OBSERVATIONS.

ALL fetid Drugs have a pecu-
liar and noted Vertue, of
checking Vapours, either out of
the Fit, or in it. By what Mecha-
nism this is compassed, give me
Leave to explain, in a short and easy
Account. All Fetids consist of a
volatile Salt and Oil; which active
Principles exagitate the Mass and
Spirits, and give a brisker Motion
to both; and supply Spirits, and

8 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
are cordial; whenever then they
move slower, and are scantier than
they should, that Motion may be ir-
regular; by which I mean, that some
Parts are supply'd, whilst others are
depriv'd of that Influence; the Mus-
cles or Nerves, where this Deficiency
lies, or are too much supply'd, are
put into a Contraction, or convuls'd,
or are palsy'd; for indeed under this
Condition, these Fits are only seem-
ing Convulsions, but are really Pal-
sies. Now a Supply by some spi-
rituous Drugs, that brisken up their
Motion, gives a new Life and Vigour,
and cures the present, as well as
prevents future Fits.

Emplastrum Umbilicale.

℞ Emp. Stomach. magist. & Galban.
colat. ā. p. æ. m. f. Emplastrum
toti Abdomini applicandum.

The

The Navel-Plaster.

Take magisterial Stomach Plaster,
and Galbanum strain'd, of each
equal Parts; mix 'em, and make
a Plaster, to be apply'd over the
whole Belly.

OBSERVATIONS.

FEW tolerable Accounts have
appear'd of the Operation of
these Plasters; and, in general, I
own my self no Stickler for their
Use, but that they make a Shew.
However, if any Good is done by
this, and such as it is, 'tis by the
same volatile Particles imbib'd by
the inspiratory Pores; and thus con-
vey'd to the extreme Nerves, that
are plac'd in and about the Abdo-
men, (such are the *tenth Pair of*
Nerves that are distributed to the
Muscles hereabouts, &c.) give new
Life and Spirits to them, and serve
to allay the seeming Convulsions
thereabouts, and so give Relief to
hysterical and vapourish Women.

Electuarium Cardiacum.

℞ Conf. Absinth. roman. ℥i. Conserv.
 Anthos. ℥ss. Spec. Diamb. f. o.
 ℥i. Chel. Cancror. Oe. Cancror.
 pp. ā. ℥i. ss. cum f. q. Syrup. de
 Atriplice; m. f. Electuarium molle,
 de quo capiat Quantitatem N.
 Moschat. horâ unâ vel duabus ante
 decubitum, super bibendo Cochl.
 iii. vel quatuor Julapii proprii.

A Cordial Electuary.

Take Conserve of Roman Worm-
 wood one Ounce, Conserve of Rose-
 mary Flowers half an Ounce,
 Species Diambæ without the
 Scents one Scruple, Crabs Claws
 and Crabs Eyes, of each one Dram
 and half, with Syrup of Orach as
 much as suffices; mix, and make
 a soft Electuary; of which take
 the Quantity of a Nutmeg an Hour
 or two before Bed-time, drinking
 three or four Spoonfuls of a proper
 Julap after it.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Eleſtuary corrects the acid Winds in the Stomach, and recruits the Spirits; by which Vertues it ſerves to correct the Languors from Vapours, and revives us; it alſo helps ſpecifically to give Appetite to our Viſtuals, when the Cauſe is from the Failure of Spirits. In ſhort, it gives us a Stomach, revives us, and helps ſour Belchings and *Cardialgia's* from thence, which are common Attendants in hyſterical Women.

Aqua Hyſterica.

℞ Aq. Ceraſ. n. lb. ſſ. Pæon. Comp. ʒii. Spirit. Ceraſ. nig. ʒ ſſ. Sacch. parum; m. f. Julapium, cujus capiat Cochl. 3 vel. 4.

The Hyſterical Water.

Take black Cherry Water half a Pound, Compound Pæony Water two

12 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
two Ounces, Spirits of black Cher-
ries half an Ounce, Sugar a little ;
mix, make a Julap, of which take
three or four Spoonfuls.

OBSERVATIONS.

I Look upon this Water to be one
of the best the *Doctor* prescribes,
as well as the most usual ; it has a
Power to stimulate the lazy Spirits,
it gives 'em new Life, and checks
their irregular Motion. In *hysterical*
Cases it gives Rest, which is a sort
of a Paradox to unthinking Men ;
but it takes off the Occasion and
Seeds of Watchings ; for that we
know, weak People often are restless,
for no other Cause but Anxiety and
Solicitude ; and this makes 'em move
on as in a State of Health, by which
Æquilibrium, Sleep, that desirable
Blessing, is obtain'd.

De-

Decoctum Phthisicum.

℞ Rad. Chin. in Taleolas sciss. ℥ i. ℥.
Rasur. C. C. Eboris, ā. ℥ i. Fol.
Capillor. Vener. p. ii. Infundantur
per Noctem in Aq. bullientis lb. xii.
mane coquantur ad medias; m. f.
Decoctum; cujus capiat lb. ℥. cum
Sacchari pauxillo, Rad. Eryng. con-
dit. vel Lactis asinin. Coch. vi.
mane & vesperi.

The Decoction for Consumptions.

Take China Roots cut in Slices an
Ounce and half, Shavings of Hartf-
horn and Ivory, of each an Ounce,
Leaves of Maiden-hair two Pugils;
infuse 'em all Night in boyling Wa-
ter 12 Pounds; in the Morning
boil it down to six Pints, strain it
out; this is the first Decoction
to be taken to half a Pint in a
Morning with Sugar-Candy, can-
dy'd Eryngo, or Asses Milk, 6
Spoonfuls.

The *Bochet*, or second Decoction, is
made by boiling the Herbs over a-
gain

14 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
gain in Eight Quarts of Water to
Four, and is good to drink at Meals.

OBSERVATIONS.

WHERE Asſes Milk agrees not, this is uſeful to correct the Acrimony of the Humours that fret and ulcerate the Lungs; and therefore prevails againſt all Diſorders that are Conſequences of a ſharp *Serum*; hence it is good in the *Hætick*: Indeed where an Ulcer is, in the Lungs, of any Size, and lies in the Way of the Paſſages that are every Second of a Minute, gaping and dividing, to receive our moſt neceſſary Friend the Air; I cannot ſee what Effects can be promis'd; ſince the Requiſites for Union are, by the Law of Nature, unavoidably deſtroyed by the Reception of the Air; ſo that the Diſpute between this admirable Practitioner, and Sir E. H. cannot be given on the Side of the former, ſince it is an Impoſſibility in Nature. Whether his other Medicines may more contribute, I ſhall have Room to diſcourſe on, under other Heads.

Lini-

Linimentum Anodynum.

℞ Balf. Lucatell. ʒ ii. Ol. Amygd. d.
ʒ i. Ol. Mac. per Expression. Ung.
flor. aurantior. ā. ʒ ii. m. f. Lini-
mentum parti affectæ illinendum,
Chartam Emporeticam super-im-
ponendo.

The Anodyne Liniment.

Take Lucatellus Balsam 2 Drams,
Oil of sweet Almonds an Ounce,
Oil of Mace by Expression, Orange
Flower-Butter, of each 2 Drams;
mix, and make a Liniment, to ap-
ply to the pain'd Part, spread on
Cap Paper.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Ointment the *Doctor* us'd
to order to Persons, whose
Breasts were fatigu'd and pain'd
with Coughing, with good Success;
'tis smooth and oily, and relaxes the
too great Tensity of the Parts; so
that whereas the extraordinary Con-
traction in the Parts is allay'd, the
Dia-

16 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,
Diameters of the Vessels are enlarg'd,
the Liquors pushing on behind (by
the Laws of Circulation) conquer
the Resistance of the impeded Mo-
tion, and what stopp'd at any Section,
and inflated or distended the Parts,
and gave Uneasiness; thus by unfurl-
ing the Obliquity of the Fibres into
a streight Line, the Liquors pass
quietly on, and the Vessels subside,
and they grow easy.

Aqua Nephritica.

℞ Flor. Oxyacanth. Cong. ss. Vin.
alb. Cong. ii. N. M. ras. N^o. iv.
stillentur ad Cong. i. ss. Dos. Cochl.
iv. horâ somni.

The Nephritick Water.

Take Flowers of Haw-thorn half a
Gallon, White-Wine 2 Gallons,
Nutmegs 4 slic'd; distil off to a
Gallon and half: The Dose is 4
Spoonfuls at Bed-time, &c.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Water is call'd *Nephritick*, because it is suppos'd to relieve the *Gravel*; but it is more adapted to that which is mistakenly call'd so; I mean, for Wind pent up in some Cell of the *Colon*, (opposite perhaps to the Kidneys); and this it is peculiarly fitted to; inasmuch as all Carminatives, or such as expel Wind powerfully, incite the *Bulla*, that too tenaciously hold it within; and being thus freed, the *peristaltick* Motion drives it downward in a *Crepitus*. I would have it remark'd, that no Expellers of Wind ought to be administer'd, till the Passages are clear'd of their superficial Contents; for then they have nothing to contrast with, save the Phlegm sticking to the *Plicæ* of the Intestines.

Pulvis

Pulvis Paspharmacus.

℞ Chel. Cancror. pp. Oc. Cancror.
pp. Margt. pp. Sacch. perlat. ā. 3 i.
m. f. pulvis; divide in octo Char-
tulas, quarum unam capiat mane
quotidie & vesperi in Cochl. Lactis
asinini, super-bibendo lb. ff. ejus-
dem.

The Universal Powder.

Take Crabs Claws prepar'd, Crabs
Eyes prepar'd, Pearl prepar'd,
Pearl Sugar, of each a Dram; mix,
and make a Powder; divide it into
8 Papers, of which take one eve-
ry Morning and Evening in a
Spoonful of Asses Milk, drinking
half a Pound upon it.

OBSERVATIONS.

NEVER were testaceous Pow-
ders more universally us'd,
than by this great Man; they were
to him like *Hudibras's* Sword, or the
Knife of *Delf*, for they serv'd all
Purposes; and therefore I have chose

to call 'em, *The Universal Powder*. To speak Truth, in *England*, the most rebellious Distempers we are infested with, are from stubborn *mineral* Salts; the Correction of which are not better compass'd than by the absorbing Powders, *Calces* and *Lacteats*; so that in Consumptions, where the Salts, by their Vicinity and Plenty, dilaniate the Fibres into an Ulcer, or occasion, by their irritating Particles, a brisker Oscillation of the Fibres, and consequently a quicker Circulation, and a Hectick; nothing has been found more effectual than this Powder, and this Milk. Moreover, as the excessive Heat in the Blood is also communicated to the Stomach, the Milk, put to it, would coagulate, as is usual in Dairies that are over-hot, and thus would be robb'd of great Part of its Virtue.

This Prescription is also of admirable Use in any *Eruptions* that depend on Acrimonies of the volatile Species, and which are generally known by their great Itchings, and a great Effervescence in the Palms
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and Soles. In *Stranguries* from acrimonious Salts, Milks, and these Powders, do well; *scorbutick Persons* of the hotter Kind are reliev'd by this Method, having first premis'd some few Doses of Infusions of *Sena* or *Rhubarb*. When Women are much troubled with immoderate Fluxes of the *Menses*, this Method is commendable in the Intervals. In fine, whenever you observe it said in these Sheets, that any Distemper is suppos'd to proceed from *acrimonious* Salts, this Method will, *mutatis mutandis*, serve the Turn; only 'tis to be observ'd, that great Care must be taken, whether the Salts in the Blood be not *mineral* ones; and consequently not only stubborn, but requiring also specifick Corrigents, which no Body, that is ignorant of the Soil, and what Salts it contains, can judge of.

Electu-

Electuarium Phthysicum.

℞. Conf. Ros. rub. ℥ii. Chel. Cancror. pp. Corall. r. pp. Pulv. Haly, ā. ℥i. cum. f. q. Syr. Capill. Vener. m. f. Electuarium; de quo capiat Quantitatem Castaneæ mane horâ undecimâ, & vesperi septimâ, & horâ decubitûs; super-bibendo Cochl. quatuor *Julapii Chorici*, (*viz. ℞ Aq. Lact. alex. Ceras. n. ā. ℥iv. Aq. Pæon. C. ℥ii. Sacch. q. f. m. f. Julap.*)

The Electuary for Consumptions.

Take of red Roses 2 Ounces; Crabs Claws prepar'd, red Coral prepar'd, Powder of Haly, of each a Dram; with Syrup of Maiden-hair as much as suffices; mix, and make an Electuary; of which take the Bigness of a Chesnut at Eleven in the Morning, at Seven in the Evening, and at Bed-time, drinking above it 4 Spoonfuls of the *Chorical Julap.*

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Composition is *styptick*, *absorbent*, and *mucilaginous*; by which it allays troublesome Coughs, smoothes the Humours of the *Bronchie*, and gently puts a Check to the too plentiful Ouzing of such thro' the Mouths of the Glands. However, every Practitioner ought to be appriz'd of a standing Truth in all Coughs of this Kind, that some proper Evacuations ought to precede, in order to revulſe the Motion from the Lungs to ſome diſtant Goal, as well as to deplete the Veſſels of ſuch a troublesome Lodger. I muſt frankly own, the Doſe of the *Pulvis Haly* is too ſmall to do any great Feats; however, it certainly, in ſome Meaſure, is a good Alterative, and it (as well as the Shell-Powders) corrects the great and offending Sharpneſs of all the Juices.

Unguentum Pacificans.

℞ Unguent. Sambucin. Butyro Mai-
ali pp. ℥i. Ung. Populn. ℥ss. Ol.
Mac. ℥i. m. pro Linimento, quo
partes affectæ illinantur.

The Pacifick Unguent.

Take Elder-flower Ointment made
with May-Butter one Ounce, Oint-
ment of Poplar half an Ounce,
Oil of Mace a Dram; mix, and
make a Liniment, with which a-
noint the Parts affected.

OBSERVATIONS.

AS this Ointment consists of
some volatile, smooth, and
opiate Particles, it is well qualified
to discuss any impacted Humours,
and give a gentle Breathing to the
Pores; but also as an Emollient, Re-
laxant, and Opiate, it gives Ease
to the Over-distension, and conse-
quently relieves Pains. Lay it upon
Cap-paper, (having first rubb'd it
well in, with a warm Hand.)

Haustus

Haustus Paregoricus.

℞ Aq. Ceras. n. ℥i.℥. Pæon. compos. ℥i.℥. Extract. Op. Thebaic. gr. i.℥. gr. Sacchar. parum; m. f. Haustus sumend. horâ decubitus.

The Paregorick Draught.

Take black Cherry Water one Ounce and half, Compound Peony Water one Dram and half, Extract of Theban Opium one Grain and half. Sugar what suffices; mix, and make a Draught, to be taken at Bed-time.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE Vertues of Opiates are well enough known to Apprentices; and therefore, after I have told you, that they ease Pains, procure Sleep, ease Convulsions, allay *Flatus*, curb Fluxes, and are Specificks in *Hysterical Hurries* in Women; I must observe, that they will be dangerous Edge-Tools, if the following Cautions are not strictly anim-

animadverted; they are not convenient in languid People, in cold Constitutions, (at least the Opiates mix'd with watry Menstrua): In critical Pains, (such as Labour, Gout, &c.) in *Orthopnœa's*, or short Breaths, from Phlegm in the *Bronchia*; nor in the State of Consumptions, where the Breast is oppressed with a Load of extraneous Matters; nor in malignant Fevers, nor in Pleurifies, where the Spitting goes well on; nor in chronical Pains of the Head; nor in a *Satyriasis*, which is an Observation from *Sachius*, in the *Ephemerid. Germanic. Anno 2. Obs. 69.* where the *Turks* were, at the Battle of *Leventz* in *Hungary*, found, when Dead, *Hastis erectis*. In the Time of any Crisis, so that they are bad in the *Apparatus* (or the four Days before the breaking out) of the small Pox: Hence *Wincler* says, nor in the Watchings that immediately precede *Crises*; in moist Coughs; nor in Children too often repeated; because *Mercurialis* observes, and justly, they dull 'em. But it must here be remark'd, that as a Dose of an Opiate given to an

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Adult, will continue its Effects for six Hours; so in Children, a Dose in twelve Hours is sufficient: In an *Iliack* Passion from a fixt Pain, they are bad; this being from an Inflammation, they fix it, and turn it into a *Gangrene*. I have often observ'd, they do not succeed in *hypochondriacal* nor *hysterical* Persons, unless mix'd with Volatiles, or Fetids: They are not good in *Frenzies*, unless when there have preceded proper Evacuations, nor then but in the *Decline* of the Fervor of the Fever. They promote Sweat, and other Evacuations from the Blood by Accident; but allay all Encrease of organical Irritations, and their Effects, (as *Diarrhæa's*, &c.) However, where the Ebullition of the Blood over-bears, as it happens in the *Apparatus* of the Small-Pox sometimes, they may be allow'd, if cautiously given, and continu'd only with an Eye to the Urgency of the reigning Symptom. I can't see with what Reason Authors would have us to neglect a full Dose of *Laudanates*, when *Camphire* is administer'd; for it has deceiv'd me, and
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may others, who are minded to try it; but some, like Lovers of Wine, commend what they like; which, however, is a Liberty not allowable in so serious a Point. They are admirable in dry *Asthma's*, and in a pretty large Quantity, so as that one Grain of *Opium* to two, (if they are able to bear it) is profitable. *Dysenteries*, by the Consent of all, require 'em in large Quantities, to 3 or 5 Grains of *Laudanum*: In warmer Climes, indeed, they give 'em more scantily than we do, so that half our Dose serves their Turn, which is a good Hint of the Cause of Operation and Texture; but the $\Delta\iota\omicron\tau\iota$ is not our Business here.

They are admirable in robust People, in *Catarrhs*, in Coughs that tickle much, in the Beginning of a *Consumption*, (nothing is done without 'em); in a *Tenesmus*, in *Diarrhæa's*, dry Coughs of Women with Child, *Frenzies*, *Madness*, *Epilepsies*, *Palpitations*, *Hicups*; in the *Pustles* of the *Small-Pox*, when much inflam'd and painful. In short, in all vehement Pains, in *Vomitings*, in *Fluxes*, and any no-

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table *Hurry of the Spirits* they are indicated; nay, even in *Vertigo's* they are sometimes indicated, as also in the *Beginning and Encrease of Pleurisies*. Whatever they perform in us is, by *quieting and composing the Motions of the Spirits*.

Tinctura Stomachica.

℞ Absinth. Roman. ℥ss. Rad. Gentian. Sem. Coriand. Cardamom. ā. ℥i. infund. simul in Aq. fontan. lb. ss. f. Colatura; cui adde Aq. nephritic. ℥iii. m. f. Tinctura; capiat Cochl. 3. horâ unâ ante Prandium.

The Stomach Tincture.

Take Roman Wormwood half an Ounce, Roots of Gentian, Coriander and Cardamom Seeds, of each a Dram; infuse 'em in Water, strain it out; add to this nephritick Water 3 Ounces; mix, and
make

make a Tincture ; take 3 Spoonfuls an Hour before Dinner.

OBSERVATIONS.

I Look upon this to be a well-adapted Medicine for any Phlegm or Wind in the Stomach ; and consequently, is good in Stomach Pains, in Belchings after Meals, in Want of Appetite, in Sournesses there, in opening Obstructions of the Lacteals in Lienteries, in cachectical Constitutions, in cold Disorders of any Part, (whether Liver, Spleen, or elsewhere). It rarefies, warms, incides, attenuates ; it is *antiscorbutick* in the cool Kind.

Fulapium Pyreticum.

℞ Aq. Lact. alex. ʒi.℥. Ceras. nig. ʒ℥. Cort. peruvian. subtiliss. Pulv. ʒ℥. Aq. Pæon. Comp. ʒi. Syr. Capill. Vener. ʒii. m. f. Haustus 3 vel 4. quâq; horâ sumendus ad octo vices extra Paroxysmum.

The Febrifuge Julap.

Take alexiterial Milk-Water one Ounce and half, black Cherry-Water half an Ounce, Bark of Peru finely powder'd, half a Dram; Compound Pæony-Water a Dram; Syrup of Maiden-hair 2 Drams; mix, and make a Draught, to be taken every third Hour for eight Times, out of the Fit.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Julap is design'd for the Intermissions and Remissions of Agues and putrid Fevers; but I must frankly own, I never yet found that half an Ounce of the Powder would take off an Ague, much less a remittent Fever; but have been often oblig'd to give from one Ounce to two: Nor ought the Goodness of the Bark he gave, be any Reason; because I never administer'd the Bark, but I generally chose it my self, through the Course of twenty Years Fractice; being taught this by my
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own Misfortune, in the Year 1692, whilst abroad; when I had above half a Pound given me at Times without Success; and it had been well if I could say, without Prejudice, since I was then brought to the Brink of the Grave, by the Ignorance or Knavery of my Attendant. The *Bark's* Use is now become more extensive than at first; Physicians finding it an useful Remedy, not only in *Fevers*, but also in *all Periodical Cases*, or such as have *Exacerbations*, as *Epilepsies*, *Convulsions*, *hysterick Asthma's*; and indeed wherever Disorders are apt to return, whether in the Space of Hours, Days, Months, or Seasons of the Year; always keeping in Mind, never to administer it without previous Evacuations, *specificated* to the Case; or, what is equal to this, until the Humours have been pretty well spent in Evacuations, (as is usual when People have been sick for some Time) and are much less'n'd; or, lastly, unless the Case begins to be desperate, by Reason of the Decay of Spirits; for then we do it to avoid a fatal Chance, which

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must inevitably follow ; and for the
Damage done by the *Bark*, you are at
Leisure to repair afterwards.

Bolus Astringens.

℞ Confect. Fracastor. f. m. ʒi. Rha-
barb. opt. torrefact. gr. iv. Syr.
Caryophyll. q. f. m. f. Bolus, cras
mane sumendus.

The Astringent Bolus.

Take Diascordium without Honey
a Dram, the best Rheubarb roast-
ed 4 Grains, Syrup of Clove-gilly-
flowers what suffices ; mix, and
make a Bolus ; to be taken to-
morrow Morning.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE *Doctor* wisely order'd Dia-
scordium always without Ho-
ney, and order'd it with Syrup of
Diacodium in its Room ; for be-
sides that Honey is very disagreeable
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to weak Stomachs, 'tis contrary to the fundamental Intention of the Compound (as every young Observer may know); for Nature does not subsist with double Evacuations; because the one encreas'd, the other lessens; and, *vice versa*, as *Sanctorius*, *Pitcairn*, and others, justly observe; hence *Confectio Fracastorii*, or *Diascordium*, being design'd as a *Diaphoretick*, or a Promoter of Sweats, and an Astringent; it would be an Inconsistency to blend it with Honey, which all know, is very apt to go downwards; and I only wonder it had never been observ'd before.

It carries off Humours by the Pores of the Skin, and binds; and therefore strikes at revulsing the Humours, as well as stops Fluxes; and thus, what would be a *Fomes* to other Distempers, is prevented by this judicious Mixture; the torrify'd Rheubarb is also binding, the purgative Part being carry'd off by the Fire, the *Terra damnata* is only left, or the binding Part of it. It is a necessary Mixture in all *Tormina*, because it is an Opiate.

Electuarium Japonicum.

R Coral. rub. pp. \bar{z} fl. Terr. Japonic. \bar{z} i. Confect. Fracastor. f. mell. \bar{z} i. Syr. Caryophyll. q. f. m. f. Electuarium; de quo capiat Quantitatem Nuc. Moschat. vel Juglandis, horâ decubitus, superbibendo Cochl. 3 vel 4. Julapii (proprii).

The Japan Electuary.

Take red Coral prepar'd half an Ounce, Japan-Earth a Dram, Dia-scordium without Honey one Ounce, Syrup of Clove-gilly-flowers what suffices; mix, and make an Electuary; of which take the Quantity of a Nutmeg, or Walnut, at Bed-time; drinking after it 3 or 4 Spoonfuls of a proper Julap.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE Ingredients in this Prescription are, Absorbents of Humidity, Stypticks, or such as close the
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the Vessels, and Diaphoreticks, that give a different Turn to the Humours; and therefore it is proper in *Dysenteries* and *Diarrhaeas*, in *Vomitings*, and all *Irritations* and *Evacuations* from the Parts, (whether *Stomach*, *Intestines*, *Kidneys*, or *Uterus*).

Bolus Leniens.

℞ Rhabarb. opt. Pulv. ʒi. Sal.
Absinth. gr. v. Syr. Caryoph. q.
f. m. f. Bolus, fumendus primo
mane; & repetendus semel in Sep-
timanâ.

The Lenient Bolus.

Take Powder of the best Rheubarb
one Scruple, Salt of Wormwood
5 Grains, Syrup of Clove-gilly-
flower what suffices; mix, and
make a Bolus, to be taken early in
the Morning; and to be repeated
once in a Week.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a gentle Purgative, given in Fluxes; but 'tis so gentle, that a weak Constitution will digest it without any Trouble; nay, it may be ventur'd on in a malignant Fever: But, to say the Truth, the *Doctor* seem'd always to have one Maxim in View, which was, *to do no Harm to his Patient*; but, in my Opinion, a little more would but do, and have answer'd his End very well too.

Haustus Hypnoticus.

℞ Aq. Lactis alexit. ℥i. ss. Cinnam.
h. mirab. ā. ℥iii. Confect. Fra-
castor. sine Melle ℥i. m. f. Hau-
stus sumendus h. f. post Purga-
tionem.

once in a Week. *The*

The Hypnotick Draught.

Take alexiterial Milk-Water one Ounce and half, Barley-Cinnamon-Water, Aq. Mirabilis, of each 3 Drams; Diascordium without Honey one Dram; mix, make a Draught, to be taken at Bed-time after Physick.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a Draught to repair the Spirits, and curb the *Superpurgation*. I am surpriz'd at a full Dose of Diascordium, and half a Dose of Physick; but why should I?

Electuarium Restrings.

℞ Conserv. Rosar. rub. Absinth.
Roman. ā. ʒvi. Corall. rub. pp.
ʒii. Terr. Japonic. Pulv. Rubig.
Chalyb. ā. ʒi. Syr. e Conditur.
N. M. q. f. m. f. Electuarium;
de quo capiat Quantitatem Nuc.
Moschat. major. omni mane &
quinta

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quintâ pomeridianâ, super-bibendo,
&c.

The Binding Electuary.

Take Conserve of red Roses, of Roman Wormwood, of each six Drams; red Coral prepar'd 2 Drams; Japan Earth powder'd, Rust of Steel, of each a Dram; Syrup of Clove-gilly-flower what suffices; mix, make an Electuary; of which take the Quantity of a large Nutmeg every Morning, and at five in the Afternoon, &c.

OBSERVATIONS.

TO shut the Mouths of the Vessels, to give Strength to all the Fibres, and to dry up the superabounding Moisture, are all the Requisites to cure a Flux; therefore this is an admirable Astringent; but also it clogs not the Stomach, as most of the common restraining Medicines do; because of the Mixture with the Wormwood, which contains a hidden Acid in it, and gives there-

therefore an Appetite, and strengthens the Stomach.

It must be, however, observ'd, that *bilious Diarrhæa's* can't bear any thing of Wormwood; because it is amicable to Bile, and of *similar* Particles with it: and therefore would too much stimulate the Mouths of the gaping Glands: However, in such a Supposition, leaving out the *Conserve of Wormwood*, the Electuary is an effectual Remedy. I always presuppose gentle Evacuations, but proportion'd to the Quantity offending; as I shall have Occasion somewhere to disclose.

The Julap the *Doctor* us'd to order to be drank after this *Electuary*, was the following:

Julapium Stomachicum.

℞ Aq. Lact. alex. ℥ viii. Cinnam. h.
Absinth. maj. Compos. ā. ℥ iv.
Sacch. albiss. q. s. m. f. Julapium;
cujus capiat Cochl. iv.

The Stomachick Julap.

Take alexiterial Milk-Water 8 Ounces; Barley-Cinnamon-Water, the greater Compound Wormwood-Water, of each 4 Ounces; finest Sugar what suffices; mix, and make a Julap; of which take 4 Spoonfuls.

OBSERVATIONS.

TIS Cordial and Stomachick, and therefore restores the flagging and drooping Spirits, as also gives an Appetite, and digests what is taken; it strengthens the lax Tone of the Fibres, and therefore suffers not the Stomach and Intestines to yield to the Weight of the Contents, which would otherwise push their Way downwards; but also all Brandy Spirits have the same Effects within us, as we see they have on other Bodies; now in Salts that are set to crySTALLIZE, 'tis observable, they sooner conglomerate with a little Brandy, or Spirit of Wine, first put to them, than when left

left to themselves; which happens from this, that the Spirit absorbs the watry Particles; so in Case of *Diarrhæa's* from a *super-abundant Serum*, the Brandy absorbs Part of it. And, moreover, as 'tis observable, that Spirit of Wine put to *Serum* of Blood, coagulates it into an *Offa*; and as the Application of it to a bleeding Vessel stops it, so has it the same Virtue in a *Diarrhæa* from *Serum*; and therefore *spirituous Cordials* in such a Case are us'd, and not without Success.

Electuarium Scorbuticum.

℞ Conserv. Absinth. Roman. Ros. rub. ā. ʒ ii. Spec. Diambr. f. O-
dor. ʒ i. Pulv. Ari. Compos. ʒ i.
Chel. Cancror. Oc. Cancror. pp.
ā. ʒ i. ff. cum f. q. Syr. e Cortic.
Citri; m. f. Electuarium molle;
de quo capiat Quantitatem Casta-
neæ mane & vesperi, & cubitum
iturus; super-bibendo Cochl. 3 vel
4 Julapii proprii.

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The Scorbütick Electuary.

Take Conserve of Roman Worm-wood, Conserve of red Roses, of each 2 Ounces; Species Diambrae without the Scents, and Powder of Aron compounded, of each a Dram; Crabs Claws, Crabs Eyes prepar'd, of each one Dram and half; Syrup of Citron-Peel what suffices, to make a soft Electuary; of which take the Quantity of a Chesnut, Morning, Evening, and at Bed-time; drinking after it 3 or 4 Spoonfuls of a proper Julap.

OBSERVATIONS.

I Have known him prescribe it without the *Aron Powder*; but that Difference is small. 'Tis levell'd against all Acidities, ferous Humours, and Phlegm; and therefore is good where such Particles lodge in the Canal of the Stomach and Intestines, raising Heart-burns, Colicks, and Anxieties there; as also against Hickups from these Causes:

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Causes: It clears the Blood of those pertinacious Salts that reign in it, which occasion blue Spots, putrid Gums, Scurfs, wandring Pains, short Breathings upon Motion up Hill, Straitness of the Breast, Palpitations, erratick Fevers, profuse Sweats, Vertigo's, disturb'd Rests, and, in short, all the Symptoms of a *cold Scurvy*. I am, however, not here doubting, but Scurvies may proceed from such Salts as this Remedy will not reach; such, for Example, as proceed from our Diet, impregnated with a mineral Salt, as it too often happens unheeded; and in such a Case, let the Physician enquire into the Nature of the Soil where his Patient lives; and having found out the peculiar Salt that reigns under Ground, (as Mr. Boyle advises in his *General History of the Air begun*); after which you must specificate your Antidote to this Salt, that impregnates your Waters, and then you may do somewhat towards the Eradication of the Cause; but I here suppose a Physician a good Naturalist and Chymist.

Tinctura Hieræ Nostræ.

℞ Tinctur. stomachic. mag. (fine Mastiche & Spic. Nard.) ℥i℥. Aq. Pæon. Comp. ℥i. m. f. Haustus primo mane sumendus, cum levi Custodiâ.

The Doctor's Tincture of Hieræ.

Take the magisterial Stomach-Tincture, without Mastick and Spikenard, one Ounce and half; compound Pæony-Water one Ounce; mix, and make a Draught; to be taken early in the Morning, with gentle Care.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE Doctor seem'd to level at the expunging useless Compositions; he did well in *Diascordium*, and ill in this. Every Body knows, that the *Spikenard* is an *Aromatick*, and therefore *carminative* and *stomachick*; and why it should be rejected, is not known; the *Mastick* is *hot*, *bitterish*, *fetid*, and *astringent*; all which

which Vertues are communicable to the Wine, (save the Astringency) therefore I see no greater Reason to reject it, since it warms, nay, and irritates and promotes an Evacuation. I do know somewhat in the Composition may be better spar'd, which I shall have Leisure to mention somewhere.

Wherever a gentle Purgative is requir'd, this is good; as indeed in most Cases they are; for caballine Medicines neither become a Christian Physician to prescribe, nor a Patient to take; therefore they are good in the following Cases: In sleepy Diseases, in Palsies, in phlegmatick Cases, Jaundices, Scurvy, Vertigo's, and wherever *Phlegm* or Obstructions infest us; also in nocturnal Sweats, according to the Divine *Coan*: They are of Use in Scurfs, Ulcers, discolour'd *Menses*, because they carry off Salts or Serum; in an *Anasarca*, in Colicks, in stomachical Coughs, as *Waldschmidt* affects to talk; in *infantile Convulsions*; because, as *Baglivi* affirms, and I have experienc'd, they proceed mostly from the *acid Saburra* nestling in the
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Stomach; at the Decline of Fevers,
nay, in malignant ones, when there
is a concocted Urine, and which I
have often try'd with Success. In
the Decline of a *Rheumatism*; that
is, after 14 Days Time; for in the
Vigour of one they are dangerous;
and in the Decline of a Pleurisy, when
the Spitting ceases, or is at least much
lessen'd, and the Patient pretty well
recover'd. But in a confirm'd *Con-*
sumption, where the Lungs are cor-
rupted and ulcerated, or indeed any
Viscus spoil'd, they are hazardous.
It must also be remark'd, that greater
Doses are requir'd to Sailors, or such
as live near the Sea; which sur-
priz'd me at first, not knowing any
Reason why my Patients at the Sea-
side should require more than others,
till *Bartholin* clear'd up my Difficulty.
'Tis observable, that dry Bodies,
strong and robust Men, obstructed
ones, they that are not accusom'd,
Melancholicks, phlegmatick Persons,
are hard to move; but the contrary,
easy. In fine, Catharticks are good,
and requir'd wherever there are
Signs of Concoction, or any *Impetus*
in the Blood. However, one politi-
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cal Caution I advise you to ; which is, never to give strong Physick to unknown Patients ; because *Peccata Omissionis sunt leviora Peccata Commissionis.*

Infusum Cardiacum Stomachicum.

℞ Absinth. Roman. ʒ ss. Flor. Anthos, p. i. Rad. Gentian. Sem. Coriandri, ā ʒ i. infunde simul in Aq. bullient. lb. ss. f. Colatura ; cui adde Aq. Pæon. Comp. Aq. nephritic. ā ʒ iii. m. f. Infusum.

The Cordial Stomach-Infusion.

Take Roman Wormwood half an Ounce, Rosemary-Flowers one Pugil ; Roots of Gentian, Coriander Seeds, of each a Dram ; infuse them in half a Pound of Boyling-Water ; strain it, add compound Pæony-Water, Nephritick-Water, of each 3 Ounces.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a small Variation of the common Infusion the *Doctor* usually prescrib'd; it is somewhat more *carminative* and cordial than the common; and therefore in colder Stomachs it agrees better; by which I mean, such Stomachs as are much loaden with *Phlegm*, which lies heavy upon the Part, and is a *Fomes* for Wind, and raises Colicks and Pains in the Stomach. The Dose is 5 or 6 Spoonfuls before and after Dinner. He sometimes order'd half a Pound, or one Pound of Spaw-Water upon it, Morning and Evening, in Case of Want of Stomach.

Pilule Encoproticæ.

℞ Pil. Stomach. cum Gum. Extract.
 Rudii. Spec. Diambrae sine Odorat.
 ā. 3℥. cum f. q. Syr. Violar. m.
 f. Pil. minor. quarum i capiat
 horâ

horâ decubitûs, & tres mane, diebus alternis, sine Custodia; augendo vel minuendo Dosis pro ratione operationis.

The Encoprotick Pills.

Take Stomach Pills with the Gums, Extract of Rudijs, Species Diambræ, of each half a Dram; with what suffices of Syrup of Violets; mix, and make small Pills; of which take one at Bed-time, and 3 in the Morning, every other Day, without any Restraint, encreasing or diminishing the Dose, according as it works.

OBSERVATIONS.

IN four Pills there will be 15 Grains of the Purgative, which is a small Quantity: However, it will serve to press the *Fæces* forward, and, in Persons easily mov'd, may a little carry off some Humours; 'tis chiefly levell'd at making Nature perform her Office once in two Days, which is enough for weak People, and in Patients that live upon spare Diet;
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50 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
and therefore is good in *hysterical* Pa-
tients, who are generally troubled
with *Extreams*, *Costiveness*, or *Fluxes* ;
for such Medicines as are harsh, are
not us'd in such People ; and, in ge-
neral, all Medicines that are purgative,
disagree with the Weak, the Old, In-
fants, continual Fevers, in *Fluxes* of
Blood, *Child-Bed-Women*, the *Hysteri-
cal* and *Hypochondriacal*, the *Pleuritick*,
in *Ulcers*, in the *Consumptive*, in *Gra-
vel*, acute *Colicks*, *Vomitings*, *Faintings*,
in the *Fits* of an *Asthma*, and in
Ruptures.

Pilula Alliotica.

℞ Chel. Cancror. pp. Oc. Cancror.
pp. ā. ʒi. Pulv. Haly ʒss. cum
q. s. Syr de Althæa ; m. f. Pilul.
minores, (obruant. Pulvere Ocul.
Cancror.) quarum sex capiat ma-
ne, quotidie, & vesperi, in Cochl.
Julapii (proprii.)

The Alterative Pills.

Take Crabs Claws prepar'd, Crabs Eyes prepar'd, of each a Dram; Powder of Haly half a Dram, Syrup of Althæa what suffices; mix, and make small Pills, (roll'd up in Crabs-Eyes-Powder); of which take six, Morning and Evening, in a Spoonful of the *common Julap*, drinking after 'em 4 or 6 Spoonfuls of the same.

OBSERVATIONS.

NEVER was a Prescriber more uniform; and consequently, somewhat new from so great a Man was never expected; nor could he therefore ever gain his Reputation by this Turn: But may not a well-turn'd Head, and a strong Pocket, serve the Turn as well? Surely it may.

These Pills are the same as the *Electuarium Phthisicum*, mentioned before: They therefore act by destroying *Acidities*, sheathing *acrimonious Salts*; and therefore they allay Coughs and Ticklings in the *Bronchie*, and

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smooth

52 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
smooth any *Dysuries*; they precipi-
tate such Combinations from the
Blood by Urine or the Pores.

I have before observed the Efficacy
of such *Alcalies* in stubborn Cases;
I must further observe, that *England*,
abounding with *vitriolick Salts* in its
Soil, as is observable by the Stones
cut out from their Bladders, or
thrown out from their Kidneys,
which, when calcin'd and powder'd,
often follow the *Magnet*, as *Lister*
observes; these testaceous Medicines
hinder these Congelations and Uniti-
ons in *Embryo*; and so they are pre-
cipitated by Stool, and never enter
the Mass of Blood; and consequently
they both prevent and cure such *Con-
cretions*, if not confirm'd.

Electuarium Ecphracticum.

℞ Conf. Ros. rub. Absinth. Rom. ā.
℥ i ss. Chel. Cancror. pp. ʒ ii. Spec.
Diambrae sine Odor. ʒ i. Chalyb.
cum Sulphur. pp. ʒ i. cum f. q.
Syr. e Cort. Citri; m. f. Electu-
arium

arium molle; de quo capiat Quantitatem Castaneæ mane, vesperi, & horâ decubitus, quotidie superbibendo Cochl. iii vel iv. *Infus. amar. stomach.*

The Deobstruent Electuary.

Take Conserves of red Roses, and Roman Wormwood, of each one Ounce and half; Crabs Claws prepar'd 2 Drams, Species Diambræ without the Scents one Dram, Steel prepar'd with Sulphur one Dram, Syrup of Citron-Peel what suffices; mix, and make a soft Electuary; of which take the Quantity of a Chesnut, Morning, Evening, and at Bed-time; drinking upon it 3 or 4 Spoonfuls of the *bitter Stomach-Infusion.*

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a Medicine that is *aperient*; and therefore, after proper Evacuations, causes a Return of the *Menses*; for, as Dr. *Friend* observes, the *Pondus* of the Blood will encrease, and thus will dig open the

54 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
Obstruction ; for its Viscidity decreasing, and its Moment encreasing, is all that is requisite, (when the Obstruction depends not on any Fault of the solid Parts.)

But I must again observe, that the Dose is small, and will do little: I should rather advise it thus in the *Menses* obstructed.

℞ Limatur. Martis cum Aceto pp. ʒi.
Cinnam. Nuc. Moschat. ā. ʒi. Rhabarb. Elect. ʒi. Specier. Aromat. rosat. ʒii. Mellis optime despumat. Sacch. albiss. ā. ʒvi. m. f. Electuarium ; cujus capiat Magnitudinem Castaneæ horis medicis, superbibendo *Infus. amar. Cochl. vi. vel Vin. Absinthit. Haustulum.*

I must add, that a Vomit of *Vinum benedictum*, in a robust Person, ought to precede the Use of this Electuary, (which must be filtred, as all *Antimonial* Preparations ought to be); and then they are to take it in the following Manner, and with the following Directions, which seldom fails of Success, (as I have known practis'd by an eminent *Paduan* Physician):

fician): After this *Emetick*, she is to take the Quantity of a Chesnut of the Electuary; drinking after it a Glas of Wormwood-Wine, and using forcible Exercise for an Hour after, (such as Walking up Hill, or otherwise), and continue to do so for 3 Days; the 4th Day let her take early in the Morning one or two good large Pills of *Extract. Panchymagog.* (which Quantity is sufficient, if it answer 5 or 6 Times; otherwise to be given to the Number of 3 or 4, or what will answer); after which, she must continue to take the Electuary and Pills, as now said, till within six Days of the Time she expects her *Menses*; and the Body must, all the while, be kept soluble, (by one of the Pills at Bed-time); six Days before she expects 'em, let her bleed on the *Saphena*, to the Quantity of five Ounces; and let her take *Ess. of Castor.* and *Troch. Myrrh* in Pills, twice a Day, with *Savin-Whey*; and at the same Time thrust in a *Pessus* every Night of *Succ. Mercurial.* and *Fell. Bubull.* in which Cotton is dipt, and this sew'd up in a Sarcenet, in

56 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,
the Form of a *Pessus*. This Method
is pretty certain in the most obsti-
nate Obstructions, that have not at
all yielded to the ordinary Methods:
But it must be remark'd, that I do
not here suppose you have to deal
with *marcid* and *meagre* Persons;
for, as *Forestus* well observes, it
would be acting the Empirick, to
promote the *Menses* in languid Wo-
men.

I cannot commend *Chalybeats* in
Obstructions of the Liver, whose mi-
neral Salt may endanger an Indura-
tion of this *Viscus*; and *Waldschmidt*
justly enough observes it, that they
are dangerous in *Scirrhi* of this
Body.

This particular Prescription is le-
vell'd at *hysterical* Persons, who ge-
nerally want Spirits, as well as have
a lax Habit of the Fibres.

'Tis by most order'd, that who-
ever takes *Steel Medicines*, should use
exercise after 'em; which is generally
true: However, *Claudinus* gives us to
understand, that they are to be given
in Bed, if they should raise Distur-
bances with Exercise: And this I
learnt by a young Gentlewoman's
Case,

Cafe, who, in the Time of Exercise, bore 'em not, but well enough without it.

It must be remark'd, that *Chalybeats* are very disagreeable to Persons troubled with *Catarrhs*, *Coughs*, and any *Stuffings* in the Lungs; because of their *astringent* Particles, that too much straiten these Parts, and occasion *Asthma's*; by which I mean, the *humid Asthma's*; for in the *hysterical* one they are not amiss.

Primrose Morb. Mulier. p. 176. informs us, that if they are not thrown off, *Clysters*, or gentle *Catharticks*, are requisite to make them pass; not that I believe *St. Quintin's* Reason to be at the Bottom of this Caution.

If *Sennertus* judge a-right in saying, *Aperients* ought always to be blended with some *Astringent*, *Steel* is a good Example of it, and the *Doctor's* Prescription is less amiss, for the *Conserve of Roses* being Part of the Composition; though, if I were left to my own Choice, I would rather omit it; and indeed I cannot say why, when the Indi-
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§8 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
cation is the opening any Obstruction,
any *Astringent* at all should be
given.

Emplastrum Simplex.

℞. Emp. Diachyl. cum Gum. q. s.
f. Emplastrum Parti affectæ ad-
movendum.

The Simple Plaster.

Take Plaster of Diachylon with the
Gums, what suffices; make a Pla-
ster, to be apply'd to the Part
affected.

OBSERVATIONS.

A Simple Plaster: However, it
is to be remark'd, it keeps the
Cold out.

Infusum Catharticum.

℞ Fol. Senn. ʒii. Absinth. Roman.
p.i. Sem. Coriandri, Cardamom.
ā. ʒi. infunde simul in Aq. fon-
tan. ʒiv. f. Colatura; cui adde,
Syr. e Spin. Cervin. ʒi. m. f. Po-
tio, cum Regimine fumenda.

The Purging Infusion.

Take Leaves of Senna 2 Drams, Ro-
man Wormwood one Pugil; Co-
riander Seeds, Cardamoms, of each
one Dram; infuse 'em together in
four Ounces of Fountain-Water;
strain it, and add to it Syrup of
Buckthorn-Berry one Ounce; mix,
make a Potion, to be taken early
with Care.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Cathartick is a very good
one, and such as may produce
some Effects; it is evident, the Pa-
tient has been in Earnest, when the
Doctor prescrib'd it. It is admirable
in an *Anasarca*, or any lax and œde-

matous

60 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,
matous Tumours; because it is pecu-
liarly adapted to a *serous* or *pitu-
itous* Constitution; and Sydenham
cries it up for a Dropsy, call'd an
Ascites: But how Physick can reach
such an one, I must confess, it is
past my Apprehension; because such
Matter is quite banish'd out of the
Laws of Circulation, and stagnates
irremediably there; particularly, if
the *Ascites* be of any Standing; for
when it is fresh, I am not quite a-
gainst these *Catharticks*, or especial-
ly *Diureticks*; because I find the
Bladder inverted will pass any Li-
quid; and why not also the *extravas'd*
Serum that lies around it, as this ac-
tually does, when in the Cavity of
the *Abdomen*; because though the
Salts of these Medicines are also spilt
out of the gaping Orifice; yet they
do Good, in attenuating the Waters
in the Pond, and keeping them so
fluid, that the Bladder may admit
the attenuated Particles into its
Pores, and so pass them away by
Urine: Which cannot be done in
old *Dropsies*; because in them this
Serum becomes glutinous, and covers
the Bladder, and then nothing can
pass

pass that Way; which (whoever has dissected Persons that have dy'd of *Dropsies*) is a known Truth. I would not be look'd on to be singular in my Opinion; because I only propose what I say here, as a probable Conjecture: However, I must frankly confess, that were it not for this Mechanism of the Bladder, I know not what would become of the Steams of all the *Viscera*; which, doubtless, are converted into *Serum*, and drop down, and are convey'd thro' the Bladder, as the Urine is by its ordinary Channels of the Kidneys and *Ureters*.

Linctus Incrassans.

℞ Syr. Dialth. Ol. Lini f. igne Amygdal. dulc. ā. ℥ii. Sacchar. Cand. ℥i. m. f. Linctus; de quo capiat Cochl. unum vel duo frequenter.

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Vel,

℞ Ol. Amygd. d. ℥ii. Syr. de Alth.
Capillor. Vener. ā. ℥i. m. f. Lin-
ctus; de quo capiat Cochl. i. fre-
quenter urgente Tussi.

The Incrassating Linctus.

Take Syrup of Marshmallows, Lin-
seed Oil drawn without Fire, Oil
of sweet Almonds, of each two
Ounces; Sugar-Candy a Dram;
mix, and make a *Linctus*; of
which take one or two Spoonfuls
often.

Or,

Take Oil of Sweet-Almonds two
Ounces; Syrups of Marshmallows,
of Maidenhair, of each one Ounce;
mix, and make a *Linctus*; of
which take one Spoonful often,
or when the Cough is trouble-
some.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE Ancients imagin'd, that these Sort of Mixtures being gently swallow'd down, got immediately to the Lungs themselves, and so allay'd the tickling Coughs that often infest us: As to the main it is true, but not in that Sense they took it; for nothing passes into the Lungs from the Mouth, but what gives us much Disturbance, and it would make us cough more violently; but any one may remark, that no sooner is a little *Linctus* swallowed, but the Cough is allay'd; but then it must also be remark'd, that the Glands of the *Glottis* very often spue out a *Serum* that irritates violently, and the *Linctus* reaching the Part, allays this Tickling immediately; which yet returns very soon, for that the Cause is not recall'd to another Part, nor the Humour corrected. This Mixture is very good, where the Spit sticks so close to the Lungs, that the Patient is much fatigu'd before he can get it up: In thin Defluxions

64 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
ons 'tis useful, in thick'ning of 'em ;
for *Contraria Contrariis curantur*.
These Mixtures are not only good
in Coughs, but also in Fits of the
Stone in the Kidneys, which are
larger than ordinary ; because they
smooth and widen the Passages ; and
thus the Stone will more easily
pass.

I have known him order an oily
Draught, in this Form :

℞ *Ol. Lini sine Igne extract. ℥i. Syr.*
Balsam. Capill. Vener. ā. ℥ii. m. f.
Haustus, mane & vesperi per tri-
duum sumendus.

Viz.

Take Linseed-Oil fresh drawn with-
out Fire, one Ounce ; Balsamick-
Syrup, and Syrup of Maiden-hair,
of each 2 Drams ; mix, and make
a Draught ; to be taken Morning
and Evening for 3 Days.

Such Mixtures relax, lubricate,
obtund acrimonious Humours, and
relieve Pains.

Pilula

Pilulæ Febrifugæ.

℞ Cort. Peruv. optim. subtiliter
pulver. ʒss. Ol. Cinnam. gt. ii.
Syr. Capillor Vener. q. s. f. Pil.
minores, obruente pulvere Corall.
r. pp. quarum octo capiat horis
alternis, vel horâ quâq; tertia, in
Cochl. Vini Aquâ admisti alexi-
teria, super-bibendo Haustum ejus-
dem.

The Febrifuge Pills.

Take Bark of Peru finely powder'd,
half an Ounce; Oil of Cinnamon
2 Drops, Syrup of Maidenhair
what suffices; make small Pills,
roll'd up in red Coral powder'd;
of which take 8 Pills every 2d
or 3d Hour, in a Spoonful of
Wine and alexiterial Milk-Water,
drinking after it a Draught of the
same.

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OBSERVATIONS.

TH E S E are to be given in the *Intermissions* of any *Ague*, or the *Remissions* of a *putrid Fever*; and are to be continu'd till they vanish: But 'tis not likely that half an Ounce will do to an adult Person, whatever it may do to the Age of Twelve; therefore double the Dose, and then something may be done. It is by no Means safe to give the *Bark* without previous *Evacuations*, unless driven thereto by the Necessity of imminent Danger.

If you give it in an *hysterick Asthma*, you must bleed *repetitim*, make gentle *Evacuations*, apply *Blisters*, give *Opiates*, and, lastly, the *Bark*. In an *Epilepsy* that is periodical, it requires to be given a long Time 'ere it produce its Effect. In an *Hæmoptoë*, you must bleed as the Strength of the Patient will allow; as also according to the Quantity offending, and according to the *Impetus* you must revulse; after which you must give the *Agglutinants*, (as *Starch*, *Gum-Arabick*, *Whites of Eggs*,
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Syrups of Comfrey, Mucilages, &c.) or the Stypticks, (as Dragon's Blood, Acacia, Bolus vera, Crocus Martis astringens, Tinctura antiphthisica, Sacch. Saturn. &c.) and chalybeat Waters; and, lastly, the Bark. But I must own, that, in this Case, I don't believe the Bark is given as it is a Styptick only, but also because in an Hemoptoe, there is generally a febrile Heat, and the Spitting of Blood returns whenever the *Fever-Fits* come on.

Potio Purgans.

℞ Decoct. Senn. Gereon. ℥ iii. Mann.
opt. ℥ ss. Cremor. Tartar. ℥ ss.
Aq. Pæon. Comp. ℥ iii. m. f. Po-
tio mane sumenda, cum levi Re-
gimine.

The Purging Potion.

Take Gereon's Decoction of Senna
3 Ounces, best Manna half an
Ounce, Cream of Tartar half an
Ounce,

68 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
Ounce, Compound Pæony-Water
3 Drams; mix, and make a Po-
tion; to be taken in the Morning
with a gentle *Regimen*.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a very good and gentle Purge, and will agree with most Constitutions. Debates have been rais'd in the Schools about *elective Catharticks*, and small ones they are! For, in Truth, that which in one Constitution is a *Cholagogue*; in another, nay, in that very Individual, is a *Phlegmagogue*, or *Melanogogue*; and this is not at all strange, because I have often known, that they have chang'd their Nature, so far as to become *Alteratives*: For how often have we known the same Medicine work gently with one, and harshly with another? Or how often have I seen Physick given, work very roughly one Day, which, repeated two or three Days after, wrought gently, and sometimes not at all? Thus then it is plain, all the *Election* I know in Purgatives is, the Difference of Irritation; which, when

when gentle, irritates the Gall-Bladder; when stronger, the Intestines, the Glands, and so forth. In Cases where the Head is loaden with a Quantity of *phlegmatick* or *serous* Matter, this is a good Revulsive, and carries 'em off safely; so in dull *Head-Aches*, *Coma's*, *Lethargies*, *Vertigo's*, *Palsies*, *Convulsions*, *Night-Mares*, *Epilepsies*, *Tremors*, *Defluxions on the Head*; in weak *Memory*, *Melancholy*, and other Disorders of the Part; in *Coughs*, *Asthma's* out of the Fit, beginning *Consumptions*, *bastard Peripneumony*, or *Pleurisy*; in *Cachexies*, *œdematous* Cases; in a *Chlorosis*, the *Fluor albus*, in the *Rickets*. Such gentle Evacuants are to be repeated, as the Strength of the Patient will allow of 'em.

Decoctum Pectorale.

℞ Decoct. Pectoral. sine Hyssop.
lb. i. ss. Aq. Lact. alex. lb. ss. Aq.
Cinnam. hord. ℥ ii. m. f. Apo-
zema;

70 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana: Or,*
zema; de quo bibat ad libi-
tum.

The Pectoral Decoction.

Take pectoral Decoction without
Hyssop one Pound and a half, a-
lexiterial Milk-Water half a
Pound, Barley-Cinnamon-Water
2 Ounces; mix, and make an A-
pozem; of which drink at Plea-
sure.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE Doctor us'd Medicines no
worse than his Patients; some
he quarrell'd, others he caress'd;
and I think it may justly be ob-
serv'd, that, had he known more,
they would have undergone the same
Fate. Why Hyssop should be rejected,
I know not, nor himself. However,
this is to be granted; by ordering
the pectoral Decoction in this Man-
ner, it becomes palatable for ordi-
nary Liquor, in most Diseases of the
Lungs; as Asthma's, Catarrhs, Inflam-
mations, &c.

Pilulæ Hydroticæ.

℞. Extract. Rudii ʒ ii. Resin. Jalap.
ʒ i. Spec. Diambrae sine Odorat.
ʒ i. Ol. Juniperi gt. iii. cum. f. q.
Syr. de Spin. Cervin. f. Pilulæ mi-
nores; quarum unam capiat horâ
decubitus, & tres mane, bis vel
ter in Septimanâ, in Cochlear. Ju-
lap. vulgaris.

The Hydrotick Pills.

Take Extract of Rudijs 2 Drams,
Rosin of Jalap one Scruple, Spe-
cies Diambrae without the Scents
one Dram, Oil of Juniper 3 Drops,
with what suffices of Syrup of
Buckthorn; make small Pills; of
which take one at Bed-time, and
3 in the Morning, twice or thrice
in a Week, in a Spoonful of the
common Julap.

OBSERVATIONS.

RESINS are apt to gripe, un-
less mixt with some *aromatick*
Oils; and therefore the Oil of Ju-
niper

72 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
niper is well added; as they stick
close to the *Plicæ* of the Intestines,
so they irritate and sponge out the
Contents from the Glands more last-
ingly; so that 'tis not uncommon
for *Resinous* Purgatives to continue
their Operation most Part of the
Day: They are not convenient in
Colicks, nor any Pains in the Bow-
els, for this Reason; but in Dis-
orders of the Blood they are very
conducive; as in Dropsies call'd *An-
asarca's*, where I do not at all doubt,
but the Intestines are sometimes as
much bloated as the external Parts;
in Eruptions from *saline Scurvies*;
for that evacuating *serous* Humours,
the Salts, lodging mostly in the *Se-
rum*, are also carry'd off by Stool;
in *Elephantiasis*, or *Lepra Græcorum*;
in moist Scabs, in *Gonorrhæa's*, simple
or venereal (but then mix some
few Grains of *Mercurius dulcis* with
it); in Cold, Head-achs; and, in
short, wherever *serous* Humours a-
bound.

I do look upon this Mixture to be
good; but in stubborn Diseases the
following are far preferable.

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℞ M. Pil. Ruffi ℥i. Antim. Diaphor. Gum. Guaiac. ā. ℥ss. Balf. Peruv. q. s. m. f. Pilulæ. Dosis
℥i. per 30 Dies.

Or,

Take Pills of *Ruffius* one Ounce ;
diaphoretick Antimony, Gum
Guaiacum, of each half an Ounce ;
Balsam of Peru what suffices ; mix,
and make Pills. The Dose is one
Scruple for 30 Days.

If they are given for 30 Days together, it must be done in the *Spring* and *Fall*, and in such Distempers as are *Annual* ; and Care must be taken to keep moderately warm ; and that they do not raise any *Hypercatharsis* ; for when Purgatives are given so long together, they are suppos'd not to work above twice, or thrice at most, which Physicians call, working *per Epicrasin* ; if they exceed this one Day, you must omit 'em for a Day or two ; and give less next Morning when they are repeated.

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As for *Mercurials*, now very commonly us'd, I commend their Use; but seldom find this *Gentleman* use 'em: However, it is to be acknowledged, that no grand Matter is done without them; for what Disease, proceeding from a mineral Salt, will yield, if not equall'd by a mineral Evacuant; and therefore we see no great Effects produc'd without *Antimonials*, or them. Thus then you may prescribe, in deplorable Cases, where Evacuations are required, *viz.*

℞ Merc. d. gr. 15. Antim. resuscitat. gr. 4. Conf. Lujul. quantum sufficit. m. f. Bolus.

Or,

Take Mercurius dulcis 15 Grains, Antimony reviv'd 4 Grains, Conserve of Wood-sorrel what suffices; make a Bolus.

I look upon the *Portugal Potion* to be an odd Prescription: However, not in Use amongst us here; because 'tis not a Custom with us to drink down *Mercurius dulcis*, as Physick; though

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though I do not at all question, but it will work effectually, if not too much.

In robust Bodies, white *Præcipitate*, made with *Mercurius dulcis* into a Mixture, and us'd in Pills, is a good Medicine.

Electuarium Lætificans.

℞ Con. Rosar. rub. Absinth. rom.
ā. ʒiſſ. Anthos. ʒi. Spec. Di-
ambræ f. O. ʒi. Chalyb. cum
Sulph. pp. ʒii. Oc. Cancror. pp.
ʒiſſ. cum f. q. Syr. e Cort. Citri;
m. f. Electuarium; de quo capiat
Quantitatem Castanæ, horâ deci-
mâ mane, & horâ sextâ pomeri-
dianâ, super-bibendo Julap. vulg.
Cochl. iii.

The Lætificant Electuary.

Take Conserve of red Roses, of Ro-
man Wormwood, of each one
Ounce and half; of Rosemary-
flowers one Ounce, Species Diam-
bræ

76 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,

bræ without the Scents, one Dram;
Steel prepar'd with Sulphur, two
Drams; Crabs Eyes prepar'd one
Dram and half; with what suffices
of Syrup of Citron-Peel; mix,
and make an Electuary; of which
take the Quantity of a Chesnut, at
Ten in the Morning, and Six at
Night, with 3 Spoonfuls of the
common Julap upon it.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS differs so little from the
Electuarium Ecphracticum, that
it is almost the same; save that here
is a greater Quantity of Steel, and
an Addition of the Conserve of Rose-
mary-flowers; and therefore 'tis
more effectual.

If I was minded to make this Sort
of Electuary more effectual, I would
prescribe it thus.

R̄ Conf. Flor. Absinth. Flor. Ta-
marisci, Enul. Condit. Cort. Ci-
tri, ā. ʒss. N. M. Condit. ʒiii.
Spec. Diarrhod. Abbat. ʒi. Cha-
lyb. pp. ʒii. Sal. Absinth. ʒi.
Croc. ʒss. Amb. Gryf. gr. v. Syr.

e Conditur. Citri, q. s. f. Electu-
arium; cujus capiat Magnitudinem
Castaneæ bis de Die, super-bibendo
Vini Martial. Cochl. ii. Aq. Rut.
℥ ii. Sacch. Cand. q. s. m. f. Hau-
stus.

Or,

Take Conserve of the Flowers of
Wormwood, Tamarisc-flowers,
Elicampane, candied Citron, of
each half an Ounce; candied
Nutmeg 3 Drams, Species of
Roses of Abbas one Dram, Steel
prepar'd 2 Drams, Salt of Worm-
wood one Scruple, Saffron half a
Scruple, Amber-Grease 5 Grains,
Syrup of the Citron-Peels what
suffices; make an Electuary; of
which take the Bigness of a Ches-
nut twice a Day; drinking after
it a Draught made of 2 Spoon-
fuls of Steel-Wine, 2 Ounces of
Rue-Water, and Sugar-Candy what
suffices.

All the Ingredients in the latter
Electuary are *aperient*; and there-
fore are good to open Obstructions

78 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana: Or,*
any where, whether in the *Uterus,*
Liver, Spleen, or other Parts. I
would, however, have you observe,
that *Filings of Iron* are much supe-
rior to *Steel*; for that a great many
Particles are evaporated in turning
Iron into Steel, which, doubtless,
prove Efficacious to rouse the Cir-
culation, and put the Blood into
a brisk Motion; and though Steel,
by its new Model, receive an *Ela-*
sticity; yet it is more than a Doubt,
that it does not communicate this
Virtue to the Mass; whereas Iron
unprepar'd performs all that can be
expected from a Drug that is so
ponderous, (in which, however, it
amounts not to the Pitch of *Mer-*
cury), and stock'd with Sulphur;
whereby it opens, attenuates, in-
cides, and therefore corrects *Phlegm,*
and *serous Humours*: It also, as an
earthy Drug, absorbs *Acids* and *Se-*
rosities; and has also a latent *Stypti-*
city, which does good in strengthen-
ing the Fibres.

Pilula

Pilula Catarrhales.

R M. Pil. de Styrace, Gum. Arabic. ā. ʒi. cum q. f. Syr. Balf. Tolutan. m. f. Pilul. No. xviii. quarum duas vel tres capiat hora decubitus, quotidie, in Coch. Julap. vulgaris, super-bibendo quatuor ejusdem.

The Catarrh Pills.

Take Storax Pills, Gum Arabick, of each a Dram, with what suffices of Balsamick Syrup; mix, and make Pills, 18 in Number; of which take 2 or 3 every Night at Bed-time, in a Spoonful of the common Julap, drinking 3 or 4 Spoonfuls after them.

OBSERVATIONS.

AS no Repeller ought to be made use of before proper Evacuations, neither ought any Opiate to be administer'd, before proper Medicines used to discharge the Plenitude, whether general or parti-

80 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana: Or,*
cular ; because (setting aside all
Hypotheses) *they are found, by daily*
Experience, to thicken the Humours,
to fix 'em upon the Parts, and to cre-
ate dismal Disorders; which, with
great Ease, might be prevented, by
discharging the Body before their
Administration, since there is no
immediate Danger in omitting 'em.
Give me Leave to make some use-
ful Digressions upon this, which
may serve to illustrate my Mean-
ing. Let us then suppose a Person
under a *Salivation*, rais'd to too great
a Pitch, so that the Glands of the
Mouth and Throat are either in-
flam'd, or swell'd without Inflamma-
tion, to the Danger of Choaking:
In the first Case, Bleedings and gentle
Physick ; and in the latter, Phy-
sick and Glysters are to be us'd,
to draw the Bent of the Humours
downwards, before we use *Stypticks*
in *Gargles*, or *Sulphur* in Powder, to
stop the Flux ; for otherwise the
Course of the Humours not being
chang'd, or at least the Parts being
undischarg'd, these repelling Medi-
cines would only serve to keep the
Devil lock'd up in our Veins, and
so

so destroy us ; whereas when they are thrown another Way, and the Parts are lessen'd in their Dimensions, to almost their natural Tone; then indeed these Medicines are good to correct the *over-lax'd Fibres*, and fix the *Mercury*, and then only with Safety. Every one knows how preposterous it would be for *Surgeons* to make use of *Cicatrizers* before the *Ulcer* were digested and incarn'd; the Consequences of which could only be, the Tumefaction of the Parts, and a Reproduction of all the Symptoms afresh. In fine, in a *Catarrh*, the violent Afflux of Humours to the Lungs, distends 'em beyond their ordinary Tone; which Distension requires Evacuations, by *Bleeding*, *Catharticks*, *Blisters*, *Setons*, or such like, to unload this *Viscus*; but also to change the Motion, which is in Fault too; and thus when they are reduc'd to their natural Dimensions, and the Humours become less impetuous; then 'tis Time to administer these *Opiates*, to hinder the Afflux, to allay the Irritation, to quell the Hurry; in short, to take off the *Cough*: However, I would advise all

82 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,
Practitioners to take Notice in such
a Case, always to prescribe along
with the Opiate some gentle *Astringent*, to close the gaping Mouths of
the Glands. The *Doctor* has here
added *Gum Arabick*; because without
a Correcter of the *acrimonious*
Humours, what avails an *Opiate*?
but to allay the Tickling, which
would of Course return, if the *A-*
crimony did remain. However, I
look upon the Dose in the *Recipe*, to
be too small, and to be like to do
little Service in Adults; and there-
fore if it is found to be so in any
Individual, 'tis not doubted but the
Physician or other, will judge it pro-
per to grow upon the Quantity; as
every Prescriber will find that he is
oblig'd to do, if such a Prescription
be found of daily Use; so that no-
thing in Medicine is found to require
encreasing the Dose more than this
Drug, till we attain our Ends.

I shall not look upon, as any Secret,
a Preparation of *Opium*, which, I'm
told, is the *Basis* of the *Earl of Der-*
wentwater's Powder; and which has
been found one of the best Prepara-
tions of its Kind.

I find it thus in a Gentleman's Dictates, communicated by Signor Pippi, then Professor of Padua.

℞ *La Tintura di Opium, (cavata primo con Aceto destillato, el quale Aceto si Evapora & poi si getta Sopra lo Spirito di Vino; & Così se ne Cava la Tintura per-fetta) Extratto di Zefferano fatto con Spirito di Vino ā. un Oncia, Magisterio ò Sal di Perle & di Coralli, ā. mezz' Oncia; Tintura di Spetie di Diambra drachm. sette; Ambra Grysea drachm. una. m. & coagola con Calor lento di Bagno, & serba per farve Pilule. Dos. gr. tre, &c.*

I have known this given (with an Addition of some peculiar Drugs, and roll'd up as a *Goa stone*,) with great and surprizing Effects on several Occasions: But to use *Opiates* indifferently, is an odd and dangerous Practice; therefore I need not here repeat the Cautions I have mention'd above.

Bolus

Bolus Alexiterius.

℞ Pulv. e Chel. Canc. c. Rad. Serpentar. Virgin. ā. gr. xii. Syr. Caryoph. q. s. m. f. Bolus, quaq; horâ sextâ repetendus, superbibendo Julap. vulgar. Cochl. iv.

The Alexipharmack Bolus.

Take Gascoign's Powder, and Powder of the Root of Virginian Snakeweed, of each 12 Grains; Syrup of Clove-gilly-flowers what suffices; mix, and make a Bolus; to be repeated every sixth Hour; drinking after it 4 Spoonfuls of the common Julap.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Bolus is a mighty Recruiter of the Spirits in *malignant Fevers*, where the Spirits are low, the Pulse is weak, and the Heat of the Blood is deficient, in which the Extremities generally grow cold; for by the *Fætor* of the Root we safely argue, that it contains a vola-

volatile Salt and Oil, which are active Principles, and do exagitate the Mass, attenuate it, and make its Texture so open, that the minute and nimble Agents in it are easily parted with from it, into the various Glands; and, among the rest, into the Cortical Glands of the Brain: From whence it comes to pass, that a plentiful and sufficient Secretion into them, recirculating into the Mass, does a-new revive, and give Life to the drooping Circle, and maintains the Circulation, till a good Chance comes up. The Doctor order'd this in a continual Faintness; and the Patient wearied out with Want of Success, apply'd to such Assistance as gave 'em Reason to blame an admirable Drug: What gives Credit in Physick, but the Discovery of the Cause? How shall a Cause be discover'd without a full Enquiry into all the evident, as well as the internal Causes? How shall the Discovery of these Causes be attain'd to, without the necessary Dispositions of knowing 'em? Who shall discover them, if they are ignorant of

86 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
of the Consequences of natural
Causes? Who are capable of doing
this, but such as are qualify'd with
the perfect Knowledge of our Struc-
ture, the Principles by which natu-
ral Causes act, and the permanent
Causes that immediately affect us?
Who knows these, save the *Philoso-
pher*, the *Anatomist*, the *Chymist*, the
Mathematician, the *Pharmacist*, and
the *learned Observer*? I would not
here be thought to glance at any
inferior Branch of Physick; 'tis to
be own'd, I would sooner trust my
Life with an experienc'd *Apothecary*,
than a raw and unexperienc'd *Aca-
demist*, who knows nothing but by
Rote.

It is admirably good in *anomalous
Gouts*, to push it to the Extremities,
and expel it from the internal Parts,
after other proper *Stimuli* first be-
ing us'd. It corrects all *Acids* any
where, and destroys any *viscid
Phlegm*: It promotes *Sweat*, and so
carries off the Particles that offend
in the *Blood*, *Spirits*, or *secretory
Ducts*.

Hence

Hence it is convenient in *serous Catarrhs*, in the *malignant Measles*, or *Small-Pox*, as well as in *malignant Fevers*; in a *Gangrene*, in the *Plague*, an *Anasarca*, a *Palsy*, *Convulsions* from *cold Humours*; in the *cold Scurvy*, and in *hysterical Persons*. But whilst the *Stomach* is fill'd with a *Saburra* that is *viscid* and *acid*, 'tis bad; as also in *Atrophies*, in *Women with Child*, in *Diseases* where there is a *Defect of Serum*, in *bilious* and *hectical* People, in *Polypi* of the *Heart*; because they cannot bear *Diaphoreticks*; nor in *plethorick Habits*.

Diaphoreticks should be *elective*; that is, agreeable to the present State; and some *Lenients* ought to be premis'd, before their Administration.

Some dispute, whether after *Sweats* the *Sheets* and *Shirt* ought to be chang'd: But surely when the *Sweats* are *symptomatical*, or turn *such* after they have been *critical*, what forbids it? For *such*, all know, are not to be encourag'd, according to *Pet. Salius diversus de Feb. Pestilent.* And therefore as no greater Com-
fort

88 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
fort can be granted to the Sick, than
dry, warm, and clean Linen, I see
nothing that can forbid such a neces-
sary Change.

Haustus Anodynus.

℞ Aq. Lact. Alex. ℥ii. Pæon. Comp.
℥℥. Syr. de Mecon. ℥i. Extract.
Op. Thebaic. gr. i℥. m. f. Haustus
horâ somni sumendus.

The Anodyne Draught.

Take Alexiterial Milk-Water two
Ounces, Compound Pæony-Water
half an Ounce, Syrup of white
Poppies one Ounce, Extract of
Theban Opium one Grain and
half; mix, and make a Draught;
to be taken at Bed-time.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Draught is aim'd at the
easing violent Pains any
where, or violent Fluxes, whether
of

of Blood or Humours: But 'tis somewhat strong, and therefore le-
vell'd against such Disorders in
strong Constitutions only; for what
weak one can bear upwards of two
Grains and half of *Opium*? Take
Care of *inflammatory Colicks*; for
they are more fix'd by such a Pro-
cedure; which are only remedy'd
by repeated *Bleeding*, *smooth Medi-*
cines by the Mouth, and *emollient*
Glysters, and *Fomentations*: The *Iliack*
Passion is also to be treated cauti-
ously; and Care must be taken not
to administer *Opiates*, but upon ab-
solute Necessity; for they fix the
Humours too much, but also hinder
the *peristaltick Motion*, so that the
Fæces will perhaps never pass; for
if we consider how much they are
impeded before in their Descent,
and that a fresh Impediment is su-
peradded, what Medicine will be
strong enough to equal such a double
Bar? Besides, in such a Case, the *Fæ-*
ces sticking too close to the Intestines,
a *Gangrene* frequently ensues in old
People, without any previous, or
very little Inflammation at all; as I
have known it happen to old People
on

90 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
on the external Parts, where a small
Disorder begins to shew its Head,
and is for some Time unheeded,
(because not worthy their Remark-
ing, as they suppose); but at last
surprizingly terminates in an incu-
rable *Gangrene*; for when the Foun-
tain runs dry, how shall the Streams
be supply'd? I must here advise one
thing concerning *Opiates* given in
inflammatory Pains that tend to
Suppuration: 'Tis true, that you re-
lieve the Pains by it; but it must
also be affirm'd, that they retard a
Suppuration so much, that some Parts
of the Matter will thereby be lock'd
up in a Tract of the Fibres, large
enough to create the *Surgeons* trou-
blesome Work to digest, and heal
after 'em; and if this should fall
out in the *noble Viscera*, what Re-
medies are potent enough to correct
this Mistake? I have seldom known
Head-aches receive much Advantage
by *Opiates*; but *Coma's*, *Lethargies*,
and such like Disorders of the Head,
succeed their Use; but then you
must be apprized, that this Caution
only takes Place, where the Hu-
mours, occasioning this Pain, are
phleg-

phlegmatick or *viscid*, and the Solids themselves are disorder'd. And, as to my own Part, I have frequently met with such *Head-aches*, which I always forbore to administer *Opiates* in, and then I forbore 'em entirely, and gave some gentle *Catharticks*, to revulse the Humours from the Part affected, which did the Feat much better: But what can be expected in such a deplorable Case? only Charity obliges us, since we cannot eradicate, to alleviate. Such Medicines are good in the *secondary Fever* of the *Small-Pox*; they allay all those Inquietudes and Anxieties that attend them; and also help to curb the great Hurry of the Spirits, and the Over-Fermentation of the Blood, usual at this Time: However, it must be carefully heeded, that no Mistake be committed in passing Judgment; because these uneasy Minutes pass'd at this Time, may not depend on an extravagant *Effervescence* of the Blood, but too often only happen from a Defect of Spirits; and as this is the most dangerous Case, thus you will be so far from relieving your Patient with

92 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
with *Opiates*, that you will endan-
ger his Life, in an eminent Degree,
by the Use of 'em ; for nothing can
rear 'em now, save the strongest
Alexipharmacks, and Application of
Blisters. It must also be remark'd,
that if the Patient be under the
Circumstances that can bear *Opiates*,
and his Condition seems to require
'em, it would do well to premise a
Bleeding, if it can be ventur'd on
with Safety to the Strength : This
is our ingenious *Sydenham's* Practice,
and is confirm'd by repeated Trials
now a-Days.

These *Opiates* are excellent in *Fren-
zies* ; but you must call to Mind,
that, in the Vigour of the Inflamma-
tion, or whilst the utmost Rage con-
tinues, they rather fix than cure ; so
that they are reckon'd improper till
the *Decline* of it, or till the *Frenzy*
has been continual for some Time.
And this is agreeable to the Laws of
Revulsion, where we are not imme-
diately to repel, or, which in this
Case is all one, fix on the Organs
the offending Matter ; either till
proper Evacuations have preceded,
or till the Continuance of the Sym-
ptom

ptom has carry'd off some Share of the peccant Matter, whether by *Sweat*, or insensible *Perspiration*; and thus has diminish'd the Plenitude of the Vessels.

In *Madness*, after you have blooded sufficiently, given *Vomits*, and *Catharticks*, and thus have both evacuated the Humours, and brought the Spirits low, *Opiates* at Night give Quiet to the Fury; without which, the *nitrous Medicines*, the *Whey-Diet*, avail not; and, in short, *Straw*, *Stripes*, and *Flummery*, without them, are not successful. I can't, however, see why they should merit any Character in *Dropsies*; yet we are not ignorant what Patrons they have acquir'd in these Cases: Indeed, if *Dropsies* depend on such a Cause as *Horstius* names, they are useful both externally and internally; but this is indicated upon another Bottom, not as a *Dropsy*. I shall not here mention one Case, which the *Mahometan* uses *Opiates* for: If the Ladies would know, let 'em ask.

Pilulæ Restringentes.

℞ Terr. Japonic. Gum. Arab. Terr.
Lemn. ā. ʒi. Tereb. ad Duritiem
coct. ʒii. Gum. Tragac. ʒi. cum
q. f. Syrup e Symphyto simplic.
m. f. Pilulæ minores; obruantur
pulvere Corall. rub. pp. quarum
sex capiat mane quotidie & ves-
peri; mane super-bibendo Aq. Ba-
thoniens. lb.i. & vesperi Haustum
ejusdem.

The Restraining Pills.

Take Japan-Earth, Gum Arabick,
Terra Lemnia, of each one Dram;
Turpentine boil'd to a Hardness,
2 Drams; Gum Tragacanth one
Dram, with what suffices of simple
Syrup of Comphrey; mix, and
make small Pills, roll'd up in
Powder of red Coral; of which
take 6 every Morning and Even-
ing; in the Morning drinking a
Pint of Bath-Waters upon 'em;
and in the Evening a Draught of
the same.

OBSERVATIONS.

THESE Pills are good in the *Fluor albus*; because they not only purse up the Orifices of the Glands of the *Uterus*; which Vertue alone would be hazardous; for that Medicines that have an Effect upon the Fibres only, would suffer the Fluids to move on uninterruptedly, and the Parts would be over-stretch'd with a Load, which at last would force its own Way again; as we find it happen in *Gonorrhœa's*, where they seldom obey this Restraint long; but here being join'd by *glutinous Medicines*, they having also an Effect of thick'ning the Juices, and of clogging their Motion; which, thus impeded, stop 'ere they arrive at the *Uterus*; and the Parts being less loaden, the Humour stops more effectually: It is, however, to be observ'd, that all *Fluors* require proper Evacuations, before you give these *restringent Drugs*; not only to evacuate the Plenitude of the prevailing Humour; for this Disease often happens to lean Women; but also to

96 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
to revulſe the deprav'd Motion, by
which the Humours once having
taken a Bent that Way, by Cuſtom
retain it. A Phyſician naturally
concludes, when he ſees *Turpentine*
preſcrib'd, that it is peculiarly a-
dapted to this *Fluor*; but there is
no Reaſon why it may not be pre-
ſcrib'd in other *Fluxes*; becauſe the
Rationale on Medicines is ſomewhat
alter'd to what it was; ſince now
we do not call a *Drug*, *Cephalick*, or
Uterine; becauſe it is ſuppos'd to
contain ſuch Particles, as are juſt
fitted to enter the Pores of ſuch a
Viſcus, and no other. This, how-
ever, is not ſo ridiculous, but that
the *Ancients*, nay, and ſeveral *Mo-
derns*, have maintain'd it. The Ope-
ration of a Medicine is explain'd by
its having ſuch Parts as Experiment,
or Experience convince us, they
produce ſuch and ſuch Alterations
on the Solids and Fluids; but the
Pores being circular, can only dif-
fer in Magnitude; therefore what
is a *Cephalick*, will alſo be an *Ute-
rine*, if the *Vitium* be the ſame.
Suppoſe then the Nerves are re-
lax'd in the Brain, and thoſe of the
Uterus

Uterus also, what will help the one Relaxation, will be an Advantage in the other: Suppose again, the *Lymphaticks* of the upper Parts do not reconvey their Juices, will not the individual *Aperients*, order'd in one Case, have their Effects upon these Vessels, if they are faulty before? Therefore what will astringe in a Disorder of the *Uterus*, will act its Part any where, if the Aperture of the Vessels be in Fault. Let us then suppose a Person labours under a *Fluor albus* from pituitous Humours, which, having relax'd the Glands of the *Uterus*, push forward in the Form of a glairy Substance, in such a Quantity as weakens and impairs Health; the Measures I would take in such a Disease, should be the following: First, I would evacuate with *Pills of RADIUS one Scruple, Mercurius dulcis ten Grains, Resin of Jalap 4 Grains, Oil of Juniper a few Drops*; mix, and make 6 Pills; to be taken early in the Morning, with due Regimen; and to be repeated for 3 or 4 Times, at the Distance of 3 or 4 Days. After which give the *Decoction of Guaiacum-wood* ζ iv.

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Morning and Evening for 30 Days;
as also at the same Time I would
give a Spoonful or two, or more of
the *Gelatina Ichthyocolla*, boil'd up
with *Alkanet Root*, 3 or 4 Times a
Day. And at last I would give these
Pills to strengthen the Glands, and
close 'em, that no more may ouze
from 'em, than what may serve to
lubricate the Part.

So in a *Gonorrhœa*, you must eva-
cuate often, then give *Balsamicks* of
Turpentine, *Balm of Gilead*, *Balsam*
of *Peru*, of *Capivi*, or such like,
frequently and long; and lastly,
Astringents: But the Reason of giv-
ing *Balsamicks* in *Gonorrhœa's*, which
is not done in some other *Fluors*, is,
because in them the *Prostata* and *U-*
rethra are ulcerated, which Acci-
dents do not always happen in the
other *Fluors*.

Mix

Mixtura Expectorans.

℞ Syr. de Hæder. terrest. Capillor.
vener. ā. ℥ iii. Oxymel. Scillitic.
℥ ss. m. capiat Cochl. i. vel ii. sub-
inde, urgente Dyspnæâ.

The Expectorating Mixture.

Take Syrup of Ground-Ivy, (or Gill)
Syrup of Maidenhair, of each 3
Ounces; Oxymel of Squills, half
a Dram; mix 'em, take one or
two Spoonfuls now and then, espe-
cially when the Difficulty of
Breathing attacks.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE other Pectorals we have
nam'd above, are mostly of
the oily and incrassating Species;
and therefore are only to be us'd in
dry Coughs, or such as stick close to
the *Bronchia*, and don't slip easily
up; whereas this is us'd to incide,
and to help up Phlegm that lies
loose in the Passage; for by its sa-
line Particles it gives a Shock to

100 *Pharmacopæia Radcliffeana*: Or,
the internal Membrane of the Lungs
and *Trachea*; and thus a Contraction
begun, shakes off the Load, and
may at Pleasure be continu'd, till by
other Means the antecedent Cause
is amended, or carry'd another Way.
Hence in *wet Coughs* or *Asthma's* 'tis
useful: However, it were easy to
make it more effectual, by adding
somewhat of *Saffron*, Flowers of *Ben-
jamin*, Salt of *Amber*, or some such
inciding Drug; nay, and Syrup of
Tobacco is a very potent *Expectorant*:
But where a *febrile* Temper infests
at the same Time, 'tis necessary to
forbear any volatile Pectoral, and
only to use the cooler *Inciders*, which
do the Work without adding any
Fuel to the Flame.

Riverius has an useful Mixture in
such sudden choaking Fits; which
is a Mixture of this *Oxymel of Squills*
and *Cinnamon-Water*, which he as u-
niversally uses in this Case, as he
does his *antemetick Mixture* against
Vomiting.

Collyrium Refrigerans.

℞ Aq. Spermat. Ranar. Plantagin.
ā. ℥iii. Aq. aluminos. ℥iii. Aq.
medicamentos. ℥iii. Trochisc. alb.
Rhas. ℥i. m. f. Collyrium.

The Cooling Wash.

Take Frog-Spawn-Water, Plantane
Water, of each 3 Ounces ; Allum-
Water 2 Drams, Water of Lapis
Medicamentosus 3 Ounces, the
white Troches of Rhasis one Dram;
mix, and make a Wash.

OBSERVATIONS.

WHenever the Eyes are inflam'd;
that is, when the Arteries
are crouded with Blood that is *vis-*
cid, and the Veins don't return so
much as they bring, then the little
Branches stretch'd along the Eye,
are distended; and this makes the
Adnata look red, or inflam'd: In
this Case, this Eye-Water, by con-
stringing all the Vessels it touches,
they lessen, and the Part appears no

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more red or inflam'd : But if *Bleed-*
ings, Cuppings, and *Physick,* do not
precede; as also if the Humours are
not revuls'd, what will it avail to
apply such a Wash? Surely very
little; for the back Part of the Eye
may be endanger'd by it; and thus
a *Gutta serena* may be hazarded,
which is not uncommon after such
Neglects; and thus a good Medicine
is often blam'd for being us'd by
an unskilful Hand. If *Revulsions* are
requir'd any where, 'tis in Distem-
pers of the *Eyes* (and indeed of the
Head, and all its Parts). Hence
the best Part of the Cure depends
on 'em judiciously us'd : *Setons,*
Blisters, Issues, Cupping, Bleeding, (e-
specially in the *Jugular*), *Cathar-*
ticks; and, in short, all the *Stimuli,*
are to be us'd, before you apply any
Topicks to the Part affected, and are
to be continu'd for some Time after
an Advantage gain'd; because these
Disorders are very stubborn, and
easily return; what may be the Rea-
son of this, has never as yet been
satisfactorily accounted for: Sure we
are, there is a seeming Reason why
they should easily be conquer'd; and
that

that is, because the Blood finding a greater Difficulty to mount than to descend; it might hence be reasonably expected, that it might be very easily revuls'd from these Parts; and, in Fact, this is Truth; but then they easily recur, which, to me, looks as if the Fault lay not in the *Head* so much, as from below. 'Tis usual we see in walking up Hill, for the Legs and Thighs to be press'd and squeez'd into various Postures; and upon this the Blood contained in 'em, is squeez'd out from the lower Parts, and only circulates freely, at least more plentifully, in the superior Region: Hence are the Lungs so oppress'd, that we grow short-breath'd, and at last are oblig'd to stand still to ease our wearied Limbs, and take off this Oppression, and accidental *Dyspnœa*; why then may it not happen, that the Head and Eyes may be loaden with Blood from the lower Parts, which may be *lessen'd* by some *unheeded Cause* that has straiten'd 'em; and therefore in such a Case, warm *Pediluvia*, that are emollient, will be admirably adapted in such a Cause.

One Thing I shall remark to you about Disorders of the Eyes, that *Emeticks* are very ruinous to 'em: As I remember to have seen in a Youth, who, upon a common Inflammation, by a Vomit given, it encreas'd the Symptoms into an *Hypopyon*; and not only this, but the whole Coats of the Eye, overloaden with Humours of a stubborn Nature, turn'd *Scirrhus*, and at last *Cancerous*: The Remedy of which could not be accomplish'd, unless by Dr. *Turberville's* Method, nam'd in the *Philosophical Transactions*; a Method the Age of the Person, the Clemency of the Parents, and the Fear of Want of Success, sufficiently terrified the Operator and Adviser, so as not to venture on it; which, however, I am fully perswaded, might have been attempted: But such *Herculean* Labours are not to be undertaken, but by sure and skilful Hands, and by such who have acquir'd a settled Reputation.

Electu-

Electuarium Conglutinans.

℞ Conserv. Rad. de Symphyto, Conserv. Rosar. rubr. ā. ℥ii. Corall. rub. præp. ℥ss. Pulv. Haly ℥i ss. Croc. Martis astringent. ℥i ss. cum f. q. Syrup. e Symphyt. m. f. Electuarium molle; de quo capiat Quantitatem Castaneæ, mane & vesperi quotidie; super-bibendo Cochlear 3 vel 4. Julap. cujusvis, vel Aq. Spadan. lb. i. vel lb. i ss. post Dosis matutinam & vespertinam.

The Agglutinating Electuary.

Take Conserve of Comfrey, Conserve of red Roses, of each 2 Ounces; red Coral prepar'd half an Ounce, Powder of Haly one Dram and half, Crocus astringent (of Steel) one Dram and half, with as much Syrup of Comfrey as suffices; make a soft Electuary; of which take the Quantity of a Chesnut Morning and Evening, drinking above it 3 or 4 Spoonfuls of any Julap; or one Pound, or one Pound and half of Spaw-Water after each Dose.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a good Medicine to prevent Miscarriage; because it is *astringent* and *glutinous*; as also absorbs all Humidities; by which Qualities it thickens the Blood and Juices, and purses up the Mouths of the gaping Vessels, and so prevents any Flux of Blood, from whence the *Placenta* would necessarily be loosen'd, and a Miscarriage would ensue. I would have it observ'd, that such Persons must, at the same Time, forbear any Sort of Motion, whether Walking, or Commerce with their Spouses; without which Caution, all the *astringent* Tribe of Medicines would fail of their desir'd Effects, as I have too often known. I shall, however, observe to you, that there is one Case in Women with Child I have met with, which nothing of an *Astringent* can reach; and it is, that the Coats, containing the *Colliquamentum*, are sometimes ruptur'd near the Skirts of the *Placenta*; so that you shall frequently, upon any Change of Posture,

sture, or even upon plentiful Feeding, perceive an Efflux of a *Serum*, which is limpid; but which, however, is very *glutinous*, inasmuch as it stiffens the Linen of such unfortunate Ladies as are held in this Manner; Miscarriage happens from thence, because the poor Infant is depriv'd of its Necessaries for Life; and also it endangers the Woman; because when the *Placenta* is not ripe for Exclusion, it sticks close to the *Cotyledons* of the *Uterus*; and to drive it out, or extract it, you may endanger an Inflammation, or an Abscess of the Part: All I could find in this Case useful was, to refrain from what Motion I have already nam'd, and to continue in that Posture, which Experience taught 'em, the least Quantity was evacuated by; and in so doing they have gone to their full Time, though the Children were healthless.

Mis-

Mistura Cordialis.

℞ Sal. volat. oleoi. ʒii. Tinct. Croc.
Castor. ā. ʒi. m. capiat gutt. 15
vel 20, alternis horis in Haustulo
Fulap. vulgaris.

The Cordial Mixture.

Take the volatile oily Salt 2 Drams,
Tinctures of Saffron and Castor,
of each one Dram; mix, take 15
or 20 Drops in a Draught of the
common Fulap every two Hours.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Mixture is profitable to
fainting Persons, and in *hysteri-
cal Deliquia*; for it revives and re-
news the Spirits; for tho' we cannot
discover the Spirits, or know in par-
ticular what their Texture is; yet
we are taught by Experience, that
Medicines, which consist of volatile,
oily Particles, and such as are of an
active Nature, immediately recruit
them, and give 'em fresh Motion,
and us new Life: However, 'tis ob-
servable,

fervable, that such Medicines don't continue their Effects long, but are often to be repeated ; which is a Conviction, that we must apply at the same Time to such Drugs as will take off the original Cause of this Failure of Spirits ; where the Physician is oblig'd to have different Views : For Example: Suppose a Patient labours under any *febrile Temperies*, by which the Spirits are evaporated faster than they are recruited ; the giving any such reviving Drug avails nothing against the Cause of this Evaporation, (not to mention that *Volatiles* are but ill adapted to such a Case) for it really encreases it ; and therefore though you give it for a present Relief, you must also prevent the Occasion of this *Deliquium*, by giving such Medicines as are proper for the present State the Blood is under ; such may be a *Milk-Diet*, *Sal prunell.* and all *nitrous Drugs*, *Spaw-Waters*, and such like. Again, let us suppose a Person labours under this Faintness from the Paucity of Spirits, occasion'd by a *pituitous* or *vapid Blood*, which contains few of

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'em, or at least does not easily part
from 'em, by Reason of the *Visci-*
dity; in such a Case, this *volatile*
Drug is truly useful; because it both
supplies and corrects the *Vitium* in
the *Fluids*; which, however, is not
potent enough without the Addition
of such, whose Effects last longer in
the Blood; such are *Bitters*, and *Steel*
Medicines; the first of which atte-
nuate the *viscid* Particles, by dis-
solving the Bond that links 'em, I
mean, the *Acid* it destroys; for as
Bitters consist of a *fixt, alkaline Salt*,
and this *Salt* is diametrically oppo-
site to all the Effects of *Acids*, they
therefore destroying this, correct the
Phlegm, attenuate it, and make the
Blood circulate; and thus all the *Se-*
cretions will be rightly perform'd.
As for *Chalybeats*, though they may
act by their *sulphureous* Particles;
yet *Sennertus*, in *Hypochondriack* Cases,
takes notice, that they also act by
their *Pondus*, and force open all Ob-
structions; and as the late *mathema-*
tical Physicians affect to speak, 'tis
all one whether a *volatile Drug*, or
a *ponderous* one, be given, so the
Moments be known; for whether
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you encrease the Quantity or *Pondus* of a Drng, or you give a *lisy* Agent, the same Effects are produced, so you may be Master of the true Proportions.

Enema Laxans.

℞ Decoct. commun. pro. Clysterib. emollient. ℥ xii. Syr. Violar. ℥ iii. Terebinthin. (ovi vitello Solut.) ℥ ss. m. f. Enema statim injiciendum.

The Laxative Glyster.

Take the common emollient Decoc-
tion for Glysters 12 Ounces, Sy-
rup of Violets 3 Ounces, Turpen-
tine (dissolv'd in the Yelk of an
Egg) half an Ounce; mix, and
make a Glyster; to be thrown in
immediately.

OBSERVATIONS.

GLYSTERS are given in most Cases in the Head; for it often happens, that the *Fæces*, sticking in the *Rectum*, do bear upon the Division of the *Iliack Arteries* and *Veins*, and by so doing they hinder the Descent of the Blood to the lower Parts; so that whilst they are depriv'd of the Influence, the upper Parts are overloaden; and therefore in such a Case, an *emollient Glyster* is absolutely requir'd; for thus the Blood-Vessels will equally circulate their *Fluids* into the various *Ramifications*. 'Tis upon this Head also useful in *Frenzies*; because not only the *Fæces* are render'd soft, but also the *Glyster*, lodging in the Intestines for some Time, serves as a *Fotus* to them, relaxes their Coats; and thus all the *Blood-Vessels*, and all the *Tunics* being relax'd, more Blood and Juices will circulate in them than before; whence other Parts, particularly of the upper Region, will be unloaden, and the *Deliria*, depending upon this Load as one main Cause, will gradually

dually cease, if especially at the same Time a cooling Diet of *Gruel* and *Panado*, as also cooling Medicines, such as *Sal prunellæ* in *Julaps* or *Powders*, be given, and they be kept out of Bed, or in an erect Posture; for in such a Case, 'tis not to be thought how much an erect Posture is preferable to an *horizontal* one; and the Reason is plain to any one, who will give himself Leisure to reflect; for 'tis certain that the Blood moves faster or slower, more upwards or downwards, as it is favour'd by the Posture, as may be evident in the immoderate Flux of the *Menses*; for if you oblige such Women to sit upright, you will very much encrease the Flux; whereas an *horizontal* Posture lessens it.

They are good in *Stones* of the *Kidneys*; because the *Glyster* serves as a warm Fomentation to the *Ureters*, and relaxes 'em; so that if they contain any *extraneous* Body that pushes its Way forward, the *Ureters* being relax'd, give Passage, and it is expell'd: I have often seen the good Effects of them in these Cases.

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In inflam'd Bowels they cool and discuss, as well as relax, and may contribute to ease the Pains of the Intestines. *Balkonius* takes Notice of an *Ischury*, which is a Sign of an ardent Fever, and which I have known accompany'd with Pains in the *Abdomen*; such *Glysters* as this will ease such Pains, *Ischury*, and all its Symptoms; because Relaxation cures a *Spasm*; and this seems to be some convulsive Disorder of the Parts, which are either thus allay'd, or sometimes by an *Opiate* added to it, if requir'd, by the Violence of the Cause, in which you must be very cautious.

In Disorders of the *Breast*, *Glysters* are often very useful; for when the *Breath* is short, and there is a Difficulty of Inspiration, unloading the *Intestines*, is what gives Room, so that the *Breast* will not be straitened: However, in *Hæmoptoës* they are not allow'd (unless strongly indicated); because if such Persons are oblig'd, even to keep Silence, there must, *à fortiori*, be a Necessity of doing nothing that may strain the *Breast*; and therefore unless the *Styp-*
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tick Medicines make it necessary, forbear the frequent Use of them.

In *hemorrhoidal* Pains, *Glysters* are useful; but then they ought to be more relaxing, and even oily; so that we see *Sydenham*, in his *internal Hemorrhoids*, even orders *Oil of Linseed* to be thrown in warm, which both softens the *Faces*, and relaxes the Parts, and obtunds all *acrimonious* Humours, and gives Ease. I know not but it may be of Use to observe, that, in this Case, the *Pipe* may do Prejudice to the tender Parts, unless guarded with a *Chicken-Gut* over the *Pipe*; 'tis what I generally order in such Cases, and find it, thus us'd, very safe and useful.

All *Glysters* are useful in *Colicks*, because they draw down the Wind; but it must, however, be observ'd, that *Colicks*, which have their Seat in the *Colon*, are more encreas'd by them, as I have often observ'd; because the *Glyster* irritates, and encreases the *peristaltick* Motion; now as the Wind pent up in some Cell, is not easily driven out of it by an ineffectual Remedy, the Pain, by every such weak Effort, is encreas'd, and the

the Patient grows worse: Whereas if you give 'em gentle *Catharticks* along with *Opiates* by the Mouth, you, at the same Time, relieve the Pain, curb the Vomitings, evacuate the *Fomes* of the Wind, and cure your Patient.

They are useful, as *Mercurialis* observes, where Humours are continually breeding afresh; which I take to be meant in such a Sense, as that if Persons use a plentiful Diet, and make Use of no Exercise, either to throw off these *Recrements* by Perspiration or Stool, then 'tis necessary to use such gentle Evacuations, in order to abate the Quantity retain'd, and to accustom Nature to do her Duty this Way; which is more useful in our cold Clime, than in hot Countries, where Evacuations are more copious by the Pores.

If ever you mingle *Coloquintida* in *Glysters*, you must be careful to boil 'em in a Rag; and they must be but sparingly us'd, for Fear of *Ex-ulcerations* of the Intestines: However, in *lethargick*, or especially *apoplectick* Cases, *Dekkers* advises 'em, even to such a Degree, as will draw
Blood,

Blood, which he also would have continu'd for some Time; but if this be necessary, 'twould be easier, and with more Safety, attempted by Dr. Cole's Method of a plentiful *Extraction of Blood from a Vein*; but take Care of meriting a Name like his, for your own Sake.

I have made Use of *Glysters* in a Retention of a *Mola*, with good Success; and if it can be done thus, 'tis safer than by *Vomits* or *Catharticks*: However, the Signs by which you are ascertain'd of its being indicated, must precede. Also in a Retention of the *Secondine*, they are good; which, proving ineffectual, must be drawn out by a careful Hand.

They are then diversify'd by the Causes that affect us; so that in *Fluxes of Blood or Humours*, you may order one of Calf's-Head-Broth Eight or ten Ounces, Oil of Linseed 2 Ounces, Venice-Treacle 3 or 4 Drams; mix, and throw in.

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In Colicks.

Take the Decoction of the Aromatics, (*viz.* Calamus Aromaticus, Galangal, of each half an Ounce: Leaves of Mint, Wormwood, Centory Tops, of each two Pugils; Seeds of Caraways, Anise-seeds, and Cardamoms, of each half an Ounce); mix with it Electuary Lenitive, and *Epsom* Salt, of each one Ounce; Oil of Amber half a Dram; mix, and make a Glyster, to be thrown in.

In the Stone.

Take Oils of Almonds, and Linseed, of each 4 Ounces; of Turpentine half an Ounce, of Scorpions one Ounce; mix, and throw in.

In Spasmodick Pains of the Bowels.

Take the common emollient Decoction 8 Ounces, Unguent. potable one Ounce, Laudanum Opium 4 Grains; mix, and throw it in.

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In short, wherever People are so weak, that they cannot bear Physick, tho' indicated, *Glysters* are to be us'd in their stead ; because they gently do the same that *Catharticks* do.

Care must be taken in giving them, that they be *not too cold* given ; because thus the *peristaltick* Motion would thence be impeded, and ill Consequences would ensue : As also you must be cautious, lest you give 'em *too hot* ; for so you would excoriate the Intestines ; and the Consequence of this might be *Pain, Inflammations, Gangrenes*, and whatever is fatal : These are the Observations of *Zypæus, Dekkers, &c.* who have observ'd these Sequels, and have inculcated these Cautions.

I shall, in the Sequel, have Occasion to give you further Observables on *Glysters* ; which, at present, I shall supersede.

Enema

Enema Quietans.

℞ Decoct. alb. lb. ℥. Theriac. Androm. ʒ ℥. Ovi vitellum unum, m. f. Enema statim injiciendum.

The Quieting Glyster.

Take white Decoction half a Pound, Venice-Treacle half an Ounce, the Yelk of an Egg; mix, and make a Glyster, to be thrown in immediately.

OBSERVATIONS.

IN Case any Person is seiz'd with a *Diarrhœa*, you must give 'em from one Dose to 2 or 3 of a gentle *Cathartick*, made of *Rhubarb* one Dram; Syrup of *Solutive Roses*, as much as is sufficient to make a *Bolus*; to be taken every other Morning; after which let 'em drink *Tincture of Roses*, or *white Decoction*, at Pleasure; and, lastly, let 'em take *hypnotick Draughts* of *Lettice-Water* 2 Ounces, *Cowslip-Water* one Ounce, *Poppy-Water* half an Ounce, Syrup of *white Poppies* fix.

six Drams ; mix, and make a Julap, to be taken at Bed-time ; and now and then repeat this Glyster. In a *Dysentery*, the *Flux of Blood*, and the *Gripes*, require Medicines more effectual ; hence, after Blood has been drawn off to such a Quantity as the Patient can bear, *Boyle* advises a simple Medicine of *Mercurius dulcis*, made up with *Gum Tragacanth*, to be given : And indeed I have found it effectually evacuate the Humours ; so that *Opiates* given after this, perform'd the Work, repeated at the Distance of 6 or 8 Hours : If this Glyster is also added as the *Gripes* urge, 'twill be more efficacious. However odd the Glyster may appear to a Practitioner, 'tis *à Propos* ; because 'tis stock'd with *absorbent* Particles, that suck and dry up those *acrimonious* Humours that lodge in such a Tract of the Bowels as it can reach ; and the *Opiate* always produces its Effects (wherever applied or used) in the Brain it self, and allays all Manner of Irritations wherever.

I have known such a Glyster made use of in a *Lientery*: But to say the Truth, it serv'd only to amuse; for the Cause still remaining, the same Effects were readily reproduc'd; however, it also had the Effect of raising a Sort of Credit to a second Physician, who was call'd; so that he had Grounds enough to glory in what Exploits it had been possible for him to have done, had he been early consulted: Poor Mankind loves to be cheated! *Opiates* then in such a Case contribute so far as to allay the *Irritation*; the Consequence of which is the Retention of all that is taken for such a Time, as its own Weight is not able to press down these Contents; which, however, swells the Patients Belly, and makes 'em very uneasy; insomuch, that, at last, you are oblig'd to give Glysters, to afford 'em Relief of this Load. Now let us reason upon this Procedure: I say, what avails it to be able to fill the Intestines, by a seeming Dexterity, with a Load you are glad to rid 'em of afterwards? Surely nothing at all; for as no Good is done by it, it had better
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not be attempted ; and that no Good is done by this, is plain ; because the *Lacteals* being obstructed, no Nourishment enters, and all that is retain'd, is an uselefs Burden. It is, however, to be observ'd, that this Artifice may be useful, if the whole System of the *Lacteals* are not obstructed ; but too often us'd, we shall encrease the Obstructions by the *Opiates*.

These Sort of Glysters are useful where the Stomach retains nothing, but throws all off by Vomiting ; and in such a Case, the Glyster should be given in a small Quantity, that the Patient may have the Opportunity of taking Nourishment by the Mouth, so as to be nourish'd by having it kept long enough in the Stomach ; for as *Opiates* continue their Effects for 6 Hours or upwards, the best Time of giving Nourishment after such a Glyster is, about half an Hour, or an Hour after it ; for then the *Opiate* will have had some Effect upon the Body, and there will be Leisure for Concoction.

In the Case of *Watching* and *Vomiting* together, it answers both Ends; but you are oblig'd to be cautious in the Dose; for what may allay the *Vomiting*, may not be strong enough also to procure *Sleep*; and therefore you are to encrease gradually, till you arrive at the *Quantum sufficit*.

'Tis useful in *Spasms* any where about the *Abdomen*; and given thus, the Stomach is not so much pall'd: How far such a Glyster may be useful in *Ischiadick* Pains, I shall not now stay to determine; however, after proper Evacuations, whoever has read, must know they are us'd in such a Case.

However, I would have it observ'd, that *Opiates* by Glysters do require the same Cautions, as when administer'd by the Mouth, being proper and improper as they are; of which, I think, I have already said enough in the foregoing Sheets.

In the Manner the *Doctor* has order'd it, he seems to have had an Eye towards Nourishment of the Pa-

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Patient; and indeed there is no doubt but Glysters may nourish, for I know they will fuddle.

Collyrium Certum.

℞ Aq. Plantag. Euphrag. Ros. ā. ʒi.
Trochisc. alb. Rhaf. ʒii. Lap. Tut-
tiæ, ʒii. Vitriol. Rom. gr. ii. misce
pro Collyrio, quo frequenter uta-
tur.

The Certain Eye-Water.

Take Plantain-Water, Eyebright-
Water, Rose-Water, of each
one Ounce; white Troches of
Rhafis 2 Drams, Tutty powder'd
2 Scruples, Roman Vitriol 2
Grains; mix 'em for an Eye-
Water, which they may use fre-
quently.

OBSERVATIONS.

WHoever makes Use of these Eye-Waters, must remember to lie some Time after the Water is dropt into the open Eyes, upon their Backs, and must move the Eye pretty much after they are dropt in, to make 'em fix upon all Corners of the Eye.

They are apply'd cold to the Part; and if any Thing be apply'd hot to the Eyes, Care must be taken not to let it be apply'd too warm, for fear of Evaporation of the *aqueous* Humour, or incrassating it; which would be of ill Consequence, and would bring on a *Cataract*.

One Part of this Prescription, aims at thick'ning the thin Humours of the Eye, and correcting the *acrimonious* Salts that erode them; and thus cures sore Eyes from hot Inflammations; however, the Addition of a small Quantity of the *Vitriol*, helps to give Motion to the nestling Humours in the Part, and to cause 'em to recirculate into the Veins, so that it seems to answer all Intentions.

ons. I have remark'd already, that all Evacuations ought to precede; because, without them, the Symptoms would be reproduc'd in a short Space of Time; as also that in Cases of the Eye, they are to be continued for some considerable Time after the Patient has thoroughly recover'd: For it is a common Observation, that all Disorders about the Face are hard to cure; and I remember to have heard it said, that *Sydenham*, being ask'd why he never wrote on Distempers of the Head; he answer'd, *Because I don't understand 'em*: 'Twas an Answer not more generous than true; for when a Physician is oblig'd to take a great deal of Pains to cure a small Eruption in the Face, the Patient begins to believe, there may be some Collusion between the *Apothecary* and Him; when, in Truth, he is labouring to wash the *Black's* Head into an *European* Dye. In such Cases, the Physician has a hard Task: If before he begins, he tells the Patient, *You will be long in recovering this Illness*; they are startled, and cry out, *What! must I undergo so long and*

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strict a Course of Physick for such a
Trifle? If he tells them, they will soon
recover, he cannot keep his Word ;
and they will then conclude him ig-
norant, and perhaps worse : There-
fore let the Physician chuse his
Chance, neither is good, Misere tor-
quentur avari.

Pilule Anticolice.

℞ Extract. Rudii ʒi. Extract. Op.
Thebaic. gr. i. Ol. Carvi gt. i. m.
f. Pilul. No. iv. sumendæ quam-
primum ; repetantur urgente Do-
lore.

The Colick Pills.

Take Extract of RADIUS one Scruple,
Extract of Theban-Opium one
Grain, Oil of Caraways one
Drop ; mix, and make Pills, 4 in
Number ; to be taken as soon as
may be, and to be repeated if the
Pain require it.

OBSERVATIONS.

IN Pains of the Belly, which do not fix any where, but ramble from one Side to another, and denote Wind in the Bowels, these Pills are excellent; and not only give present Relief, but carry off the Humours that foment this Wind, and prevent them for the future. *Riverius* in his Practice has added *Mercurius dulcis*; and every Practitioner must have found the good Effect of them. The Contrivance is admirable; for in all Colicks the Motion of the Intestines is inverted, and they are infested with Vomitings; now the *Opiate* allays this Symptom, and the Physick all the while is playing its Game, in irritating and vellicating the *Fibres, Tunicks, and Glands* of the Stomach, and then carries off the Matter offending. This Mixture holds good in the *Iliack Passion*, or *Miserere*, if it proceed from Wind; because this is only an encreased Colick; for if this Distemper proceed from the *Intestines* falling into the *Scrotum*, this Method will not have

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any Effects; on the contrary, it is
dangerous.

Though I have given the Name of
Colick Pills to this Prescription, yet
it is well enough adapted to many
other Cases; for suppose Patients be
seiz'd with *spasmodick* Pains in the
Muscles, and at the same Time are
watchful, give these Pills at Bed-
time, they procure Rest, and also
carry off the Humours offending that
fix on, or at least grate the Muscles.
In fine, wherever 'tis necessary to
carry off Humours, and also at the
same Time give Relief, they are very
convenient.

Electuarium Lævigans.

℞ Confer. flor. Violarum, Conserv.
flor. Malvæ, ā. ʒiſſ. Gum Ara-
bic. ʒſſ. Corall. r. pp. ʒiſſ. cum
f. q. Syr. de Symphyt. simplic. m.
f. Electuarium molle; de quo ca-
piat Quantitatem Juglandis, horâ
decubitus quotīdie; super-bibendo
Cochl. iv. Julapii sequentis.

Viz.

Viz.

℞ Aq. flor. Paralyseos, Lact. alex.
ā. ℥vi. Aq. Pæon. comp. ℥ii.
Sacch. parum ; m. f. Julap.

The Smooth Electuary.

Take Conserves of Violet and Mal-
low Flowers, of each one Ounce
and half, Gum Arabick half a
Dram, red Coral prepar'd one
Dram and half, with as much of
Syrup of Comphrey as suffices ;
mix, and make a soft Electuary ;
of which take the Quantity of a
Wallnut at Bed-time, every Night ;
drinking above it 4 Spoonfuls of
the following Julap.

Viz.

Take Cowslip-Water, alexiterial
Milk-Water, of each 6 Ounces ;
Compound Pæony-Water 2 Oun-
ces, a little Sugar ; mix, and make
a Julap.

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OBSERVATIONS.

THIS Composition is one of the best Prescriptions the *Doctor* uses; it is a smooth and mucilaginous Medicine, and absorbs *Acidities*, and drinks up sharp Humours, and obtunds 'em, and prevents all their dangerous Consequences in human Bodies.

If the *Serum* of the Blood be overloaden with an *acrimonious* Salt, which chiefly infests the urinary Passages with a *Dysury*, and a violent Heat in making of it, this *Electuary* will produce a good Effect in the easing of it. *Fallopins* his *Electuary* is of the same Nature, and somewhat more effectual in this Case; which I shall subjoin, *viz.*

Take Lettice Seeds, and Purslain Seeds, of each 2 Scruples; white Poppy Seeds one Dram and half; Endive, and Sorrel candy'd, of each one Ounce; Sebestens, and Prunes, of each 2 Ounces; Starch 4 Ounces, Burnt-Ivory one Ounce; Gums, Tragacanth and Arabick,
and

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and Liquorice powder'd, of each two Drams; Mucilage of Sebestens one Pound, Sugard-Candy made with Juice of Violets, 8 Ounces; mix, and boil in a sufficient Quantity of Pomgranate-Juice and Sugar, make an Electuary; the Dose is 2 Drams often in a Day.

In Case any Excoriation happen in the Stomach, which makes it so sensible, that it can retain nothing of what it receives; this *Electuary* of the *Doctor's* is a very good one, and both allays the sharp Humour there, and the Irritation too; as it happens in an *Ulcer* of that *Viscus*. And I remember somewhere from *Bartholin*, where he mentions *Gum Arabick*, as very useful on this Head.

In *Heftical* Cases, where the acrimonious Humours are very plentiful and sharp in an eminent Degree; nothing better corrects 'em than this *Electuary*, if, at the same Time, you add a *Milk Diet*.

Sylvius commends such a Composition against all *sabine* Humours any where; so does *Bohnius in Offic. Medici*. Hence in great *Itchings*,
such

134 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,
such a Medicine will allay the sharp
Humour reigning in the Blood, and
on the Parts; and consequently, the
Effects from it: But in a *Psora*, or a
less Degree of it, I don't find that
these Medicines are powerful enough;
but also *Sulphur* is some Ways re-
quisite, to correct the peculiar Salt
reigning; and when this Distemper
runs on to a high Degree, as it does
in an *Elephantiasis*, *Sulphur* fails too.
But 'tis to be hop'd, if Physicians
would enquire into the true Reason
of such a Disorder, some Remedy
might be found that might be effe-
ctual. I should be far from being
fond of using a dangerous Drug, to
struggle with this *Species* of *Eruptions*;
and therefore I shall forbear to name
Rhesfeldt's Specifick; because I know
not how far the pompous Prepara-
tion may sheath the Poyson, or whe-
ther it may not yet retain its former
Keenneſs; however, some such po-
tent Remedy must be made Use of
to ſo *Herculean* a Diſeaſe, where a
Salivation is baffled.

In *Ticklings* in the *Larynx*, it will allay 'em, and sheath the *acrimonious* Humours giving Rise to 'em.

Persons, who drink spirituous Liquors, must expect the dismal Consequences they produce in Bodies, to succeed the Use of 'em: Hence the Fibres, as *Lister* observes, of the Stomach, and elsewhere, will be inflam'd, the Humours become very sharp and corrosive, and the Circulation will be hasten'd too much; now to obviate these Consequences, such a Prescription is useful; for it clogs the too rapid Motion of the Blood, sheathes the Sharpness of the *Serum*, and relaxes the too great Tensity of the inflam'd and parboil'd Stomach: However, in this Case, this Prescription alone will not serve the Turn, without gentle and lenient Evacuants, to carry off some of the acrid *Saburra*, that immediately lodges on the Part; and also the mineral and chalybeat *Spaw's*, to corroborate the Fibres, and dilute the Juices they contain; and thus you may expect a good Event.

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We have often known Women, who have labour'd under a *Fluxus Mensium* immoderately, and with Pain in the Parts, from *acrid* and *bilious* Humours; in such a Case, this *Electuary* is very good, both to curb the Violence of the Flux, and to allay the Fervor; and I have known *Excoriations* from such Humours taken off externally by *Gum Arabick*, mixt with *Hogs Lard*; (such in the *Perinaum*, are troublesome to the Patient and Nurse; and so easy a Remedy did it with an old, infirm Patient of mine.)

If the Eyes are infested with *saline* Humours, as will be evident by the thin Humour running from them, and excoriating the adjacent Parts, by the Inversion of the Lips of the Eye-lids, and by a great Heat and smarting of 'em; this, or such as this, will give a Smoothness to the Blood, and sheath these sharp *Salts*; and if at the same Time you make Use of some *mercurial* Purgatives, and proper *Collyria*, for a just Space of Time, you may perfect the Cure.

One Thing is observable upon taking all *mucilaginous*, as well as *oily* Medicines, that they pall the Appetite much ; but if you use the *Spaw-Waters* at the same Time, if indicated ; or after you have done with the Use of these Medicines, this Fault will be found to vanish in a short Time ; and sometimes even the desisting from taking 'em will suffice.

Such Medicines do good in a large Stone of the *Ureters*, inasmuch as they smooth and relax the Vessels, and make 'em give Way to what they contain ; as they also do in a Stone of the *Bladder*, where the Roughness of such a Body grates, and gives continual Uneasiness to the Part, where the *Mucus*, spu'd out of the Glands of the Bladder, is shav'd off ; and thus the Bladder is left bare, and the Stone often preys upon it, even to the creating an *Ulcer*, as I saw not long ago : We need not be at a Loss to know, that the *Mucus* is shav'd off from the Bladder ; because it is apparent in the Urine of such Persons, troubled with a Stone, and 'tis a *pathognomonick* Sign of it ; I say, in such a Case,
such

138 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,
such a smooth and lenifying Drug,
not only supplies *Mucus*, but smooths
the *Salts* of the Urine; though an
Injection of such into the Bladder,
is not only more certain, but more
sudden; so in such a Case, I have
known *Whites of Eggs* beat to Water,
or *Oil of Almonds*, thrown in by a
Syringe through a *Catheter*.

Unguentum e Spermate Ceti.

℞ *Spermat. Ceti*, *Unguenti auran-*
tior. Ceræ albæ, ā. ʒ ii. *Ol. amygd-*
dal. dulc. parum; m. f. *Unguen-*
tum.

Ointment of Sperma Ceti.

Take of *Sperma Ceti*, *Orange-*
Flower-Butter, white *Wax*, of
each 2 *Drams*; *Oil of sweet Al-*
monds a little; mix, and make an
Ointment.

OBSERVATIONS.

WHEN the *Small-Pox* begin to scab, and are in Danger of making *Escars* on the Face, this rubbed on, softens the Scabs, and loosens them from the Parts subjacent ; and thus falling off early without any Pain, the Skin neither keeps so long red under, nor are the Scars so much dimpled ; for, if my Conjecture is good, when the Scab stays on a long while, till it pines and shrinks, it hardens under, as well as above : Now this Hardness is generally as deep into the *Cutis*, as it is high above it ; so that the Skin, under, heals, as in ordinary *Ulcers*, at the Place the *Cicatrix* is made, which may be higher or lower, as the *Surgeon* pleases : And as in common *Ulcers*, the *Surgeon* never heals, or *cicatrizes*, till it be level with the Scarf-Skin ; so here 'tis preposterous not to make the Scab fall off till it sink below it ; which ought to be done whilst it is fallen to its true Situation, and the Mark, if any, will in a small Time wear invisible ;
but

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but this is spoke of a kindly *Small-Pox*; for 'tis to be own'd, that in the *malignant* Kind, if the Scab fall off before its due Time, the *Ulcer* appears uncur'd below, and they will repullulate and sprout out again; so that here 'tis a difficult Matter to manage well, to preserve some small and comfortless Remains of Beauty. I know not in such a Case of *Malignity*, whether cutting the *Blushes* might not be of Use to the Patients; for it evacuates the *Pus* that lies on the *Cutis*, and erodes it deep 'ere it begin to scab; and therefore 'tis a long Time 'ere the Scab hardens at the Bottom, and it sticks long on before it fall off; from whence it happens, that the *Scars* and *Marks* are remarkably deep; now cutting 'em gives an *Exit* to the most *eroding* Particles; and thus being taken off, the Skin under rises naturally to the Height of what is above; and which is not infested with any *Pock*, (which is no Mistake, even in the *Flux* Kind, as I can easily convince any Practitioner,) and then the Scab is almost upon a Level with the Scarf-Skin, at least

least as high as it lies in our Power to make it. The only Question is, whether it be good Practice to cut the *Blushes* or not; some great Men are for it, others against it. However, since it is agreed on to have been made Trial of, I shall leave to each Practitioner to consult his Reason. I was willing to say so much on this Head; not having remembered, that any have thought it worth their while to speak to a Point, which the Ladies have deservedly so much at Heart; and I shall elsewhere take it more into Consideration for their Sakes; and shew 'em some Arts on this Particular, well worth their Reading.

Pilula Preparantes.

℞ Colomelan. recent sexies sublim.
℥i. Extract. Gentian. q. s. m. f.
Pil. N^o. ii. fumendæ horâ Somni.

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The Preparing Pills.

Take Calomel, or *Mercurius dulcis* six Times sublim'd, one Scruple ;
Extract of Gentian what suffices ;
mix, and make two Pills ; to be
taken at Bed-time.

Pilula Matutina.

℞ Pilul. Ruffi, Extract. Rudii, ā. ʒss.
m. f. Pilul. No. iv. mane sumendæ
post Dofin præscriptam.

The Morning Pills.

Take Pills of Ruffus, Extract of Rudius, of each half a Scruple ;
make 4 Pills ; to be taken in
the Morning, after the *preparing
Pills.*

OBSERVATIONS.

IN *Mercurius dulcis* made into Calomel, or Turquet's Belle-brune, the Acrimony of the Salts is abated ; so that it descends not till Morning, when meeting with the other Pills, by uniting

uniting Forces, it carries off the most inveterate Humours in a Body that lodge in it.

'Tis a good and approv'd Practice, to suffer the *Mercurius dulcis* to lodge in our Bodies for 2 or 3 Days, without attempting to carry it off, till the third or fourth Morning, when such Pills as these may carry it out of the Body, as well as the Humours it has join'd in with; and indeed this Method is near a-kin to a *Salivation*, and may serve in its stead, if well manag'd; however, all Persons cannot indifferently bear this Method; because I have known ten Grains of *Calomel* raise a *Salivation* in one Night's Time; and therefore I always join *Flowers of Brimstone* along with it, to hinder these Effects.

Mercurials are effectual in *Dropsies*; but I mean *Anasarca's*; for I know no Medicine can have any Effect on that *Species* of 'em call'd an *Ascites*; and therefore I think it well observ'd by *Wallaus*, to forbear 'em; for, in Truth, nothing can have Effect, save the *Paracentesis*, nor that with one in five Hundred: I cannot forbear

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bear to make mention of a fresh In-
vention in the Manner of *Tapping*,
which to me seems very extraordi-
nary : It is thought, that because the
Waters in the Pond are *excrementi-*
tious, and are *corrosive*, and do not
nourish ; that therefore 'tis best to e-
vacuate 'em as soon as may be ; be-
cause *Hæticks*, *Gangrenes* of the In-
testines, fatal *Diarrhæa's*, *Convulsions*,
and many other Symptoms, super-
vene, which inevitably usher in
Death ; and, moreover, it is certain,
that we see Women in Labour do
very well, tho' so great a Load is
thrown off at once, and the Belly
settle in an Instant : Hence the Re-
solution has been brought into Prac-
tice, and cry'd up as a new Art.
Monsieur *Thouvenot* has unluckily
robb'd these *Gentlemen* of the Honour
of the Invention ; and therefore
what I am about to say on this Head,
is levell'd against him ; and his Ad-
herents secondarily only.

'Tis first to be observ'd, that the
great *Hippocrates* enters his Protest
against such a Procedure, in *Aphor.*
§ 1. *Sect.* 2. not that any Deference
ought

ought to be paid to an *αὐτὸς ἔφη*, where we find it false. But as far as I have yet practis'd, this is only begging the Question; and 'tis far from being certain, that any have receiv'd Advantage by this Method, which they are pleas'd to blow about the Town as new: The Arguments they bring, are very frivolous; for I allow 'em the *Antecedent* of their *Enthymeme*; but deny the Inference. 'Tis true indeed, that bad Consequences ensue the Lodging of the Waters in the *Cavity*; but 'tis also true, that sudden Death attends the entire Evacuation. As to Women in Labour, we are to consider, that their being with Child, brings 'em into no worse Condition than they would be, at the Expiration of nine Months, in a natural Condition; for all the while they are with Child, they are not weaken'd by the Evacuation of their *Menses*; and we see 'em at their full Time in perfect Health; which cannot be said of those, who labour under a Load of Water, who are generally very weak, without any *Appetite*, *thirsty*, *feverish*, and, in short, under an absolute

Decay of Spirits: Now I would be glad to know, if there be any Comparison between the Woman's parting with her Load, and these poor Creatures; for the Person in Health can easily recover those Spirits, the other cannot: Let us for once allow the Expression, that the *Child* to the *Woman*, and the *Waters* to the *Drop-sical*, are both excrementitious to the *Laborants*; yet the Spirits evacuated happen, by Reason of the Subsidence of the Muscles of the *Abdomen*, which must be supply'd from the Brain; now the Woman being in perfect Health before, her Spirits are easily supply'd from a sound Blood; but such a vast Quantity is requir'd to inflate or contract all the Muscles of *drop-sical* Persons (who, by they Way, are considerably more swell'd than Women with Child), and their Blood is so scantily supply'd with them, that 'tis odds but they die in the Operation; and, moreover, how many poor Women lose their Lives, even in a Labour, where every Affair belonging to this Head has succeeded?

In a *Cachexy*, these Pills are admirable; because they evacuate Part of the *pituitous Cacoehymy*; after which the Blood is easier corrected by fixt and volatile *Salts*, *Bitters*, and *Chalybeats*; not that I believe all *Chronical Cases* will admit of these *Alteratives* after their Use; but I here am not speaking of *Contra-Indications*.

In any *œdematous Case*, this Physick discharges the Humours specifically.

It may be doubted, how far *Catharticks* may be convenient in the Beginning of Diseases, where the Pulse intermits, and is unequal; but this Difficulty is easily solv'd, if you consider, that this Inequality proceeds from this, that the Heart and Blood-Vessels being over-loaden with a Quantity, it and they cannot regularly contract themselves, nor so forcibly as to expel all its Contents at once; and that there is some Resistance in the Vessels, which may be the Quantity it self; for after such Evacuation, the Pulse is found to turn equal and regular.

Nor ought Weakness from a *Cachymical* Blood frighten us from Purgatives; because when this is once taken off by the Physick, the Symptoms disappear; which makes it evident, that this depends on a Plenty of vitiated Particles in the Blood: But great Care must be taken at this Time, least, under these Circumstances, you destroy your Patient, under the Notion of evacuating the Cause of the Disease; where, perhaps, it would do well to substitute, instead of a true Purgative, a gentle *Lenient*, which does it *per Epicrasin*, and gently; and thus you will, with Credit, carry off the Cause, and save the Life of your Sick. Nay, I have known *Glysters* do the Work under these Circumstances, and in Fevers, with good Success.

They who have us'd bad Diet, bear not Physick well; nor they who are *Cachectical* and weak, upon Supposal they are eminently so.

Bodies *emaciated*, and much *extenuated*, are not to be fatigu'd with Physick; for such Bodies are grievously disturb'd with hot Medicines, and you induce a greater *Marcor*, and an *Atrophy*; so that the Mistake of such Physicians is very great, who, finding such Persons not easily moved, have Recourse to *Scammony*, and such *colliquating* Drugs; for one Cause of the Retention of the *Faces* is, the Heat and Driness of the *Intestines*, which such strong *Catharticks* increase; and consequently, cooling and diluting Physick is more eligible here; I mean, *Encoproticks*, *Lenients*, *sulphureous smooth Waters*, and such like; but no *nitrous* nor *aluminous* ones, nor such as leave any *Astriction* behind 'em; so *Cassia*, *Oil of Almonds*, *Veal-Broth*, *Barley-Gruel*, &c. are convenient in this Case.

'Tis not convenient to give *Catharticks* to such as have no Colour, or are Pale: But they are good for such Persons, whose Bloods are tainted with some *Cacochymy*, (such are the *Lead* colour'd, the *Green*, the *Yellow*, &c.); or as Physicians term

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it, they must be giyen *κακοχέοις*,
but not to the *ἀχέοις*; the Reason
of which is evident; *viz.* because
the one wants Blood and Spirits, and
the other abounds with a vitiated
Blood.

Children can hardly bear **Physick**,
because their Spirits are few; and as
they rather languish than abound,
'tis better to nourish and correct
the Humours, than evacuate them.

It is not convenient to evacuate
Servants that work hard, at least in
too plentiful a Manner; because 'tis
not a small Disease that throws 'em
down; and therefore they are gene-
rally much weaken'd before they ap-
ply for Remedy.

'Tis certain that Persons, whose
Blood abounds with a *cacochymical*
Juice, bear **Physick** better than
sound Persons; because the **Physick**
carrying off Part of the offending
Matter, there remains less of it be-
hind, and they then approach to a
healthful State; whereas to evacuate
in a Person that is in perfect Health,
is to take away Humours that do
not abound, and to bring on a Com-
motion they are under no Necessity
to

to have rais'd; and, in short, from Health, to change them into sick People.

In *Vomiting* and *Purging*, 'tis hard to determine what Sort of Physick is proper; which is best known by the Discovery of the Cause; for should they be ill adapted, you would raise *Syncope's*, and many dismal Symptoms.

Where the Blood is tainted with *Pus*, and the Patients can bear 'em, they are convenient; but Care must be taken, that you don't encrease the *Hætick*, commonly join'd in such Cases: So in an *Empyema*, where the Matter is resorb'd into the Vessels, and there creates a *Hætick*, and other Symptoms; after the Matter is emptied from the Part, and they recover some Degree of Strength, gentle *Catharticks* are convenient for this End.

Whenever *Physick* is indicated, you must remember, not only to raise the Humours, for that alone would be dangerous; but to evacuate 'em by Doses repeated, till you gain the Point you aim at.

I have already mentioned, that *metallick* Purgatives are the most effectual in stubborn Cases, as *Ballonius* well remarks.

Emulsio Amygdalina.

℞ Decoct. Hord. lb. i. Amygd. d. decorticat. N°. x. f. Emulsio ; cui adde Aq. Cinnam. hord. ℥i. Sacchar. parum ; de qua bibat copiosè.

Almond Milk.

Take Barley-Water one Pound, sweet Almonds blanch'd N°. x. make an Emulsion ; (to which add Barley-Cinnamon-Water one Ounce, a little Sugar,) of which drink plentifully.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is a cooling and diluting Drink, and serves to quench the Thirst of Persons in *Fevers*, as well

well as to nourish 'em ; and where there is Danger of the *Fever's* turning up to the Head, it cools that *ναῦμα*, or Fervor, and keeps 'em sensible. I cannot approve the *Regimen* commended by *Morton* in such Fevers ; for certainly where the Blood is much inflam'd, and you heat 'em more, you only add Fuel to the Flame, and scorch your Patients to Death.

It is good in the Heat of Urine, or *Strangury* rais'd by Blisters ; but then it would be more effectual, if you added the cold Seeds ; and particularly, the *white Poppy*, which, being an *Opiate*, relieves all Pains ; however, in a *Strangury* from another Cause, commonly known, 'tis a good, safe, and easy Remedy, and may then be made more effectual, by adding *Sal Prunella* ; or by *Nic. Grimm's* Method, nam'd in his *Compendium*.

Clyster Aloeticus.

℞ Decoct. commun. pro Clysteribus
emollient. ℥xii. Syrup. de Spin.
Cervin. Tinct. sacræ, ā. ℥i. m. f.
Enema hodie injiciendum.

The Aloetick Glyster.

Take the common Decoction for
Glysters 12 Ounces; Syrup of
Buckthorn, Tincture of Hiera, of
each one Ounce; mix, and make a
Glyster to be thrown in.

OBSERVATIONS.

I Have already made some Re-
marks on *Glysters*, and hope I
may be excus'd from saying much
more on this Head: However, I
shall remark to you, that *Glysters*
should not be given to Persons,
whose *Hypochondre's* are distended,
says *Ballonius*; because they drive
back the *Flatus* you would have
driven out.

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In general, they soften the *Fæces*, and carry them off where the Patients can't bear Physick; they disperse *Flatus*; they draw the Humours downwards, and make Revulsion of 'em from the Head; they carry off the *Saburra* of the Intestines; they invite a Vomiting downwards; they bring away any Physick that does not work well: They serve in *hysterical* Women, to supply the Defect of Physick; they are good in Diseases of the Head, *Apoplexies*, *sciatick* Pains, *syncopal* Fevers; in *Dropsies*, *Ulcers* of the Intestines; in *Worms*, *Ophthalmies*; in a *Tenesmus*; before Labour, if the Belly is not soluble; in the Beginning of *Fevers*; in Suppression of the *Menses*, and in many other Disorders; but Care must be taken to adapt the Materials of which they are compos'd, to the Case in Hand.

In Women with Child they are dangerous, at least when they are under *Fevers*, or frequently given; and in *Ruptures*, at least in the Fit; also in *critical Eruptions*, and *Abscesses*; in the flowing *Hæmorrhoids*, (unless they proceed from an obstinate

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nate Obstruction of the *Fæces*; also
in Women that are 4 or 5 Months
gone with Child; and if the Matter
that offends sticks in the *small Guts*.
Waldschmidt tells us, if the *Intesti-*
num rectum be stuffed with Excre-
ments, that *Glysters* are convenient;
but if the *small Guts* be filled with
extraneous Matter, then *oily* Things
must be given by the Mouth.

Asthmatical Persons must not re-
tain 'em long; because they straiten
the Breast, and cause 'em to breathe
shorter.

If *Carminatives* be look'd on as
useful, we must give *Glysters*, or
Lenients, before their Use; because
to raise Wind before a Passage be
made for the *Fæces*, would be to in-
flate the Parts more violently, and
bring on the *Colick*, we are studying
to prevent.

It is to be remark'd, that in a
Suppression of the *Menses*, if they
are judg'd necessary, you may give
'em warmer than usual; because they
will then open the Obstruction bet-
ter, by becoming a *Fetus* to the U-
terus.

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If they are to be nourishing *Glysters*, the Belly must be made soluble before their Use, in order that nothing but true Nourishment may be receiv'd; they must be given in a large Quantity, they must retain 'em as long as they can, and they must be made of such Things as will nourish soon; and therefore nothing sharp must be added, in order for their longer Retention; *Sack* is a very nourishing one; so is *Broth*, *Sack-Whey*, &c.

Whilst they are thrown in, the Patient must lie on the right Side; if they are to be thrown out immediately after, and are not, throw in sharper, or use a *Suppository*. The *Cathartick Glysters* should not be retain'd above half an Hour; and therefore when you have kept 'em so long, take two or three Turns about the Floor.

If you design 'em for intermitting, or remitting *Fevers*, as soon as they are return'd, give another, and repeat 'em so often till the *Fever* vanish.

Pilula Sedativa.

℞ M. P. e Styrac. ℥ii. Marg. pp.
 ℥i. Ol. Cinnam. q. s. m. f. Pil.
 N^o. xii. quarum duas capiat hora
 Somni, bis vel ter in Septimanâ, si
 sit inquietus.

The Appeasing Pills.

Take Storax-Pills 2 Scruples, Pearl
 prepar'd one Scruple, Oil of Cin-
 namon 3 Drops; mix, and make
 12 Pills; of which let 'em take
 two at Bed-time, if they are rest-
 less.

OBSERVATIONS.

THESE *Storax-Pills* are ge-
 nerally us'd in *Coughs*, to al-
 lay the troublesome Tickle of them,
 and to procure Rest; but are to be
 avoided in moist *Asthma's*, or where-
 ever any Load lodges in the Lungs,
 which would choak the Patients;
 because such require Expectoration
 by *Balsamicks*, *Volatiles*, *Salt of Am-*
ber, *Flowers of Benjamin*, *Syrup of*
Ground-

Ground-Ivy, *Oxymel of Squills*, and such like, which *Storax-Pills*, being *Opiates*, do hinder. However, in Case a *Diarrhea* and *Asthma* are join'd, you must then join inciding *Pectorals* and *Opiates* together; for otherwise the *Diarrhea* intirely stops the Expectoration, and makes 'em breath short, and hurries on Death: Or it may fall out, that a *Colick* and an *Asthma* are complicated, which is not unusual; then too, the *Opiates* and *Pectorals* must be blended, to answer both Indications. In a *Pleurisy*, these Pills are good in the Beginning, but not when they begin to expectorate; because in a beginning *Pleurisy*, they may serve to prevent the Hurry and intestine Motion of the Blood; by which the Encrease of the *Inflammation* might be prevented, and, by the Assistance of the necessary Bleedings, the Disease would be pinched in the Bud; but after it is so far advanc'd, that they begin to expectorate freely, then 'tis dangerous; because this Expectoration being an Evacuation of what is noxious, and of what carries off the Dis-

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Disease, it would be ill Manage-
ment to arrest an Enemy potent
enough to ruin 'em within their
Bosom. What I have said of a
Pleurisy, is also to be understood to
be spoke of an Inflammation of the
Lungs.

I need not repeat here, that *hysterick Asthma's* seldom terminate without the Assistance of *Opiates*; but I have known *one* chang'd into other Symptoms retaining to the *hysterick* Disease, for want of due Evacuati-
ons, and proper Alteratives, viz.
for want of Bleeding, lenient Physick,
Blisters, Glysters, *Chalybeats*, and the
Bark.

In nocturnal Pains, *Dekkers* com-
mends *Gum Guaiacum*, *diaphoretick*
Antimony, and *Opium*, in order to
sweat out Part of the offending
Matter, and to allay the Anguish;
but such Pains are best allay'd by
an *Opiate* and *Cinnabar Plaster*; un-
less they proceed from *carious Bones*,
or a *Spina ventosa*, which nothing
but opening relieves; and it often
happens, that even opening, little
avails such a miserable Condition;
because if such Pains are upon the
Joints,

Joints, where the Assemblage of the *Tendons* is, Cutting is dangerous for the *Tendons*; and if that could be safely attempted, yet the Bones being cellular at the Joint, and porous, it would avail little, unless it were very superficial.

Emplastrum Suppedale.

℞ Emplastr. cephalic. cum Euphorb.
q. s. f. Emplastrum totis pedibus
applicandum.

The Sock-Plaster.

Take cephalick Plaster, with Euphorbium, as much as suffices; make a Plaster, to be apply'd to the Feet.

OBSERVATIONS.

I Have hinted how little Value I put upon Plasters; but then it must be understood of such as consist of unactive Particles; for where
Eu-

162 *Pharmacopœia Radcliffeana*: Or,
Euphorbium, and such warm Drugs,
are blended with them, we are made
sensible of their Effects, and feel
them in a short Time in our Blood,
by the Invigoration of the Pulse,
and the increased Warmth ; so that
this in particular is apply'd in Case
of a *Delirium* in a *Fever*.

These revulse the Hurry of Hu-
mours from the Head, and are a
Demi-Blyster ; for they raise at least
Sweats in the Part, and often *Blisters*,
by long lying on, in tender People.
He also orders the following for the
same End.

Emplastrum Fœtidum.

℞ Emplastr. oxycroc. Gum. Galban.
Emp. cephalic. ā. p. æ. f. Emplast.
totis Pedibus applicand.

The Stinking Plaster.

Take Plaster of Oxycroceum, Gum
Galbanum, cephalick Plaster, of
each

each equal Parts ; make a Plaster,
to be apply'd to the Feet.

OBSERVATIONS.

THIS is not so powerful as
the former, but acts much in
the same Manner, by Insinuation of
the Particles into the Mass, and ex-
agitating it ; or also by vellicating
the *Fibres* of the Part, it invites the
passage of the Humours that Way.

Pilule Stypticæ.

℞ Corall. rub. pp. Croc. Mart. a-
string. Gum. Arabic. Tragacanth.
ā. ʒi. cum. f. q. Syr. e Symphyt.
m. f. Pilulæ minores, obruantur
pulv. Oc. Cancror. pp. quarum
sex capiat mane quotidie & ves-
peri, in Cochleari Julap. super-
bibendo Cochl. iii. ejusdem.

The

The Styptick Pills.

Take red Coral prepar'd, astringent
 Saffron of Steel, Gum Arabick,
 Gum Dragon, of each a Dram;
 make, with Syrup of Comfrey,
 small Pills, to be roll'd up in Crabs
 Eyes powder'd; of which take 6
 Morning and Evening every Day,
 in a Spoonful of any Julap, drink-
 ing 3 Spoonfuls above them.

OBSERVATIONS.

THE *Electuarium conglutinans*,
 the *Pilula restringentes*, as also
 the *Bolus astringens*, having the same
 Virtues with these, I need say little
 of them; only shall add, that *Rio-
 lanus* looks upon the *styptick* Par-
 ticles to be adapted to the Passages
 too wide, and looks upon the *glu-
 tinous* ones to be fitted to any *Ero-
 sion* of a Vessel: In which, I think,
 he judges rightly; and therefore the
 Gums, *Arabick* and *Tragacanth*, are
 proper in any ruptur'd Vessel of the
Lungs; and the *Saffron of Steel* and
Coral, in any *Diarrhœa*; so that if
 both

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both Cases happen together, 'tis a
Specifick.

Pilule Hystericae.

℞ G. Ammon. ℥ii. Galban. ℥i. f.
Pil. minores; quarum capiat ii.
urgente Dyspnœa; super-bibendo
Cochl. iii. Aq. Ceras. nig. cum
Sacchari pauxillo edulcoratæ.

Hysterical Pills.

Take Gum Ammoniack 2 Scruples,
Galbanum one Scruple, make little
Pills; of which take two, if the
Difficulty of Breathing urge;
drinking above 'em 3 Spoonfuls of
black Cherry-Watter, sweet'ned
with Sugar.

OBSERVATIONS.

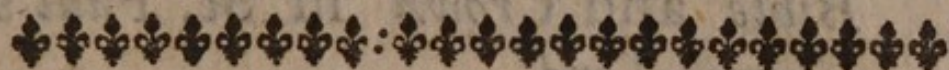
THIS is the same with the *Mis-
tura Hysterica Lactea*, p. 7. and
therefore no more need be said of
it; but I refer you to that *Mixture*.

'Tis

'Tis high Time to draw to a Conclusion, and to inform the Reader, how much a-do I had to find *Recipe's* with Variety enough. As for small Alterations, they were not worth while to insert; so as to add *Ol. Ovin.* or *Limacum*, to the *Linimentum Anodynum*; and such trifling Alterations would but pall the Reader; and give me needless Trouble: These then I have omitted; and if my Leisure and Will agree, you may hear of some further Proceedings of this Kind.

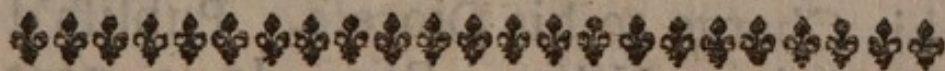
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