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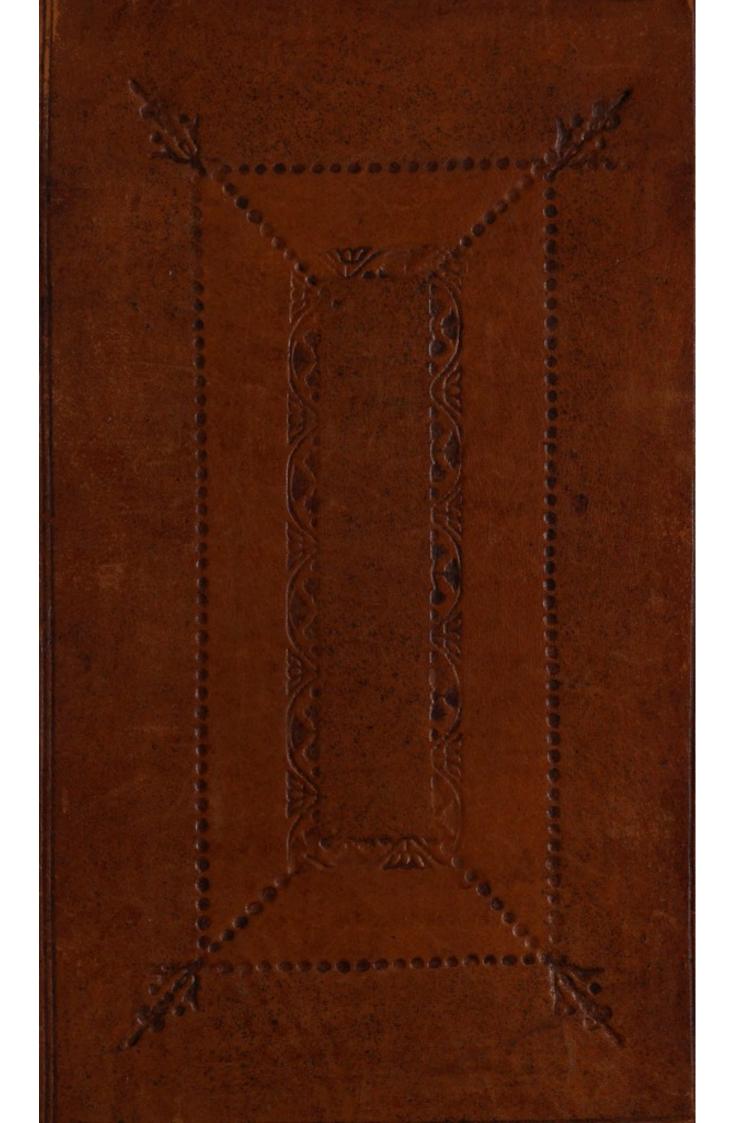
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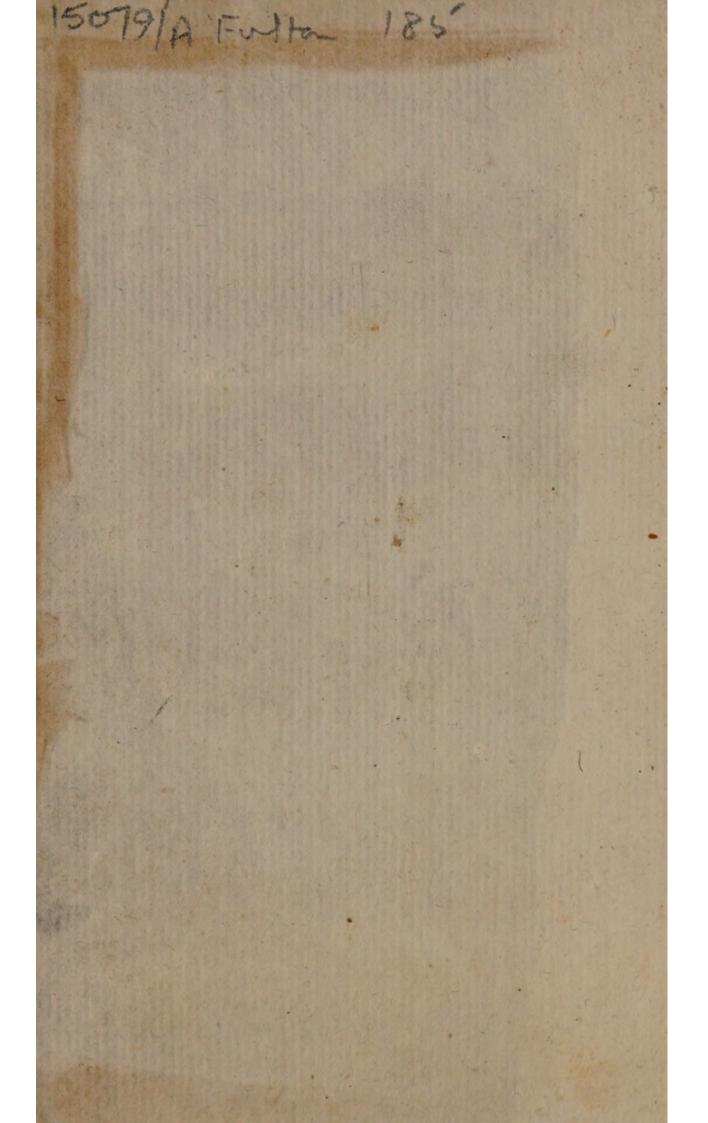
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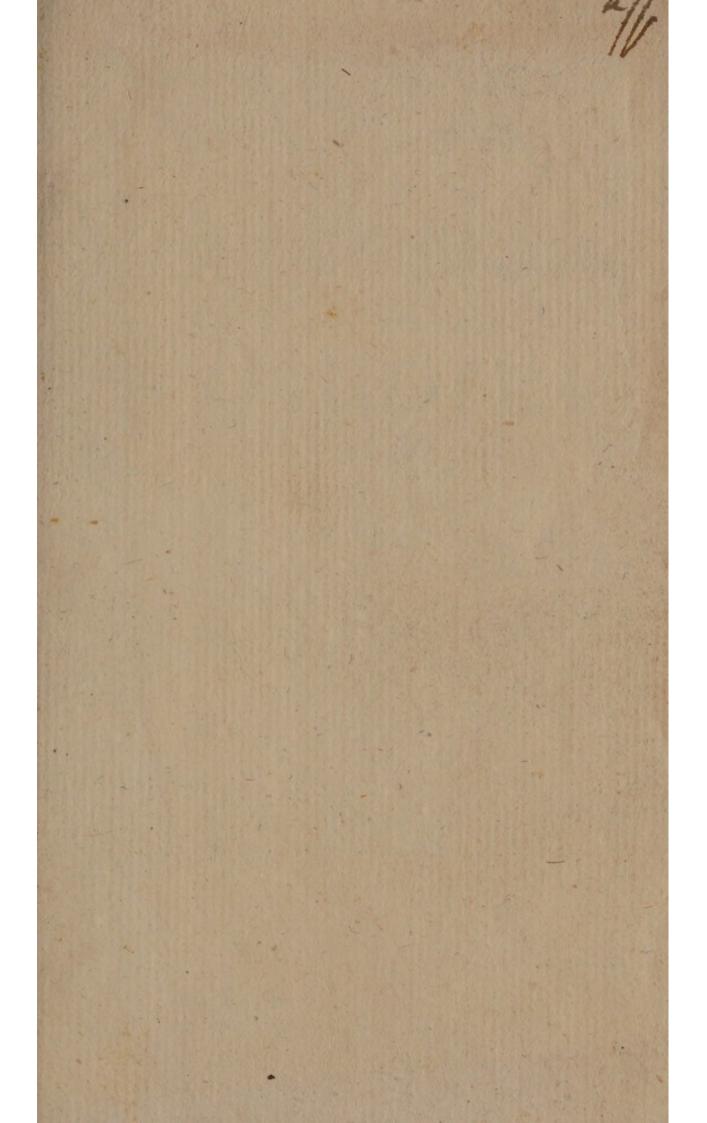
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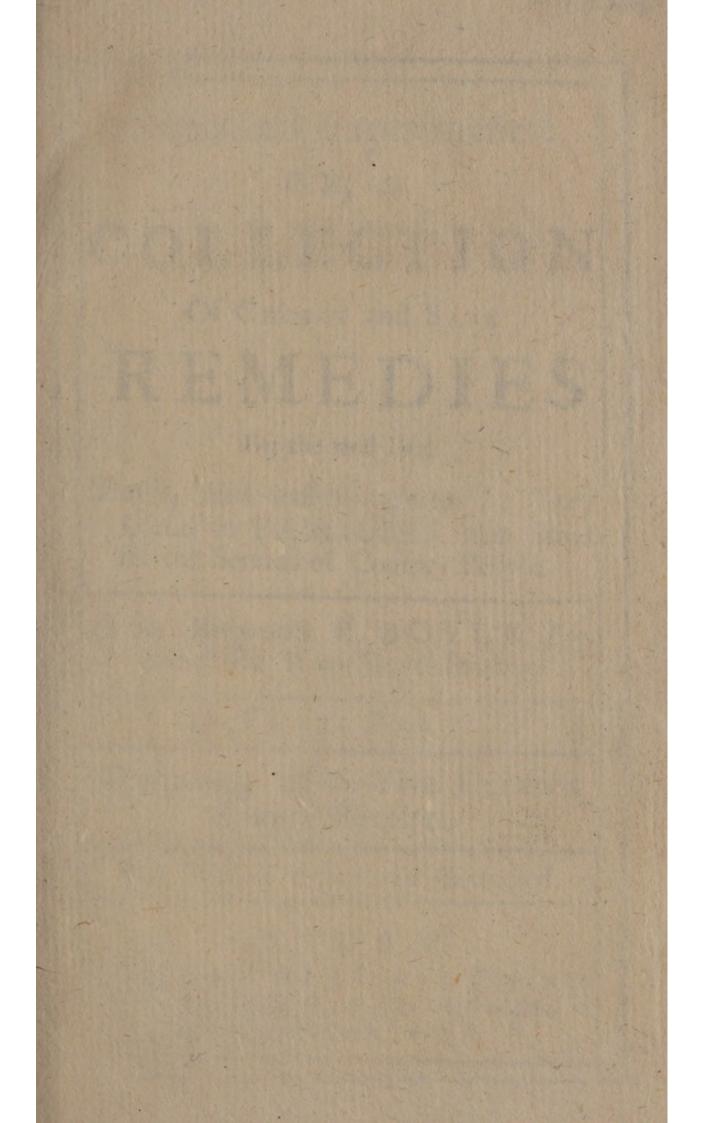
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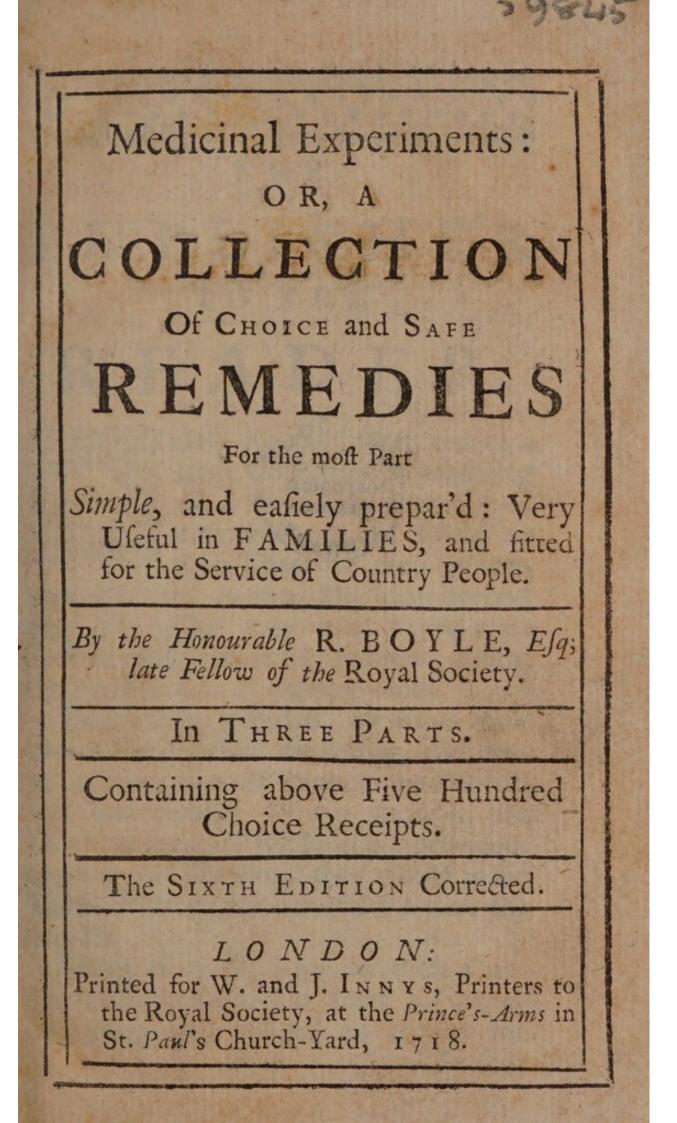


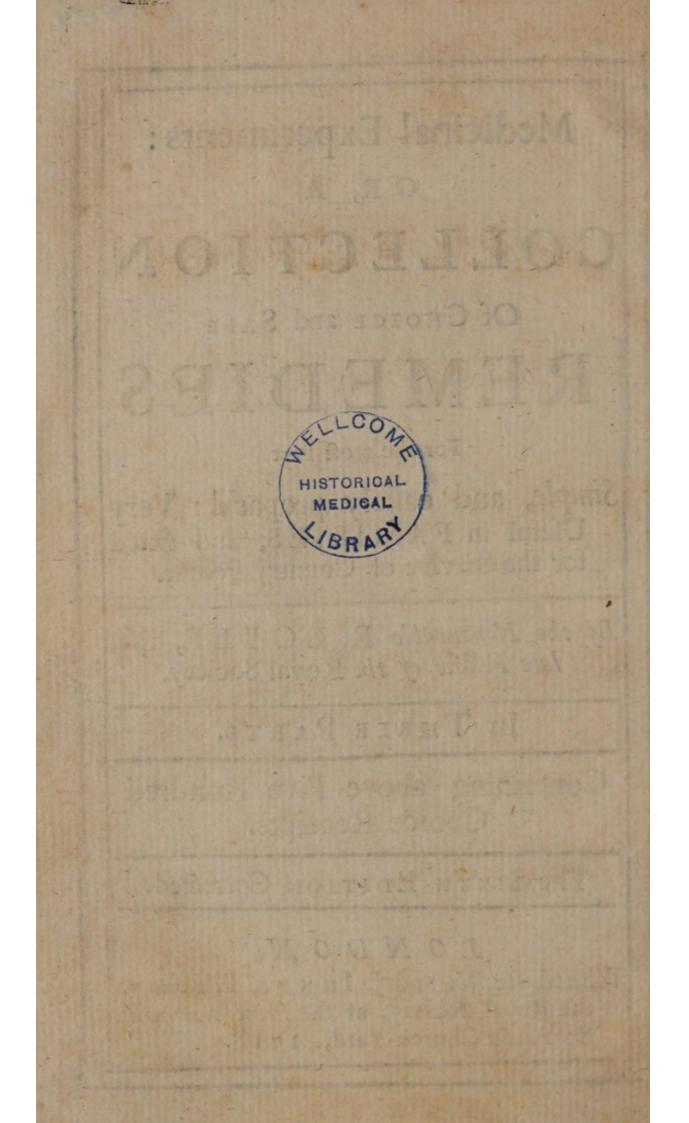












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Hefe Receipts, taken out of a large Collection, as confifting of a few fafe Ingredients, commonly to be found at eafie Rates in most places, were fent to a learned Physician beyond Sea: To whom they were a welcome Prefent, and answered, without doubt, the Ends he had in defiring them.

That excellent Perfon, to whom these choice Prescriptions are owing, did permit a few Copies of them to be Printed, and was pleased to put them in the Hands of some of his Friends, provided, as there was occasion, they would make Tryal of them, and faithfully report the Success.

Divers of those, who on these Conditions had received so great a Favour, held themselves obliged to enquire for A 2 Persons

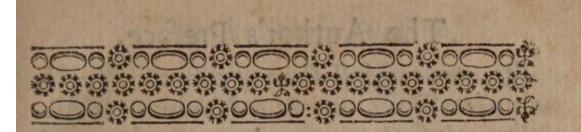
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Perfons affected with any of the Maladies againft which the faid Medicines were prefcribed; and, upon many Experiments carefully made, having found, that frequently they have relieved those who used them, and sometimes strangely out-done Expectation; they addressed themfelves with much importunity to the noble Author, to suffer things, which were of such general Benefit, and so easily to be procured by the Poor, to be made more publick.

And at length he hath been prevailed with not only to allow the former *Receipts*, which but few had feen, to be Reprinted, but hath, out of his rich Treafury, ftored us with a frefh Collection, which, as in number it exceeds what we had before, fo in Quality and Virtue it falls not fhort of it.

And if what here with fuch an honeft and kind Defign is offered to the Publick, be but candidly and favourably receiv'd, we may still hope for more Blessings of this Sort from him, who has not only a constant Will and great Ability to do good, but hath, perhaps, obliged the Age as much as any private Person in it.

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Author's PREFACE.

Hough Phyfick be not my Profession, yet I hope this fmall Collection of Receipts will not incur the Censure of Equitable and Charitable Perfons, tho' divers of them are professed Phyficians; fince, as Iwas induced to what I had done by the Dictates of Philanthropy and Christianity, fo I was warranted by great Examples, both in Ancient Times, and in ours. Of the former Sort, I take notice of feveral of the Old Philosophers, such as Democritus, Pythagoras, to which some add Aristotle; and even divers Monarchs and great Men of those Times, such as Jubat, King of Mauritania; another King,

Nechepfos, cited by Galen, * Cato, Pliny, &c. And of the fecond Sort, not only by the last Scalpuntque in eo draconem radios habentem: Velut Rex Nechepfos memoriæ prodidit in fextor & decimo libro. * De fimpl. Medic. Facultatibus, lib. ix. Titulus Faspis Viridis. Ac nonnulli quoque annulli inferunt, & decimo libro.

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Age, and the first Part of our own; but by very late Times, and in a Neighbouring Nation, whose Customs we are wont sufficiently to esteem and imitate, we may be furnished with Examples to our present purpose. For the French King himself, who has rais'd the Majesty of a Crown'd Head so high, did not think it beneath the Grandeur of so great a Monarch to Order the Publication of the English Remedy, as the French called the Peruvian Bark, which at a great Rate he purchased from Talbot, an English Emperick, Famous for his many and Speedy Cures of Quartans, and other Agues. By the Authority of the same Prince, who has been a great Encourager of divers Parts of Learning, there has been some Years since settled at Paris a Society or Assembly of Physicians, Chirurgions, and others, whose main Bufiness is to keep Correspondency in Several Parts, and receive Informations of the Novelties that occur about Diseases, and impart to the Publick such as they shall think worthy and feasonable; which Communications confift not only of new Discoveries, odd Cases, Speculations, and Observations, but of Receipts and Proceffes of Remedies, printed for the most part in French, the common Language of the People. Divers of which Remedies, have upon Tryal been found useful, 635

as well in England as in France. There has been also lately in that Kingdom a Book Printed more than once, that makes yet more for my Purpose. For there has been Publish'd in the French Tongue a large Collection of Receipts, for almost all Diseases, plac'd in Alphabetical Order; and the' these Receipts are circumstantially delivered in the Mother-Tongue of the People, yet they came not forth, without the License or Authority of the Faculty of Physick, and were (at least the first Tome) Jo well receiv'd and approv'd, that in divers Places the respective Bishops authorized them by their Publick Approbation, and recommended them upon the Account receiv'd, or the good Effects they had produc'd both to the other Charitable Perfons, and to the Curates (cr Parisb-Priests) in their Dioceses.

In complying with the Defires of many, and with the Dictates of Philanthropy, I hope, I may procure my Medicinal Receipts and Proceffes the more favourable Reception, if I shew, that I might justly have a peculiar and perfonal Repugnancy to this Work. For many may think it strange, as I my felf have been prone to do, that I should prefume to recommend Medicines to others, who for divers Years, have been so infirm and fickly my felf. And some 'tis like well upbraid me with, Medice, Cura teipfum. But on this A 4

occasion, I may represent, that being the thirteenth or fourteenth Child of a Mother, that was not above 42 or 43 Years Old when she died of a Consumption, 'tis no wonder I have not inherited arobust, or healthy Constitution. Many also have faid, in my Excuse, as they think, that I brought my felf to fo much Sicklinefs by over-much Study. But, I must add, that the' both the forementioned Causes concurr'd, yet I impute my infirm Condition more to a third, than to both together : For the grand Original of the Misciefs that have for many Years afflicted me, was a Fall from an unruly Horfe into a deep Place, by which I was so bruised, that I feel the bad Effects of it to this Day. For this Mischance happening in Ireland, and I being forc'd to take a long Journey, before I was well recovered, the bad Weather I met with, and the as bad Accommodation in Irish-Inns, and the Mistake of an unskilful or drunken Guide, who made me wander almost all Night upon some Wild Mountains, put me into a Fever and a Dropsie, (viz. an Anasarca :) For a compleat Cure of which I past into England, and came to London; but in so unlucky a Time, that an ill-condition'd Fever rag'd there, and seiz'd on me among many others; and the' through God's Goodness, I at length recovered, yet left me exceeding weak for a great while after;

after; and then for a Farewell, it caft me into a violent Quotidian or double Tertian-Ague, with a sense of decay in my Eyes, which during my long Sickness I had exercis'd too much upon Critical Books stuft with Hebrew, and other Eastern Characters: I will not urge that divers have wondered that a Perfon in fuch bad Circumstances has by the Help of Care and Medicines (for they forget what ought to be aferib'd to God) fould be able to hold out so long against them. But this after the foregoing Relation may well be faid, that it need be no great wonder, if after such a Train of Mischiefs, which was succeeded by a Scorbutick Cholick that struck into my Limbs, and deprived me of the Use of my Hands and Feet for many Months, I have not enjoyed much Health; notwithstanding my being acquainted with feveral Choice Medicines; especially since divers of these I dare not use, because by long sitting, when I had the Palsie, I got the Stone, voiding some large ones (as well as making bloody Water) and by that Difease so great a Tenderness in my Kidneys, that I can bear no Diureticks, tho' of the milder Sort, and that I am forc'd to forbear Several Remedies for my other Distempers, that I know to be good ones; and among ft them, divers, that by God's Bleffing, I have Streeesfully try'd on others. This short Nar-A 5 rative

rative may, I hope, Suffice to shew that my personal Maladies and Sickliness cannot rightly infer the Inefficacy of the Medicines I impart or recommended; and if it shew That, it will do all that was aim'd at by this Representation.

If some Receipts or Processes (for I hope they will not be many) should happen to be met with in the following Collection, that may be also found either in some Printed Book or other, 'tis hoped an indulgent Reader will either excuse or pardon that Venial Fault, especially if we consider, First, That neither Phyfick nor Chymistry being my Profession, I. did not think my felf oblig'd to peruse any store of Medicinal Books, and therefore may well be supposed to be unacquainted with a great many of them, much more with many of their Receipts and Proceffes. And indeed I find by some of the latter Printed Catalogues of Books written about the Phyficians Art, that there is a Multitude of them, which when I wrote, I had never seen, or perhaps fo much as heard of. Secondly, That 'its fo usual for Authors, especially that Writ either Systems or Collections, to Set down store of Prescriptions distated by their Conjectures, not their Tryals, and yet without giving a distinst Character of almost any of them in particular: That if I had met therewith lome

fome of the fame that I am speaking of, I should not have felected them from a great Number of other undiftinguish'd ones: And 'tis easie to observe, that there is a great Deal of difference betwixt being told by an Author, that many things, and among the rest, but not before them, this or that Drug, or Receipt is good for such a Disease, and to have particular Notice given of it; and not only to be confirm'd that 'tis good, but to be told how good it is, and possible also that it may be usefully employ'd in other Distempers besides those for which 'tis prescrib'd in the Printed Book.

The most of these Receipts are intended chiefly for the use of those that live in the Country, in Places where Phylicians are Scarce, if at all, to be had, especially by Poor People. And because very frequently a Labouring-Man, or a Handicrafts-Man, or some Tradesman, has a whole Family depending upon him, being maintain'd by his Pains and Industry, and yet is disabled to help himself and them, not by any Internal, and oftentimes Accidental Maladies; Juch as Bru-Jes, Strains, Cuts, Tumors, Aches, Burns, and the like; I have been careful to furnifb this final Collection with a pretty Number of good Receipts, obtain'd most of them from able Surgeons and Practitioners for those Exter-

External Accidents, that those poor Upholders of Families, who cannot find or Fee a Surgeon, or a Doctor, may be cheaply reliev?d without either of them.



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Author's Introduction

To the First VOLUME.

HE following Prefcriptions are a Part of a Collection of *Receipts* and *Proceffes*, that from Time to Time have been recommended to me by the Experience of others, or approv'd by my own : *Receipts* that being Parable or Cheap, may eafily be made ferviceable to poor Country People.

For Medicines fo Simple, and for the moft Part fo Cheap, I have found all of them to be good in their Kind; and though I think moft of them fafer than many other Medicines that are in great Requeft, yet I do not pretend that thefe should play the Part of Medicines and Phyficians too; but that they may be usefully employed by one who knows how to administer them difcreetly.

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The Author's Introduction, &c.

I diffinguish them into three Classes or Orders, annexing to the Title of each particular Medicine one of the Three first Letters of the Alphabet; whereof A, is the Mark of a Remedy of the highest Classes of these, Recommended as very confiderable and efficacious in its Kind. B, Denotes a second or inferiour Sort, but yet to be valuable for their good Operation. C, Belongs to those Remedies that are of the lowest Order, tho' good enough not to be despised.

Those Receipts, which were my own, are expressed in my own Terms; so also those which I received from others by Word of Mouth: But them which were imparted to me in Writing, though I my felf would not have worded them, as they did that I had them from, yet I oftentimes made a Scruple to Correct or Alter their Expressions, tho' not fuitable to the Current Style of the Formularies of *Receipts*, being more concern'd that the Meaning should be close kept to, than the Style rectified.

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I. For Coughs, especially such as proceed from thin Rheums.



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AKE of choice Olibanum finely powder'd, from one Scruple to half a Dram, and mix carefully with it an equal Weight of Sugarcandy, (white or brown) or,

in want of that, of fine Sugar; and let the Patient take it at Bed-time in the Pap of an Apple, or fome other proper Additament, for feveral Nights together: If it be found needful, it may be taken at any other Time, when the Stomach is empty.

II. To give Ease in the Pains of the Stone, even that of the Bladder.

ATAKE the transparent Sparr that grows upon the Veins of Lead-Oar, and having reduc'd it to fine Powder, give from half a B Dram

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Dram to a whole Dram of it at a time, in a moderate Draught of fome convenient Vehicle. N. B. Though there be (at leaft in moft of our English Mines) two Teguments, as it were, of the Veins of Ledd, that grow close together, yet that which the Diggers name Cawk, which is white and opacous, is not the Medicine I mean, but the Transparent, or at leaft Semi-Diaphanus, which eafily breaks into smooth Fragments, and in the Fire cleaves into feveral pieces, that are wont to be smooth, and prettily shaped.

III. For Sharpness of Urine.

BTAKE of the dry Stuff that divides the Lobes of the Kernels of Walnuts, beat them to Powder, and of this give about half a Dram at a time, in a Draught of Whitewine or Poffet-drink made with it, or in any other convenient Liquor.

IV. To appeale the violent Pains of the Tooth-Ach.

^BMAKE up a Scruple of *Pilulæ Mastichinæ*, and half a Grain of *Laudanum* into two or three Pills for the Patient to take at Bed-time.

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V. For Agues.

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ATAKE Salt of Card. Benedict. and Salt of Wormwood and 15 Grains, Tartar Vitriolate half a Scruple; mix them, and give them in a few Spoonfuls of Rhenish-Wine, or of some other convenient Vehicle, either before the Fit, or at some other time when the Stomach is empty.

VI. For the Yellow-Jaundice.

BTAKE an Ounce of Caftle-Soap (the elder the better) flice it thin, put it into a Pint of Small-Beer cold, fet it on the Fire, let it boil gently half away, after boiling fome time fcum it once; then ftrain it through a fmall Sieve, warm it, and drink it all in a Morning fafting; take a fmall Lump of Sugar after it, and faft two or three Hour: The Party may walk about his Bufinefs, and eat his accuftom'd Meals. If at any time he drinks Wine, let it be White-Wine. N. B. If he be far gone in the Diffemper, two or three Days after he may take it once or twice more, and no oft'ner. Refrain all other Medicines; it will keep a Week or longer.

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VII. For the Jaundice.

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^B**T**AKE two or three Ounces of Semen Canabis, (Hemp-Seed) and boil them till the Seeds (fome of them) begin to burft, and a little longer, in a fufficient Quantity of new Milk, to make one good Draught; which the Patient is to take warm, renewing it, if need be, for fome Days together.

VIII. For the Dysentery.

BTAKE Pigs-Dung, dry it, and burn it to grey (not white) Afhes; of these give about half a Dram for a Dose, drinking after them about three Spoonfuls of Wine-Vinegar.

IX For the King's-Evil.

^B**T**AKE Cuttle-Bone uncalcin'd, and having fcrap'd off the Outfide or colour'd Part, dry the white Part; and of this finely powder'd, give half a Dram for a Dofe in Aqua Malva.

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X. A Safe and Easte Medicine in the Fits of the Stone.

BAKE Sack, or, in want of that, Claret-Wine, and by fbaking, or otherwfe, mix with it, as well as you can, an equal Quantity of Oil of Walnuts; and of this Mixture, give from 4 or 6, to 8 or 10 Ounces at a time, as a Clyster. activities established or and



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I. For Convultions, especially in Children.

AKE Earth-Worms, wash them well in White-Wine to cleanse them, but fo as that they may not die in the Wine: Then upon hollow Tiles, or between them, dry the Worms with a moderate Heat, and no further than that they may be conveniently reduced to Powder; to one Ounce of which add a pretty Number of Grains of Ambergrife, both to perfume the Powder (whose fcent of it felf is rank) and to make the Medicine the more efficacious. The Dose is, from one Dram to a Dram and half in any convenient Vehicle.

II. For the Piles.

^BTAKE the Powder of *Earth-Worms* prepar'd as in the former Receipt) but leaving out the Ambergrife) and incorporate it

it exactly with as much Hens-greafe as will ferve to make it up into an Ointment. Apply this to the Part affected, whofe Pains it ufually much and fafely mitigates.

III. To make Lime-Water useful in divers Distempers.

CTAKE one Pound of good Quick-Lime, and flack it in a Gallon of warm Water, and let it fland till all that will fubfide be fettled at the Bottom, and (feparation being, made) the Water fwim clear at the Top: (At which time it will often happen, that a Kind of thin and brittle Subflance, almost like Ice, will cover the Surface of the Liquor;) As foon as the Water is thus fufficiently impregnated, delay not to pour it off warily, and keep it well flopped for ufe.

IV. A Lime-Water for Obstructions and Consumptions.

BTAKE a Gallon of Lime-Water made as above, and infuse in it cold Saffafras, Liquorice, and Anniseeds, of each four Ounces, adding thereto half a Pound of choice Currants, or the like Quantity of flic'd Raisins of the Sun: The Dose of this compound Lime-Water, is four or five Ounces to be taken twice a Day. B 4. V. An

V. An Amulet against Agues, especially Tertian.

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TAKE a Handful of Groundfel, fhred and cut it fmall, put it into a fquare Paper-Bag of about four Inches every way, pricking that fide that is to be next the Skin, full of large Holes; and cover it with fome Sarcenet or fine Linen, that nothing may fall out. Let the Patient wear this upon the Pit of his Stomach, renewing it two Hours before every Fit.

VI. For Women in Labour to bring away the Child.

^B**T**AKE about one Dram of choice Myrrh, and having reduc'd it to fine Powder, let the Patient take it in a Draught of Rhenift Wine or Sack; or if you would have the Liquor lefs active, White-Wine, Poffet-Drink, or fome other temperate Vehicle.

VII. For strengthening the Bowels.

BTAKE Cloves or Chives (not Bulbs) of Garlick, and let the Patient from time to time fwallow one or two, without chewing.

VIII. An

VIII. An Amulet against the Cramp.

AT AKE the Root of Mecboacan, and having reduc'd it to Powder, fill with this Powder a little fquare Bag or Sacket of Sarcenet, or fome fuch flight fluff; which Bag is to be about three Inches fquare, and to be hung by a String about the Patient's Neck, fo that it may reach to the Pit of the Stomach and immediately touch the Skin.

IX. For Stenching of Blood, especially in Wounds.

AT AKE those round Musbrooms, that Bor tanists call Crepitus Lupi (in English Puff-Balls) when they are full ripe (which is in Autumn) and breaking them warily, fave carefully this Powder that will fly up, and the rest that remains in their Cavities; and strew the Powder all over the Part affected, binding it on, or proceeding further, if need be, according to Art.

X. For Tumours and Pains of the Hemorrhoids, not too much inflamed.

^BL ET the Patient dip his Finger in Balfam of Sulphur, made with Oil of Turpentine, and with his Finger fo befmear'd, anoint the Turnours, whether external or internrl, once or twice a Day.

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I. For the Dysentery, and other sharp Fluxes.

B AKE the Stalks and Leaves of the Herb called in Latin Coniza Medina, (in English Flea-Bane) dry it gently till it be reducible to Powder; of this Powder give about one Dram at a Time, twice or thrice a Day, in any convenient Vecle; or else incorporate it in Conferve of Red Rofes.

II. To Sweeten the Blood, and cure divers Difeases caused by its Acidity.

BTAKE Coral, the cleareft and reddeft you can get; reduce it (by exactly grinding it on a Porphyry or Marble Stone) to an impalpable Powder. Of this Magiftery made without Acids, give the Patint once or twice a Day, (as need fhall require) a largeDofe, viz. ordinarily about one Dram at a Time, or from two Scruples to five. N. B. Let him long continue the Use of it.

III. To clear the Eyes, even from Films.

AT AKE Paraceljus's Zebethum Occidentale, (viz. Human Dung) of a good Colour and Confiftence, dry it flowly till it be pulverable: Then reduce it into an impalpable Powder; which is to be blown once, twice, or thrice a Day, as occasion shall require, into the Patient's Eyes.

IV For Convulfions in Children.

AGIVE the Patient from 2, 3, or 4, to 5, 6, or 7 Grains, according to the Child's Age, of the true Volatile Salt of Amber, in any proper Vehicle. N. B. 'Tis not fo efficacious in full grown Perfons.

V. To bring away the After-Birth.

^BGIVE about 30 Drops, or any Numberbetween 25 and 35, of good Effential (as Chymifts call it) Oil of Juniper, in an good Draught of any convenient Vehicle.

VI. To

VI. To strengthen the Stomach, and help the Want of Appetite.

BMAKE the Roots of Gentian (found and not superannuated) pulverable, with no more waste of the Moisture than is necessary. Reduce thefe to Powder; of which let the Patient take from 12 or 15 Grains, to double that Quantity (or more if need be) twice or thrice a Day. N. B. It make be taken on an empty Stomach, or, if that cannot conveniently be done, at Mealtimes. To correct the Bitternefs, one may add to it powder'd Sugar, or make it up with some fit Conferve, or mix it with a Syrup. It is very good, not only for Want of Appetite, but for Obstructions. And I (R. B.) have usually given it in Vertiginous Affection of the Brain, and to leffen, if not quite take away, the Fits of Agues, and even Quartans. But, in this last Cafe, the Dosemust be confiderably augmented. One may alfo, if one pleafes, inftead of the Powder, give the Extract drawn with fair Water, and for those that like that Form, made up into Pills with a fufficient Quantity of powder'd Tumerick, or the like proper Additament; to which I have fometimes added fome Grains of Salt of Wormwood with good Succefs, in Fluxes that proceeded from Crudities and Indigeftion. Where the Winter-Seafon, or the Patient's cold Constitution invite, or the Medicine is to belong kept, I chuserather to make the Extract with Wine moderately ftrong, than with Water. VII. For

VII. For Ulcers in the Breast, and elsewhere.

ATAKE Millepides (in English by fome called Wood-lice, by others Sows) and having washed them clean, with a little White-Wine, and dry'd them with a Linen Cloth, beat them very well in a Glass or Marble-Mortar (for they ought not to be touched with any thing of Metal) and give the first time as much Juice as you can by strong Expression obtain from five or fix of them. This Juice may be given in Small-Ale or White-Wine, in which the next time you may give as much as can be squeez'd out of eight or nine Millepides; and fo you may continue, increasing the Number that you employ of them by two or three at a Time, till it amount to Twenty-five or Thirty; and if need be, to Forty or more, for one taking. And note, That if upon pounding of these Infects, you find the Mass they afford too dry, as it now and then happens; you may dilute it with a little White-Wine or Ale, to be well agitated with it, that being penetrated, and fo foftned, with the Liquor, the Mass may the better part with its Juice.

VII. For taking off the Fits of Agues.

TAKE good common Brimftone (not Flores Sulphurus) and having reduc'd them by paffing them through a very fine Sieve, to the fub-

fubtileft Powder you can; give of this Powder one Dram and half, or two Drams, either made up into a *Bolus* with a little good Honey, or elfe in any appropriated Vehicle; let it be given at the ufual Times, and reiterated once or twice, if need be, efpecially if the Fits fhould return.

IX. For Fluxes, especially accompany'd with Gripings.

TAKE of Crude Lapis Calaminaris finely powder'd, two Scruples, of white Chalk one Scruple, mix them exactly, and give them in a Spoonful or two of new Milk twice, or if the Cafe be urgent, thrice a Day.

X. For the Pains of the Piles.

BTAKE of Myrrh, Olibanum, and common Frankincense, of each a like Quantity, having powder'd them, mix them very well, and let the Patient receive the Fume of this Mixture, cast upon a Chaffin-Dish with Embers, in a Close-Stool, for about a Quarter of an Hour (less or more, as he needs it, and is able to bear it.)

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Vol. I. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. IS DECAD 1 I. For an Outward Contusion. PPLY to the Part affected, skim'd or purified Honey, spread upon Cap-Paper, to be kept on with fome convenient Plaister, or the like Bandage, and shifted once or twice a day. II. Another of the fame. A REat Aloes Succotrina (or elfe Hepatica) to D fine Powder; then pour on it as much Rofe-water as you guess may diffolve a great Part of it. This done, ftir them well for a while, and when the Mixture is fettled, pour off the Liquor, and in it dip Linnen-Rags, which being applied to the Part affected, will foon flick to it, and feldom need be remov'd till the Patient be reliev'd; and then to get them off, the Rags must be well wetted

16 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. I. ted with warm Water, which will foften and loofen the adhering Aloes.

III. For a flighter Excoriation.

^BM ELT Mutton-Sust taken from about the Kidneys, and freed from its superfluous Fibres or Strings, and to about 2 Ounces of this, add little by little about 16 or 18 Drops (sometimes 8 or 10 may serve) of Oyl (not Æthereal Spirit) of Turpentine : spread this Mixture on a Linnen-Cloth, and by binding or otherwise, keep it upon the Part affected.

IV. For an Excoriation, when the true Cutis is affected.

B TAKE Prunella (in English Self-head) and having pounded it very well in a Marble or Glass Mortar (not one of Metal) apply it to the Part affected, renewing it but feldom, and not without Need.

V. To take off the Pain and Inflammation of Ulcers in the Legs and elfewhere.

^B I^N a Quart of Water, boyl about fo much White-bread, as in ordinary Years may be found Vol. I. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 17 found in a Half-penny Loaf; then add to it two Ounces of good Sheep-Suet cut very fmall; and when that is boil'd a little, add to it one Ounce of finely powder'd Rosim, and a little well-fears'd Brimstone: Of these make a Cataplasm, which is to be kept constantly on the Part affected, and shifted once or twice a day, as need shall require.

VI. For a Cough, especially accompany'd with tickling Rheum.

^BTAKE equal Parts of finely powder'd Olibanum and Venice-Treacle, incorporate them exactly, and of this Mass form Pills of what bigness you please: Of these let the Patient take about half a Dram at Bed-time, or if need be, one Scruple (or more) twice a day.

VII. To prevent the Tooth-ach, and keep the Teeth Sound.

^B**L**ET the Patient frequently rub his Teeth moderately with the Afhes that remain in Tobacco-Pipes, after the reft of the Body hath been confumed in Smoak; fometime after, washing (if need be) his Mouth with fair Water not too cold.

VIII. For

Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. I. VIII. For a Rupture, especially in a Child or Young Person.

ATAKE of that Geranium or Cranes-bill, that is commonly call'd Columbinum, reduce the Root and Leaves to fine Powder, and of this let the Patient take about half a Spoonful at Night and Morning for three or four Weeks together, washing it down each time with fome Spoonfuls of Red Wine.

IX. For the Heart-burning, as they call it.

^B AKE from 15 or 20, to 30 or 40 Grains of Crabs-Eyes (known commonly in the Shops by the Name of Lapides Cantrorum) reduc'd to very fine Powder, and either take it alone, or in any convenient Conferve or Syrup. 'Tis for the most part best to take this Medicine when the Stomach is empty.

X. For a Strein.

^B **T**AKE the ftrongeft Vinegar you can get, and boil in it a convenient Quantity of Wheat-Bran, till you have brought it to the Confiftence of a Poultefs, Apply this as early as may be to the Part affected, and renew it when it begins to grow dry.

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I. For a Recent Strein.

AKE Wormwood, and pound it very well in a Mortar of Stone or Glafs; then put into it as much of the Whites of Eggs beaten to later, as may ferve to make it up into fuch Confiftence as may be applied like a Poulfs to the Part affected.

A Strengthening Plaister after a Strein, or when there is any Weakness in the Joynt.

MELT down together, and incorporate very well, two Parts of Diapalma, and one Part of Emplastrum ad Herniam; pread this Mixture (but not very thick) pon Leather, and lay it to the Joynt to be rengthned.

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III. For Loosnesses.

^C**B**^OYL a convenient Quantity of Cork in Spring-water, till the Liquor taft frong thereof; of this Decoction let the Pa tient drink a moderate Draught from tim to time, till he finds himfelf reliev'd by it.

IV. For Obstructions, and divers Disease proceeding thence.

^ELET the Patient drink, every Morning fasting, a moderate Draught of his own Urine newly made, and (if it can conveni ently be) whilst 'tis yet warm, forbearing Food for an Hour or two after it.

V. For Difficulty of Hearing from a cold Caufe.

^BOUT of a Bulbe, or Root of Garlick, chufe a Chive of a convenient Bignefs; ther having paffed a fine piece of Thread or Silk through one End of it, that thereby it may be pull'd out at pleafure, crush it a little between your Fingers, and having anointed it all over with Oyl of Bitter, (or for want of that, Sweet) Almonds, put it into the Cavity of the Patient's Ear at Bed-time, and draw it out the next Morning, stopping the Ear afterwards with Black Vol. I. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 21 lack Wool; but if need require, this Opention is to be reiterated with fresh Garlick or some Days successively.

I. For Ruptures in the Belly, especially in Children.

Having well cleanfed the Roots of Sigillum Salamonis, fcrape one Ounce of m into a Quart of Broth, and let the Patient ike a Mefs, or a Porrenger full of it for his reakfaft; or elfe give half a Dram, or two cruples of the Powder of it at a time in any onvenient Vehicle.

II. To give check to Fits of the Gout, and in some measure to prevent them.

TAKE three Ounces of Sarfaparilla flic'd and cut thin ; to thefe add an equal Veight of Raifins of the Sun, rubb'd very lean, but not broken ; Put both thefe Inredients into three Quarts of Spring-water, ad let the Veffel fland in a moderate Heat, hat the Liquor may fimper for many Hours, et without burfting most part of the Raifins ; eep this Decoction well flopt, and let the 'atient use it for his only Drink, till he need t no longer. VIII. A

VIII. A Water for Ulcers and Sores.

B TAKE a Solution of Venetian Sublimat and having made with very goo Quick-lime as ftrong a Lime-water as you can (fo that, if it be poffible, it may bear a Egg) drop this upon the diffolved Sublimat till it will precipitate no more reddifh Stu at all; (which will not fo foon be done. one that hath not try'd will imagine :) foon as you perceive that the Liquors act n longer vifibly upon one another, pour th Mixture into a Filter of Cap-Paper, which retaining the Orange-colour'd Precipitate wi transmit an indifferently clear Liquor; whic is to be in a Glass-Vial kept ftop'd for i proper Use ; namely, that the Part affecte may be therewith wash'd from time to tim and, if need be, kept cover'd with doub Linnen-Cloths wetted in the fame Liquor.

JX, A Plaister to Discuss Tumors, an Ripen them if it cannot Discuss them.

^BTAKE of Yellow Wax, Frankincense an Rosin, of each four Ounces, or a su ficient Quantity, melt them together gently and being strained, make up the Mass int a Roll for Use.

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X. For the Black Jaundice itself.

TAKE a Spoonful of Honey, boil it gently, and fcum it, till it come to a good Confiftence : Then add of Wheat-Flour and Saffron (reduced to a Powder) as much of each is you may take upon the Point of a Knife; and having mix'd all well, put it over the Coals again, until it lofe its fmell; afterwards you may put it into a little Stone or Earthernet, and keep it for Ufe; which is, that the Patient take the Quantity of a Pea, and noint the Navel, and fill the Cavity thereof with it; repeating the Application for ome Days together, when the Stomach is mpty, and abstaining from Meat and Drink bout two Hours after the Medicine is used.



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24 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. I. これませいたまでしたまでしたまでした。 DECAD VI. I. A Parable Medicine for the Stone. AKE of the Seed of Flixwood, and give of it about as much as will lie upon a Shilling, either whole or grofly bruis'd, in any convenient Vehicle. II. For Fits of the Mother. B Iffolve ftore of Sea-Salt in the beft Wine-Vinegar, and in this dip a foft Linen Cloth, which being folded fo as to make 3 or 4 Doubles, is to be applied fomewhat warm to the Soles of the Patient's Feet, and kept on till the Fit be over.

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III. A Choice Plaister to strengthen the Joints after the Gout, and hasten the going off of the Pain.

^A T Ake of Paracelfus and Diapalmaana, melt them and incorporate them exactly together, and fpread the Mixture very thin upon fine Leather, to be us'd as a Plaster to the Part affected.

IV. A very good Drink in continual Fevers.

A Ake a Decoction of the Leaves of Rue in fair Water, till the Liquor tafte pretty frong of the Plant: This being ftrain'd, is to be made fome what palatable with Liquorice, or a little Sugar, or Aromatick Body: To half a Pint of this add about 10 Drops of Spirit (not Oil) of Vitriol: Let the Patient use this for his ordinary Drink.

V. A good Drink to be frequently used in Fevers, especially continual ones.

AG lve in half a Pint of some small convenient Drink, half an Ounce of Harts-Horn, burnt to great whiteness; which is to be C a lit-

a little boiled in the Liquor ; and this, thus alter'd, is to be given from time to time.

VI. An easie Medicine for a fresh Strain.

^BM^{Ake up the Clay with which the Bungs of Barrels are wont to be ftop'd, with as much Vinegar as will bring it to the Confiftence of an indifferently ftiff Cataplafm : Then warm it a little, and apply it to the Part affected.}

VII. A Remedy much used for Chilblains.

CT Ake a Turnip, roaft it well under the Embers, and beat it to a Poultice; then apply it very hot to the Part affected, and keep it on (if need be) for 3 or 4 Days; in that time fhifting it twice or thrice, if occasion require.

VIII. A fimple Antimonial Remedy, that has often done much Good even in the Leprofie, and all continual Fevers.

AT Ake Crude Antimony, well chofen and powder'd; of this give about one, two, or three Scruples Morning and Evening, according

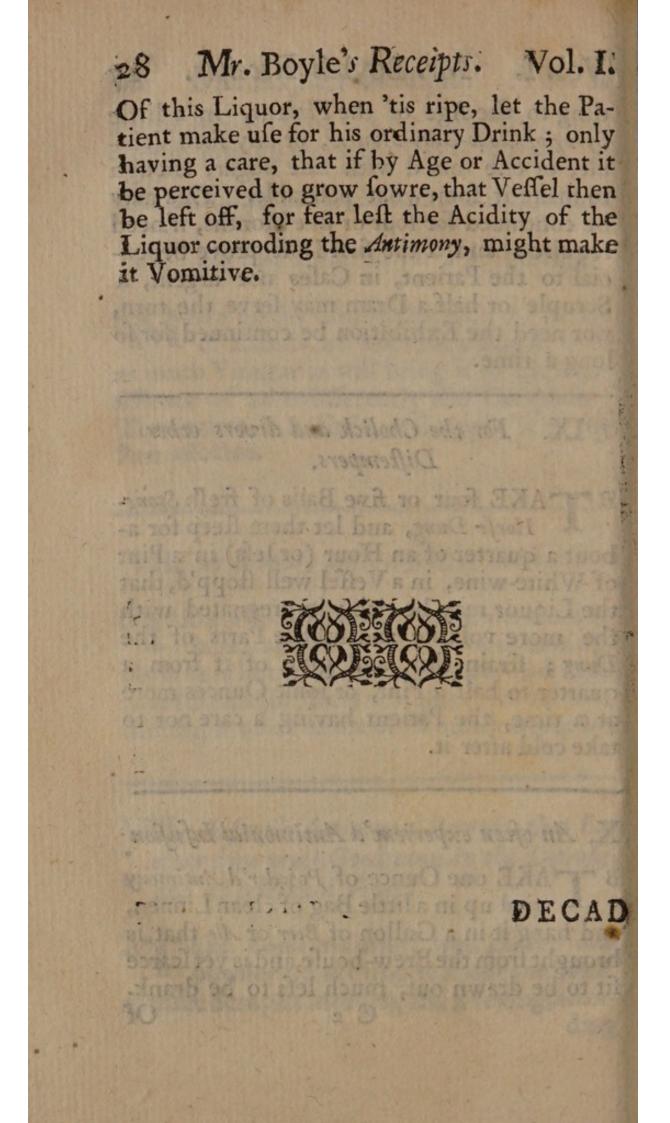
ding to the Age of the Patient, in a little Syrup of Clove-Gilly-Flowers, or any fuch Vehicle, or elfe mix'd with fine Sugar, enough to make it fomewhat palatable. This may be continued for four or five Months, if need require; and if the firft Dofe prove beneficial to the Patient, in Cafes not urgent, a Scruple or half a Dram may ferve the turn, nor need the Exhibition be continued for fo long a time.

IX. For the Cholick and divers other Distempers.

B TAKE four or five Balls of fresh Stone-Horfe Dung, and let them steep for about a quarter of an Hour (or less) in a Pint of White-wine, in a Vessel well stopp'd, that the Liquor may be richly impregnated with the more volatile and subtile Parts of the Dung; strain this, and give of it from a quarter to half a Pint, or some Ounces more at a time, the Patient having a care not to take cold after it.

X. An often experienc'd Antimonial Infusion

B TAKE one Ounce of Powder'd Antimony tied up in a little Bag of clean Linnen, and hang it in a Gallon of Beer or Ale that is brought from the Brew-house, and is yet scarce fit to be drawn out, much less to be drank. C 2 Of



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DECAD VII.

I. An easie Medicine to cleanse the Womb, especially after Child-bearing.

B AKE a large white Onyon, of about four Ounces in weight, (if you can get fo big a one, and boil it in about a Pint of Water, with any thing fit to make a very thin Broth, till a third part or more of the Liquor be confumed: Of this Broth, which may be made a little palatable with Nutmeg, &c. the Patient is to take fix or eight Ounces twice or thrice a day.

II. An experienced Wash that quickly cures the Itch.

A TAKE ftrong Quick-Lime, one Pound, and put to it a Gallon of Springwater; let them lie together for fome Hours, and then warily pour off the clearer; filter the reft, and take two Ounces of Quick-filver, C 3 tied

tied up in a Linnen Bag, and hang it in the Liquor, and boil it for half an Hour or more; then pour off the clear Liquor once more, and wafh the Hands only with it twice, or at most thrice a day.

III. A Remedy often used with Success in Fluxes, and even Dysenteries.

^B TAKE fresh Roots of Bistort, cut them into thin Slices, and moisten them well with fair Water and Wine, to make them more fost and succulent; then press out the Juice as strongly as you can; and of this give about three or four Spoonfuls mingled with half a dozen Spoonfuls, or somewhat more, of Red Wine, or some other convenient Liquor.

IV. A good Medicine for a fore Throat.

^B TAKE the White of a new laid Egg, and by beating it, reduce it into Water; and with this Water mix diligently fo much Conferve of Red Rofes as will reduce it to a foft Mafs; whereof the Patient is to let a little bit at a time melt leifurely in his Mouth.

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V. A choice Medicine for a fore Throat.

ATAke a Piece of greasie Linen-Cloth, of fuch a bignefs, as that being doubled, may make a Bag in form of a Stay, to reach from one Side of the Throat to the other, and contain as much Matter, as may make it of the thicknefs of an Inch or more : This Bag being fill'd with common Salt, is to be heated throughly, and apply'd to the Part affected as warm as the Patient can conveniently endure; and within two Hours after, or when it begins to grow too cold, another like it and well heated, is to be fubstituted in its room; and whilst this is cooling, the other may be heated, and made ready for use: So that the Part affected may be always kept in a confiderable Degree of Warmth, for about 48 Hours, if the Remedy be fo long needed.

VI. An often experienc'd Medicine for the Cholick, especially produced by sharp Humours.

ATAke a Quart of Claret, and put into the Veffel about 2 Ounces of Nettle-Seeds, ftop the Bottle, and keep it in boiling Water, till the Water has made 3 or 4 warms, to affift the Wine's Impregnation with the finer Part of the Seeds: Of this Liquor let the Patient take a finall Draught once or twice a day. VII. To C. 4

VII. To appeale the Pain of the Hæmorrhoids, whether internal or external.

^BT Ake two Parts of Flower of Sulphur, and one Part of Sugar very finely powder'd, mix them exactly together, and make them up with a fufficient Quantity of Mucilage or Gum Trajacanth, into Lozenges of about a Dram a-piece: Of which you may give one at a Time, thrice a Day, or if need be, 4 or 5 Times.

VIII. To make an excellent Drink for the Seurvy.

^AT Ake two Handful's of Water-Trefoil, and let it work in about 8 Gallons of Wort inftead of Hops, or of Small-Ale or Wort, made for it; and let the Patient use it for all, or for a great Part of his ordinary Drink.

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CPEEL off the Inner-Skin of an Egg-Shell, then beat the Shell to a very fine Powder: Give about a Scruple of it at a Time in any convenient Vehicle.

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X. A powerful Application to prevent and check the Apoplexy.

^AMAKE an Issue at the Meeting of the Sutures, and keep it open for a good while: but if the Case will not admit a Delay, clap on a good Cupping-Glass, without Scarrification, or with it, as need shall require, upon the same Concourse of the Sutures.

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A AKE Houfleek, and having lightly beaten it in a Glafs or Stone-Mortar, prefs out the Juice hard between two Plates; to this Juice put almost an equal Quantity of Virgin-Honey, mix them well, and add to the Mixture a little Burnt Allum, as much as is requifite to give it a difcernible Alluminous Taste: Let the Patient take this from time to time, with a Liquorish Stick, or fomefuch thing.

II. An approved Medicine for a Cancer not broken.

^BT AKE dulcify'd Colcothar, and with Cream of Whites of Eggs beaten to a Water, bring it to the Confiftence of a Cataplaim; which ought to be made large, and fpread about the Thicknefs of Half a Crown, and applied warm to the Part affected, fhifting it at leaft once a Day. III. To

III. To make a very good Syrup for thin Rheums.

A Ake Syrup of Jujubes, Syrup of dried Roses, and Syrup of Corn Poppy-Flowers, of each a like Quantity, mix and use them as the Necessity of the Sick requires.

IV. For the Dyfentery and Pleurifie. BGRate to fine Powder the dry'd Pizzle of *a Stagg*, and give of it as much as will lie upon a Shilling or thereabouts, once or twice a Day, in any convenient Vehicle.

V. To strengthen the Gums, and make the Teeth grow fine.

^B Ake Catechu, Terra Japonica, or Japonian Earth, and diffolve as much as you can of it in a Pint of Claret, or Red-Wine; then decant the Liquor warily from the fubfiding Fœces, and let the Patient now and then waft his Mouth with it, especially at Bed-time.

VI. For a Hoarseness upon a Cold.

B Ake three Ounces of Hyffop-Water, fweeten it with Sugar-Candy; then beat well into it the Yolk of an Egg, and drink it at a Draught. VII. A

VII. A choice Medicine for the Jaundice in Children.

AT Ake half an Ounce of choice Rhubarb made into Powder: Incorporate with it exactly by long beating, two Handfuls of well chofen and cleanfed Currans. Of this Electuary let the Patient take every Morning about the Quantity of a Nutmeg, for feveral Days together.

VIII. A rare Medicine to take away Gouty, or other Arthritick Pains.

AT Ake highly restify'd Spirit of Man's Urine, and anoint the Part with it, the Cold being just taken off, once or twice the first Day, and no longer, unless the Pain continue.

IX. For a Prolapfus Uteri.

^BA Pply to the Patient's Navel a pretty large Cupping-Glas; but let it not flay on too long, nor above a Quarter of an Hour, for fear of injuring the Part it covers, especially the Navel-String.

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X. To allay Heat in the Eyes proceeding from sharp Humours.

^B**B**^{EAT} the White of an Egg into a Water, in which diffolve a pretty Quantity of Refined Loaf-Sugar, and then drop fome of it into the Patient's Eye.

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Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. I. 38 DECAD An Experienc'd Medicine for strength-I. ning a Weak Sight. AKE of Eye-Bright, sweet Fannel-Seeds, and fine Sugar, all reduc'd to Powder, of each an Ounce, Nutmeg alfo pulveriz'd, one Dram (atmost;) mix these very well together, and take of the Composition from one Dram, to two or more, from time to time. II. An oftentry'd Medicine for Tertian Agues. Ake Crude Allum and Nutmeg finely scraped, of each about half a Dram, mix the Powders well together, and with about 6. Grains of Saffron: Give this in two or three Spoonfuls of White-wine Vinegar, at the usual time.

III. For

III. For Stuffings of the Lungs, and the Chin-Cough.

^BM^AK E Syrup of Penny-Royal, or of Ground-Ivy moderately tart with Oyl of Vitriol; and of this let the Patient take very leifurely about a quarter of a Spoonful. from time to time.

IV. For the Falling-Sickness in Children.

^B**T** AKE half a Dram of choice Amber, finely powder'd, and give it for fix or feven Weeks together, once a Day, when the Stomach is empty, in about four Ounces of good White-wine.

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V. An approv'd Medicine to drive the Stone, and cure Suppression of Urine proceeding from it.

A TAKE the Roots of Wild Garlick (by fome Country People called Crow Garlick) wipe them very clean, ftamp them very well in a Mortar of Stone or Glafs, and ftrain out the Juice; with which make a moderate Draught of good White Wine confiderably ftrong, and let the Patient take it once or twice a day.

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VI. An experienced Medicine for Sore I proats.

^A**T**^{AKE} of Scabius-Water fix Ounces, of Wine-Vinegar a fmall Spoonful, of Mustard-Seed beaten, and of Honey, of each a Spoonful; ftir and shake them very well together; and then filter the Mixture, and keep it for Use.

VII. An often experienced external Remedy in ApopleEtick Fits.

^A **F**^{IX} a Cupping-Glass (without Scarrification) to the Nape of the Neck, and another to each of the Shoulders, and let them flick on a competent time.

VIII. An easie, but approv'd Medicine for the Cholick.

^B**T**AKE about half a Dram of Mastick, and mix it with the Yolk of a new-laid Egg, and give it to the Patient once or twice a Day.

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IX. To appeale the Heat of Fevers by an External Remedy.

A Pply to the Soles of the Feet a Mixture or thin Cataplaim made of the Leaves of Tobacco, fit to be cut to fill a Pipe with, beaten up with as much of the fresheft Currans you can get, as will bring the Tobacce to the Confiftence of a Poultis.

X. The Medicine that is in Such request in Italy against the Worms in Children.

BINfuse one Dram of clean Quick-filer all Night, in about two Ounces of the Water of Goats Rue, distill'd the common Way in a cold Still: And afterwards strain and filter it, to sever it from all Dregs that may happen in the making it. This Quantity is given for one Dose.



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AKE Snail-Shells, and beat the pulpy Part of them very well, with a convenient Quantity of fine chop'd Parfly, which is to be applied warm to the affected Part, and shifted two or three times a day.

II. A Simple but Useful Lime-water good for the King's-Evil, and divers other Caufes.

B' Ake half a Pound of good Quick-Lime, and put it into one Gallon of Spring-Water, and infuse it for twenty-four Hours; then decant the Liquor, and let the Patient drink a good Draught of it two or three times a day, or he may use it for his ordinary Drink, this Infusion may be coloured with Saffron or Red-Sanders; and if need be, to make it ftronger, add more Lime, and warm the Water and keep it well ftopt.

III. An

I. An excellent Medicine for a fresh Strein.

AKE four Ounces of Bean-Flower, two Ounces of Wine-Vinegar; of these take a Cataplasm to be applied a little warm the Part affected; but if this should prove omething too sharp (as in some Cases it hay) then take two Drams of Litharge, and oil it a little in the Vinegar before you put to the Bean-Flower.

IV. For the Piles.

AKE Balfam of Sulphur made with Oil of Turpentine, Ointment of Toacco, equal Parts, incorporate them well, nd anoint the grieved Place therewith.

V. For a Burn.

Mingle Lime-Water with Linfeed-Oil, by beating them together with a Spoon, nd with a Feather erefs the Burn feveral imes a day.

VI. For a fresh Strein.

^A**B**OIL Bran in Wine-Vinegar to the Confiftency of a Poultis, apply it warm, and renew the Poultis once in twelve Hours for two or three times.

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VII. An experienc'd Medicine for the Cholick.

A TAKE good Nitre one Ounce, and rub it well in a clean Mortar of Glafs or Stone, then grind it with half a Scruple or more of fine Saffron, and of this Mixturegive about half a Dram for a Dofe, in three or four Ounces of cold Spring-water.

VIII. To make an Isue raw, that begins to heal up.

B TAKE of Lapis Infernalis one Ounce, of Crown Soap an Ounce and an half, Chalk finely powder'd fix Drams, mix them all together carefully, and keep them clofe ftopt, except when you mean to use them.

IX. For a Sore Throat.

^A MAKE a Plaister of Paracelfus, three or four Fingers broad, and length enough to reach almost from one Ear to the other, and apply it to the Part affected, fo that it may touch the Throat as much as may be.

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X. For Heat about the Orifice of the Stomach.

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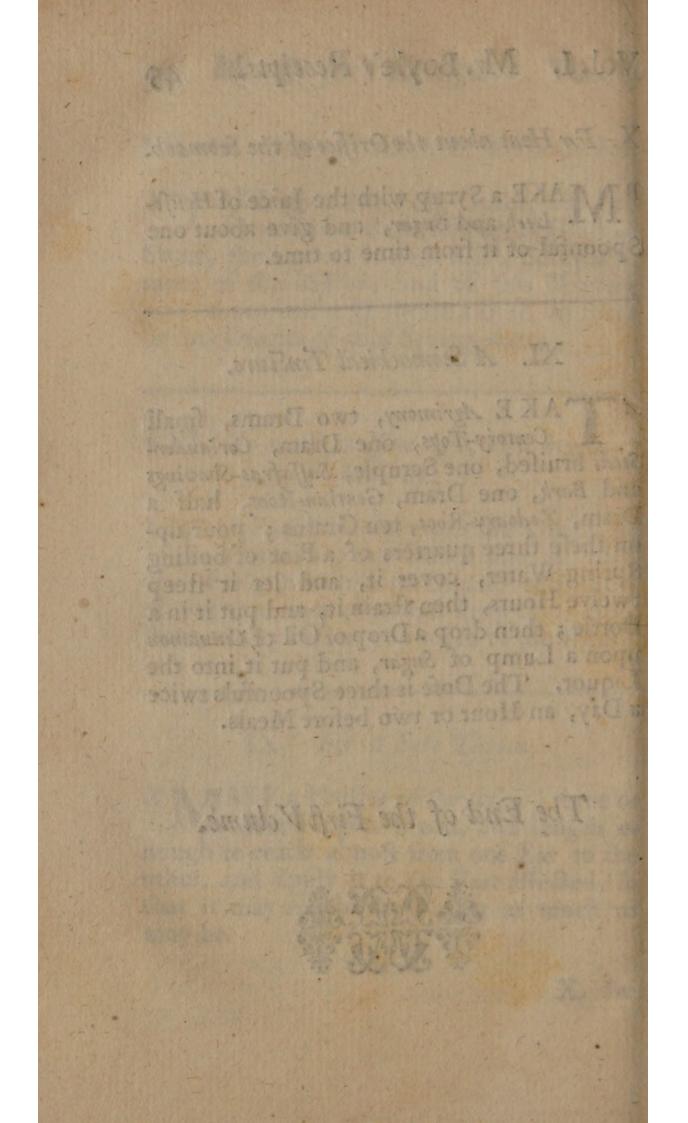
^BMAKE a Syrup with the Juice of House-Leek and Sugar, and give about one Spoonful of it from time to time.

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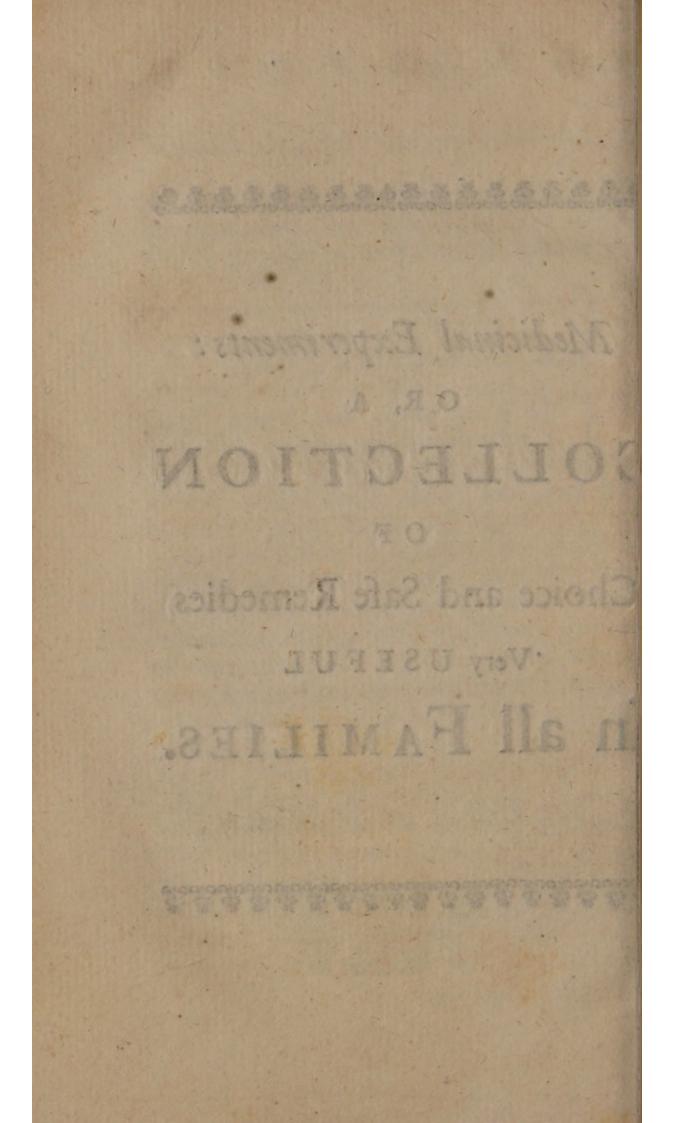
A AKE Agrimony, two Drams, fmall Centory-Tops, one Dram, Coriander-Seeds bruifed, one Scruple, Saffafras-Shavings and Bark, one Dram, Gentian-Root, half a Dram, Zedoary-Root, ten Grains; pour upon these three quarters of a Pint of boiling Spring-Water, cover it, and let it steep twelve Hours, then strain it, and put it in a Bottle; then drop a Drop of Oil of Cinnamon upon a Lump of Sugar, and put it into the Liquor. The Dose is three Spoonfuls twice a Day, an Hour or two before Meals.

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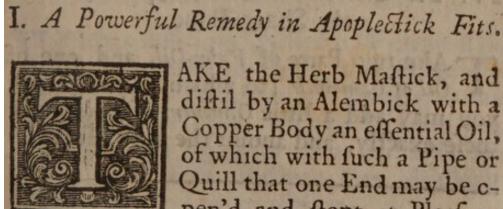
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AKE the Herb Mastick, and diftil by an Alembick with a Copper Body an effential Oil, of which with fuch a Pipe or Quill that one End may be cpen'd and stopt at Pleasure

(the other still remaining open) blow up some drops first into one of the Patient's Nostrils, and a while after into the other owt Dram or two of the Galifie Salt of Man

II. A Good Plaister for Aches, especially Scorbutical.

S pread thinly upon Slink or very fine Kids-Leather, the Emplastrum de Mucilaginibus, and let it lie upon the aching Part as long as there is Need.

III. For an Old Ach or Strain.

T Ake of Lucatellas Balfam one Ounce, of Oyl of Turpentine one Dram, incorporate them very well with a gentle Heat, and anoint the Part affected therewith, wearing on it a Piece of unwash'd Flannen besmear'd with the fame Ointment.

IV. For Scorbutick Aches, especially about the Share-Bone.

T Ake two Parts of Palm-Oil, and one of Oil of Camomile (to which, if you pleafe, you may add a little Ointment of Elder) mix these exactly, and anoint the Part affected.

V. A Powerful Remedy for Scorbutick Aches.

TAke to one Ounce of Oil of Turpentine, one Dram or two of the Volatile Salt of Harts-Horn,

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 5 I. Horn, or as much as being well ground with it in a Mortar of Glass or Marble, will bring it to the Confiftence of a kind of Ointment, with which the Cold being taken off, the Part affected is to be lightly anointed. N Ry Redit anther'd Run W mitt, till it become fit to be apply'd be VI. A very easie Medicine for light Scorbutick Aches or Pains. t once or twice a day, it is cod require. A Noint the pained Part from Time to Time with Fasting-Spittle; and if you will have the Medicine a little ftronger, the Patient may put Roch-Allum to the Bigness of a small Pea into his Mouth before he employs his Spittle. sean odd number) of the Roots of wort, and having made them clean, VII. For Aches and Pricking Pains in the Sides on ellewhere Sides or elsewhere. X7 Ith a fufficient Quantity of clean Sulv phur finely powder'd, mix diligently as much Venice-Treacle as will bring it to the Confistence for Pills. Of this Mixture you may give the Quantity of a Pistol-Bullet wice, or at most, thrice a Day, drinking any convenient Liquor after it. ny conventent Liquor atter it. X.E.

VIII. An experienc'd Remedy for an Anafarca, or General Disease of the whole Body.

F Ry freshly gather'd Rue with Oyl of Walnuts, till it become fit to be apply'd hot as a Cataplasm or Poultis to the Navel; and keep it on that Part some Hours, renewing it once or twice a day, if Need require.

IX. An external Medicine often successfully try'd for Agues.

TAke 5, 7, or 9 (for 'tis pretended it muft be an odd number) of the Roots of Ribwort, and having made them clean, put them into a little Bag of Sarfenet or fine Linnen, and let the Patient wear it upon the Nape of his Neck, renewing it within 2, 3, or 4 days if Need require.

X. A try'd Remedy for Agues.

TAke of the Bark of Saffafras-Root, and of Virginian Snake-Weed, both in Powder, of each 10 grains; and with half a dram, or 2 Scruples of Mitbridate or Venice-Treacle, or as much as will give it a due Confiftence, make a Bolus to be taken the ufual Hours. XI. A

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 53 XI. A choice Medicine for Aguish Distempers.

T Ake of Salt Wormwood 15 grains, Crabs-Eyes, or Powder of Crabs-Claws Simple 8 or 10 grains; mix thefe well, and give them in 2 or 3 Spoonfuls of fome Cordial-water.

XII. An excellent Wrist-Plaister for Agues.

T Ake Wax, and spread it to about the thickness of a Crown-Piece of Silver, and of a convenient Breadth and Length to make an entire Wrist-Plaister; upon this spread and display as well as you can the Leaves of the Tops of Ruc, not yet fully open'd by Time, so that they may cover the whole Plaister as well as you can make them do it. Then apply this Emplaister, and let it lie on several days confequitively.

XIII. An often try'd Medicine for Agues.

TAke Ribwort, gather the leaves as near the Root as you can in a dry Morning, wipe them clean, but do not wash them; then dry them carefully, till you may reduce them to Powder. Of this Powder give from one dram to two at most, mixt with one dram of Conferve of Roses, or the crumbs of White-bread, or the D 3 Yolk

Yolk of an Egg or two. N. B. You may before you dry the Leaves, diftil a Water out of fome of them, and make an Extract out of others with Spirit of Wine, or, which is better, with Spirit of Dew. They are both good for the fame Difeafe that the Powder is. The Dofe of the Water is one Ounce, or an Ounce and half, at the ufual Times; and that of the Extract about one Dram in fome Ounces of White-Wine.

XIV. An Excellent Medicine for Agues, especially Tertians.

G Ive as much of well-condition'd Virginian Snake-Root reduc'd to fine Powder, as will lie upon a Shilling, in a Cup of Sherry just before the Beginning of the cold Fit, repeating it once or twice, if it need to be uled oftner.

XV. For a Tertian Ague.

T Ake of the Root of Angelica grated, or otherwife made into Powder, and give of it from half a Dram to a Dram, in any convenient Vehicle at the ufual Times (viz. about two Hours before the cold Fit.)

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XVI. A Medicine with which a Quartan was cur'd, that could not be cured with Jesuits Bark.

T Ake one Dram of the black Tips of Crabs-Claws, and having reduc'd them to exceeding fine Powder, let the Patient take it in any convenient Vehicle or Conferve, twice or thrice, as he would take the Cortex, without intermitting any day.

XVII. An easte Remedy, which long continued, does much destroy Acidities or Heart-Burnings in the Stomach.

TAke half a Dram at least of finely powdered red Coral, and give it from time to time in any convenient Vehicle, till the Patient be relieved.

XVIII. A very often tried Remedy for the Afthma.

TAke Soap-Boilers Lees (made with Pot-Afhes and Quick-Lime) one Part, Spirit of Wine rectified two Parts; fet them in Digeftion (to unite them well) and then add fome Drops (at difcretion) Chymical Oil of Carraways, and if you pleafe, of Annifeeds too. The Dofe in younger Perfons is about 10 Drops, in elder ones, from half a Dram to one Dram, in fome convenient Vehicle.

XIX. An excellent Medicine for a Dry or Convulsive Afthma.

TAke choice Saffron, reduce it (by rubbing it in a ftone or glass Mortar) to a Kind of Powder, and with any convenient Mixture, give 8 or 10 grains of it in the form of Pills at Bed-time.

XX. An experienc'd Remedy for Difficulty of Breathing.

T Ake of choice Caftorcum dry'd enough to be powder'd, 2 or 3, or at most 4 grains, mix this with 10 or 11 grains of Gascoign's Powder reduc'd to very fine Powder; mix up these with some little Syrup or Conferve, and when the Patient has taken it, let him wash it down with the Mixture, confisting of 5 drams of Penny-royal-water, and half a dram, or at most two drams of Briony-water Compound.

XXI. An approved Medicine for inveterate Scorbutick Cholicks, and Pains of the Bowels.

TAke English Barley, and having well wash'd it, boil it in a sufficient quantity of fresh Spring-water till it be just ready to burst: Then pour off the clear upon the yellow Part of the Rinds of Lemmons, freshly cut off from the white Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 57 white Part, and put them into a Bottle, which being carefully ftopt, the Liquor is to be kept so for Use, which is, that the Patient make it his constant Drink. XXII. To reduce flaggy Breafts to a good Shape and Confiftence. TAke green Hemlock well bruis'd, and reduc'd to a Kind of Cataplasm or Poultis, which is to be apply'd (the Cold being first taken off) to the Parts 'tis to work upon, and to be kept on 'till it hath perform'd what was intended, fhifting it once a day. XXIII. An easie, but useful Remedy for a fresh Bruise or Contusion .. Ake fresh Butter and Parsley, of each a TAke frein Butter and having chopt the fufficient quantity, and having chopt the Herb, mix it very well with the Butter to the Confistence of a Cataplasm (which is to be apply'd warm) to the newly bruifed Part. XXIV. For coagulated Blood, or a Bruife. Ake Black Soft Soap, and with a fufficient Quantity of soft Crumbs of White-Bread very well mixt with it, make a Paffe, which is: to be laid on the Part with a Linnen Rag, and D 5 kept 94.03

kept bound upon it for fome Hours, that it may have Time to refolve the congeal'd Blood, and bring the contufed Part from a livid to a red Colour, which will much haften and facilitate the reftoring it to its former State.

XXV. To stench Blood falling from the Nose, by a Simple held in one's Hand.

LET the Patient hold Knot-grafs and Solomon's-Seal in his Hand till it grow warm there, or longer, if Need be.

XXVI. An Excellent Remedy to stench Blood in any Part of the Body.

T Ake Plantane-water two Ounces, Barley-Cinnamon-water, fix Drams, Spirit of Vinegar one Ounce, Dragons-Blood half a Dram, Syrup of Myrtles five Drams; mix and make a Julep, of which let the Patient take three Spoonfuls every Hour.

XXVII. The Styptick Water for stopping of Blood in any Part of the Body.

TAke one Pound of excellent Quick-Lime, and put it into a clear Earthen Pot, pour upon it five or fix Pounds of Fountain-water, cover

over the Pot close, and let it lie to infuse aout an hour without touching it, then after tir it with a flick for a little time; then let it ie as before for 24 hours, sometimes stirring it, n the end you shall let it settle to a Sediment > he Water being very clear above, pour it off by inclination without ftirring : Take of this Water one Pound, which being put into a Vial, you shall add to it a Dram and half of Subimate finely powdered, then shake very well all together, so that the Powder may diffolve, and be of an Orange colour, as more reddifh than yellow, and in the end clear and limpid, because the red Powder will præcipitate to the bottom. Your Water being clarified, you must separate the Water from the Grounds in to another Veffel, without troubling the Sediments, and to the Water you shall add one Dram of Oyl of Vitriol, and an Ounce of Saceurum Saturni. Shake all together, that they may mix the better, afterwards let all fettle, and pour off the clear Water, and keep it foryour ule.

XXVIII. A choice Medicine to refolve extravafated Blood.

GRate or Rasp the Root of Burdock, and spreading the Powder upon a Linnen-Cloth, bind it quite round the part affected, renewing it twice a day.

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XXIX. To make an excellent Styptick for stopping of Blood.

Ake Hungarian Vitriol, Allom, of each half a Pound, Phlegm of Vitriol ten Pounds: Boil to a Diffolution of the Vitriol and Allom; being cold, filter it through brown Paper, and if any Cryftals fhoot, feparate the Liquor from them, adding to each Pound one Ounce of Oil of Vitriol. Dip Cloths into this Liquor, and apply them to the Part affected.

XXX. An often try'd Styptick to stench Blood, especially in Wounds.

T Ake Colcothar as it comes out of the Retort, and having powder'd it, roll Tents of Lint in it, and apply them to the Orifices of the greater Veffels, and employ other usual Means to empress the Veffel upon the Tent, and to fill the Cavity of the Wound, partly with Colcothar too.

XXXI. A very often experienc'd Remedy for Burns.

T Ake two Parts of Oil of Walnuts, and one of Honey, mix 'em well together over a gentle fire, and when they are thoroughly incorporated, dip a Feather in the Mixture, and anoint therewith the Part affected, fo as the

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 61 the Ointment may touch it immediately, and then ftrew on it fome Powder of Ceterach, or Spleen-wort, and keep the Part quiet, and defend it from the Air.

XXXII. An easie Medicine, and common enough, but useful against Burns.

T Ake Onions, and beat them into a foft Mafs, and apply them as fpeedily as you can to the Part affected, and keep them on it, till they begin to grow dryifh, and then if need be, fhift them, and apply fresh ones.

XXXIII. For a Recent Burn.

T Ake Onions a fufficient quantity, and beat them very well with common Salt finely powder'd into a Mash, that may be applied as a Cataplasm (the cold being first taken off) to the Part affected; and renewing it, if need be, till the Impression of the fire be taken out.

XXXIV. An excellent Ointment for Burns and Scaldings.

T Ake of the inner Rind of Elder-tree, and offresh Sheep's-dung, without any adhering Straws or Foulness, of each one handful, and

and with fresh Butter or Oyl, make thereof an Oyntment, to be applied as is usual in such Diffempers.

XXXV. An easte and approv'd Remedy for Burns, especially recent ones.

TAke a fufficient Quantity of Adders-Tongue, and boil it foftly in Linfeed-Oyl till the Liquor be firongly impregnated with the Herb, then ftrain it, and keep it ftopt for Ufe.

XXXVI. An excellent Oyntment for Burns and Scaldings.

Ake of Saccarum Saturni half a Dram, of the fharpeft Vinegar four Ounces, make a Solution of the former in the latter, and add to this Solution drop by drop (often flirring or fhaking them together) as much Oyl of Elder as will ferve to reduce the Mixture into the form of a Nutritum or Oyntment.

XXXVII. A flow but innocent Way of making Blifters without Cantharides.

TAke Crows-foot, and putting to a handful of it about half a Speonful of Mustard ; beat them very well together to the confistence of

of a Poultis, put this to the thickness of one's little Finger into a cover of a Box cut shallow, and of about the breadth of the Palm of one's Hand (though this cover be less necessary than convenient) and cutting a hole of the wideness of the Box in a Plaister of *Diapalma* or the like, to make it stick, you must apply it to the part, and let it lie on 12 or 14 hours, because it works as well more flowly than *Cantharides*, as more fafely and innocently.

XXXVIII. A good Medicine to raife Blifters.

T Ake Cantharides reduced into Powder, and upon half an Ounce of this put two or three Ounces of good Spirit of Wine, let them lie together four or five days, that the Spirit may acquire a good Tincture, then filter it and dip into it a piece of Linnen Cloth 6, 7, or 8 times double, and of the figure and largenefs that you defire. This Cloth being throughly wetted and cover'd with a Melilor Plaifter, or one of Diachylum, or fome other that will flick, to keep it on, must be applied to the Part. At the end of five or fix hours you may take off your Plaifter, and the Linnen Cloth, and find your work done.

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64 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. II. XXXIX. To raise a Blifter without Can-

tharides.

THE Seed of Clemmatis Peregrina being. bound hard upon any Part, will in an Hour, or at most two, have an Operation like that of another Vesicatory, as far as its Contract reaches.

XL. An Uleful Medicine for Costivenels.

T Ake Virgin-Honey a fufficient quantity, and mix exactly with it as much finely powder'd Cremor Tartari as will fuffice to bring it to the Confistence of a fomewhat foft Electuary, of which the Patient may take upon the Point of a Knife the Bigness of an Almond (more or less) as upon Tryal you shall fee Cause.

XLI. For a Cancer in the Breaft.

T Ake of the Warts that grow on the hinder Legs of a (Stone) Horfe, dry them gently 'till you can reduce them to a Powder, of which you may give half a Dram for a Dofe in any convenient Vehicle.

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ILII. A Potent Medicine for Contusions and divers other Affections.

TAke Alcohole of Wine, and diffolve in it as much pure Campbire as you eafily can, nd keep it very clofe ftopt, till you have ccafion to use it. Then moiften thorowly with it fome thin Pieces of Linnen or Flanel, and apply them lukewarm; and likevife you may with a Rag dipt in it, apply to the Eye-lids, having a Care that none f it get into the Eye itfelf, fince there it yould cause great Smart. It may also be ery usefully apply'd to Burns, and yet more o Contustions.

KLIII. A try'd Medicine for Chilblains.

TAke pretty thick Parings freshly cut off from Turnips, and hold them to the lire till they be very crisp, then apply them o the unbroken Tumours or Blissers, as hot s the Patient can endure it, and keep them in a competent Time, and put on new if leed require. They will cause the peccant Matter to transpire, or otherwise waste withbut breaking the Blissers.

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XLIV. To make a very nourishing Aliment, that hath recovered divers in Confumptions.

T Ake 8 or 10 Craw-fishes (or, if they be not of the largest fize, a dozen) boil them (after the blackest Gut or String is taken out) in Barley-water, till they become very red ; then take them out, and beat them long, Shells and all, in a Marble or Glass Mortar, to a fost Mash, and in a Press strongly squeeze out the Juice ; which may be given either alone, or mixt with about an equal Part of Chicken-broth, or some fuch convenient Alimental Liquor.

XLV. AVulgar, but often approved Remedy for a Cold, especially that affect the Breast.

T Ake a Sheet, or half a Sheet pro renata, of brown Paper, of as even a Texture as you can get, and anoint it over evenly and very well with the eldeft Tallow, or Candlegreafe you can procure, fo that the Paper may be thorowly Penetrated by it. Then cover it thinly with Nutmeg, as you were to rub the Spice upon a Toft, and clap it warm to the Pit of the Stomach, that it may reach a good way, both above it and beneath it.

XLVI. An

LVI. An experienc'd Medicine for Coughs.

3 Oil good Turnips in water, and having express the Juice, mix it with as much nely powder'd Sugar-candy as will bring it no a kind of Syrup, of which let the Paent swallow a little as slowly as he can from 'ime to Time.

LVII. A good Medicine for Afthmatick Coughs.

TAke two Ounces of Oyl of Sweet Almonds freshly drawn, and put them pon one Dram of Flowers of Brimstone, eep them for a Fortnight in digestion in a noderate Heat, and then decant off the Oyl, r pass it through a clean Linnen Rag to teep back the Brimstone : Of this Liquor ive a Spoonful or two at a Time.

XLVIII. An easie Medicine, which cured not long fince a Gentlewoman that had taken muchPhysick for a Consumptive Cough.
TAke 8, 10, or 12 well chosenRaisins of the Sun, and having flit them open, take out he littleKernels, and stuff the Raisins with the cops or small tender leaves of Rue: and let the Patient take them, either as they are, or in the form

form of a Bolus, or the like, pretty early in the Morning, fafting after them two or three Hours at leaft, if he cannot conveniently faft 'till Noon.

XLIX. A Potent Medicine (for those that can bear it) to ripen Coughs, and hasten the Expectoration of Phlegm.

T Ake Onions, cut them into Slices, and fry them with fresh Butter, as if you were to eat them, then take them out of the Frying-Pan, and boil them with New Milk, 'till it be well impregnated with them, and they be made tender: Of this Mixture let the Patient take a moderate Quantity from Time to Time.

L. An Excellent Remedy for a Cough.

T Ake of Virgin-Honey 2 Ounces, of Red-Rofes warily dry'd and finely powder'd half an Ounce, of choice Sulphur very well fifted 2 Drams, of good *Benjamin* reduc'd to fine Powder 1 Dram; beat and mix all thefe very well; and of this let the Patient take the Mixture from Time to Time.

LI. A Plaister to prevent Corns.

TAke Yellow Bees-wax 4 Ounces, Verdigrife exactly powder'd and fifted 1 Ounce, the Caput Mortuum of the Scull of a Man 1 Dram. Incorporate them well with boiling them a little, and make thereof a Plaifter according to Art.

LII. An effectual Plaister for Softening and loofning Corns.

Sacle in an ounce

S Pread a Plaister of Gum Amoniacum, (not too thick) without being diffolv'd in Vinegar, and applying it to the Part affected, let it lie on, 'till it have fufficiently done the defigned work of Emolition.

LIII. A Powerful (but Smart) Remedy for Corns.

E Vaporate the strongly exprest Juice of Radishes to the Confistence of a soft Plaister, to be applied to the Part affected, and shifted as often as it grows dry. N. E. 'Twill sometimes smart for a while at first, but afterwards 'twill do its Work.

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LIV. A good Remedy for Corns of the Feet

TAke the Yeaft of Beer (not Ale) and fpreading it upon a Linnen Rag, or other Cloth, apply it to the Part affected, renewing it once a day.

LV. An excellent Remedy that has cured many Children of Convulsive Fits.

Ake two or three drops of (Chymical) Oyl of Rofemary, and put it into half an ounce of Sack in an ounce Bottle; ftop the Vial, and let it be well fhaked to make a whitifh Mixture of the Liquors juft before you give it. Or elfe in a half-pint Bottle or Vial, put four ounces of Sack, or fome appropriated Liquor, and drop into it forty drops of the formentioned Oyl; and whenever you are to give the Medicine, fhake the Vial well ftopt, and prefently give of the whitifh Mixture a Child's little Spoonful.

LVI. A Successful Medicine for Convulsive Fits and Hysterical Vapours (as they call them) or Fits of the Mother.

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Ake the Liver of a Hare (if it hath been hunted, it may be the better) and hang it up

Jol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 71 p in a dry Place till it be fomewhat fryable, aving a Care that it putrifie not; of this educed to Powder, let the Patient take two or three Scruples at a Time in any convenint Vehicle. E vellow Peel of Occupied to VII. An excellent Medicine for dry or Convulsive Asthma's, and also for Costiveness. Ive at Bed-time eight or ten grains of I choice Saffron, pulverized grofly in a ittle Syrup or Conferve, as of Violets, &c. o embody it with. VIII. An excellent Mixture for Fits of the Cholick, and Some-Kinds of Convulfions. Ake one ounce of Flowers of Sulphur, and as much Sugar-candy ; grind them very well together in a glass or ftone Mortar, and upon this Quantity drop thirty drops of Oy! of Carraway-Seeds, as much of Orange, and as much of the Oyl of Annifeeds : Incorporate these well, and of the Mixture give about twenty or thirty grains for a Dofe.

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LIX. An incomparable Medicine for the Cholick.

THE yellow Peel of Oranges being reduc'd to Powder, give from half a Dram to 2 Scruples of it in any convenient Vehicle.

LX. To make good Purging Drink for the Cholick.

TAke 2 Ounces of Rhubarb, 4 Ounces of Gentian, and a Quart of good Annifeed-water, let the Roots infuse along in it, and give the Patient about 2 Spoonfuls at a Time as often as Need requires.

LXI. An almost Specifick Remedy for a Fit of the Cholick.

Ake about half a Dram of express'd Oil of Nutmegs (ufually fold in the Shops for *East-Indian* Oyl of Mace) diffolve this in some Spoonfuls of good Wine, which the Patient is to take as hot as conveniently he can.

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LXII. An uncommon, but try'd Remedy for Cholicks (without much matter) and good in Fits of the Mother.

T Ake good Ginger dry, and inftead of powdering it, cut it into as thin Slices s you eafily can : With these fill a Tobaco-Pipe, and take the Smoak as you would hat of Tobacco. Do this twice, thrice, or Times a day, but especially at Bed-time,nd in the Morning.

XIII. An excellent Medicine for Convulfive Cholicks.

TAke of the Volatile Salt of Pidgeons-. Dung 2 or 3 Grains, or fomewhat more not exceeding 5 or 6 in all) mix these with Scruple or half a Dram of the fame Dung rude, but well and flowly dry'd, and finely owder'd. Give this Mixture for I Dofe in ome Spoonfuls of any convenient Vehicle.

XIV. For the Cholick, or Pains in the Sides.

Ake 2 Balls of fresh Horse-dung, and infuse them for 12 Hours (if Hafte reuire, 3 or 4 may ferve the Turn) in good. Vhite-wine, in a close Vessel; then strain ne Liquor, and let the Patient take 5 or 6 Junces of it at a Time. LXV. For

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B Oil about 1 Ounce of the Seeds of the black ftinging Nettles, in about a Quart or more of good Claret-wine; then ftrain the Decoction, and give of it a Wine-glass full at a Time, two or three Times a day, or as often as Need requires.

LXVI. An excellent Medicine for the Cholick.

T Ake of Dr. Stephens's-water half a Pint, Plague-water half a Pint, Juniper-Berry-water half a Pint, Powder of Rhubarb 2 Ounces; mingle these together, shake the Bottle when you take any of it, and take about 4 Spoonfuls at a Time.

LXVII. For the Cramp.

TAke the leaves of Rosemary, chop them very small, and sew them so in fine Linnen or Sarsnet, as to make a kind of Garter of them to be ty'd about the Patient's bare Leg.

LXVIII. To take off the Pain of the Cramp.

T Ake of the Ointment of Populeon 2 Parts, Oil of Spiks 1 Part; mix them, and with

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with the Mixture anoint well or chafe the Part affected.

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LXIX. A Remedy by which an Hydropical Merchant was cur'd.

G Ive about half a Dram or 2 Scruples for a Dofe of yellow transparent Amber, twice or thrice a day in any convenient Vehicle.

LXX. An Experienc'd Medicine for a Dyfentery, or Bloody-Flux.

G Ive about 3 Ounces of the Juice of Ground-Ivy, mixt with 1 Ounce of the Juice of Plantane, once or twice a day.

LXXI. For to stop a Dysentery, or Bloody-Flux.

USE the Powder of Crepitus Lupi, or Fuls-Balls, made up with some Conferve of Roses, or other convenient Additament, into Pills. Of this Mixture give in Dysenteria, as much at a time, as contains from about a Scruple, to about half a Dram of the Powler.

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LXXII. An easie, but very often try'd Digestive, to be used instead of Basilicum.

TAke 2 Ounces of good Venice-Turpentine, and incorporate very well with it the Yolks of 2 fresh Eggs, and then add to it (at discretion) a little Spirit of Wine; with this dress the Part Morning and Evening, laying it on thicker, if the Part be near some Nerve or other drier Part, and less thick, if it be fleshy or moist.

LXXIII. A good Medicine for Incontinency of Urine, and the beginning a Diabetes.

CUT off the Necks of well-blown Sheeps-Bladders, of the remaining Membranes put up pretty Store one over another into a cover'd Pot, where being dry'd gently, and yet fufficiently, in a Baker's-Oven, take them out, and pulverize them well. The Dofe is as much as will lie upon a large Groat, or fmall Six-Pence.

LXXIV. For a Diarrhæa, Loofenefs, or Flux of the Belly.

MIX up 15 Grains, or if the Diftemper be but flight, 10 Grains, of powder'd Rhubarb, with half a Dram of Dioscordium, and

and let the Patient take it either going to Bed, or early in the Morning after his firft Sleep.

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LXXV. For a Contustion in the Eye. TAke the Crumb of White-Bread, and diligently incorporate with Black foft Soap as much of it as will make a fomewhat foft Passe; and then with your Thumbs make a little Cake (as it were) of it, and apply to the bruised Part, the Eye being first shut, and blind it so that it may lie on for some Hours, or a Day, if Need be. But this ought to be used with Caution.

LXXVI. An excellent Medicine for clammy Humours of the Eyes.

TAke New Milk, and let it fland 'till it hath got a little Cream upon it, then let the Patient, when he is in Bed, take up with his finger a little of the Cream (and not of Milk) and fhutting his Eye-lids, befmear his Eyes with it, having a Care that very little or none get into his Eyes, becaufe it would make them fmart; let the Cream lie on 'till the next Morning, and in cafe the Patient chance to wake in the Night, he may, if he finds Caufe, lay on a little more, and wafh all off in the Morning.

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LXXVII. A somewhat sharp, but often try'd Medicine to take off the Pearl on the Eye.

TAke of the Juice of Celandine, and mix with it about an equal Part of pure Honey; and of this Mixture employ a drop, or at most two, at a Time, letting it fall upon the Part affected Morning and Evening.

LXXVIII. An easie Remedy for a recently Blood-shot Eye.

TAke a rotten Apple, and as many Tops of Wormwood, as being well beaten together with it, will make a Mass of the Confistence of a Cataplasm; warm this a litle, and put a sufficient Quantity of it into a thin and clean Linnen Rag, and let the Patient keep it upon the Part affected all Night, the next Morning wash it off with fome Red Rose-water, or the like Liquor.

LXXIX. To make a choice Ophthalmick Water to preferve the Eyes and Sight.

T Ake of the diftill'd water of Rue, Celandine and Vervain, of each 1 Ounce; mix them, and infuse in them 2 Drams of Crocus Metallorum, exquisitely ground for a Week Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 79 Week or ten days; then very carefully filter the Infufion, that none of the Atoms of Powder pass thorow the Liquor. Of this let fall into the Eye a drop or two, Morning and Evening, having a Care not to shake the glass, when you employ the Liquor, left fome unheeded dust may have escaped the filter, and be raifed.

LXXX. For a flight Ophthalmia, or Blood-fhot Eye.

S Hake half a Dram of diligently prepared Tutty into an Ounce of Red Rofewater, and drop it often into the Eye.

LXXXI. An experienc'd Eye-Water for an Inflammation and Tumour of the Eye.

Ake of prepared Tutty half an Ounce, the water of white Rofes and of Frogs Spawn, and alfo of the best Canary Wine (not diftill'd) of each 2 Ounces, of Aqua mirabilis half an Ounce: Mix these well, and drop a very little at a Time into the Patient's Eyes.

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LXXXII. An odd and often try'd Medicine for an Erefypelas.

T Ake the Blood of a hunted Hare whilft 'tis yet warm, and dreuch thorowly in it clean Linnen Rags, which are to be dry'd in the Wind or free Air, and then kept in a dry Place for Ufe: Lay a good Piece of Linnen thus flained upon the Part affected, and either by binding it on, or covering it with fome filken or other Cloth, whofe Edges have fome flicking Plaifter, keep it from falling off, and renew it from day to day, if there be Need. N. B. If it be grown too fliff with long keeping, you may foften it with a little fprinkling of fair Water.

LXXXIII. An experienc'd Water for sharp and slimy Humours in the Eyes and Eye-Lids.

T Ake of prepared Tutty half an Ounce, prepared Coral and Pearl of each half a Scruple, Trochifci-Albi Raf. 5 or 6 Grains, Red Rofe-water, and Succory-water, of each an Ounce and half; mix them well, and if you will have the Medicine ftronger, you may put 3 or 4 Grains of Aloes into it.

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LXXXIV. A choice Remedy for an Ophtalmia, or Blood-shot Eyes.

TAke of the Juice of Houfleek two Parts, Daifies and Ground-Ivy, of each one Part; mix thefe Juices together, and to about 2 Spoonfuls of the Mixture, put 5 or 6 drops of Clarified Honey: Let the Juices depurate themfelves by Refidence, and then in fome fmall Silver Veffel clarifie them, and of this Mixture let fall a drop or two into the Eye 3 or 4 times a day. N. B. But if the Inflammation be not fo great, but there is more Need of Absperfion, use more of the Juice of Ground-Ivy, and less of that of Houssek.

LXXXV. For a light Stroke or Contusion of the Eye.

TAke 2 Ounces of Betony-water, and three drops of Clarified Honey, mix them well together, and drop them into the Eye 3 or 4 times a day; the Composition must be made fresh every second and third day.

LXXXVI. A potent, but Smarting Medicine for things growing on the Eye...

T Ake white Paper, and let it flame away upon a clean Pewter Platter, 'till there remain fo much Oyl behind as you think you E 5 fhall

fhall need; blow off the Cinders of the Papers, and with a little of your Spittle mixt by your finger with the Oil, make up a kind of Ointment; which being taken up with a feather, is to be apply'd once or twice a day, as Need fhall require (and as the Patient can well bear) to the affected Eye; which Courfe is to be continued till the Cure be compleated.

LXXXVII. For Hurts that make the Solution of Continuity in the Eye.

T Ake 2 Ounces of Celandine-Water, and put to it 2, 3 or 4 drops of good clarified Honey, enough to give the water a faint Tafte: with this drefs the Eye at leaft twice (if not thrice) a day. But the Mixture must be made fresh once in 2 or 3 days, or elfe it will grow fourish.

LXXXVIII. An excellent and very often try'd Eye-Water, especially for outward Affections of the Eye.

T Ake of Plantane-leaves 4 Ounces, and of Strawberry-leaves as much; digeft thefe for 24 hours in a Pound of good Whitewine: Then distil them to drynefs in a Glass Head and Body in a Balneo Maria. The Liquor that is thus obtained put into a very clean

clean Brafs (not Copper) Veffel, and let it ftand there fome hours, till it have acquired a manifeft, but not a very deep blue Tincture, and then put to it (when pour'd on) an equal weight of white Rofe-water diffilled after the common way : Shake thefe together, and let fall one drop into the internal Corner of the Eye, the Patient ftooping backward, and fhutting his Eye-lids for a Minute or two, that the water may difperfe on the Eye, and that the Quicknefs of the Liquor, which may make him weep, may the lefs prejudice him.

LXXXIX. To make a Useful Medicine for Pain or Itching in the Eye-lids, or on that account in the Eyes.

T Ake half a Spoonful of French Barley (after the first water it was put into over the fire is cast away) and boil it softly for a little while in a Pint of Springwater, seasonably putting to it a good Pugil of dry'd Damask-Rose-leaves. (N. B.) Sometimes you may add, if you please, a few Red Rose-leaves, or Melilot-flowers, or both). With this Liquor foment the Part with a soft Spunge for a pretty while, in the Morning, and at Night, having a Care that it be applied pretty hot, or at least warm.

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XC. To make an excellent Eye-Water, for Redness and light Films, &c. in the Eye.

Make fome Lime-water, by pouring a Gallon of fealding hot Water upon a Pound or fomewhat more of Quick-Lime; ftir them together, and after fome Hours, decant warily that which is clear. And to a Pound of this Water, put half an Ounce (and no more) of choice Verdigreafe pulverized : and in a very moderate Heat extract a Tinture of a fine, but fomewhat dilute, Saphirine Colour (but it ought not to be too deep.) Decant this very warily, and let a drop or two of it at a time fall into the Eye, as often as Need requires.

XCI. An excellent Remedy to stop a violent Defluxion on the Eye.

TAke Red Sage and Rue, of each I handful, a Spoonful of fine Wheat-flower, and the white of a New-laid-Egg beaten to Water, mix thefe very well, and fpread them upon very thin Leather or black Silk, and apply it to the Temples; it is to be about the Bignefs of a Silver Crown at leaft.

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XCII. An excellent Remedy for Red Eyes, made Such by a Defluxion of a hot or Sharp Humour.

TAke the tops of Rofemary about one Dram, and beat them up with one or two Ounces of rotten Pearmains or Pippins, or if those cannot be had, with the like weight of the fost Part of the fame Apples that are found. And when by exquisite Beating, you have reduced these things to a Cataplasm, apply them (the Cold being first taken off) to the Part affected, binding it thereupon, and letting it lie all Night.

XCIII. An Eye-Water.

TAke Houfe-Snails, and beat them in their Shells, and gratifie them with about an equal Quantity of Juice of Celandine; draw off the Water in a cold or Pewter Still (fuch as is used for Rose-water) and keep the Liquor that will come over close ftopt for your Use.

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XCIV. The Lady Fitz-Harding's Eye-Water, which lately cur'd an almost blind Person, whose Eyes look'd like Glass.

Lady Fitz-Harding's Eye-Water.

T Ake 3 Spoonfuls of white Rofe-water, as much Eye-bright-water, and as much fifted white Sugar-candy as will lie on a Three-pence, and the fame Quantity of fine Aloes fifted and put to the water, and fhak'd together, and drop a few drops every Night going to Bed.

XCV. A Pericarpium, or Wrist-Plaister, that oftentimes frees the Patients from flying Clouds in the Eyes, and sometimes lesser Specks, especially if recent.

T Ake of Rue, Camomile, Hemlock each half a Handful, of Bay-Salt 2 Spoonfuls, 1 or 2 Ounces of Leaven; Incorporate these well together, and make thereof *Pericarpia*, to be apply'd to the Patient's Wrists, and kept on, 'till growing dry, they become troublesome.

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XCVI. An excellent Medicine for hot Defluxions on the Eyes.

Ake of prepar'd Tutty half an Ounce, white Rofe-water and Frogs Spawnwater carefully drawn in very good Canarywine, of each 2 Ounces, of Aqua mirabilis half an Ounce; mix thefe well together, and let fall 2 or 3 drops into the Patient's Eye efpecially at Bed-time.

XCVII. An easte but useful Eye-Water to keep the Eye cool and moderately dry.

TAke 2 Ounces of Succory-water, half a Dram of prepar'd Tutty, fhake them well, and keep them together for Use.

XCVIII. An often try'd Pericarpium, or Wrist-Plaister for Defluxions and Fumes in the Eyes.

TAke Rue, Camomile, Hemlock, Wormwood, of each half a handful, Bay-Salt pulveriz'd about 2 Spoonfuls, four Dough about an Ounce; mix all these together very diligently, moistning them from time to time with Elder-Vinegar, to a Confistence fit for *Pericarpia*, one of which is to be aply'd to the Wrist of that fide on which the Part affected is, and to be renewed if there be Occasion. XCIX. For

XCIX. For a Phylectena, or little Tumor in the Carneous Tunicles of the Eyes.

TAke the Decoction of Mucilages that is proper for *Phlyttea's*, and drefs the Eye from time to time to ripen the Tumor: Then open it with a Lancet, and fqueeze out all the Matter; and laftly, cleanfe and heal the Part with Honey. *N. B.* But when the Tumor is beginning, or not great, you may, in want of the Decoction of Mucilages, drefs the Eye with the Mixture, of equal Parts of the Water of Melilot, Camomile, and Betony.

C. A Plaister to strengthen the Eyes, and stop Defluctions on them.

TAke of Frankincenfe 2 Ounces, Olibanum and Maftick, each half a Dram; mix thefe well, and reduce them into fine Powder, of which a convenient Quantity is to be melted and fpread upon black Ribbon, or fome fuch thing with a hot Knife or Spatula, and fo prefently applied to the Temples.

CI. An often experienc'd Medicine for little Strokes or Contusions in the Eye.

TAke Betony-water 3 Ounces, and five drops of clarified Honey, mix them and drop a little of the Mixture from time to time into the Patient's Eye. N. B. Take Succory-water, Crumbs of White-Bread, a ittle Saffron, and fometimes a little Honey, for sharp Humours in the Eye-lids, and Burns or small Specks (of the Eye) Grains of Roman Vitriol to 4 Ounces of Water, of either Rose-water, Succory-waer, or Fennel-water, &c.

CII. A good Electuary to strengthen the Sight.

TAke Conferve of Borage and Betony, of each an Ounce and half, Venice-Freacle 2 Drams, Species Dionyfi, Dairrholon abbatis, Diatryon Santalon, of each half Dram, Tartar Vitriolate a Scruple, Diaorallion, a Dram and half, Oyl of Fennel drops, Syrup of Violets and Coral, of each a fufficient Quantity; mix and make in Electuary.

A the Root) and having fired it, or chop it a little, put it into a Retort, and diff. A. JIID

CIII. A Choice Medicine for an Ophthalmia Sicca.

T Ake of the Leaves of Fennel, Hyfop, Celandine, Betony, and Carduus, of each half a handful, or a whole handful; of Linfeeds, Quince-Seeds, Fenugreek, and Fleawort, of each half a Dram, of French Barley 1 Ounce: Boil all thefe a little in 2 Quarts of fair water, and half a Pint of White-wine. Let the Patient hold his head (well fitted with a Napkin for the Purpole) over the Fumes for about a quarter of an Hour.

CIV. For a Film, or other Such Thing growing in the Eye.

T Ake of Crude Roch-Allom 2 Parts, Turmerick 1 Part, and refined Sugar 3 Parts. Pulverize each of these separately, then mix them exactly, and warily blow it into the Patient's Eye from Time to Time, as Need shall require.

CV. To make an excellent as well as Famous Eye-Water.

T Ake Celandine (the whole Plant except the Root) and having fhred it, or chopt it a little, put it into a Retort, and diffil it in

n Balneo. When all the Liquor is come orer, empty the Veffel, and put in it as nuch as the fresh Plant, and distil the Lipuor from it to make it more strong of the Plant. Put this Liquor once more upon new or fresh Celandine, and distil in Balneo is before; and keep this well-impregnated Water closessors. This to be outwardly us'd n the Dose of 2, or 3, or 4 drops at a time.

CVI. A Medicine for Hurts in the Eye.

T Ake Succory-water and Crumbs of White-bread, enough to bring it alnoft to a Confiftence; then add a little Safron to tinge and quicken it, and fometimes also you may put to it a little Honey, to nake it more cleanfing and healing. Apply t (if Need be) with Plagets of Flax to the Part affected.

CVII. A Remedy that hath cured the Epilepfie.

G Ive daily half a Dram at a Time of choice and very finely powder'd Amber, in any convenient Vehicle for about Weeks together.

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CVIII. Elixir Salutis.

TAke of the Seeds of Anife, Sweet Fennel, Coriander and Parsley, of each 2 Ounces; of Liquorish scrap'd, wash'd and bruis'd, and choice leaves of Senna, of each likewife two Ounces; of Raifins of the Sun, rub'd clean and bruis'd, one Pound ; of Elecampane - Roots and Guaiacum - Wood, of each one Ounce. Mix these Ingredients, and pour on them 2 quarts of Aqua Vite, or English Spirits (for Brandy is too hot a Liquor.) Let these infuse together 48 Hours. Then put them all in a Hair-Bag, and prefs them strongly in an Apothecary's Press, and if there be Need, pass what is strained, through an Hippocras Bag after the Liquor is settled. Keep this in Bottles well stopt in a cool Place, and give of it two or three Spoonfuls at a time, in the Morning fafting, and if Need require, at Bed-time.

CIX. An experienced Remedy for Convultions and Epilepfies in Children.

T Ake about half a Dram, or from one Scruple or two, or fomewhat more, of wellchofen and very finely powdered Amber, native Cinnabar 10 Grains; mix them, and of this, fweetned with fome powder'd Sugar, or other fit thing that may give it a Relifh, let the Patient take twice a day (at least for most days)

days) during fix Weeks, unlefs he fully recovers before that time. And however, he is to take it for 2 or 3 days before each New and Full Moon, for fome Months fucceffively.

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CX. An excellent Drink in Fevers, even malignant.

TAke a quart of Spring-water, and having given it a Walm or two, put to it one Ounce at least of Harts-Horn calcin'd to perfect whiteness, and when the Mixture is cold, put to it 3 Ounces of Syrup made of the Juice of Lemmons, shake this Mixture ; when you will use it, shake it well, and let the Patient take of it a moderate draught several times in the day and night.

CXI. An useful Drink in Feverish Distempers.

IN a Pint and a half of clear Poffet-drink, boyl about I Ounce of cleans'd Roots of Dandelion, or Pifs-a-bed, cut or flic'd very mall 'till near half a Pint be wafted, and then ftrain it, and let the Patient take half a Pint, or the whole Quantity if he can at a time.

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CXII. An Excellent Remedy for Dysenterical Fluxes.

TAke good Venice Turpentine, and with a very gentle Heat evaporate fo much of it, that when 'tis cold, it may be but little fhort of Coagulation. This yet foft, but not fluid Substance, incorporate with fine Sugar, enough to make it up into Pills, whereof give in the Morning fasting as many as will amount from a Scruple to half a Dram, or 2 Scruples, or a whole Dram of the Turpentine, besides the Sugar.

CXIII. An uncommon, but experienc'd Remedy for Dysenterical Fluxes.

T Ake the Bone of the Thigh of a hang'd Man (perhaps another may ferve, but this was still made Use of) calcine it to whiteness, and having purg'd the Patient with an Antimonial Medicine, give him I Dram of this white Powder for I Dose, in some good Cordial, whether Conferve or Liquor.

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CXIV. For the Dysentery and Fluxes caused by sharp Humours.

T Ake from half a Dram to 1 Dram of Mercurius Dulcis, and as much either of fine Sugar or Sugar-candy, and with fome Purgative or other, let the Patient take it once a day, with Care that none of it remain in his Mouth, or flick in his Throat.

CXV. An often try'd Medicine for Fluxes of the Belly, though bloody ones.

G Ive for a Dofe in any convenient Vehicle, as much powdered or grated Pizzle of a Hart or Deer, as will lie upon an ordinary Half-Crown Piece.

CXVI. An effectual Medicine for Dysenterical and other Fluxes.

TAke of a Hare the Skin, Liver, Gall, and all the Parts, except the Muscles; and having dry'd them so far (and no further) as that they may be conveniently reduced to Powder. Give of this Powder, from about 2 Scruples to 1 Dram, in any convenient Vehicle.

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CXVII. An experienc'd Remedy for sharp Fluxes of the Belly.

TAke a Pint of New Milk, and diffolve in it 2 Ounces of Loaf Sugar, and at length about the Bigness of a Walnut of good Mitbridate; give this Mixture moderately warm for a Clyster, to be reiterated if there be Occasion.

CXVIII. To stop Fluxes and Whites.

FOR Fluxes you may in divers Cafes give the Patient from time to time a moderate Quantity of a Decoction of half an Ounce of Ifing-glass, in about a Pint of New Milk.

CXIX. An easie Medicine for Fluxes, especially those caused by sharp Humours.

I Nstead of Butter take well condition'd Oyl-Olive, and thorowly drench therewith a good Toast, and let the Patient eat it.

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CXX. For a Bloody-Flux.

T Ake half an Ounce of London-Treacle, an Ounce, or an Ounce and half of Conferve of Red Rofes; mix them together with fome Syrup of Clove-Gilly-Flowers, or Syrup of Citrons, and keep them thus mixt in a Pot cover'd for your Ufe. Fake of this about the Quantity of a Walnut at Night, and in the Morning, for two Days, fafting 2 Hours before and after, inermit then a Day, and take it again in he like Manner.

CXXI. A try'd Medicine for the falling down of the Fundament.

TAke fome Ginger, and having carelefly flic'd it, put it in a little Pan, heat by clear and well-kindled Coals, and let he Patient receive the Fume of it, caft on y little in a kind of Clofe-flool, or fome quivalent Seat, where the lower Part of he Body may be well cover'd for about alf a quarter of an Hour at a Time.

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CXXII. A Medicine for a light incipient Gangrene.

A Fter having lightly scarrified the Part affected, apply as hot as the Patient can well bear it, a Cataplasm made of strong Brandy, and the Pith or Crum of White-Bread, shifting it 3 or 4 times a day, or somewhat oftener, if Need be.

N. B. Some use Turnips boyl'd, and made Unctuous with a little fresh Hogs-Lard to resolve the hard Tumors of Womens Breasts.

CXXIII. A Choice Anodine Clyfler.

Ake Marsh - Mallow - Roots half an Ounce, Leaves of the same, Mallows, Mullein, of each I Handful, Camomileflowers 2 Pugils : Boyl them in a sufficient Quantity of Water to 10 Ounces, Yolks of 2 Eggs, and Oyl of Camomile an Ounce and half : Mix, and make a Clyster for easing Pain.

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CXXIV. A slight, but often try'd Medicine for the Griping of the Guts.

Ake about a quarter of a Pint of Brandy, and having made a Toall of Bread (not too fine and white) throw it in very hot into the Liquor, and as foon as it is thorowly drenched let the Patient take it out, and eat it hot; and this may be repeated, if there be Need, 2 or 3 times a day.

CXXV. An often try'd Remedy for the Gripes in Little Children.

T Ake of Oyl of Nutmegs, and of Wormwood, of each a little quantity, mingle them well, and with the Mixture a little warm'd, anoint the Patient's Navil, and the Pit of the Stomach.

CXXVI. To make an excellent Gargle.

Ake 6 Ounces of Scabious-water, I fpoonful of Mustard, I fpoonful of Honey, and I fpoonful of Vinegar; grind all these very well together in a marble or glass Mortar'till you have reduc'd them to a liquid Mixture, which is to be used as a Gargle.

CXXVII. A choice Gargle for a Sore Throat.

 T_4 Ounces of Plantane-water add 3 or 4 Spoonfuls of Red Rofe-water, and mix very well with these the White of an Egg beaten to a glair or water: Sweeten this Mixture with a small Spoonful of white Sugar-candy, or in want of that, as much very fine Loaf-Sugar. Let the Patient gargle this as often as Need requires.

CXXVIII. An experienc'd Medicine for a Gonorrhæa.

TAke 2 Ounces of ripe Lawrel-Berries, and infuse them for a day in a quart of good White-wine : Of this let the Patient drink about 2 or 3 Spoonfuls twice a day for a pretty while together ; only once in 3 days (or thereabouts) intermitting, that he may take some gentle purging Medicine.

CXXIX. For a Gonorrhæa.

T Ake choice Mastick a fufficient quantity, and having very finely beaten and fearch'd it, take about half an Ounce of it at a time in the Yolk of a New-laid Egg, washing it down, if it be thought needful, in any convenient Liquor.

CXXX. An excellent Remedy to take off the Pains of the Gout.

TAke Minium or Red-Lead ground fine, half a Pound, Oyl of Earth-worms I Pound, or a fufficient Quantity : Boyl them to the Confiftency of a hard or folid Emplaster, without burning : Afterwards add of Camphire 2 Ounces, diffolved in Oyl of Earth-worms, fo much as may make an Emplaster of a just Confistency.

CXXXI. An excellent Ointment in the Gout.

TAke Barbadoes-Tar and Palm-Oyl, of each a like quantity, melt them together in no more fire than is needful to make them incorporate well; with this Mixture warm, the Part is to be anointed, and warily chafed.

CXXXII. A slight, but effectual Medicine to appease Gouty Pains.

T Ake Linfeed well condition'd, and with a little Water, beat 'em in a marble or glass Mortar, rubbing them very well, that the medullary Part may be separated in some measure from the Husk, and may make the Water confiderably white. In this Liquor dip clean Rags, and when they are thorowly F_3 wetted,

102 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. II. wetted, apply them fomewhat warm to the Part affected, fhifting them, if Need be, once in an Hour, or at most in two.

CXXXIII. A Speedy Remedy to take off Arthritick or Gout-Pains.

Ake good Spirit of Sal Armoniac, and with a Feather dipt in it moiften gently all the Part, or Parts affected.

CXXXIV. A Medicine that almost prefently appeales the Pains of the Gout.

Ake of Black Soap 4 Ounces, choice Wood-Soot finely fifted about a Dram and half, and add to these about half the Yolk of an Egg: Incorporate them diligently together, and spreading the Mixture somewhat thin, apply it (the Cold being first taken off) by way of Cataplasm to the Part affected.

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CXXXV. A homely, but often try'd Medicine to appease the Pains of Scorbutical Running Gouts.

T Ake Earth-worms cleans'd, and having fill'd an Earthen Pot with them, and luted on a Cover very well, fet it into an Oven with a Batch of Bread, and let it fland there 'till the Oven be cold. Then take out the Pot, and having remov'd the Cover, you will find the Matter turn'd into a groß Liquor ill-fcented. Strain this with Exprefiion, and keep it flopt for Ufe, which is, to rub therewith the Part affected with a warm Hand once or twice a day. N. B. If the Smell be offenfive, you may put to it a few drops of Oyl of Rhodium, or fome other odoriferous one, to correct it.

CXXXVI. An excellent Remedy for the Gonorrhœa.

TAke of choice Amber, and of Maffich both reduc'd to very fine Powder, and very well mixt, equal Parts, and of this Mixture give half a Dram at a time in a proper Vehicle, or in a draught of Chocolate; continue this for 3 Weeks or a Month, if Need require, purging the day before you begin to take it, and once every Week afterwards, especially when you leave off the Use of the Powder.

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CXXXVII. To appeale the Pains of the Gout, and by degrees lessen the Fits.

TAke I Part of Sal Armoniac, and 3 Parts of Spirit of Wine, neither of them too well rectify'd: fhake them together, (and if you pleafe digeft them a while) and having dipt old, but clean Linnen Rags in the Mixture, apply them to the Part affected, fhifting them now and then, as Need fhall require.

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CXXXVIII. To make an excellent Cephalick, or Head-Powder, good also for the Eyes.

TAke the Leaves of Flowers of Betony, Marjoram and Damask-Rofes; alfo the Flowers of Sage and Rofemary, all at Difcretion. To thefe add the Powder of Lignum Aloes, and fome Seeds of Nigella Romana. Reduce all thefe to Powder, to be used as a Hair-Powder when the Patient goes to Bed.

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CXXXIX. An useful Drink to be frequently employ'd to correct sharp Humours.

TAke 2 Ounces of choice Barley (Englifts or French) well wash'd from its Dust and Sorders: Boyl this in a quart or more of Spring-water 'till the grains begin to burst; then strain the Decoction through a clean Cloth, and let the Patient use it at Meals and other times for his ordinary Drink.

CXL. An experienc'd Medicine for Dulness of Hearing, and Hysterical Affections.

THE Juice of Red Onions is excellent for Difeases of the Ears, and for Deafness in its Beginning. N. B. Betony-Roots also wonderfully prevail against all Affections of the Womb.

CXLI. An experienc'd Medicine for the Pains of the Hæmorrhoids.

T Ake the Sole of an Old Shoe, worn by fome Man that walks much, cut it in Pieces, and burn it, not to white or greyAfhes, but to a fryable and tender Coal; reduce this to impalpable Powder, and then with a fufficient quantity of unfalted Lard, make it into an F 5 Unguent,

Unguent, wherewith the Part affected is to be anointed from time to time.

CXLII. For the Hæmorrhoids.

M Ake a Suppository of Hogs-Lard or Bacon, or instead of that employ Goosegrease made up into the same form.

CXLIII. For the Hamorrhoids.

IN the Yolk of an Egg, or a little of fome convenient Syrup or Conferve, give from half a Dram, or 2 Scruples, or 1 Dram, or fomewhat more of flower of Brimftone, once, or if the Cafe be urgent, twice a day. The Powder may be also given in Milk to those that like it better than fweet Vehicles.

CXLIV. A Choice Internal Remedy for Painful Hæmorrhoids.

T Ake about 2 Scruples of choice Sulphur vive, and mix it with a little Sugar to make it relifh, and give that Dofe once, or at most twice a day.

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CXLV. A very choice Medicine for the Pain and Tumors of the Hæmorrhoids.

TAke fresh Leeks (the whole Plant) Shred them small, and fry them well with fresh Butter, 'till they be fit to be brought to the Confistence of a Cataplasm or Poultis, that is to be apply'd very warm to the Part affected, and to be renew'd from time to time, as Need shall require.

CXLVI. An useful Medicine for the Pain of the Hæmorrhoids.

M Ake up Flower of Brimftone, and an equal weight, or a double of fine Sugar, with a Solution of Gum-dragon, into Tablets that may weigh about a Dram apiece; of those that contain the most Sulphur you may give one twice a day, but of the other Sort much oftner, if Need require.

CXLVII. A choice Remedy for the Pain of the Hæmorrhoids,

TAke Album Græcum, or White Dogs-turd, reduc'd to an impalpable Powder, mixe it up with a fufficient Quantity of Goofegreafe, and by grinding it well in a Leaden. Mortar,

Mortar, reduce it to a black Oyntment, to be apply'd moderately warm to the Part affected.

CXLVIII. An experienc'd Remedy for unbroken Hæmorrhoids.

TAke calcin'd Oyfter-fhells, and incorporate them with as much Honey as will make up the Powder into an Ointment, with which the Part affected is to be tenderly anointed from time to time.

CXLIX. For the Hæmorrhoids, a very fuccessful try'd Medicine.

TAke Maiden-Leeks (as fome call those that grow without having been tranfplanted) and caffing away the green Part, make of the bulbous Part and a fufficient quantity of whole Oatmeal a Caudle, whereof let the Patient eat plentifully.

CL. A choice Drink for the Pain of the Hæmorrhoids.

TAke Yarrow, and boyl an handful of it in about a Pint and an half of Poffet-drink, in a cover'd Veffel, 'till it be ftrong of the Plant;

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 109 Plant; and of this Decoction let the Patient drink pretty plentifully from time to time.

CLI. An excellent Remedy for the Pain of the Hæmorrhoids.

Ake of Maftick, Olibanum, Aloes and Myrrh, of each a like Quantity, Powder and mix them very well; then lay, or ftrew a fufficient Quantity of this upon a Pledget of Lint or Cotton, moiften'd throughly with Spirit of Wine, over a few wellkindled Coals, that the Powder may melt, and be clapt hot to the Pit of the Stomach, or Navel.

CLII. A Medicine for the Pain of the Hæmorrhoids.

TAke a Quart, or at leaft, a Pint of New-Milk, and boyl it well for a while, and then taking it off the Fire, prefently put it into a Clofe-ftool in fome openmouth'd Veffel, and let the Patient fit over the Fume of it.

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CLIII. An excellent Medicine to appeale the Pains of the Hæmorrhoids.

TAke 2 fresh Eggs, and roast them pretty hard, then peel off the Shells and mince them. To these add 2 Pippins, the Core being first taken out, that must be roasted to Pap; mix these, and incorporate them very well with the Eggs, reducing all to a kind of Cataplasm, which is to be apply'd very warm, if not very hot, to the Part affected.

CLIV. A choice Medicine for Pains of the: Hæmorrhoids.

TAke half a Dram of good Flower of Brimftone, and boyl it a little in New Milk, and let the Patient take fafting in the Morning both the Liquor and the Powder, for many days fucceffively. And if Need be, the like Dofe may be taken between 4 and 5 in the Afternoon. Alfo one may make up the like quantity of *Flores*, with a little fine Sugar and Gum Traganth, into Tablets or Lozenges, to be taken inflead of the Powder and Milk.

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CLV. An experienc'd Liquor to cure the Itch in the Hands or Face, without Mercury or Sulphur.

T Ake a handful of the Roots of Elecampane, and as much of fharp-pointed Dock, fhred them fmall, and boyl them in two Quarts of Spring-water 'till the Confumption of a Pint. Then ftrain the Liquor, and with it let the Patient wash his Hands, or other Parts affected once (or at most) twice a day.

CLVI. An experienc'd Magnetical Cure of the Yellow Jaundice.

TAke the Gall-Bladder of a Sheep, and near the top, without emptying the Liquor, make a fmall Hole, at which put in 2 or 3 drops of the Patient's warm Urine; then tye up the upper Part of the Bladder, and hang it in the free Air 'till it dry up, &c.

CLVII. A homely, but not ineffectual Medicine for the Yellow Jaundice. Glve about half a dram of the white Part of Hens-dung dry'd and mix'd with a little Sugar in a few Spoonfuls of White-wine. CLVIII. A

CLVIII. A Medicine almost Specifick for the Yellow-Jaundice.

TAke of clean filings of Steel a fufficient quantity, and to make them grind the better, mix with them fome Loaf-Sugar; grind them long with great Exactnels; for in that confifts the chief Secret of thisMedicine. Of this impalpable Powder give about half a Dram for a Dofe (befides the Sugar) and if Need be, give it twice or thrice a day in any convenient Vehicle.

CLIX. A specifick Remedy for the Yellow-Jaundice.

Ake I Part of good Saffron dry'd enough to be rubb'd in a glass Mortar into Powder, and incorporate it well with 4 Parts of choice Turinerick. In the mean time take a handful of fresh Sheeps-dung, and let it steep in about a Quart of strong Ale in a moderate Heat, 'till the Liquor be fully impregnated with the Virtue of the Dung. Then strain it lightly through a Linnen Cloth, into a Pint of it, or as large a Draught within the Limit as the Patient can well take; give about half a Dram of the fore-mention'd mixt Powder. This do in the Morning fafting, and in the Evening about Bed-time, giving also another Dose the Morning after the first.

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CLX. The great Medicine of a famoms Emperick for the King's-Evil.

G Ive for a good while together a pretty ftrong Decoction of Devils-Bit.

CLXI. To mitigate Pains in the Kidneys.

TAke Oyl of Scorpions, and Oyl of Beeswax, of each a like quantity; mix 'em well, and with this Mixture moderately warm anoint the pained Kidney.

CLXII. An effectual Remedy for Stoppage in the Kidneys.

G lve in any convenient Liquor about a dozen grains of Salt of Amber for a Dofe.

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CLXIII. A pleasant Medicine to appease Scorbutick Pains in the Limbs.

TAke liquid Styrax, spread it thin upon Sclink, or some very fine Kids-Leather; and keep it upon the Part affected 'till it dry up of it self, or 'till the Patient has no more Need of it.

CLXIV. An experienc'd, though simple Medicine for a Contracture produc'd by keeping of Limbs too long in an undue Posture.

A Noint well once or twice a day, the Part affected with Dogs-greafe, chaffing it in with a warm Hand, and keeping the Part warm afterwards.

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CLXV. A good Medicine to increase Milk to those that give Suck.

M Ake Pottage with Lentils (which many diffinguish not from Vetches) and let the Patient use freely of it.

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CLXVI. Another. Medicine to increase Milk in Nurses.

TAke Earth-worms, wash them well, freeing them carefully from their Excrements, and from all adhering earth and filth. Then dry them fo as they may not stink, and yet be pulverable. Of these, reduc'd to Powder, give half a Dram or 2 Scruples for a Dose, in Wine, or any other proper Vehicle.

CLXVII. A Remedy, by which many Dogs bitten by a Mad-Dog, have been all of them preferved from running mad.

TAke 3 Plants (i. e. Roots and Leaves) of that Herb which is called Rofe-Plantane, or by fome, Star-Plantane, and having chopt it fmall with a convenient Quantity of Butter, let the Bitten Dog take it the first day; the fecond day give him 5 Plants order'd as before, and the next day 7. Lychnis Salamantica Cluf.

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CLXVIII. A good Remedy for divers Affections of the Genus Nervolum, or Nervous System.

TAke of the fresh Roots of the Male Piony 1 Ounce, of the Seeds of the fame Plant 2 Drams, and with a fufficient quantity of the Syrup of Piony, or fome Conferve of the like nature, beat them up into an Electuary (which is best done not long before you mean to make use of it) of which the Patient may take the quantity of a smallNutmeg, or more if need be, twice a day, and if occasion requires it, thrice.

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CLXIX. Aloetick Pills that do scarce at all occasion the Piles.

TAke of the Frank fort Angelical Pills, and give of them from I Scruple or half a Dram, or 2 Scruples, or more for a Dose.

CLXX. A Medicine for the Pain and Tumor of the Piles.

TAke the Patient's own Urine moderately warm, and with Rags dipt in it foment for a while the Parts affected, and then anoint them with Unguent Populeum. This do if need be, 3 or 4 times a day, and if the Tumors

mors be internal, you may then inject a little of the fore-mention'd Urine.

CLXXI. An excellent Remedy for Scorbutick and other Pains in the Limbs.

TAke red and unfophiftical Oyl of Peter, and anoint therewith from time to time the Part affected.

CLXXII. An easte but excellent Poultis to appease Pains and Aches, even Arthritick or Gout-Pains.

TAke Onions, and boil or flew them in Water, till they be foft enough to make a Poultis; then drain away the Water, and beat them, and having fpread them to a good thicknefs upon a Linnen-Cloth, apply them as hot as the Patient can well bear, let them keep them on all Night.

CLXXIII. To strengthen a Part weakned by Sublaxation.

S Pread Emplastrum Divinum upon foft Leather, and apply it, keeping it on for fome time.

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CLXXIV. A Somewhat rough Emetick, by which the French-Pox has been often cur'd.

T Ake good Mercury Sublimate, and Mithridate, or Venice-Treacle, of each r Ounce, mix them together, and put them into a Quart of Spring-water; fet them in Balneo to diffolve in a close Veffel; and of this Liquor well-fettled, let the Patient take about half a Spoonful, or if Need be, a Spoonful, but never above a Spoonful and a half, in 4 Ounces of small Ale warm, fasting in the Morning, and once in the Asternoon or Evening, the Stomach being empty. Every second day intermit, and give a gentle Purge.

CLXXV. A choice Medicine for the Palsie.

Ake Sarsaparilla a Pound and half, Bark of Guaiacum, China in Chips, of each 2 Ounces and a half: Boyl all in 6 Pints of Water to a Confumption of a third Part: At the end add Raifins of the Sun ston'd 4 Ounces, Liquorish bruis'd 1 Dram, fat Figs number 12, boyl and strain it. Of this let the Diseased drink warm, as their ordinary Drink.

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CLXXVI. For a Weakness in the Hands, arifing from Palsie, or an ill-cur'd Rheumatism.

T Ake the tops of Rosemary, and bruifing them a little, make them up into a Ball of the Bigness of a small Orange, or a large Walnut with the green Husk on. Let the Patient often roll one of these Balls between his Hands, and for divers Hours in a Day grasp one of them in the Hand affected, that it may grow hot there, and transmit its Effluvia into the Part. Continue this Course as long as the Distemper requires.

CLXXVII. A choice external Remedy for Paralitick Affections.

MAke a firong Decoction of Rofemary-Leaves (or Flowers if the Seafon af ford them) and let the Patient hold the Part affected for a good while at a time in the Liquor kept very warm. If after feveral Tryals this Medicine prove not effectual enough, take 10 Drops of Oyl of Worms, and mix with it well 4 or 5 Drops of Oyl of Turpentine; and with this Mixture well warm'd, anoint the Part from time to time, or elfe let the Patient keep the Part for a good while together, for more than once or twice, if Need require, in warm Rain-water (to diffolve the Scorbutick Salts.)

CLXXVIII. To

CLXXVIII. To take off little Pimples, or grating Inequalities within the Eye-Lids.

TAke 1 Spoonful of Eye-bright-water, 1 Spoonful of Plantaue-water, and half a Spoonful of good Red-Rofe-water; mix thefe and put to them about 15 grains of choice Tutty finely prepar'd; fhake them together, and then let the Powder fall to the Bottom, and with the clear Liquor moiften the Eye feveral times in a day, if it be found needful.

CLXXIX. For the Pleurifie.

CUT green Broom-tops fhort, and fill therewith a Skillet or Pipkin of a Pint and an half; then fill it up with Ale; boyl it foftly 'till it be wafted to 2 or 3 Spoonfuls; it will look black like Treacle, and be thick. When 'tis enough, and cold, add as much Mitbridate as a Nutmeg, and mingle it well, and give it the Party warm in Bed, and let him fweat 3 Hours or more after it, by adding fome Clothes. If it help not at firft, repeat it next day, or the fecond, not to fail.

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CLXXX. An experienc'd (and by some good Authors excellent) Medicine for the Pleurifie.

TAke as many fresh Balls of Stone-Horse Dung, as the Horse in good Case may disburden himself of at one time; cover these, whilst they are warm, with good Whitewine; let them stand a little to act on one another, and then press out gently through a clean Linnen Cloth, or as much Liquor or Juice as the Mixture will readily afford; and of this (somewhat warm) give a moderate Draught from time to time, as Need shall require.

CLXXXI. A very often experienc'd Medicine for the Small-Pox (especially in Children.)

T Ake the little Balls of fresh Sheeps-dung, and having freed them from Straw and Dust, and other things foreign to them, put an handful of them thus cleans'd into a quart of good White-wine, and in a Vessel well stopt, let them infuse in a moderate Heat for Night, or till the Liquor be well impregnated with the Taste and Colour of them. Strain this Infusion, and give of it warm apout a Spoonful at a time, once in 2 or 3 Hours, or oftner, if Need require. N. B. In taste of Necessity, the Infusion may be much ooner made, by putting into the Wine a preater Proportion of the Sheeps-dung.

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CLXXXII. A fuccessful Remedy for a Kind of Rheumatism, and a Contracture of the Limbsthat followed upon it.

T Ake the inward Bark (that which grows next the Wood) of an Elder-tree, cut or tear it into fmall Bits, and with them loofely plac'd fill about a third Part of a Bottle; then pour in as much Small Ale or Beer as will fill up the remaining Part of the Veffel, ftop it well 'till the Liquor be ftrong of the Infufion, and of this let the Patient drink a good draught once or twice a day, or if he can well bear it, let him take it as a Diet-drink.

CLXXXIII. An approved outward Medicine to cause Rest without Opiates. -

TAke of Rofe-water 8 Ounces, good Wine 4 Ounces, ftrong Vinegar 2 Ounces; mix thefe well, and having warm'd Stupes in them, foment therewith the Part affected, laying them on but moderately warm, but taking them off when they begin to grow cold: This fomenting may laft between a quarter and half an Hour before the Patient fhould compose himfelf to Reft.

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CLXXXIV. A choice and diversify'd Medicine for the Scurvy.

F Rom the fresh gather'd Tops of Fir a little bruis'd, abstract Spirit of Wine, or at least good Nants Brandy, and with this Liquor draw a deep Tincture from other fresh Tops, of which Tincture reduce some Part into an Extract, whereof to form Pills; keep these, the Tincture and the impregnated Liquor apart, to be employ'd separately or conjointly, as Occasion may require.

CLXXXV. For an Excoriation, and for preternatural Tenderness of any Part of the Skin.

TAke Unguentum Diapompholigos, and fpread it thinly upon Lint, which must be apply'd to the Part effected, and kept on by a Bandage or fome sticking Plaister.

CLXXXVI. To take off the Heat and Roughness of the Skin, especially on the Lips.

A Noint the Part affected with fiesh (or at least not too stale) Cream.

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CLXXXVII. To take out the marks of Gun-Powder shot into the Skin or Face, or elsewhere.

TAke fresh Cow-dung, and having warm'd it a little, apply it as a thin Poultis to the Part affected, renewing it from time to time as Occasion shall require.

CLXXXVIII. An excellent Medicine to strengthen a weak Sight.

TAke Eye-bright, Penny-royal, Rue, Celandine, Lovage, Saxifrage, of each half a handful, Blew-bottle-flowers, Fennel-feeds, Parfley-feeds, of each half a Dram, Grains of Paradice 1 Dram, Hyffop, Organy, Willow-Leaves, each half an Ounce, Galingal 3 Drams, Ginger half a Dram, Cinnamon 1 Dram, Sugar half an Ounce. Let them be finely powder'd, and very well mixt together. Take of this Powder 1 Scruple, or half a Dram every Day with your Dinner.

CLXXXIX. A Distilled Water for strengthening the Sight.

TAke Rosemary-flowers, Sage, Betony, Rue, and Succory, of each 1 handful, Infuse these in 2 quarts of good Sack, distil them Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 125 them in a Copper Alembick. The Dofe is a moderate Spoonful.

CXC. A Choice Medicine, which I have Several times used for a light stroke or Contusion of the Eye.

PUT to 2 Ounces of Carduus-water, or that of Betony, 3 or 4 drops of Honey, use it every 3 Hours. (But have a Care not to keep it above a day or two, lest it grow four.)

CXCI. A much commended Powder to strengthen the Sight.

POwder of Eye-bright 1 Ounce, ordinary Fennel-feed in Powder half an Ounce, Powder of Nutmegs half a quarter of an Ounce, double refin'd Sugar 2 Ounces. All thefe being finely powder'd and fifted, are to be mixt together, and taken as much as will lye on a Shilling at a time, as often as you pleafe. The Powder is to be taken dry, and kept in a Box clofe fhut in fome dry Place. This has done great Cures in Dimnefs of Sight, and Rheums in the Eyes.

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CXCII. To make a Drink to be taken like Tea, for strengthning the Sight.

O a quart of Water ready to boyl, put in half a handful of Eye-bright, and then let the Liquor boyl for one Walm or two, before you take it off to drink instead of Tea.

CXCIII. A rare Water to strengthen the Sight.

Ake Clary, and diftil it in a Cold Still; and of the Water let the Patient take every Morning, and if need be, every Night going to Bed, from 2 or 3 Spoonfuls to 6, either alone, or fweetned with a little Sugar; let him alfo with the fame Water unfweetn'd, bath or wash the Parts affected in the Morning, and at Bed-time; and if Need be, once or twice more every day.

CXCIV. An excellent external Medicine to strengthen the Stomach.

Ake Wormwood, Mint, and Mugwort, and by beating them well in a flone or glafs Mortar, make a Cataplafm, to be apply'd fomewhat warm to the Stomach, and kept upon it for a pretty while.

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CXCV. An often try'd Remedy to strengthen the Stomach, and also to take off Griping Pains in or near it. (Tis good also for Cold.)

T Ake Emplastrum Stomachum of the London Dispensatory, and drop upon it 5 or 6 drops of Oyl of Cinnamon, rubbing it well over with your finger, and fo apply it to the Patient's Stomach, and after 3 or 4 days, or as soon as it grows dry, remove it, and having scrap'd the Plaister, and warm'd it on the wrong fide, let fall some drops of the Oil of Cinnamon upon it, or more drops of the Cordial Spirit, and apply it again.

CXCVI. An excellent Plaister to strengthen the Stomach and Chest.

T Ake of Cinnamon, Nutmegs, Cloves, and Mace, of each a fufficient quantity, powder them well, and firew fome of the Powder all over the Bottom of a Deal Box of a convenient length and breadth, and fit it with a Cover to flut clofe; upon this Powder lay a piece of clean Flancel well dry'd, and firew it over thinly with fome of the fame Powder; then lay on another piece of the like Flannel of the fame Dimensions with the former, and upon that likewife, if Need be, a little more Powder. This done, flut the Box 'till the time of Use, and then G_4 take

take out one of the Pieces of Flannel, and having lightly dufted off the Powder, lay it on the Patient's Breaft, Stomach and Belly, and let it lye on there for fome days. When you perceive its Virtue begin to languifh, you muft fubfititute for it the other Piece of Flannel, and put the firft in the Box to receive new Virtue, and fo proceed alternatively as long as you need the Medicine, adding now and then fome frefh Powder, if Neceffity require. Note, That each Piece of Flannel ought to be long and large enough to cover the Breaft, and to reach from about the Paps to the Navel, or lower.

CXCVII. For a Recent Strain.

Ake a Pint or more of Claret-wine, and boyl in it for a little while, in a clofe Veffel, about a handful of Red Rofe-Leaves, 'till the Liquor be ftrong of the Plant. In this well heated dip a Piece of Linnen or Flannel, and wringing out the Moifture, double it, and apply it hot to the Part affected, ufing a Fillet, or fome fuch thing to keep it on.

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T Ake a good handful of fresh Wormwood, and boyl it in a sufficient quantity of strong Ale to the softness of a Poultis; then take it off the Fire, and when you apply it, which you should do whilst 'tis very hot, put to it a Spoonful or two of good common Brandy.

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CXCIX. A Choice Plaister for a Recent Strain.

TAke equal Parts of the Plaisters called Diapalma and Oxycroceum, and make of them a compounded Plaister, to be spread upon thin Leather, and apply'd to the Part affected, and to be renewed, if Need be, twice a Day.

CC. An approved Medicine for a Recent Strain.

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A Pply seasonably a Cataplasm made of Bran boyl'd in good Vinegar, 'till it be soft enough to make a Poultis.

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CCI. A slight but choice Remedy for a recent Strain.

Ake 2 Spoonfuls of Vinegar, and beat into it very well the White of an Egg, and fpreading it upon Flax or Tow, apply it to, and keep it on the Part affected.

CCII. A parable but excellent Medicine in the Fits of the Stone.

T Ake fomewhat lefs than a handful of red Chick-Peafe, or Cicers, and boyl them foftly in a Quart of Spring-water 'till the Liquor be red, and well impregnated with the Seeds: ftrain this Decoction, and fweeten it with Syrup of Marfh-Mallows, out of which all the ftronger Diureticks are left.

CCIII. For the Stone.

TAke a Quart or half a Pint of fimple Arfmart-water, fweeten it with a little Sugar, or fome convenient Syrup, and Aromatize it with a little Nutmeg scrap'd, and give this Mixture for 1 Dose.

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CCIV. For

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 131 CCIV. For the Stone and Gravel in the Reins and Bladder.

"Ake equal weights of common Daucusfeeds, and of Burdock-feed, and having mixt these together, put I Ounce of the Mixture to a Gallon of Small Ale, and let the Patient use it as a constant Drink.

CCV. A good Liquor to use as Drink in a long Fit of the Stone.

Ake Posset-drink of 3 or 4 parts at most of Milk, and 1 of White-wine. Into 2 quarts of Poffet-drink fcrape or thinly flice a Nutmeg and a half, or 2 Nutmegs; add a little Juice of Lemmon to your Palate, and if you pleafe, fweeten it a little with Syrup of Marsh-Mallows. Take of this Drink a pretty quantity at a time, and use it often in a day.

CCVI. A good Medicine for the Stone.

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Ake a pint or a quart of Ale, fomewhat new, sweeten it with pure Honey, and boyl it to the confumption of about one half, skimming it well from time to time. Then diffolve in it the Yolk of a New-laid-Egg; and let the Patient drink a good draught of this Mixture once or twice a day, 'till he find Relief thereby. CCVII. A

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CCVII. A Choice Medicine in an actual Fit of the Stone.

T Ake the Decoction made according to the London Dispensatory for the Syrup of Marsh-Mallows, with this Difference, that to the same quantity of Water, you must take but half the quantities of each of the Ingredients. Let this corrected Decoction be well clarified, and let the Patient take it warm 6, 8, or 10 Ounces at a Draught, from time to time, as Need shall require.

CCVIII. The Stone, and the Cure. Taken out of the History of the Barbadoes, written by Rich. Lygon. Gent. p. 118,119.

A Fter the floppage of Urine more than 14 Days, the following Medicine did not only break, but brought away all the Stones and Gravel. And about 3 Weeks after, the like Pains returning, the fame Medicine did the like Effect within 10 Hours after the taking thereof.

Take the Pizzle of a green Turtle (or Tortoife) which lives in the Sea, dry it with a moderate Heat; pound it in a Mortar to Powder, and take of this as much as will lye upon a Shilling, in Beer, Ale, White-wine, or the like; and in a very fhort time it will do the Cure. These are to be had eafily, both

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 7 133 both at the Charibee and Lucaick Islands, where these Fishes abound. CCIX. A good Medicine in Pains of the Stone, or Cholick. TAke half a Pint of good Sallet-Oyl, and as much good Sack, (or if that cannot be had, good Claret-wine) shake them very well together, and give them moderately warm for a Clyfter. CCX. To expel the Stone in a Fit. TAke Crabs-Eyes powder'd, and diffolve A large Proportion of them in good Whitewine-vinegar, and of this Drink let the Patient take from 2 Spoonfuls to 5 or 6 at a time. N the destining of the Moon in Angult, CCXI. An almost Specifick Remedy for the m qu n gaig Tooth-ach. ogu sworg rada TNto a quart of Red Wine (or at least of Claret) put 1 dram of Allom and another of Acorns, a dram and half of Galls, and half a handful of good dry'd Rofe-Leaves. Boyl this to the confumption of near half, and then take

take it from the Fire and strain it, and diffolve it in a dram and half of *Acacia* cut into fmall Bits, and with this Liquor a little hot, you must wash the Part several times in a day.

CCXII. An uncommon, but not unuseful Remedy for the Tooth-Ach.

LET the Patient lie on the Ear that is opposite to the Part affected, and into the other Ear, drop 2 or 3 drops of the freshly express Juice of Rue a little warm, and stop the Ear lightly with fine black Wool or Cotton.

CCXIII. An odd, but very successful external Remedy for the Tooth-Ach.

wine-vinegar, and of this Drink let the Patient

IN the declining of the Moon in August, take the Fruit called Hipps, viz. those of the Wild-Brier, with all the Fuzey Stuff that grows upon it; and lapping it up in a piece of thin Sarcenet, tye it upon the Armthat is on the same fide with the Part affected, and keep it on as long as there is Need.

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CCXIV. For the Tooth-ach.

T Ake a handful of Red Sage, and a handful of Clary; fhred them fmall, and beat them, fprinkle them with May-dew; then strain out the Juice, put it in a glass Bottle, and fet it in the Sun in a Window, and when you use it, put 3 drops into a Spoon, and heat it over a Candle bloodwarm, and drop it into the Ear, and let them eat a Cruss of Bread wet either in Broth or Posset, and chew it upon the Teeth that ake.

CCXV. An approved Medicine for an aking Tooth that is hollow.

TAke 2 parts of common Pepper ground to fine Powder, and mix exactly with it 1 part of Sugar moderately fine over a gentle Heat; form thefe into a fmall Pill of a Shape and Bignels fit for your Purpole; and when your Stuff grows cold, 'twill harden, and may be apply'd when you pleafe to the Part affected.

CCXVI. An excellent Remedy to fasten Teeth.

T Ake of burnt Allum, Acorns, of each r dram, Galls a dram and half, Red-Rofes half a handful. Beat all these together, and meka

make them boil in about a quart of good Red Wine, to the confumption of about a fourth Part. Then strain the Decoction, and disfolve in the transmitted Liquor of good *Achatia* cut into very small Bits half a dram. With this Decoction the Mouth is to be washt feveral times in a day.

CCXVII. To fasten the Teeth.

PUT Maftick finely powder'd upon the end of an Handkerchief, rub your Teeth therewith twice or thrice in a Day, and chew Maftick often. Alfo boyl Pomegranate-flowers with Mint or Maftick, in Red or Claret-wine; gargle or wafh your Mouth often with it.

CCXVIII. A Medicine prescrib'd to a great Prince (Charles the First) to fasten the Teeth.

TAke a Pint of Spring-water, and put to it 4 Ounces of Brandy; let the Patient wash his Mouth with the Mixture of these every Morning, and twice or thrice a Day besides; and let him in the Morning rowl for a little while, a Bit of Roch-Allom to and fro in his Mouth.

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CCXIX. A good Astringent Liquor to fasten the Teeth.

TO 4 Ounces of Claret-wine, or some other convenient Menstruum, you may put to diffolve about 4 Drams of Terra Japanica.

CCXX. An excellent Medicine to fasten the Teeth in scorbutick Gums.

Ake of choice Bole-Armoniack 2 drams, choice Myrrh (not lucid) 1 dram, Roch-Allom crude half a dram, Claret-wine 1 Pint; boyl these foftly a little while together, and let the Patient use twice, thrice (or if Need be oftner) in a Day.

CCXXI. To fasten Teeth made loofe by the Scurvy.

A Noint the Parts affected with Oleum Myrrhe made by Deliquium, with Whites of Eggs, boil'd hard.

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CCXXII. A Lotion to fasten the Teeth.

IN a Quart of Spring-water decoct for a while 1 Ounce of the best Terra Japanica reduc'd to gross Powder. And then having filter'd the Decoction, keep it close stopt for Use.

CCXXIII. A good astringent Liquor to fasten loose Teeth.

I N a Pint of Red Wine infuse about half an Ounce of Terra Japanica, 'till as much as will be diffolv'd be taken up by the Liquor. Decant it from the Fæces (if there be Need) and keep it well ftopt for Use.

CCXXIV. An useful Liquor to fasten the Teeth, and prevent the Tooth-ach.

TO a Pint of Spring-water put half an Ounce of clean Sal Armoniack, and with the Solution of this Salt let the Patient wash his Mouth from time to time.

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CCXXV. To make an excellent Poultis to ripen Tumors.

TAke 8 Ounces of (fat) Figs, 2 Ounces of White-Lilly-Roots, and 2 Ounces of Bean-flower (or Meal:) Boil these together in Water, and reduce them to the confistence of a Poultis; which is to be spread to a good thickness, and laid warm enough upon the Part, and shifted as often as it begins to grow dry.

CCXXVI. An excellent Medicine to relieve those that are troubled with Tumors in the Throat, and some other Parts.

T O a quart of New-Milk put a handful of Mallow-leaves, with as much of the Leaves of Solanum, or Nightshade; shred them small, let them boil, till the Herbs be tender as if they were to be eaten. Then put into the Milk as much Crumbs of White-Bread, as being stirr'd well with the other Ingredients, will bring all to the Confistence of a Poultis. This is to be spread upon a Stay for the Throat, or some other thing fit to be apply'd to any other Part affected, and is to be laid on as hot as the Patient can well endure it, and when it begins to grow cold, it is to be fucceeded by fresh made very hot, and so long as the Case shall require.

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CCXXVII. A Medicine that lately cur'd an Obstinate Tumor of the Knee, that had baffl'd some Chirurgeons.

TAke a green Colewort-Leaf with red Veins or Streaks, and having cut the Ribs flat, and almost level to the rest of the Leaf, bruife it with the Haft of a Knife, or some such thing, apply it to the Part affected, renewing it once or twice a Day.

CCXXVIII. A powerful and experienc'd Topick for a fore Throat.

T Ake 2 new-laid Eggs roafted moderately hard, and the Pap of 2 well roafted Pippins; beat them well together, and add to them as much Curds of Poffet made with Ale. Having incorporated them all very well, apply the Mixture very warm to the Part affected, fhifting it, if Need be, once in 5 or 6 Hours.

CCXXIX. An approved Remedy for a fore Throat.

TAke Verjuice of Grapes 1 Ounce, good Honey half an Ounce, crude Allom about a Dram and half, and Sea-falt half a Dram; powder the Salts finely, and incorporate them very well with the Liquors into the form of a kind of Liniment. In this dip along feather or

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 141 or a Piece of Rag tied about the End of a flender Stick (as of Liquorish) and with it touch the Part affected 3, 4, or 5 times; betwen each 2 times gargling with a Mixture of Plantane-water, and fome Red Rofe-water. CCXXX: A Choice external Remedy for a sore Throat. TAke Millepedes, Sows or Hogs Lice alive, and few them up between the foldings of a Piece of Linnen, and apply them to the Throat in the form of a Stay, which is to be kept on all Night. CCXXXI. An easie, but try'd Remedy for a sore Throat. Ake Bay-falt dry'd, and having pounded it, put it into the folds of a Rag, in a sufficient quantity to make a Stay to be ty'd about the Throat, and apply it over Night as hot as the Patient can conveniently endure 1t. the all Medity shad in by me aire day and freiless ate fan the Propertion) on Steller CCXXXII. A 1. your gray ship

CCXXXII. A choice Remedy for a sore Throat, especially if inflamed.

TAke a little handful of the Leaves of common Mallows, and 8 or 10 good Figs; boil these about a quarter of an Hour in a Pint of New-Milk, and let the Patient use it very hot and often.

CCXXXIII. A homely, but experienced Medicine for a sore Throat.

TAke about I Dram of Album Grecum, or whiteDogs-turd, burnt to a perfect whitenefs, and with about I Ounce of Honey of Rofes, or clarifiedHoney, make thereof a Lin-Elus to be very flowly let down the Throat.

CCXXXIV. A homely, but experienc'd Medicine for a sore Throat.

I Nto the Leg of a Worfted Stocking that has been long worn next to the Flefh, put in a fufficient quantity of good Sea-falt exactly dried, or elfe decripated ; and this Salt being put in warm, if not hot, the Stocking is to be tied about the Patient's Neck, and kept on all Night. And if by the next day the Diftemper be not remov'd, you may apply frefh Salt (in the Proportion) in the fame Stocking as before, the Night following.

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CCXXXV. A try'd Medicine for a fore Throat, caused by acid Humours in the internal Parts of it.

T Ake half a handful of the Leaves of common Mallows, and boil them in about a Pint of New-Milk near half an Hour; then let it run through a clean Cloth, and let the Patient use it a little warm 3 or 4 times a day as a Gargle : or else let him use it by holding it in his Mouth, and letting fome drops flowly flide down his Throat.

CCXXXVI. An often experienc'd Remedy for Tettars and the Itch.

T Ake Flowers of Sulphur finely powder'd, Ginger and burnt Allom, each alike, fave that of the Allom there muft be fomewhat lefs. Incorporate thefe with as much fresh Butter (without any Salt) as will bring them to the Confistence of an Ointment: with this anoint the Part affected at Bed-time, as hot as the Patient can well endure it, and let it lay on all Night, wash it off in the Moining with Celandine-water well heated; and whilst you continue the Use of this Medicine, take daily fome Cordial, to keep the noxious Humour from being driven inwards. This will not fail to do the Work.

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CCXXXVII. A Choice Medicine for a Thrush in young Children, or a fore mouth.

T Ake an Egg, and put out the Meat, then fill it with the Juice of Red Sage, and fet it on hot Embers 'till it boil; then skim it whilft any Skum doth arife. Then take as much Allom beaten as the Bignefs of a Pea or Bean, and half a Spoonful of Honey, and let this be put in the Egg, and boil it a little, and fo take it off; and when 'tis cold, rub the Child's Mouth as oft as you fee Caufe.

CCXXXVIII. An almost Specifick Medicine for a Tenefmus.

MIX Balfam of Sulphur made with Oil of Turpentine, with Linfeed-Oil, or fome other convenient Oil, till the Balfam be thereby fo far allay'd, that the Patient may well endure it; and then let him dip his finger in it, and make Ufe of it as a fmall Suppofitory 2 or 3 times, or if Need be, oftner in a Day.

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CCXXXIX. An excellent Emulfion to be used in sharpness of Urine, especially caused by Blistring Plaisters.

TAke Mallows 2 handfuls, Gum Araback 2 Drams, Barley-water a fufficient quantity; boil all to a quart, to which add fweet Al-

Almonds blanch'd 1 Ounce, of the 4 great cold Seeds, of each 2 Drams. Make an Emulfion, ftrain, and add 2 Ounces of Syrup of Marsh-Mallows, of which drink at Pleafure.

CCXL. A powerful Medicine for stoppage of Urine.

FRY Chervil with a fufficient quantity of Oyl of Walnuts, and apply a Cataplasm made of it very hot to the Navel (and if Need be, to the Os Pubis) or Share-Bone.

CCXLI. For a Retention of Urine.

TAke Chervil, and with fresh Hogs-lard fry it well, and lay it very hot upon the Patient's Navil, and all the adjacent Parts, shifting it, if there be Need, once or twice.

CCXLII. An useful Powder for such as cannot hold their Urine.

TAke Root of the Male Piony, yellow Amber, red Coral, and choice Gum Araback, of each a fufficient quantity : Reduce them to fine Powder, mix them well, and let the Patient take of this Mixture from 10 to 20 grains twice a Day.

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CCXLIII. An easie Medicine for sharpness of Urine, and for Obstruction of the Menses, and their flowing too much, if the Distemper be not Obstinate.

G Ive about half an Ounce at a Time of the newly exprest Juice of Ground-Ivy in any convenient Vehicle.

CCXLIV. An Old Lithotomist's Medicine for suppression of Urine, (given me by himself.)

G lve from about 50 grains to 1 Dram for a Dofe of the Pulvis Holandi, and if the Neceffity be very urgent, you may give from 1 Dram to 4 Scruples, or a Dram and half, not neglecting in the mean while other proper Remedies.

CCXLV. For Suppression of Urine.

G Ive about a Spoonful at a time of bruis'd Mustard-seed in any convenient Vehicle.

CCXLVI. A tryed Medicine for a suppresfion of Urine that is not very Obstinate.

D Iffolve half an Ounce of choice Castile Soap, in half a Pint of White-wine, or some appropriated Liquor; pass the Solution thro' a woollen Filter, that the more greafie Parts

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 147 Parts may reft behind, and the Liquor pafs more clear; put to this 5 or 6 grains of Saffron: Divide it into 2 Doses, whereof I is to be given some few Hours after the other, if the first do not operate well. CCXLVII. 'A Speedy Remedy for Fits of Vomiting. TAke a large Nutmeg, grate off one half of it, and toast the flat fide of the other, 'till the Oily Part begin to ouze or fweat out; then clap it to the Pit of the Patient's Stomach as hot as he can well endure it, and let him keep it on whilft it continues warm, and then, if Need be, put on another. CCXLVIII. To make an Aftringent Liquor, of great Use in Ulcers and (Some) Wounds. **B**Oil 2 Drams of choice Catechu, or Japan Earth, in a quart of Spring-water; pour off the clear, and with it by Injection, or otherwife drefs the Ulcers or Wounds. CCXLIX. For outward Ulcers. TAke the green Bark of Oak, and chop it altogether, both Infide, and Outfide, into very finall Pieces. Upon these pour good-Lime-water freshly made, and let them infuse in it till the Liquor has acquir'd a deep Tin-Aure. With this drefs the Ulcer once, and if Need require, twice a Day.

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CCL. The Famous Scotch Emperical Medicine for a stubborn Ulcer.

B Urn to Afhes, but not too much, the groß ftalks on which the red Colewort (not Cabbage) grows, and with any fit Additament, make thereof a Cataplasm to be apply'd to the Ulcer, and shift it at reasonable Distances of Time.

CCLI. A Remedy against the Bitings of Vipers, and other venomous Creatures.

A^S foon as ever one is bitten (for if the Poyfon be diffus'd through the Mafs of Blood, the Experiment may not fucceed) a hot Iron may be held as near the Wound as the Patient can poffibly endure, till it has, as they fpeak, drawn out all the Poyfon, which will fometimes adhere like a yellowifh Spot to the Surface of the Iron.

CCLII. A Medicine against Voiding of Blood out of Several Parts.

T Ake 2 Drams of Henbane-Seed, and the like weight of white Poppy-feed; beat them up with an Ounce of Conferve of Red Rofes, of which give to the quantity of a Nutmeg or Walnut.

Or, Take the exprest Juice of 12 handfuls of Plantane-Leaves, and 6 Ounces of fresh Comfrey-Roots, well beaten together with Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 149 with a convenient quantity of fine Sugar. These 2 Medicines have wonderful Effects to ftop Bleeding.

CCLIII. A simple, but powerful Remedy for fresh Wounds.

TAke the Juice of Celandine, and drefs with it Recent Wounds and Cuts, inftead of a Balfam.

CCLIV. To make a simple, but excellent Balsam to stench the Blood of fresh Wounds newly made, and to heal them speedily.

TAke good Venice-Turpentine, and in a Limbeck, or fome other convenient Veffel, diftil off a good part of it with a very moderate Fire, till there remains a thick fubftance, yet not like Colophony, but of a liquid and Balfamick Confiftence. What you have diftill'd off fet afide for other Ufes, for the remaining Subftance is what we now feek for, and is to be apply'd as a Balfam both per fe, and with Plagets and other Helps.

CCLV. An excellent Wound-Drink. T Ake Harts-tongue, Liver-wort, Wood-bugle, Wood-fage, Wood-betony, Southernwood, Wormwood, Alehoof, Buglofs, Scabious, Ribwort, White-bottles, Mugwort, Comfrey, H 3 Mint,

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Mint, Agrimony, Strawberry and Violet-leaves, Cinquefoil, Daifie-leaves, Roots, and Flowers, Wild Honey-fuckles, Wild Angelica, Avens, Plantane, Clowns, Wound-wort, Hawthornbuds, Oak-buds, and Bramble-buds.

Gather thefe Herbs in May, or as many as can then be had; the Buds in March as foon as ever they put forth, before they come to Leaves; measure them, and take equal quantities of them, and dry them feverally in the Shade, and when throughly dried put them up in Bags, and fo keep them for Ufe.

How to make the Drink.

Take 1 gallon of Spring-water, 1 Pottle of the best White-wine, add to this 2 good handfuls of all the Herbs, mingled well together being dried; but if green, then I good handful of each. Boyl them in a Pipkin or Iron-Pot to the confumption of the half; then Arain it out, and put to the Liquor a quart of Honey, and let it boil again, and skim it, and when it's cold, put it up into Bottles ftopt very close; then let the Patient drink thereof Morning and Evening about a quarter of a Pint at a time (some use only 3 spoonfuls at a time) fasting after taking of it 1 hour or 2. Observe, the Liverwort is ever beft to be put in green. If you make use of this for any Sore or Ulcer in the Body, lay any Searcloth or Plaifter to it, of Unguentum Apostol. or Minium, or fuch like, as they use for Wounds in the Body, or a Plaister of Honey and Wax.

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This Drink is effectual for Sores old or new, Womens Breafts, putrified Bones, caufing them to fcale; 'tis good for any Ach in the Stomach, for the King's-Evil it hath cured, alfo caufed Bullets in the Flefh to come out, having long continued there. Sir Jo. Mince was healed by drinking of this, being wounded through the Loins.

CCLVI. A quick Remedy for a Small and fresh Cut, or Wound.

L ET the Patient speedily plunge the hurt Part into Brandy, and keep it there for a while, 'till the Pain, which will be excited, be extinguish'd, or much abated : Or if the Part be unfit for this Operation, the Liquor may be apply'd to it immediately with a fost Sponge, &c.

CCLVII. A good Vehicle for divers Remedies, and that 'tis itself useful against the Jaundies, and Worms in Children.

T HE diftill'd Water of the Husks of Walnuts is a very good Vehicle in divers Difeafes; particularly in Jaundies; 'tis a Cordial, and exceeding proper to be mixt with Julips in Fevers. 'Tis alfo an excellent Antiverminary, or Medicine against the Worms, especially for Children.

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CCLVIII. A powerful Medicine for White Fluors (and the like Distempers.)

TAke a Pottle of Ale, and fhred into it 2 Ounces of white *Ichthyocolla* (Ifinglafs,) and in a loofely ftopt Veffel, let the Liquor fimper till about half is wafted; ftrain the reft, and give of it 2 or 3 Ounces at a time once or twice a Day, as Need fhall require.

CCLIX. A tryed Medicine for an Ulcus Uteri.

TAke of true and choice Bitumen Judaicum, or Asphaltum, and having reduc'd it to very fine Powder, let the Patient take of it about a Dram at a Time in any proper Vehicle, once or twice a Day.

CCLX. An excellent Water to preserve the Sight.

TO half an Ounce of Celandine-water, and 2 Drams of Succory-water, mixt together, put 2 or 3 Drops of clarify'd Honey, and fhake them all together when you are to use them. Of this water let fall a Drop or 2 into the Eye once or twice a Day. It will not keep above 3 or 4 Days, especially in Summer, and therefore must be often renewed.

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Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 153 CCLXI. A tryed Medicine for a Whitloe.

TAke Houfe-Snails and beat them, Shells and all, in a ftone or wooden Mortar, fo long till they be reduc'd to the Confiftence of a Cataplasm; which apply somewhat warm to the Part affected, and keep it on for 16 or 24 Hours, renewing it then, if Need be.

CCLXII. A powerfully diffolving Ointment for Warts and divers Tumors.

T Ake May Butter, and having melted it in a moderate Heat, mix with it very diligently, but by little and little, as much Oyl of Tartar per deliq. as will give it a fenfible, but not a confiderably ftrong Tafte.

CCLXIII. An experienced Remedy for Bloody Water.

TAke Waters of the black Alder, of Mallows, of each 3 Ounces, Syrup of Comfrey 1 Ounce : mix them, and let the Patient take 4 Spoonfuls immediately; and 4 or 5 Times a Day.

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T Ake fresh Quick-Lime 2 Pound, on which pour 2 gallons of Water boyling hot; when they have stood together about 24 hours, pour off the clear, and into 1 gallon of this, put of Anniseeds, Liquorish, and Sassaffast thinly slic'd, of each 4 Ounces. Let them infuse for 24 or 48 hours in a cover'd Vessel; then take a Pound and a half of Smyrna Raiss (which some call great blue Currans) wash'd and stamp'd. Let these infuse for a few hours, and then pass the whole Mixture first through a Sieve, and then through a woollen Bag. The Dose is about a quarter of a Pint warm twice a day.

CCLXV. An experienc'd Medicine to correct the peccant Humour in the King's-Evil.

TAke half an Ounce of Cuttle-Bone dry'd, till it may be finely powder'd. Give this to the Patient for 1 Dofe.

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CCLXVI. An excellent and often try'd. Glyster in Fluxes, especially in sharp 'Humours, and some other Distempers of the Bowels.

I N a quart of New Milk boyl foftly 2 fmall Spoonfuls of grofly powder'd Rice, till it be brought to the confiftence of Cream, then diffolve it in 2 Ounces of our Suet of Sheep-Kidneys, and having ftrain'd it to keep back the Fibres, give it at once for a Lavement.

CCLXVII. A Cure for Schrophula's, and the King's-Evil.

TAke a handful of Paronychia folio rutaceo, called Rue Whitlow-grafs, and by fome Felon-wort, boyl it every Morning in a quart of fmall Beer, ftrain it, and drink it for your ordinary Drink. It waftes the peccant Humour, appeafes the Pains, difcuffes the unbroken Tumors, and heals the broken ones.

CCLXVIII. Against Epilepsies, or the Falling-sickness.

T Ake of the Powder of the true Miffeltoe of the Oak as much as will lye upon a Six-pence, early in the Morning, in Black-cherry-water, for some days near the Full Moon.

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CCLXIX. A simple Remedy for the Stone.

TAke Perficaria, or Afmart, as much as you pleafe: Diftil it in a common Rofe-water-Still, and give fome Spoonfuls of it in or before the Fits.

CCLXX. An Excellent Remedy agains? Fluxes.

Ake unfalted Butter, boyl it gently till a pretty Part be confumed, fkimming it diligently from Time to Time, whilft it ftands over the Fire: Of this Butter melted give now and then a confiderable Quantity, as the Patient is able to bear it. This Medicine was very fuccefsful in Ireland.



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Ake a Pound of the true fingle Piony-Roots, scrape and flice them T as thin as Paper into 3 Pints of White-wine, infuse it all night on Embers in a Pipkin clofe cover'd

and pasted up : In the Morning strain it out hard, and put in a quarter of an Ounce of Caftor in fine Powder, an Ounce of the best Spirit of Castor, 30 Grains of the Moss of a Dead Man's Skull, and 30 Grains of the Skull itself: Put all these into a strong Glass that is very dry, and fhake them half an hour with all your Might. It may be given in a Fit: A Spoonful to a young Child; to a Man, or

158 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. II. or a Woman a Wine-glass; I usually mix Black Cherry-water with it.

CCLXXII. The Pills for the Drophe that are much us'd by a Perfon, efteem'd for the Cures he has done on that Difeafe.

Ake Gambogia, Gum Ammoniacum, of each a Dram and a half, Diagridium, and Tartar-Vitriolate a Dram, with Syrup of Bucks-horn, make a Mass for Pills. Dose from 15 Grains to half a Dram.

CCLXXIII. An easte, but effectual Medicine for the Rough ness of the Lips, and to heal Parts that have the Scarf-skin worn off. Ake 2 Parts of Wax, and one of the fresheft Butter, melt and incorporate them over a gentle Fire; and then let the Mixture drop into small Cakes, upon a glaz'd Tile or a Plate (whether Pewter or Silver) dipt in Water, or else upon a Piece of wetted white Paper.

CCLXXIV. A good and try'd way to make an artificial Wine, that is soon drinkable, and serves to keep the Body soluble.

Ake a gallon of boiling Water, and pour it upon 3 Pounds of Raifins of the Sun fton'd and well bruis'd; by fqueezing and preffing, get out the Juice as thorowly as you can from the Skins, Sc. and having ftrain'd, put to it a Pound of brown Sugar-Can'y.

CCLXXV. A

Vol. II. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 159 CCLXXV. A not unpleasant Purge for Children and delicate Persons.

IN the Yolk of an Egg diffolve, by rubbing them very well in a clean glass or ftone Mortar, about 6 grains of choice Refin of Jalap finely powder'd, and when the Solution is made, incorporate with it little by little 2 or 3 Ounces of Succory, or fome other convenient Water, which by this Operation will be turned white, and make a Kind of Emulfion, which you must fweeten at Pleasure, either with fine Sugar, or fome laxative Syrup, and give it in a Morning fasting. Cum Custodia.

CCLXXVI. An Ingenious Chymist's Arcana for the Stone.

T Ake Borax finely powder'd, and make it up with fome choice Turpentine into Pills, whereof 1 Dofe ought to contain from a Scruple to 2 Scruples; wash these down with fome few Spoonfuls of the Tincture of Lignum Nephriticum made in Water, or of Cochineel, or if the Case be urgent, you may give from 20 to 30 grains of the Borax, and about a 5th Part of Myrrhe; diffolve in a couple of Spoonfuls of the Tincture of Lignum Nephriticum.

CCLXXVII. An uncommon, but try'd Medicine to make a quick Exfoliation of a Carious Bone.

T Ake the Thigh-bone of a hang'd Person, (if it can be had of fuch a Body, elfe another may be substituted) and having burnt it to

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to Blacknefs, but not calcin'd it, reduce it to fine Powder, which is to be carefully ftrewed all over the Part to be exfoliated, after fome Drops of Chymical Oleum Sabinæ have been imploy'd to wet and foften the Part, and make the Powder flick well; this done, drefs it up S. A. and 'twill feldom require a Third, if it do a Second Application.

CCLXXVIII. An experienced Medicine for Madnefs (Mania) not very obstinate. TAke 2 Ounces of the Berries of Box, and infuse them warm in a close Veffel in a quart of Claret, or Red-wine for 48. Hours; then decant the Liquor, and put to it an equal quantity of the distill'd water of Vervain, and of this Mixture, let the Patient take 6 or 8 Ounces at a Time, and compose himself to sweat and rest after it. This must be daily done for a pretty while together, if Need requires.

CCLXXIX. To prevent a Gangreen upon a great Pain, and to strengthen the Part.

T Ake of Melilot-Plaister, and Diapalma equal Parts, and having melted and well incorporated them together, make thereof a thin Plaister; which being prickt full of Holes, is to be laid upon the inflamed or bruifed Part, first lightly fcarify'd.

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CCLXXX. An excellent Plaister to discuss Tumors (even scrophulous) that may be resolved, and ripening those that it cannot dissipate.

I Ncorporate exactly with the Emplastrum de Sapone, about a fourth Part of Balfamum Sulphuris Terebinthinati, and use it as a Plaister for the above-mention'd Purposes. N.B. In want of this, you may employ Diachylon cum gummis, renewing it once in 2 or 3 Days.

CCLXXXI. A parable Medicine to drive away Gravel and Small Stones.

T Ake the thick Skin, that is found in the Gizzard of a Cock or Hen (but not a Capon) and having warily dryed it till it be grown pulverable; give from a Scruple to 2 Scruples of it, in a Draught of any convenient Vehicle.

CCLXXXII. An excellent Remedy for Whitloes on the Fingers.

TAke a reddifh, or at leaft a blackifh Snail, of that fort that has no Houfe or Shell, and having beaten it in a Mortar that is no Metalline, to the Confiftence of a Poultis, apply it to the Part affected, renewing it, if Need be, once or twice, after it has been kept on for fome Hours.

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CCLXXXIII. To make one Spit out Rheum that Swells the Gums, and therewith cau-Seeth the Tooth-ach.

D'Iffolve a Spoonful of good Muftard in about a Pint of French Wine (Claret or White) and having warm'd it a little, let the Patient from time to time wash his Mouth with it, and hold it there in for a pretty while together.

CCLXXXIV. To give ease in the Fit of the Gout.

TAke 3 Parts of Oil of Turpentine, and 1 of Chymical Oil of Spike, shake them well together; with this Mixture anoint the Parts lightly.

CCLXXXV. An excellent Eye-Water to preserve from Rheums, especially sharp ones.

TAke 2 Parts of Celandine, and 1 of Eyebright, and diftil thence (N. B.) in Balneo, a Water or Liquor, which you muft put upon exquifitively pulveriz'd Lapis Calaminaris, and let them digeft together in an exactly clos'd Veffel for fome weeks, adding before you use it a third part of Brandy, afterwards continue upon the Powder as long as you imploy the Liquor.

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CCLXXXVI. To make an excellent and often try'd Medicine for the Stone, whether of the Kidneys or Bladders.

TAke of pure White-wine, or Rhenishwine, and of Fennel-water, each 1 Pint. Into this Mixture put half an Ounce of (Wood-lice) alive and well cleansed, of a midling Size, and 1 Lemmon flic'd; let them infuse in a Vessel well stopt, for 3, 4, or 5 days, and then let the Patient take about 4 Ounces at a time twice a Day.

CCLXXXVII. An almost Specifick Remedy for the Thrush in Children.

T Ake Houssek freshly gather'd, crush it well between 2 Plates, or otherwise, till you have squeez'd out the Juice, mix this with live Honey, enough to make it somewhat sweet, and then put to it as much finely powder'd Roch-Allom, as will give it a little Tartness, put some of this Mixture with a quill, or a feather down the Patient's Throat, as far as conveniently may be; if there be Need, the Part affected may be touched once more within an Hour after.

CCLXXXVIII. For the Yellow Jaundice. TAke Rhubarb 2 Drams, Saffron, Mace, of each a Dram, Hemp-feed 1 handful; bruife 164 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. II. bruife them, and put therein a quart of White-wine, and fet it in a gentle Heat to extract: then take Mornings and Evenings in an empty Stomach, about a quarter of a Pint, and when all is fpent, pour on fome more Wine upon the Ingredients, adding a little fresh Rhubarb and Saffron, and use it as before.

CCLXXXIX. An almost Specifick Medicine for Agues.

TAke Refin of Scammony 12 grains, Diaphoretic Antimony, and Crystals of Tartar, of each 8 grains; mix these carefully, and give them for 1 Dose, an Hour Lefore the Fit comes.

CCXC. To make a Nephritick Tincture, often found to relieve in the Stone.

TAke Oyfter-Shells, and calcine them till they be very white; of thefe take 2 Parts, and 1 of Rhenifh-wine-Tartar; pulverife thefe apart very well, and then mix them diligently; pour on the Mixture a little fair Water, and let the Ingredients work on each other till the Conflict be over; then ftir the Mixture with a Stick, and pour on fome more Liquor; and when the Effervescence ceases, put on a little more, and so proceed till no Conflict be made. Evaporate to a kind of soft Mucilage; digest this a while, decant the Liquor and filter it, and you will have it, if it be not too flegmatick, of a fine red Colour.

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lour. Of this the Dofe is from 10, or 15, to 30 drops, or more, in any convenient Vehicle.

CCXCI. An almost Specifick Medicine for Exulcerations in the Kidneys.

TAke Jet, and having reduc'd it to fine Powder, give of it about half a dram for a Dofe, in fome good White-wine in the Morning fafting, and at Bed-time for fome Days together.

CCXCII. An almost specifick Medicine for the Jaundice.

W Ith SmallAle, or at least not very Strong, draw a deep green Tincture from fresh Sheep's-dung, and in a small draught of this, give from half a dram to a dram of a powder'd Mixture, confisting of 4 Parts of Turmerick, and 1 of English Saffron. This Dose may be given twice, or if Need be, thrice a Day, having a Care that the Patient, whom it will dispose to sweat, keep very warm, and so whilst the Operation lasts.

CCXCIII. An useful Medicinal Aliment for them that are troubled with Pains of the Stone.

L ET the Patient eat 5 or 6 Onions roafted, and fparingly butter'd, either in the Morning fafting, or at Meals, or at other times, if the Cafe be urgent. N. B. The diffilled Water of

166 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. II. of Onions, as likewife of good Ufe in the fame Diftemper.

CCXCIV. An experienced Ointment for the Worms in Children.

Take Rue, Wormwood, and Sabine, of each a fufficient quantity, and with May, or other unfalted Butter, or elfe with fresh Hogs-lard, boyl the Herbs foftly, 'till you have brought the Mixture to be very green. Then strain it, and pot it up for Use; when you imploy it, anoint with it first the Pit of the Stomach, and Part of the Chest a little above it, and then after a while rub it pretty well upon, and all about the Navil.

CCXCV. An often tryed Cataplasm to break a sore Breast, &c.

TO the Yolks of 4 Eggs, take 4 Ounces of live Honey, mix them by grinding well together with about half a Pint of Red or Claret-wine, and apply this Mixture as a kind of Poultis, to the Part affected.

CCXCVI. For an Ague.

Ake the Soot that is in a Baker's Chimney, and Mustard, and Rue, and Whitewine Vinegar, and Sallad-Oyl, and fome white Pepper and Ginger, and make a Poultis

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tis of it, and lay it to the Pulfe of his or her Arms, and let it lie a Fortnight or 3 Weeks, if you will lay it on just before the Fit come.

CCXCVII. A very often experienced Medicine for Cankers in the Mouth, and elsewhere.

TAke Flowers of Sulphur 1 Ounce, Roch-Allom, crude and finely pulveriz'd, half an Ounce; mix thefe very well together, and incorporate them with as much good Honey, as will ferve to bring the Mixture to the confiftence of a Liniment, to be apply'd from time to time to the Part affected.

CCXCVIII. An easie, but effectual Medicine to stop Bleeding in Wounds, and check some other Hemorrhages.

S Trews upon the Part the Powder of clear Rofin beaten very fmall.

CXCIX. A very good Drink for Children, whofe fore Eyes are suspected to be fcrophulous.

TAke of Ground-Ivy and Arch-Angel, (Leaves, Flowers and all) of each half an handful, pour on them a Pint of boilingSpringwater, and proceed as in making of Coffee, let the Patient drink a moderate Cup of this 2,3, or 4 Times a Day; but if you would have it flronger, you may put to a quarter of a handful of each of these, 2 or 3 Drams of Pilewort-

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wort-Roots, which must be put to infuse all Night alone in the water, which being thus impregnated, you must then boyl, and be used as before.

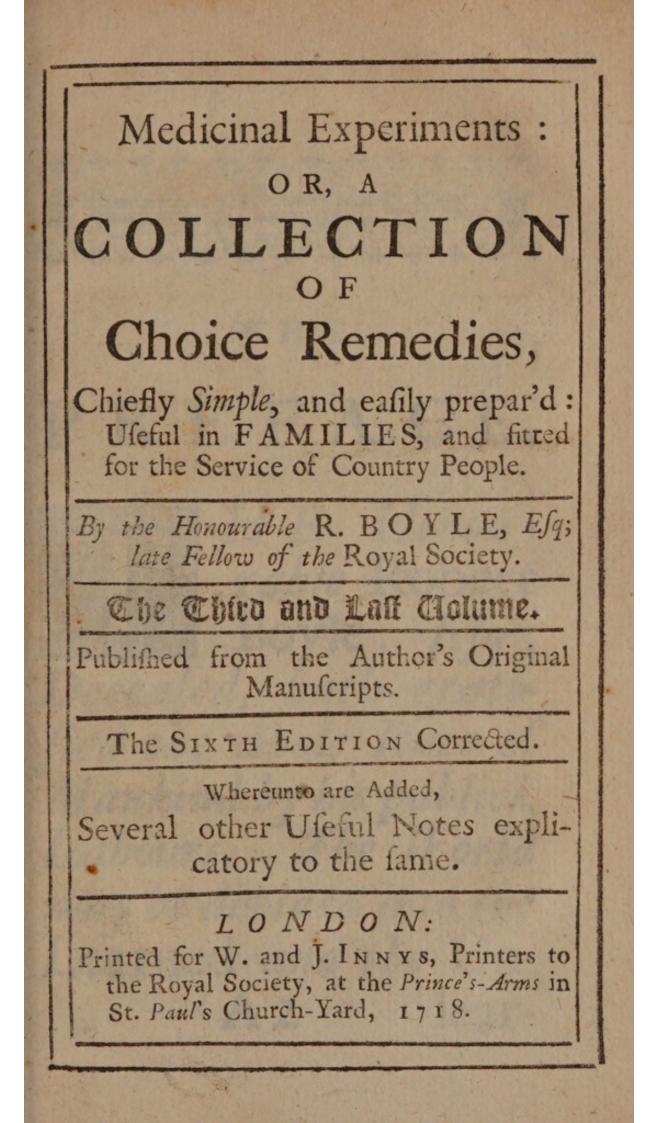
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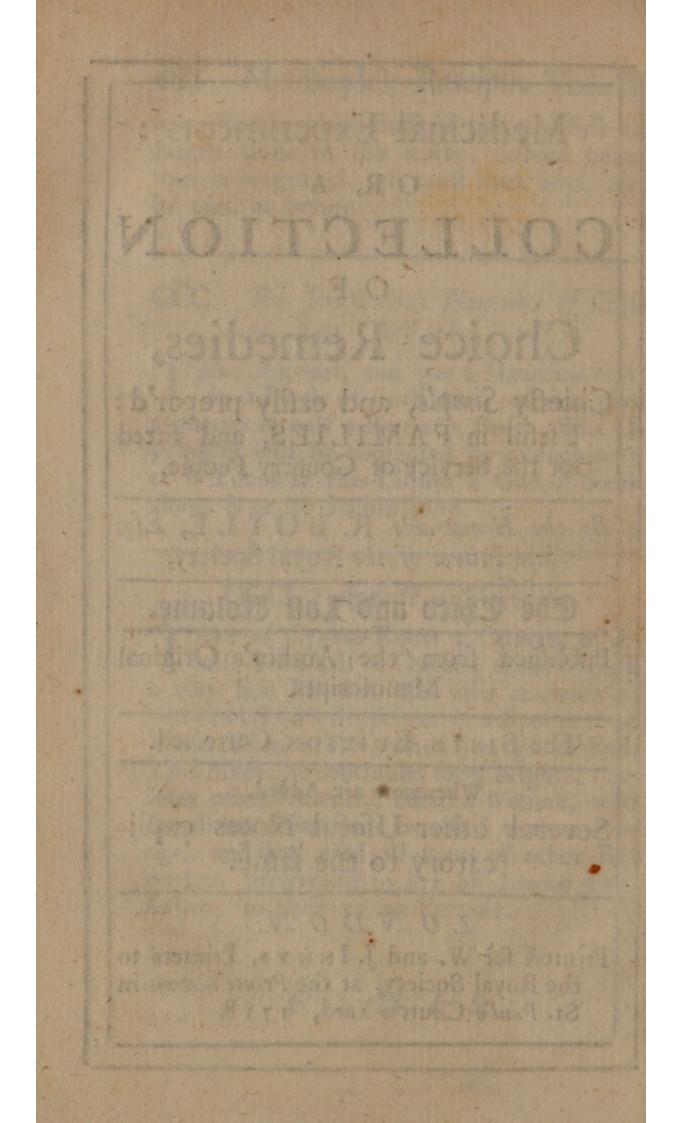
TAke Figwort, and put 2 Handfuls of it to a Pottle of fmall Ale; of this give a quarter or half a Pint at a Dofe. The Operation will be promoted by quenching 7 or 8 Times in this Liquor a Gad of Steel, about 8 or 10 Inches long.

CCCI. Against a Vertigo.

TAke of Cyprus-Roots 2 Ounces, of Anife-Seed half an Ounce; make of both a very fine Powder, and take as much as you can lay on a Sixpence, in a Spoonful of Wine, Beer, or Ale, when you go to Bed. This Medicine continued for 5 Nights, (befides other Patients,) cured a Woman, who for divers Years was troubled with a Vertigo, and had ufed all Sorts of other Remedies, prefcribed to her by London Phyficians, to little or no Purpofe.

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PREFACE.

HE Honourable Robert Boyle, E(q; Deceased, hath gratified the whole Race of Mankind by his publick Labours. The World may be divided into the Learned and the Un-A2 lear-

The Preface. learned Part thereof. The former he much obliged by his elaborate Discourses on several Subjects: The latter, which are far more numerous, he hath condefcended also to oblige, by consulting their Health in the ensuing Receipts. For, whereas the ordinary and inferior sort of Men either have not Ability (by reason of the Tenuity of their Estates) to reward Physicians; or

or by reason of the Remoteness of their Habitations, have not Opportunity to confult them: Here they have Remedies provided to their Hands, and almost at their own Doors; some of which the Learned Collector had Experience of himself; and others were recommended to him by credible Persons, who had experienced their Benefit in themselves, or their Friends. A3 And

And the' those Ways of Probation might be sufficient to justifie their Publication; yet such was the scrupulous Care and Zeal of this Author, that be would not fuffer them to see the Light, till they had been first perused by some Eminent Physicians of his Acquaintance; to whom he was pleased to commit the Supervisal of his Medicinal Receipts, both Galenical and Chymical. This

This Century bears the Name of Parable Receipts; because they may be easily procured and prepar'd by Country People, as their respetive Diseases do require.

What comes forth in the Name of Mr. Boyle, and is genuinely His, needs no farther Recommendation.

His Ipse Dixit is sufficient, and such are these Prescripts, as being

ing found among his many other Papers of like Import, which in time may be Published also.

I shall therefore only recommend them and their Success to the Blessing of God, the alone Giver, Preserver and Restorer of Health.

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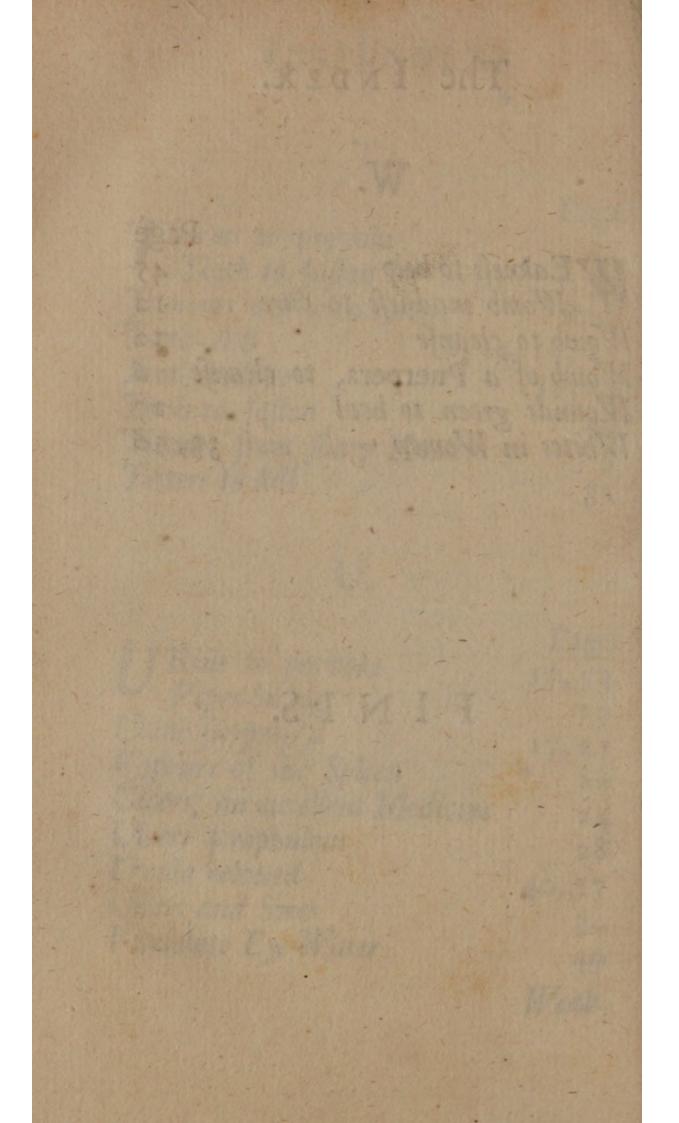
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COLLECTION

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OF

Choice and Safe REMEDIES.

The Third VOLUME.

I. A good Medicine for a newly taken, though violent Cold.

TAke about 4 Ounces of Spring-water, and in a convenient Veffel; put to it Leaves of good Tuffilago (Colts-foot) and a Pugil of Maiden-hair, and a Stick of Liquorifh for Bignefs and Length like the furtheft Joynt of the little Finger: Make the Water warm, and when it is ready to boil, put in the fore-mentioned Ingredients, (the Li-

Liquorifh being firft flic'd and minc'd, cover the Pot well; let it boyl for a few Whalms, then take it off the Fire, and having prefently ftrain'd it, let the Patient drink it hot like Tea, he being already in Bed : Do this 3 or 4 Nights confecutively, or till there be no more Need of the Medicine.

II. A good Water for the Eyes that are foul, and pained by sharp Humours.

TAke prepared Pearl and Coral, and I Scruple, Aloes Cabalina, finely powder'd 3 Grains, Red Rofe-water and Succorywater and I Ounce; mix them well; and if you would have the Mixture stronger, put in a very few Grains of Trochifci albi Rafis in very fine Powder.

III. A good Medicine for Pain of the Teeth that comes from Rheum.

O F the Powder of white Hellebore, put into a clean Linnen Rag, like a Nodule, of about the Bignels of the largeft Sort of Peale, or fomewhat greater; and let the Patient hold it between his Teeth, with his Head and Face fomewhat inclined, that the Rheum may run freely out of his Mouth. IV. An

IV. An experienc'd Sternutatory to clear the Head.

LET the Patient fnuff up in the Morning fafting, a fmall Spoonful, or lefs, of the clarified Juice of *Hædera Terreftris*, *i.e.* Ground-Ivy, or of Beets, fpitting out from Time to Time as much Liquor as comes into his Mouth.

V. An often try'd Remedy for the Dysentery and sharp Fluxes of the Belly.

G Ive from 15 to 20 Grains of carefully made Mercurius Dulcis, incorporated with about 2 Ounces of Catholicon, or elfe with about 1 Scruple of Toasted, or somewhat lefs of Untoasted Rhubarb.

See Numb. (1.)

VI. A good, though uncommon, Medicine for the Dropfie.

TAke Virginian Snake-weed a fufficient Quantity; and having cut and flic'd it very fmall, infufe it into a competent Quantity of good Sack, till the Liquor be very flrongly impregnated with the Flant. Of this In-K fufion

fusion let the Patient take 3, 4, or 5 Spoonfuls at a Time (or more, if the Cafe be urgent) when the Stomach is empty. See Numb. (2.)

VII. An often experienced Medicine for Blood-fbot, or inflamed Eyes.

CUT a New-laid Egg boil'd hard, into ² Halfs (without taking out the Yolks) and apply one of these confiderable warm, but not too hot, to the Part affected, and keep it on for some Hours (6 or 8, if it need so long.) Note well, To the same Purpose you may apply with good Effect, a Poultis made of a rotten Apple, the Cold being first quite taken off.

See Numb. (3.)

VIII. An excellent Remedy for a Burn or Scald in the Eye.

TAke Mucilages of Quince-feed, Fleawort, Linfeed and Fenugreck-feed, of each I Scruple; boil it very lightly in 4 Ounces of Betony-water; filter it, and apply it to the Part.

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IX. A good and innocent Dentrifice.

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TAke Mastick and Dragons-Blood of each a fufficient Quantity; powder them, and mix them together, and let the Patient use 'em as a Dentrifice. See Numb. (4.)

X. To correct the Laxity of the Gums, and fasten the Teeth.

T O a Pint of Red or Claret-wine, take about 2 Drams of Japan Earth, and having diffolv'd fo much as you can, pour off the clear, and let the Patient wash his Mouth therewith from Time to Time.

XI. An uncommon, but effectual Fomentation for Tumours, accompany'd with sharp Humours.

TO a Gallon of Spring-water, put as much dry'd Sage, as you judge will afford a decoction ftrong enough of the herb. Into this, when it first grows hot, cast about 2 Ounces or fome Drams of Castle-Soap, and let it diffolve there till your decoction be com-K 2 pleat,

Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. pleated. With this and Stupes, foment the Part for a good while together.

XII. A-rare Medicine for Hysterical Affections, and several Distempers of the Genus Nervosum.

T Ake 1 Ounce, or a fufficient Quantity of Volatile Salt of Harts-horn, which need not be exactly pure) and drop on it as much Spirit of Tartar as will ferve to fatiate it, when the Conflict is quite ceased. Digest the Mixture for a while, that it may acquire a red Colour, and keep it carefully stopt for Use, and give 4 or 5 Drops twice a Day in any convenient Vehicle.

XIII. An often proved Remedy to bring away what is, or should not be left in the Womb of a Puerpera, though it were Part of a dead Child.

W Ith the Juice of Sheeps-Sorrel, and fome of the ftrong Infusion of the fame Herb (unprefs'd) in Water, and a fufficient Quantity of Sugar, make a Syrup: Of which let the Patient take about a Spoonful, (a little more or lefs, as Need may require, twice or thrice a Day.)

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XIV. A try'd Medicine to take away Corns.

T HE Parts being made foft with Bathing and fcrap'd, apply to the Corn a Plaister of Shoe-maker's Wax; but if the Part be very tender, your Plaister may confist of equal Parts of Shoe-maker's Wax and Diapalma melted together, and spread somewhat thin.

XV. To make an excellent Styptick Powder to stench Blood.

T Ake of white Sugar-candy, Roch-Allom burnt (but not too much calcin'd) and white Vitriol, and pulverize them exceeding well, and mix them diligently, and having dipt Pledgets of Wax or Lint, moiftned with the White of an Egg, into this Powder, apply them to the Orifices of the bleeding Parts. Note well, 'twill do very well after the dry Ingredients are mixt, to grind them with as much Whites of Eggs beaten to Water, as will make a Pafte, which is afterwards to be throughly dry'd in the Air, and then again reduc'd to Powder.

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XVI. For a Tooth-Ach proceeding from Defluxions or Rheum from the Gums.

D liffolve I Ounce of choice Japan Earth, in a Pint at least of good Red or Claret-wine, and let the Patient hold it in his Mouth often, and a good while together.

XVII. To prevent the Fit of an Ague, or cure that Disease.

Ake of the Scraping or Gratings of the Root of Angelica half a Dram, and of the Flowers of Antimony; mix them well, and let the Patient take them at the ufual Times.

Note here, That the Flowers of Antimony are not to be given inwardly in Substance, but only in Infusion; for in Substance they will hazard Life, bringing first strong Convulsions, and then Death. But you may make the Medicine thus.

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XVIII. To

XVIII. To make an often try'd Pericarpium for Agues, especially Tertians.

Ake a Handful and a half of fresh Rue, half a Handful of fresh Sage, a small Spoonful of Bay-Salt, and a Spoonful of good Vinegar. Beat all these very well together into an uniform Mass; which divide into two Parts, and make thereof two Wrist-Plaisters to be apply'd at the usual Times before the Fit; and to be renew'd, if there be Occasion, to keep them on 'till they grow dry and troublefome.

XIX. For the Cholick.

R. O Range-Peels dry'd 'till one may grate them to Powder; and when they are pulveriz'd, take about a Spoonful of the Powder at a time, mixt with a little white Sugar to fweeten it, in or before fome Spoonfuls of any convenient Vehicle.

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10 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol.III. XX. An approved Remedy for present Deafness.

TAke of the Breaft-Milk of a Woman that has had her first Male-Child some Time before, and drop 3 or 4 Drops of it warm, as it comes from the Nipple, into the Part affected.

XXI. A choice Medicine for Burns.

TAke Goofe-greafe (which the Country-People call the Leaf of a Goofe) and having foftly melted, and a little fkimm'd it, fqueeze into it as much frefhly express Juice of Ground-Ivy-leaves, as by continual ftirring will bring it to the Confistence of a green Ointment. With this anoint the Part itself affected; and afterwards lay on it fine old Rags, well dipt in the fame Ointment.

XXII. An

XXII. An external Remedy, almost Specifick for the Leprosie.

TAke Pomatum 1 Ounce, Flower of Sulphur 1 Dram, Sal Prunellæ half an Ounce; and having mixt them very well together, from Time to Time anoint the Part affected therewith, as long as there is Need.

XXIII. For the Head-Ach.

TAke green Hemlock that is tender, and put it in your Socks, fo that it may lie thinly between them and the Soles of your Feet; fhift the Herbs once a Day.

XXIV. For the Hiccup (even in Fevers.) G Ive two or three preferv'd Damsons at a. Time.

XXV. A simple Remedy for the Cholick.

IN a Draught of any convenient Liquor, diffolve about 1 Dram of good Salt of Tarter, and let the Patient take it for 1 Dose.

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XXVI. An experienc'd Medicine to cleanse the Womb.

TAke a large white Onion, cut it into fmall Pieces, and boyl it in about a Pint of water, or lefs, as if it were to be dreffed for Eating. And of this Decoction give 7 or 8 Ounces for a Dofe, mix'd with about half an Ounce of fresh Oyl of Walnuts.

XXVII. To appease the Fits of a Furor Uterinus.

TAke the Feathers of Partridges (it matters not much from what Part of the Fowl) and burn them for a competent time under the Patient's Nofe.

XXVIII. A very good Syrup to strengthen the Sight.

T Ake about a small Spoonful of a Syrup made of Betony-water and Honey, twice, thrice, or 4 Times a Day.

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XXIX. An easie prepared, but useful Drink for a beginning Scurvy.

T O a Quart of Small-Beer (of 6 Shillings per Barrel) or Small-Ale, put over Night about a Handful of Scurvy-grafs-Leaves, and let the Patient drink this Liquor at Dinner for his ordinary Drink for 6 or 8 Weeks together.

XXX. A Parable Remedy for Recent Burns.

A Pply as fpeedily as you can to the Part affected, an Onion, or more (if the burnt Place be large) beaten to a Mafh.

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XXXI. For the Tooth-Ach.

A Pply a Plaister of Carranna to that Part that burns, between the Bottom of the Ear and the Temples, on the fame fide where the Pulsation of the Artery is the most manifestly or strongly felt.

XXXII. An excellent Medicine, though not Curative, for those that are tormented with the Stone in the Bladder.

T Ake Powder of Comfrey-Roots an Ounce and half, Marsh-Mallow-Roots 3 Ounces, Liquorice-Powder 2 Drams, Seeds of Daucus of Creet 2 Drams, Seeds of Purslane, of Winter-Cherries, of each half a Dram, Nutmegs 2 Drams, Saffron 1 Dram, the Species Diamargariton frigid 6 Drams, Syrup of Marsh-Mallows 4 Ounces; mix and make a fost E. lectuary; of which let the Sick daily take the Quantity of a Walnut. It is profitable against the Stone in the Reins and Bladder, but chiefly against the latter; as also against the Strangury, Dysuria, &c.

XXXIII. To

XXXIII. To make a purging Electuary, especially for Children.

TAke an Ounce of choice Rhubarb reduc'd to fine Powder, and 8 Ounces of very good Currans pick'd, wash'd, and rub'd dry, beat these together in a Glass or Marble Mortar for near 2 Hours. Of this Electuary let the Patient take about the Bigness of a small or large Chesnut in the Morning fasting, and if Need be, at Bed-time. If the Case be very urgent, the Medicine may be taken thrice in 24 Hours.

XXXIV. An excellentyRemedy for an Inflammation in the Eyes.

TAke a Pippin (or other Apple) cut it into 2 Halfs, take out all the Core of each of them, fill up the Cavities with the tender Tops of common Wormwood, tye the Half together, and roaft the Apple well. Then beat it and the Herb together to a kind of Poultis, and apply it warm (but not hot) to the Part affected, and bind it thereon, letting it lye all Night, or if you use it in the Day-time, for 6 or 8 Hours.

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XXXV. An useful Drink for the King's Evil, and some Affections that have the like Cause to it.

T Ake a large Handful (or 2 little Phyfical Handfuls) of the Leaves of Ground-Ivy green, or (if the Seafon denies you them) well dry'd; wash off the Dust with Beer, not Water, and put the Herb into a gallon of Ale-wort; when tis ripe for drinking, draw it out into Bottles, and let the Patient take a Draught of it twice or thrice a Day, or if it be thought fit, it may be used at Meals. See Numb. (6.)

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XXXVI. An often experienc'd Remedy to expel Gravel, and provoke Supprest Urine.

K III a Black Cock or Hen (rather than one of any other Colour) take out the thick Membrane or Skin that lines the Gizzard or Stomach; and having wip'd it clean, dry it cautioufly, fo as it may be beaten to Powder. With this mix an equal Part, or half fo much of choice Red Coral calcin'd. Of this Mixture, give from 20 or 30 grains, to 40 or 50 grains.

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See Numb. (7.)

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18 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. XXXVII. An approved Remedy for the King's-Evil.

SET a Quart of New-Milk on the Fire till it just boils up; then take it off, and put into it 2 Spoonfuls of the best Honey, and ftir it till it be diffolv'd : And then fet it on the Fire again, and let it boil 2 or 3 Whalms. Then divide it into 4 Parts, and drink one Part warm, early in the Morning, another about 10 of the Clock, another about 4 in the Afternoon, and the last a little before Bed-time. Do this daily for 2 or 3 Months, except you purge, which must be once a Week, taking, (if a grown Man) 3 quarters of an Ounce of Caryocostinum diffolv'd in Poffet-Drink: Drefs the Sores, if they run, with any drawing Sear-cloth, or a Plaifter of Eurgundy-Pitch. The Medicine, tho' not very promifing, is very famous by the many Cures done with it, by a charitable Lady, of whole ingenious Chaplain I procured this.

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XXXVIII. A good Composition to stop a hollow Tooth, and appease the Pain.

TAke 2 Parts of fine Sugar (that of Lifbon does beft) and 1 Part of black round Pepper, both finely powder'd and mixt; put them into a Silver Spoon over 2 or 3 well-kindled Coals; and when the Sugar begins to melt, take off the Spoon; and whilft the Mixture is yet foft, form it into little grains for fize and fhape fuited to the Part affected.

XXXIX. A Plaister preferred by an ancient Physician that often tried it, to the common Soap-Plaister.

MIX about a Dram of Caffle-Soap with I Ounce of Diachylum, and make thereof a thin Plaister to be worn upon the Part affected.

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XL. An excellent Medicine to be used Topically in Gleetings.

TAke four Ounces of Spring-water [or Plantane-water] and diffolve in it about one Scruple of the Sympathetic Powder, or fo much as will give it a fenfible, yet but faint Vitriol-like Tafte : And of this Mixture inject as much as is ufual of a fmall Syringe every Morning and Evening, as long as Need require, directing the Patient to retain the injected Liquor as long as conveniently he can.

XLI. An approved Medicine in the Biting of a Viper.

T Ake of white Hore-hound, and apply the Plant well beaten into the form of a Poultis, to the Part affected, and give the Patient a Spoonful or two of the Juice of the fame Herb to drink: "Tis alfo very good for the Jaundies.

XLII. An

XLII. An almost Specifick Medicine for the Suppression of Urine.

TAke of Stæchas Citrina (in English, French Lavender) and infuse in a good Heat, two Handfuls of the Flowers in a Pint of good Brandy (not rectify'd Spirit of Wine) and of this Infusion, give about a small Wine-glass full at a Time (diluted, if there be great Need, with a sufficient Quantity of some appropriated Liquor.)

XLIII. For an Ague, often try'd.

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B Oil Yarrow (Millefolium) in New-Milk, 'till it be tender enough to have a Cataplasm made of it. Apply this to the Patient's Wrists, just when the cold Fit is coming on, and let it lie on the Parts till the Fit be gone; and if another Fit comes, use fresh Cataplasms as before.

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XLIV. An useful Plaister for those that are troubled with Vapours of the Spleen, and Shortness of Breath, when 'tis a nervous Affection.

TAke 2 Parts of strain'd Galbanum, and 1 Part of Affafætida, and make thereof, according to Art, a Plaister of about the Bigness of the Palm of one's Hand, taking Care to leave a broad Edge quite round, to prevent its sticking to one's Linnen, and putting a pretty large Piece of Cotton in the middle, that the Gums may not touch the Navel; to which the Plaister is to be apply'd.

XLV. A flight, but excellent Medicine to take off Fits of the Head-Ach.

T Ake about a Handful of fresh Rosemary, and boil it for a pretty while in a Quart of common Water; then almost fill it with a Pint-Pot (or rather a Mug) let the Patient cover his Head and Face with a Napkin, so that he may receive the Steam as hot as he can well bear, and keep the Vessel there as long as he finds the Steam strong enough.

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XLVI. An easie and dry Medicine for the Itch, præmissis universalibus.

B Oil 4 Ounces of clean Quick-filver in about a gallon and half of Spring-water, and let the Patient take of this between a quarter and half a pint at a time, aromatizing it, if he pleafes, with a little Lemon-Peel.

XLVII. An easte Medicine to purifie and Sweeten the Blood.

TAke the Minera of Hungarian, or other choice Antimony, and having ground it to very fine Powder, without fuffering it to touch any Metal, give of this dry Alcohole from 10 grains to a dram, giving it once a Day, and (unlefs fome particular Reafon difwade that Time) let it be at Dinner, that it may mingle with the Patient's Meat in his Stomach.

XLVIII: A

24 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. XLVIII. A cheap, but excellent Medicine for Ulcers.

TAke one Dram, at leaft, of Corrofive Sublimate finely powder'd; diffolve it in a Quart of fair Water, and let it lie there, if you have Leifure, 4 or 5 Days (in a light Digeftion) that it may be throughly diffolved. Then drop in it as much Spirit of Sal Armoniac, or as much Oil of Tartar per deliquium, as will precipitate it all: Then filter it carefully, and keep it flopt for Ufe, which is to imbibe Doffils or Pledgets with it, and apply them to the Ulcer twice or thrice a Day.

XLIX. An easie, and innocent Medicine for Costiveness.

B Oil in as much Broth as will ferve to fill a large Porringer, about half a Handful of the Leaves of common Mallows chopp'd; and of this Broth (being strained) let the Patient make the first Part of his Meal.

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L. For the Aching of a hollow Tooth.

TAke Oil of Wax, and with it moiften well a little Cotton, and thruft it up into the hollow Tooth, letting it lie there 'till the Pain be fufficiently affwaged.

LI. An often try'd Medicine for the Bloody-Flux, being good alfo for Pleurifies.

G Ive the weight of an Elcu d'Or (or near I Dram) of the Seed of Sophia Chirurgorum, in English, Flax Weed, in 2 or 3 Spoonfuls of any convenient Vehicle, once or twice a Day.

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LII. The Cinnamon-Drink, good in Gripes and Fluxes, &c.

TAke 2 Ounces of calcin'd Harts-horn, powder it, and boil it in 3 Pints of Spring-water till a Pint be wasted; then take it off the Fire, and infuse in it an Ounce and half of good Cinnamon, setting it upon Embers in a cover'd Vessel for about an hour. Then sweeten it with Sugar to your Palate, and drink about a quarter of a Pint at a Time. If taken for Prevention only, a fourth Part of the Cinnamon will serve the Turn.

See Numb. (9.)

LIII. An easie, but useful Remedy for Redness of the Eyes.

Ake a blanch'd Almond, and about 3 grains of Camphire, and in a glafs or marble Mortar, incorporate them by wary grinding; and then add to them little by little 2 or 3 Ounces of Red Rofe-water, ftill grinding them till the whole be brought to a kind of Emulfion. Drop a little of this into the Part affected.

See Numb. (10.)

LIV. A

Vol. III. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 57 IV. A most excellent Balfam for any green Wound of what Nature Joever. O YL of St. John's-Wort, and Venice-Turpentine, of each a like Quantity; set them over the Fire in a gentle Heat, half an Hour or less, that they may incorpotate. Then put them up, and keep it for Ue as one of the best of Balfams.

LV. A good Medicine for the Suppression of the Menses.

G Ive for 3 Mornings together, about the expected time of the Monthly Evacuation, a Dram, or Dram and half, or thereabouts of the Galls and Livers of Eels dried and made into Powder.

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LVI. An experienc'd Remedy to prevent ApopleElick Fits.

M Ake at the croffing of the Sutures an Iffue, with Diapalma and Oil of Vitriol, and keep it open the ordinary Way.

LVII. To dry up, or correct the Humour that makes Scrophulous Ulcers.

TAke of the Bone of the Cuttlefish, and having reduc'd it to an impalpable Powder, give about 1 Dram of it at a Time in any convenient Vehicle.

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LVIII. An effectual Medicine for a recent Strain.

Ake a Handful of Wormwood-leaves, and boil them in ftrong Ale, till the Confumption of about a Third, that you may reduce them to the form of a Cataplasm, which when you take from the Fire, you must strengthen by putting into it 2, or at most 3 of Brandy, and apply it warm, renewing it, if Need be, in 24 hours at least. See Numb. (11.)

LIX. For a flight Inflammation of the Eyes, as also a Hordeum growing on the Eye-Lid.

T Ake fresh Houssek; and having pounded it very well to a kind of Cataplasm, cover as much as is needful of it, for Example-sake, to the Thickness of an Half-Crown, or a Crown-Piece, in the fold of a Rag or Linnen-cloth, that may be so apply'd, that the Cataplasm may reach the Eye and the rest of the Cloth be fastned about the Patient's Head. Let the Medicine lie on all Night, and be taken off the next Morning. Repeat this Application 2 or 3 Times, in Case there be Need.

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LX. For

LX. For most Asthmatick Distempers.

Ake of the Roots of Elecampane, thinly flic'd, 1 Ounce, of the Leaves of Ground-Ivy, a good Handful. Boyl thefe in 3 Pints of Spring-water to a Quart; then ftrain the Decoction, fweeten it with a little live Honey, and let the Patient take it 5, 6 or 7 Spoonfuls at a Time. (Note well, Remember the Efficacy of Saffron in the fame Difeafe, as it is commended by Mr. Ray, in his Catalogue of Plants.)

See Numb. (12.)

LXI. For an Ague.

TAke of the Bone called *Platella*, of the Knee of a dead Man, and having reduc'd it to fine Powder, give of it as much as will lie upon a Groat or a Six-Pence, for one Dofe, in any proper Conferve, or fit Vehicle, at a convenient Time (before the cold Fit.)

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LXII. An

Vol. III. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 31 LXII. An experienc'd Medicine to kill Tetters.

Ake of Flowers of Brimstone, Ginger and Burnt-Allom, of each alike; mingle them well, and of this Mixture incorporate as much with new unfalted Butter, as is requisite to bring it to the Confistence of an Unguent. With this anoint the Part affected, as hot as the Patient can well endure it, and let it flay on all Night, and the next Morning wash it off with Celandine-water. But when the Patient goes to Bed, he is to take a Dofe of fome Alexipharmical Medicine : as Gascoign's Powder, Treacle, &c. to keep the Humour from being driven into the Mass of Blood : He is alfo to bath the Part oftentimes in a Day, with the Celandine-water.

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32 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. LXIII. To make a good Powder for a Gonorrhæa.

Ake of choice red Coral, and of Mafick equal Parts, reduce them feparately to fine Powder. Mingle them very well, and of this Mixture give about 30 or 40 grains for 1 Dofe.

LXIV. A choice Medicine for a slight Stroke, or Bruise of the Eye.

TAke 2 Spoonfuls of Fennel-water, or of Betony-water, and drop into it 3 or 4 drops (or 5 at moft) of good clarify'd Honey: Shake them well together, and ufe them twice or thrice a Day. But you muft have a Care to make this Mixture fresh once in 4, or at most in 5 days, especially in Summer : For if it be longer kept, 'twill be apt to grow fowre.

LXV. An

Vol. III. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 33 LXV. An often tried external Medicine for an Eryfipelas.

TAke the Blood of a Hare ('tis beft if kill'd by hunting in March) and if you can have it fresh, anoint the Part affected with it, otherwise apply on it a Linnen Rag that has (tho' a good while ago) throughly imbibed the fresh Blood of that Animal, and dried in the Air. But if the imbrued Linnen be too hard or stiff, it must be soften'd with a little fair Water, and then, the Cold taken off, apply'd to, and bound upon the Part.

See Numb. (13.)

LXVI. An Emperick's much boasted Remedy for the Fluor Albus, or Whites in Women.

M Ake a firong Decoction of the Herb Alchymilla (in English, Ladies-Mantle) and let the Patient drink of it about half a Pint every Morning fafting; and if the cafe be argent, make an injection of the fame Plant, boiled 'till it be very tender, and let the Patient make Use of it from Time to Time.

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34 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. LXVII. An excellent Water for Ulcers, and Sores, (tryed with great Success.)

TO a Quart of Spring-water, take one Dram of Mercury sublimate finely powder'd; and when 'tis quite diffolv'd, drop into the Solution, either Spirit of Sal Armoniac (which is best) or Oil of Tartar per deliquium; 'till you fee that no more will manifeftly precipitate. This done, filter the Mixture through Cap-Paper, and referve the Precipitate for other Uses. The Liquor that passes, you must keep close stopt in a Glass-Viol; and when you will use it, you must dip Linnen Rags in it, and being throughly wetted, apply them to the Part affected, fingle or double, more or lefs, as Need requires. This Application may be renewed twice, or (if the Cafe be urgent) thrice a Day.

LXVIII. An experienc'd Medicine for want of Sleep, proceeding from great Heats in the Head.

Ake the paleff Carrots you can get, and fcrape a fufficient Quantity of them to afford Scrapings enough to make a Cataplasm, of about 2 Fingers, or 2 Inches broad, and of the thickness of a Half-Crown-Piece of Silver, or thereabouts. Let the Patient apply this in a Piece of double Linnen to his Throat,

Throat, fo that it may reach to the Jugular Veffels on each Side, when he goes to Bed, and let it lie on all Night (for it will not eafily grow dry,) if the first Application do not prevail, 'tis to be apply'd the following Night; and fo a third and fourth Time, if Need require.

LXIX. A Parable Medicine, that has cured very many, especially Children, and young Boys and Girls, of Convulsive Fits,

T Ake of the Powder (whether made by filing, rafping, or otherwife) of the found Skull of a dead Man, and give of it about as much as will lie upon a Groat, made up into a Bolus, with Conferve of Rofemary-flowers (or any other that is proper) to a young Boy or Girl: But in Perfons more aged and ftrong, the Dofe of the Powder must be augmented to double the Quantity. The Medicine must be given, often, if Neceffity requires it: If the Patient be a Child, 'twill be useful to apply to the Throat a kind of Necklace, made of the Roots of Vervain cut into Beads.

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LXX. An easie and experienced Remedy for the Piles.

IN 4 Ounces of Spring-water, diffolve about I Dram of Salt of Tartar, or as much as will give the Liquor a manifest, but not strong *Alcalizate* Taste, and apply soft Rags dipt in lukewarm, or somewhat more, to the Part affected, shifting it from Time to Time.

LXXI. A successful Medicine for the Fluxes of the Belly.

TAke Rice-Meal, and mix with it about a fifth Part of finely powder'd and fifted Chalk; boil thefe in Water, or, which is better, if it agrees with the Patient, in Milk, and make thereof a Hafty-Pudding, to be moderately feafon'd with Sugar and powder'd Cinnamon; and let the Patient eat it at Meals, and if Need be, at fome other. Times.

LXXII. An

Vol. III. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 37 LXXII. An often tried Remedy for Corns. TAke the Juice of Houfleek, and mix it up with about equal Parts of the thick Balm or Yeft that flicks to the Barrel, or to the Clay that flops it. Of thefe make a kind of Plaifter, which being kept upon the Toe for a while, and then, if Need be, renew'd, will make the Corn very foft, and eafie to

be drawn out and extirpated.

See Numb. (15.)

LXXIII. A good Medicine for Burns and stenching of Blood.

D Iffolve in Spring-water, or, which is better, Rain-water, as much Sugar as will make it a flrong Solution, and then with a fufficient Quantity of Linfeed-Oil, or Oil of Olives, beat up this Liquor 'till the Oil on it be brought to the Confiftence of an Unguent, with which anoint the Part affected, as timely as you can, renewing the Application as often as Need fhall require.

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LXXIV. An approved Medicine for the Bloody-Flux, being good alfo for Pleurifies.

G Ive 2 or 3 Scruples of Hair's-Blood beaten to Powder for one Dofe, to be taken in a Spoonful or 2 or 3 of Mint-water, or any other fit Vehicle.

LXXV. A very often (though homely) experienced Remedy, for Dysenterick and other Fluxes.

TAke the fresh Dung of a Hog (and if you can, whilst 'tis yet warm) and boil in a Porringer full of New-Milk as much of it as may amount to the Bigness of a Walnut; and also an equal Quantity of fine Mutton-Suet fliced very thin: When these are well incorporated with the Milk, strain them well thro' a clean Linnen; and if there be Need, sweeten them a little with Loaf-Sugar. Let the Patient take this warm, once or twice a Day.

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LXXVI. A powerful Styptick to stench Blood, where it can be applied.

TAke the fine Powder of Lapis Hamatites, made by grinding it exactly well with an equal or double weight of Sal Armoniac : And of this high-coloured Sublimate, put a little upon the Orifices of the Veffel.

LXXVII. For a flight Redness of the Eyes.

TAke of French Barley half an Ounce, and Damask-Rofes half an Handful. Boil them but very little in a Pint of Spring-water, and with this moisten the Part affected, See Numb. (17.)

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40 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. LXXVIII. For the Relaxation of the Uvula.

T Ake bluish Pease, or, in want of them, white ones, and chew them very well, so as to reduce them to the Confistence of a Poultis. Lay this warm upon the Crown of the Head, to the Breadth and Thickness of a Five Shilling-Piece of Silver, or somewhat larger, shifting it in the Morning, and at Bed-time.

See Numb. (18.)

LXXIX. A powerful Medicine to stop sharp Rheums.

TAke a Dram of Catechu, or Japan Earth, and make thereof a Decoction in 5 or 6 Ounces of good White-wine, or elfe of fome diffilled Water, or other Liquor appropriated to the Difease. Of this give 2 or 3 Spoonfuls at Night, and in the Morning as much also if Need require.

LXXX. The

Vol. III. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 41 LXXX. The Frenchman's famous Eye-Water.

TAke 2 or 3 Ounces of the Water of fimple Pimpernel, diffill'd in Balneo, and put this into a little Pot or Porringer of Rofe-Copper; then put into it about the Bignefs of a Hazel-nut, or a Filbert, of ftrong Quick-lime: Cover the Pot, and let the Ingredients lie in it 'till the Liquor hath acquir'd a bluish Colour. Then very warily pour off the clear, and add to it as much live Honey, as will give a little, or but little Tafte: Use it after the wonted Manner of fuch Waters; and if you find it too ftrong, dilute it a little with Water of the fame Plant, or good Spring-water, which, for Need, may be used from first to last, inftead of the Water of Pimpernel.

LXXXI. Eye:

See Numb. (19.)

42 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. LXXXI. Eye-Water.

Ake Red Rose-water, Plantane-water, of each an Ounce; Tutia prepared, half a Scruple; Lapis Lazuli prepared 6 Grains, Red Coral prepared 5 Grains; mix, and make a Collyrium, or Eye-water.

This dropped into the Eyes, being first well shaken, cures Inflammations of the Eyes, provided there be no great Foulness, nor scrophulous Disposition in the Patient. It takes off the Redness of the Eye-lids, if with a Sponge dipt in it, the Eye-lids be often wetted, it takes off Films very well.

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LXXXII. A safe and useful Medicine to prevent Dryness, and some other Disaffections of the Eyes.

T Ake of choice Virgin-Honey, 2 Spoonfuls, of Succory-water, or the diffilled. Water, of each 4 Spoonfuls; mix them, and in a very clean Veffel over a very gentle Fire, let them evaporate (taking off from Time to Time any Scum that may arife) till the Mixture be brought to the Confiftence of a Syrup (or of Honey) keep this in a Glafs well ftopp'd, and make Ufe of it, by letting fall a Drop or 2, or at most 3 of it, at a Time, into the Eye. See Numb.

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44 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. LXXXIII. The Medicine of a famous Emperick for the Stone.

T Ake Amber (clear or yellow) Sea-horfe Pizzle and Nitre, of each a like Quantity, (Note well, in Cafe of Ulcerated Kidnies, put half the Quantity of the Amber) and an eigth Part of the Nitre (of natural Balfam.) Pulverize each apart, and make them up into Pills with Chios, (or at leaft clean Strasburg Turpentine) take 5, 6 or 7 Pills (of about 10 to an Ounce) Morning and Evening.

See Numb. (21.)

LXXXIV. An excellent Medicine for Fits of the Mother.

TAke Sagapenum diffolv'd in Vinegar of Squills, ftrain'd through a Sieve, and again infpiffated or thickned, Ammoniacum in like Manner prepared, Steel prepared, Myrrh, Fæcula of Briony, of each half a Dram, English Saffron, Castoreum, of each a Scruple, Borax 2 Scruples, Syrup of Stæchas a sufficient Quantity; mix, and make Pills of a convenient Bigness to be swallowed; of which take 3 Morning and Night, with Care.

LXXXV. A

Vol. III. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 45 LXXXV. A choice Medicine for the Cholick.

Take clean white Chalk, and having dry'd it with a gentle Heat, reduce it to fine Powder; wet this Powder with the express'd Juice of Camomile, and let it dry in the Air, without the Heat either of the Fire or of the Sun. This done, wet it again with new Juice of Camomile, and dry it the fecond Time as before. Wet and dry it again the third Time, and if you please, the fourth Time; and then reduce the dry Mass to fine Powder again. Of this Powder let the Patient take at a Time, as much as will lie upon a Groat or Six-Pence, in some Spoonfuls of Wine, or other proper Vehicle.

LXXXVI. Troches of Vipers Successfully used to cleanse the Blood, and to strengthen weak Patients.

T Ake of Vipers reduc'd to fine Powder I Ounce, Diaphoretick Antimony half an Ounce, clear yellow Amber 2 Drams, of Starch as much as of all the reft, and of Sugar as much as of Starch; make them to a fine Pafte with Spirit of Wine, and then make 'em into fmall Cakes, whereof I may ferve for a Dofe.

LXXXVII. An

LXXXVII. An approved Medicine for Scorbutick Gums, and to fasten the Teeth.

TAke of White-wine a Pint, of Allom half an Ounce, of Juniper-Berries, and of Red Sage and I Ounce: Boil these together till a quarter of the Liquor be wasted; then put into the remaining Part 4 Ounces of Honey, and let it boil 'till the Scum be all rifen; then filter it, and put into it I Dram of Balfamum Vite.

See Numb. (22.)

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LXXXVIII. A Caution about the Vitriolate Eye-Water.

TAke 4 Grains of Roman Vitriol, not more to 4 Ounces of diffilled Water, either of Rofes, Succory, Fennel, &c.

LXXXIX. A good Medicine for a light Stroke. or Contumon of the Eye.

TAke half an Ounce of Celandine-water, and shake well into it 3 or 4 Drops of clarified Honey, and let fall of this into the Eye a Drop or two, twice or thrice a Day.

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XC. An excellent Medicine for a Stroke or Bruise in the Eye.

T Ake of Betony-water, and Hysop-water, of each 1 Ounce, and in their Mixture, stir fome Blades of Saffron, till the Liquor be pretty well colour'd, and no more. And lastly, add to it 4 or 5 Drops of clarified Honey.

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XCI. An excellent Remedy to take off Films, and such like things from the Eyes.

T Ake choice Bole-Armoniac, and reduce it to very fine Powder, blow this gently into the Eye, once, or at moft, twice a Day. But if the Patient be fubject to, or fearful of any Swelling, Heat, or Difaffection in the Eye-lids, incorporate the Powder with a little clarified Honey.

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48 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. XCII. To strengthen weak Eyes subject to Rheums.

TAke Lapis Calaminaris 4 Ounces, Rofewater a Pint; shake them well together 2 Days. Then let it settle; pour off this Water into a little Viol, and drop of it in weak Eyes, 2 or 3 Times a Day, &c.

XCIII. A Plaister to strengthen the Eyes, and stop Defluxions on them.

TAke of Frankincenfe 2 Drams, Olibanum and Mastick, and half a Dram; mix these well, and reduce them into fine Powder; of which a convenient quantity is to be melted and spread upon black Ribbon, or fome such thing, with a hot Knife or Spatula, and so presently applied to the Temples.

XCIV. An experienc'd Remedy for sharp and hot Humours in the Eyes.

I Nto a quart of New Milk already boiling, put about 2 Handfuls, or lefs, of green Houfleek, freshly gather'd, and chopt small, and let the Milk boil on 'till it will yield no more

more Curd. Then ftrain the green Poffetdrink, and let the Patient take every Day once or twice a Pint (or as near that quantity as he can well reach to) fweetned a little if Need be with fine Sugar. The Drink may be beft taken cold.

XCV. An excellent Fumigation for Pains in the Eyes, and over-great Dryness of them, and when one fears the beginning of a Cataract.

TAke of Fennel, Hylop, Betony, Celandine, Carduus, of each half a Handful, or a Handful; of the Seeds of Linfeed, Quinces, Fenugreek, Fleawort, of each half a Dram, of French Barley 1 Ounce: Boil these in 2 Quarts of fair Water, and half a Pint of White-wine: Let the Patient hold his Head over the Fumes for about a quarter of an Hour every Morning.

XCVI. For fore Eyes.

TAke Crumbs of White-Bread, half an Ounce, Coral and Pearl prepar'd, Tutia, White Sugar-Candy, of each half a Dram; Powder of Red Rofes a Dram and half, Flowers of St. John's-Wort 1 Dram; and with a fufficient quantity of Milk make a Cataplasim or

50 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. or Poultis, which fpread upon Linnen-Cloth, and bind it over the Eye.

XCVII. For Heaviness, and Pain in the Eyes.

T Ake Flowers of Melilot, of Elder, and of Marigolds, of each a fmall Handful, Linfeed, Seeds of Fenugreck, Fleawort, Cummin and Quinces, of each half a Scruple, French Barley half an Ounce, Damask Rofes half an Ounce, Spring-water a Pint and an half, mix and make a Decoction, with which foment the Forehead, Temples and Eye-brows, being fufficiently warm.

XCVIII. For a dry Inflammation.

TAke of Betony, Hysop, Rue, Wormwood, Vervain, as also of Sage-flowers, and Rosemary-flowers, of each of all these half a Handful. (To which may be usefully added, Cummin-Seeds, Fennel-Seeds, and Carduus-Seeds, of each a quarter of an Ounce;) boil these a little in 2 or 3 Quarts of fair Water, and then let the Patient hold his Head for about a quarter of an Hour over the Steam of this Decostion, making Use of a Napkin, to keep the Smoak from diffipating, and direst it to his Eyes. A while after he may put into them, if it be thought fit, a little clarified Honey.

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Vol. III.

Several Neceffary Notes Explicating, Illustrating, or Enlarging fome of the Heads in the preceeding Volume.

Numb. (1.) For the Bloody-Flux, or other Fluxes. See Page 4.

TAke Japan Earth, Powder of Rhubarb, each equal Parts; of which give half a Dram at a Time every Morning fafting.

Numb. (2.) A good Medicine for the Dropfie. See p. 5.

Note, an Infusion of Mechoacan in Whitewine (an Ounce and half thin fliced to a Pint) being infused 24 Hours, and drank of every Morning for fome Days, is a most admirable Thing, and if a little Mustard-Seed be infused in it, it will be fo much the better.

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Numb. (3.) A Medicine for Blood-shot or inflam'd Eyes. See p. 6.

T Here is no better Remedy for inflamed Eyes, than to wafh them every Day feveral times with this. Take Frogs-Spawnwater a Pint, Salt of Tartar a Dram; mix and diffolve, and wafh therewith.

Numb. (4.) A good and innocent Dentrifice. See p. 7.

BUT that which exceeds all, is a fine Powder of Red Coral, with which you may rub them 2 or 3 times a Day, and then wash them with Water in which Sal Prunellæ is diffolved.

Numb. (5.) To prevent or cure an Ague. See p. 13.

TAke Gratings of Angelica-Root, Flowers of Antimony, of each half a Dram, choice Canary 3 Ounces : Infuse in a cold Place for 1 or 2 Days, and pour off the clear for 2 Doses : It is a fingular good Vomit for the Cure of Agues of all Sorts, being given

ven in the Morning fafting, 4 or 6 Hours before the coming of the Fit; and if it be not a Quotidian Ague, then on the intermitting Day.

Numb. (6.) An useful Drink for the King's-Evil. See p. 24.

T Here is no better thing in the World for the King's-Evil, than to give daily fome Spoonfuls of this following Liquor Take White-wine a Quart, Juice of Pellitory of the Wall a Pint, Spirit of Wine half a Pint, Sal Prunellæ an Ounce; mix and diffolve, then pour off the clear, and fweeten with White Sugar. Dofe 6 Spoonfuls Morning and Night.

Numb. (7.) An experienced Remedy to expel Gravel, and provoke Urine. Se p. 25.

T Ake the Juice of Onions 2 Spoonfuls, White-wine half a Pint or more; mix them for a Draught. It gives prefent Eafe, and if repeated for fome Time, in a fhort Seafon cures.

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Numb. (8.)

Numb. (8.) An easte Medicine for Costiveness. See p. 35.

A Turpentine Clyfter thus made, is admirable to caufe Stools in a very great Coftivenes.

Take Strasburg-Turpentine an Ounce, Yolk of 1 or 2 Eggs; grind them well together, and put thereto a Pint of fat Mutton-Broth, and exhibit it Blood-warm.

Numb. (9.) A Remedy for Gripes and Fluxes. See p. 37.

A Moft excellent Remedy for Gripings, is a Tincture of Corn Poppy-flowers made with common Spirit of Wine : Of this you may give from a Spoonful to 2 Spoonfuls, in Spirit of Opium half an Ounce, mixt with Black Cherry-water 4 Ounces. This gives Eafe upon the Spot.

Numb. (10.) A Medicine for Redness of the Eyes. See p. 38.

IF the Redness be with a fierce hot Rheum, it is from Weakness of the Eyes; and then the only Remedy is to wash them twice or thrice

thrice a Day with Brandy. There is no Danger in it, nor will it fmart much.

Numb. (11.) An effectual Medicine for a Strain. See p. 41.

TAke Comfrey-Roots beating them to a Pulp half a Pound, Powder of Japan Earth 4 Ounces, Spirit of Wine a fufficient Quantity; mix and apply it to the Part.

Numb. (12.) For most Asthmatick Distempers. See p. 43.

TAke Juice of Hylop, choice Honey, of each 2 Pound : Mix, boil, fcum, and make a Syrup; of which let the Sick take 4 Spoonfuls or more, Morning, Noon and Night.

Numb. (13.) An experienced Medicine for an Erisipelas. See p. 47.

THE Blood of almost any living Creature is found by many Experiments to be a Specifick against an Erisipelus, being often anointed on the Affect, or Cloth dipt in the same being laid moist thereon. M 3 Numb. (14.)

Numb. (14.) A Remedy for the Whites in Women. See p. 48.

THE best of Remedies in this Case (after due Purging) is to give 2, 3, or 4 grains of Laudanum, and to inject 3, 4, or 6 Times: a day this Water.

Take Spring-water 2 Quarts, white Vitriol, Roch-Allom, of each 2 Ounces: Being in Powder, mix and diffolve. Let it fettle, and use only the clear.

Numb. (15.) A try'd Remedy for Corns. See p. 54.

T Ake Ammoniacum strained, Emplastrum Diapalma, of each an Ounce, Arcanum Corallinum half an Ounce, white Precipitate 2 Drams: Mix them well together, and apply it only over the Corn, being first cut as close as it conveniently can be.

Numb. (16.) A Medicine for Burns and stenching of Blood.

BUT for ftenching of Blood, there are but few Medicines which exceed the Colcothar of Vitriol, whether wash'd and freed from its Salt, or not wash'd : 'Tis but a common Thing, but will do more than a Thoufand much more ennobled.

Numb. (17:)

Numb. (17.) For a flight Redness of the Eyes. See p. 58.

O NE of the beft of Remedies against O Rednefs and Inflammation of the Eyes, is often to wash them with this Water. Take Frog-Spawn-water a Pint, common Spirit of Wine 4 Ounces; mix them : Wash herewith 5 or 6 Times a Day; and at Bed-time apply over the fore Eyes a Cataplasm of a rotten Apple.

Numb. (18.) For the Relaxation of the Uvula. See p. 59.

T HIS common Medicine is found very fuccefsful : The Throat being firft gargled with Claret-wine, in which a little Rock-Allum has been diffolved, as hot as it can well be endured; then anoint it with this. Take Honey 1 Ounce, Powder of Elecampane 2 Drams, Pepper in Powder half a Dram : Mix them, and apply it thrice a. Day with your Finger.

Numb. (19.)

58 Mr. Boyle's Receipts. Vol. III. Numb. (19.) A famous Eye-Water. See p. 61.

TAke Red Rofe-water a Quart, Aloes in fine Powder, half an Ounce; white Vitriol, Vitrum Antimonii, Crocus Metallorum, of each 6 Drams; mix and digeft warm a Month: Then use the clear Water 3 or 4 Times a Day, it has scarcely an Equal.

Numb. (20.) A Medicine to prevent Running of the Eyes. See p. 63.

TAke White-wine half a Pint, diffolve in it white Vitriol 2 Drams; filter or strain, and therein diffolve choice Honey 2 Ounces: With this fill the Eyes 2 or 3 Times a Day. It is good against most Distempers of the Eyes.

Numb. (21.)

Vol. III. Mr. Boyle's Receipts. 59 Numb. (21.) A Medicine for the Stone. See p. 64.

TAke Strasburgh-Turpentine 2 Ounces; grind it well with the Yolks of Eggs, and then mix herewith this following Syrup. Take Water a Pint and half, Sal Prunellæ an Ounce and half: Mix, and diffolve, and with Honey a Pound; boil it into a Syrup, which add to the former Mixture. Dofe 2 or 3 Spoonfuls Morning and Night.

Numb. (22.) A Medicine for Scorbutick Gums, and to fasten the Teeth. See p. 68.

There is nothing fastens the Teeth better than to wash them with this Mixture. Take Claret-wine a Pint, Roch-Allom half an Ounce; mix and disfolve, and then add thereto 6 Ounces of strong Tincture of Japan-Earth, made with common Brandy.

Numb. (23.)

Numb. (23.) For a Stroke, or Bruife in the Eye. See p. 70.

TAke Celandine-water 3 Ounces, Spirit of Saffron 1 Ounce, mix them, with which wash the Eyes several Times a Day; and if the Eyes be very fore, red or Bloodshot, after washing anoint them every Timewith a little pure Virgin-Honey.

Numb. (24.) An excellent Remedy to take off Films from the Eyes.

Ake Powder of Coral levigated one Ounce, Powder of Pearls levigated 3 Drams, Crabs-Eyes levigated 1 Dram, Virgin-Honey 2 Ounces; mix them, and anoint 4 or 5 Times a Day, but chiefly Morning and Night.

Numb. (25.)

Numb. (25.) A Remedy for the King's-Evil.

TAke Roots of Pile-wort a fufficient Quantity; bruife and boil them in Hogs Lard 'till they are crifp, after which prefs them hard out; and boil in the like Manner as many more fresh Roots, and prefs out again, doing it the third Time; then keep the Ointment for Use to anoint with Morning and Night.

Numb. (26) A Remedy for the Stone.

G Ive every Morning fafting, and every Night going to Bed, half a Dram of the Powder of Winter-Cherries in a Draught of Parfly, or Arfmart-water, or in a Glass of White-wine.

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